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RAILWAY OFFICIALS VISIT THE PROVINCE

Hon. Frank Cochrane, Minister of Railways, Mr. Gutelius, General Manager, Mr. J. K. McNeely, General Superintendent, General Traffic Manager Hayes, Master Car Builder, Smart, Chief Engineer Brown of Moncton, who arrived in Charlottetown on Friday night by the C. G. S. Stanley, left on Saturday morning by special train at 9.15 for Summerside. Accompanying them were Superintendent McEwen, Alex. A. McDonald, Divisional Freight Agent, Mr. W. T. Huggan, Divisional Passenger Agent, Mr. A. Scott, Resident Engineer, Mr. D. Nicholson, Mr. P. Mayor Brown, and Mr. James McIsaac.

readiness for the car-ferry to commence the service at the end of the present year. Questioned as to the widening of the railway both Mr. Cochrane and Mr. Gutelius stated that this would be proceeded with according to programme. Mr. Gutelius stated that he saw no insuperable difficulty in the standardizing of the railway so far as the course itself was concerned and he pointed out that they had been replacing the old ties with the standard gauge for sometime past. Having finished the inspection the party again boarded the Stanley which then proceeded to Cape Tormentine, where the officials from the mainland took the train for home. The Stanley then came direct to Charlottetown and this morning takes up the regular work between here and Picton while the car-ferry steamer also resumes work on the freight service between Charlottetown and Picton. His Worship Mayor Brown, who was a guest of the officials is deeply grateful to Mr. Gutelius and Mr. McNeely for the courtesy they extended. As the result of the Mayor's consultation with Mr. Gutelius the pleasing assurance was given that railway sewers will be placed to remove the surface water from Hillsboro, Weymouth, Prince, and Water Streets. The sewers will be extended through the Railway Yards in such a way that there will be no congestion of water at the places named. The work will be started in a short time.

SPLENDID VICTORY FOR BRITISH TROOPS

Advanced Along Front of 5,000 Yards Capturing Enemy Trenches and Prisoners. Repulsing all Counter-Attacks. Penetrated Enemy Positions to Depth of 500 Yards.

(Special to the Guardian) LONDON, Oct. 22.—Advancing on a line of 5,000 yards between Schwaben redoubt and Lesars on the Somme during the night the British troops have pushed their lines forward 300 to 500 yards, says an official statement from headquarters. The British captured Stuff and Regina trenches and took several hundred prisoners. Previous to the attack an attempted offensive on the part of the Germans was repulsed by the British. The statement follows: Early Saturday the enemy made an attack in large numbers on Schwaben redoubt. At all points, except two, he was repulsed with loss before reaching our trenches. At two points he penetrated our trenches but was immediately ejected therefrom, leaving five officers and 79 men prisoners, and a large number of dead in front of our

trenches. Subsequently we delivered a successful attack on a front of 5,000 yards between Schwaben redoubt and Lesars. We advanced our line from 300 to 500 yards and captured Stuff and redoubts. In the course of this fighting we took prisoners. During the day hostile artillery was active in the region south of Arras and around Guedecourt. Yesterday the weather was clear and much successful work was done by our aircraft. North of the Somme the day was marked by violent reactions on the part of German infantry which redoubled its attacks to drive us out of Sully Saillies. Three different times the Germans launched attacks after artillery preparations of extreme intensity. Our barrage and machine gun fires each time broke their attack and the enemy though submitting to sanguinary losses were unable

to reach our lines at any point. South of the Somme the Germans made desperate attempts against positions we had already won between Blaches and La Maisonnette. Fighting which commenced at 2 p. m. was particularly bitter in the region of Blaise Wood where the enemy used liquid fire. Although repulsed everywhere with heavy losses, the Germans gained a footing in some of our advanced trenches north of Blaise Wood. At about the same time our troops made a brilliant success in the region of Chaulnes. After lively artillery preparation our attack made us masters of the woods north of this locality from the western edge of the town to the Cross Roads. We took 250 prisoners. There was the usual cannonade on the remainder of the front which was more violent than usual on the right bank of the Meuse between Haudremont and Fleury.

SIR WILFRID SHOWS THE YELLOW STREAK

Trumps Up a Trivial Excuse for Refusing to Become Member of the National Service Parliamentary Committee in Issuing a Call to the Manhood of Canada.

OTTAWA, October 20.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier has refused to participate in the work of the National Service. His action means that the proposal of the conference of directors of National Service, for the information of a joint parliamentary committee of the directors and the manhood of Canada in support of the war, cannot be carried out. The proposal of the conference was communicated to Sir Wilfrid Laurier nearly a week ago. Sir Robert Borden in his letter announced his readiness to carry out the suggestion of the directors and invited the Liberal leader to name five members for the parliamentary committee of twelve. Sir Wilfrid Laurier's first reply to the Prime Minister's invitation was a request for a copy of the order-in-council establishing the National Service.

This was sent at once. It now forms a large portion of the letter in which Sir Wilfrid Laurier declines to support the movement. Laurier's reason is not clearly defined in his letter, but he bases his refusal to some extent upon the resignation of Sir Thomas Tait and suggests that this incident indicated a prospect of political interference in the work of the service. Sir Thomas Tait, it will be recalled, resigned as a result of the government's disinclination to approve the appointment as secretary of G. M. Murray, who had in a circular to the Canadian Manufacturers' association misrepresented the position of the government in regard to the purchase of supplies for troops overseas. The government withdrew their objection when Mr. Murray acknowledged his error.

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL ON SATURDAY

A special meeting of the city council was held on Saturday morning. In the absence of Mayor Brown Councilor McKenzie presided. All the councillors, with one exception, were present. Health officer Dr. McMillan submitted a report showing that within the last two months there have been seven cases of typhoid fever in the city and pointing out the need of absolute cleanliness in city premises to safeguard against this disease. A communication was read from Mr. John Quinn asking for the use of the city steam roller to haul a boiler from the wharf to the Charlottetown pumping station. After some discussion, Councilor Jenkins moved, seconded by Councilor Smith, "That the city engineer be permitted to loan the steam roller to John Quinn, provided he guarantees to pay for any damage sustained, and expenses." Carried. Moved by Councilor Miller, seconded by Councilor Ratray, "That the fire committee be authorized to look into the fire alarm system, and to take such action as is necessary to connect firemen with the system." Carried. Moved by Councilor Jenkins, seconded by Councilor McNeely, "That the bill of the Intercolonial Railway for \$5.74, short freight charges on chairs, be paid." Carried. Council adjourned.

ISLANDERS IN CASUALTY LIST

The casualty list issued at Ottawa, Saturