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## FARMERS' PICNIC HELD YESTERDAY

### One of Largest Picnics ever held at Experimental Station Representing Institutes from Lot 16 to Fredericton. Excellent Addresses and a Most Profitable Time.

A very large picnic was held yesterday at the Experimental Station, from Central, Lot 16, Belmont, St. Eleanor's, Miscouche, Summerside, Springfield, Graham's Road, Emerald and Fredericton, nearly four hundred persons being present. The number was very much greater than the railroad had anticipated and extra cars had to be added from the regular trains. The excursionists first crossed the Hillsboro Bridge and returned to the Experimental Station siding at 11.30.

Among the improvements noted this year was the extension to the picnic ground so that Superintendent Clark was able to seat all of his visitors at once. Immediately after dinner the Superintendent gave a brief outline of the organization and purposes of the experimental Station and of the work that is being carried on. The number of visitors being so great, when he started the usual tour about the farm, he arranged with Mr. Head, the gardener, to take those interested

in the gardens with him, explaining his work with fruits, vegetables and flowers, then to the poultry department where the poultryman, Mr. Hazard, spoke to those interested in poultry. The farm implements were discussed with and operated by the assistant, Mr. Hogan. When the pond was mentioned the great majority followed the Superintendent out to see the magnificent water lilies which are now in full bloom. After showing and explaining a number of the farm rotations, a group was left with Mr. Paul A. Murphy, Plant Pathologist at the Station, who discussed with them the plant diseases, the Superintendent going with the men interested in farm crops over the rest of the rotations and fields, taking up practical questions of crop production and the time until two o'clock in the afternoon. The excursionists then gathered in the grove and were addressed by Mr. Head.

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## PREMIER ASQUITH REVIEWS THE WHOLE WAR SITUATION

### Expresses Unbounded Confidence in Present Conditions. Eulogises Russian Achievements as the Greatest in Military Annals. Parliament Ajourned till September 14.

LONDON, July 29.—The war has become, and is likely to continue for some time a contest of endurance. Asquith told the Commons this afternoon while making a general review in moving the adjournment of Parliament from tomorrow until September 14.

The Premier remarked: "We should be ungrateful and insensitive indeed if we did not recognize at this moment the indescribably gallant efforts being made by our Russian Allies to stem the tide of invasion, and retain inviolate the integrity of their possessions. I don't think in the whole of military history there has been a more magnificent example of discipline, endurance and of both individual and collective initiative than has been shown by the Russian army in the last seven weeks. Our new Allies, the Italians, are steadily gaining ground making their way towards an objective which we believe in a very short time will be within their reach."

The Premier declared that the British Government's confidence in the results of the military operations was unshaken. He said that the British Government's confidence in the unity of both the French and British armies engaged in the Western field was unshaken. Referring to the fact that next week would see the centenary of the year of war, Mr. Asquith remarked that the world would never have seen a more marvellous transformation in this country, not in its spirit and heart, but in outward manifestations of its life, that had taken place here in those twelve months. The British fleet today was far stronger than Premier continued then in the beginning

of the war, and to its wit and all-powerful activity is due the fact that the seas are clear or substantially clear, for after all, said the Premier, this submarine menace, serious as it has appeared to be, is not going to inflict fatal or substantial injury on British trade. The seas are clear, we have our supplies of food and raw material upon which we and the rest of the country depend, floating upon us in the same abundance and with the same freedom and I may say without much exaggeration, judging from insurance rates, and other matters with the same immunity from serious hazards and risks as in times of peace.

Continuing the Premier said: "The Navy so far has been denied the grim and glorious fight, but it is through the unrelenting vigilance and skill with which it has been handed that this country today can laugh at the sea and the air, and that we are to an extent unknown to other belligerent powers, are immune from the dangers of war."

Glancing around the House the Prime Minister remarked: "This is a slight unknown to a hundred years, this aggregation of members equipped in Military garb, but there is not a family represented in the House and the House is typical of the whole country which has not given its hostages in sons of brothers."

Speaking of recruiting Premier Asquith said the "latest reports are among the best we have had for a long time." The Premier concluded with a note of caution to the country saying "do not let us suppose that our national duty is discharged either by sending an adequate influx of recruits to the

army or to various industries engaged in the fabrication of munitions. The duty has been cast upon this country not only of maintaining the freedom of the seas, not only of supplying large contingents of well equipped men for the battlefield and the trenches, but also of financing the war. We cannot do that if we continue to import and increase our indebtedness to other countries, and unless we maintain our great manufacturing industries, we are sure to be still less to backbiters who are disheartening our allies and encouraging our enemies." He said, "let us in this House and in the country at large with the same spirit of energy and determination, continue to persist and persevere to an inevitable triumph."

Sir Henry Dalziel, Liberal, moved and Sir Arthur B. Markham, Liberal, seconded an amendment that adjournment be only for four weeks. Sir Henry explained he did this because he was not satisfied with the situation in Flanders, where it had been understood there was to be a great advance during the spring and summer. In the Dardanelles too he wanted to know why such notice had been given the enemy by bombardment of part of the fleet without co-operation by land forces.

Sir Arthur Markham said the public had lost confidence in the war office, which proved miserably inefficient in its conduct of the war. Dalziel did not press the amendment, Premier Asquith's motion that Parliament be adjourned from July 29 until September 14, was carried.

## SIR ROBERT BORDEN HONORED IN LONDON

### Freedom of City Presented with Brilliant Ceremonies. In Acknowledging Honour Sir Robert Expressed His Confidence in Issue of War and Canada's Desire to Help Empire.

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, July 29.—The highest honor the municipality can give, the freedom of the city, was conferred by London to-day on Sir Robert Borden, Canadian Premier. The customary ceremonies took place at Guildhall, a downpour of rain sent thousands of persons who had gathered for the event hurrying for shelter. Premier Asquith, Hon. Law, Secretary of the Colonies, and other members of the Cabinet, attended. The City Chamberlain in presenting the freedom of the city, referred particularly to the splendid deeds accomplished by Canadians at the front. Mr. Borden expressed his deep appreciation of the honor accorded him. The action of the Canadian people, he declared, was due, not to its Government or its statesmen, but to the spirit of the Canadian people which will continue to preserve the institutions of the Empire and its influence for good throughout the world for all ages to come.

"I have no doubt as to this issue," he added, "for the resources of the British Empire are infinitely greater than those of Germany." Mr. Borden admitted the unpreparedness of the Empire but thought there was reason for congratulation in the splendid preparations that have been made since the outbreak of the war, not only in the British Islands but in the dominions over the seas.

"I wish to impress upon all within the British Isles, and those overseas dominions," he said, "that all our liberties and institutions; all the influence for good in the British Empire throughout the world hangs in the balance to-day, therefore we cannot, because we must not fail, I bring from Canada a message of unflinching determination." The freedom of the city was presented to Sir Robert in a richly chased gold casket.

## FIGHTING IN THE WESTERN THEATRE

(Special to The Guardian)  
LONDON, July 29.—An official communication of recent operations in France and Belgium issued to-night, says mining operations continued on both sides during the past few days with intermittent artillery engagements. There have been no infantry attacks. The enemy exploded three mines in the neighborhood of St. Etol, and one near Givenchy. Only one did damage and in that case the mine on the 26th north of Sewarton which destroyed twenty yards of the enemy's trenches. On the 26th one of our aeroplanes shot down a German machine which fell inside our lines in East Zillebeke.

(Special to The Guardian)  
PARIS, July 29.—The following official communication was issued by the War Office to-night:  
The day was quiet from the sea to the Vosges. Activity of artillery was more marked in the sector of Souchez around Arras and Soissons, and in Argonne at Maria Therese and before Fay-en-Haye. In Vosges, in Bando Sept we succeeded in occupying a new group of houses. In the section southwest of Launois, Saint Die and Thann were shelled. At Barrenkopf the Germans essayed to retake position of which we had become master but a very violent attack which delivered was repulsed. All of our gains have been maintained. A German battery which assisted in the attack was taken under our fire and destroyed.

## AMERICAN MARINES LAND IN HAITI

(Special to The Guardian)  
WASHINGTON, July 29.—American marines landed at Port-au-Prince, Haiti, last night and encountered resistance which was overcome without casualties among the sailors. The following message from Admiral Caperton was given out at the Navy Department late to-day. Landing forces established in the city. There was slight resistance during the early part of the night as the advance was being made. This resistance was easily overcome.

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\*\*The farewell meetings of Ensign and Mrs. F. G. White, who have laboured over two years in Charlottetown, takes place on Sunday, August 1st, in the Salvation Army Citadel. All are welcome. 7-30m21

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## WARSAW STILL STANDS BUT SITUATION IS CONSIDERED CRITICAL

(Special to The Guardian)  
LONDON, July 29.—"Although it is possible the present German drive may fail as attacks on Bolnow failed last January, the roar of guns and the arrival of wounded convinced the population of Warsaw that the situation is critical," said a correspondent of the Times in that city in a despatch filed Saturday. "The failure to hold the Russian lines should be discounted, although it should not be accepted on unconfirmed reports from the battle zone. Immediately north it is encouraging to know that heavy attacks by Germans are being broken and their losses are terrible."

(Special to The Guardian)  
LONDON, July 29.—(Probably censored)—The capture of Warsaw naturally would have made the occasion for great celebrations in Germany and it is reported that Emperor William has arranged to make a state entry into the city, accompanied by the empress. The empress has been on a visit to Marshall Von Hindenburg's headquarters at Allenstein, East Prussia, and left here yesterday in the crown princess Cecile for Neidenburg, which is across the Polish border. In the meantime fighting of the greatest intensity continues around the Polish triangle and as Berlin claims no important success, except the repulse of Russian attacks it is presumed the Russians are holding their own. There has been little happening here the usual bombardments and sapping and mining and bombing operations.

## BECKER TO BE EXECUTED TOMORROW FOR ROSENTHAL'S MURDER.

OSNING, July 28.—Charles Becker, in the death house at Sing Sing Prison, to-night received calmly the news that his appeal for a new trial had been denied. Deputy Warden Johnson told him of the failure of the appeal.

## TIDE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC

(Special to The Guardian.)  
TORONTO, July 30.—Maritime: Moderate south-west to west winds and a few local showers, but mostly fair and warm.

THE WEATHER.—Yesterday was delightfully bright and warm.

The tide will be high this afternoon at 1.16 and tomorrow at 2.03; it will be high tomorrow morning at 1.58 and Sunday at 2.30.

The sun sets this evening at 7.32 and tomorrow at 7.30; it rises tomorrow morning at 4.40 and Sunday at 4.41.

The moon rises tonight at 9.24. There was a full moon on Monday, July 26th at 8.11 a. m.

The last quarter of the moon will be on Monday, Aug. 2nd, at 5.27 p. m.

The length of today will be fourteen hours and fifty-three minutes.

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## WAR CONTRACTS ENQUIRY OPENS IN SUMMERSIDE

Sir Charles Davidson, who has been commissioned to enquire into war contracts, opened a session in the Court House, Summerside, yesterday afternoon. The Court consisted, in addition to the Commissioner, of Mr. John Thompson, counsel; Mr. Thomas P. Owens, clerk and official stenographer; Mr. John McKinley, assistant to Mr. Thompson; Mr. J. B. M. Clark, secretary to the Commissioner, and Mr. Ernest Harman, Court crier. Mr. Fraser, Auditor-General for the Dominion, was also in attendance and supervised the evidence which was given by cheques and vouchers were concerned. Detective Elrod W. Evans had charge of the other evidence.

The particular cases to be investigated in Summerside are the sale of horses to the Government. It is expected that the evidence will be all taken in Summerside, but if necessary a sitting will be held in Charlottetown. The witnesses called yesterday were Mr. W. H. McKie, manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Summerside; Dr. Adam Doyle, V.S., Moncton; and Mr. Douglas Gordon, agent for the Charlottetown Steam Navigation Co., at Summerside.

The tenor of the evidence yesterday was that Major Anderson, now at the front, of the 19th Battery of Heavy Artillery, Moncton, instructed Dr. Doyle, who is Surgeon-Captain attached to the Battery, to find out where horses could be got to bring up to strength a battery which had volunteered to the front. Dr. Doyle received a fee of \$1 per head for the first three horses he examined and 50 cents per head for each succeeding horse. He had no instructions to purchase horses and received no remuneration except his fee as veterinary. He examined altogether 249 horses, of which 195 were passed and for which he was paid \$126. Of these 195, 81 were passed and bought from Mr. W. D. McNeill, Summerside. Dr. Doyle explained that after Major Anderson had exhausted the horse supply in Moncton and vicinity he asked him where else he could obtain them. He (Dr. Doyle) replied that some horses might be obtained from Prince Edward Island. He had private business in the island shortly afterwards and said he would look out to see what could be obtained. He came to Summerside on the following Monday met Mr. McNeill, an old friend, and asked him whether he had any horses suitable for military purposes. Mr. McNeill said he had some heavy horses and he went and saw them and thought they were suitable. Subsequently he returned on August 23rd or thereabout with Major Anderson, who bought six horses from Mr. McNeill, passed by him. Their ages were from six to eight years, and they were all first-class horses. He did not fix the prices,

that was done by Major Anderson. They were these horses over with them, and next day Mr. McNeill brought over to Moncton forty horses, which were passed by him there. A week later he (Dr. Doyle) again visited Summerside and passed 54 horses shown by Mr. McNeill. After Mr. McKie had passed an hour again examined and passed 11 horses. This accounted for seventy horses, and Mr. Douglas Gordon submitted transportation contracts for the shipment of horses, which showed that six had been shipped on August 22, 10 on August 26, and 54 on August 31. This still left 11 horses unaccounted for, and Mr. Gordon said these shipping contracts may be in Charlottetown, and was instructed to get the necessary information for the Court to-day. Mr. William H. McKie's evidence went to show that \$18,429 had been paid into Mr. McNeill's account for the payment of military horses, averaging about \$227 each for the 81 horses. Dr. Doyle in his evidence said the heavy horses which he selected would be worth about \$225 to \$250 each. After Mr. McKie had given his evidence Dr. Doyle, V.S., was called and examined by Mr. Thompson. He said he was a graduate of Toronto and had been for fifteen years attached to the 19th Battery of Heavy Artillery, Moncton, under Major Anderson. Early in August, 1914, he was asked by Major Anderson to assist him in bringing a battery to full strength for overseas service. He did not volunteer himself for overseas service, but agreed to examine the horses that might be selected. For remuneration he was promised the regular pay of an officer of the rank of Captain, but when he sent in his claim to Halifax all they allowed him was the regulation fee of \$1 per head for the first three horses examined and 50c. per head for each succeeding horse. His remuneration amounted to \$126, representing 249 horses examined, of which 195 were passed. He kept a list of each man and the number of horses he passed, but kept no official record with the full description of the horses. Shows a copy of the official record, he said he had never been asked to keep one and had never had one sent to him from Halifax. The only thing supplied him from Halifax was the poster advertising for horses. Major Anderson made the purchases, he only examined the horses. Major Anderson kept a description of the purchases in an ordinary scribbled Major Anderson accompanied him and made the purchases. After they had exhausted the vicinity of Moncton, Major Anderson asked him if he knew any other place where they could get horses. Witness suggested they might get some in Prince Edward Island, and remarked that he was going there soon on private business.

Major Anderson told him to look around and enquire of anyone whom he thought could supply them. He got no expenses in connection with that business as he was on his own private business. He did not write to anyone, neither did Major Anderson, that he was visiting the island for horses for military purposes. He came to the island about Saturday, August 15, 1914. He was not told to see anyone in particular. He knew Mr. W. D. McNeill, who was in the livery and contracting business in Summerside. He had known him all his life. He arrived in Summerside on Saturday, and on Monday about noon he met Mr. McNeill on the street. It was purely by accident and not by arrangement. He told him that Major Anderson wanted to purchase horses. He told no other dealer. Mr. McNeill said he had some suitable horses and could buy others. He did not know another horse dealer in Summerside. He did not spread the news over the island, he just mentioned it to Mr. McNeill.

When did you intend to take the matter up with Mr. McNeill had you not accidentally run across him? I intended seeing him on Monday afternoon.

Then by the accidental meeting you anticipated your visit by just a few hours? Yes.

What did you intend to say to Mr. McNeill? I just wished to tell him that Major Anderson wished to purchase horses and to find out whether he had any to sell.

When you met Mr. McNeill were you the first to raise the question of your visit? I was the first to ask Mr. McNeill about horses, and told him Major Anderson would communicate with him. McNeill said he knew where he could get about 20 horses. They were draft horses he wanted for heavy artillery. Saddle horses weighed from 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., draft horses from 1,400 to 1,400, and artillery horses from 1,150 to 1,200 lbs.

About August 15, did you see Roy Sullivan and say anything about horses? No, not at that time.

Did you not tell him you were looking for horses for military purposes? No, not to my recollection.

On Tuesday he returned to Moncton and reported to Major Anderson that he had seen about 10 suitable horses. Major Anderson said they had better go over again and try and buy some. They came over about August 24. He did not write Mr. McNeill that they had returned to Moncton. Major Anderson had asked him about Charlottetown and he had replied that he did not know any of the horse dealers there.

Mr. Thompson—Being a native of Summerside, you are, of course, down on Charlottetown? No, not exactly, but I knew Mr. McNeill and thought

## SHIPS SUNK BY GERMAN SUBMARINES

(Special to The Guardian)  
LONDON, July 29.—The Swedish brig, Fortune, was torpedoed and sunk in the North Sea to-day by a German submarine, according to a despatch from Copenhagen to the Exchange Telegraph Co. The crew were saved. The Belgian steamer, Princess Marie Jose, 1,953 tons gross burden, was torpedoed and sunk to-day by a German submarine. Twenty members of a crew of 25 were saved.

## Splendid Meeting at Millview

A large and enthusiastic meeting was held last night under the auspices of the Red Cross Society of Millview. The recruiting officers, Major Leigh, Col. Peake and Lieut. Ritchie were present by invitation. Mr. A. A. McLean occupied the chair and after a few preliminary remarks introduced the various items on the programme, which consisted of the following: Song, Lieut. Robins; song, Lieut. Ritchie; address, Rev. G. C. Taylor; song, Mrs. W. J. McEachern; song, Bandsman Acorn; address, Major A. W. Weeks; song, Miss Marguerite McEachern; address, Rev. G. M. Fulton; duet, Lieut. Robins and Ritchie; reading, Milton Furber; song, Mrs. George McLeod; reading, Capt. D. E. Shaw; address, "An Appeal to Young Men," Col. Peake.

After this part of the programme had been disposed of, Past County Master James McPhee presented two dozen Lodge Collars to L. O. L. Corporation Lodge as the second prize for the largest attendance in the procession on July 12th. Remarks on this presentation were made by Rev. G. M. Fulton, who incidentally referred to the large percentage of Canadian Orangemen serving at the front, about 25,000 of all ranks in the Association, being now serving their king and country. After the National Anthem had been sung there was a sale of baskets, Mr. S. A. McDonald acting as auctioneer. There was spirited competition for the baskets, so spirited that it was found necessary to resell many of them, the record being six sales of one cake. The proceeds of the meeting was a most enjoyable one. Owing to the large attendance the proceedings took place in the open air, seats having been provided and the weather being delightful. A special train took a large number of visitors from Charlottetown and intermediate stations, returning to the city about 11.10.

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## RUSSIAN PRESS DOWN ON BULGARIA

(Special to The Guardian)  
PETROGRAD, July 29.—Condemnation by the Russian press is reported of the agreement between Turkey and Bulgaria. The Novoe Vremya warns Bulgaria that Russia is not likely to forget the former nation's indirect share in the defence of the Dardanelles.

## TWO WINNIPEG MEN WERE KILLED.

WINNIPEG, Man., July 27.—P. Galls and F. W. Bowles, both Winnipeg men, are dead as the result of injuries received when a police ambulance taking a patient to the general hospital and going at a high rate of speed dashed onto the sidewalk at the northwest corner of Sargent Avenue and Sherbrooke Street last night.

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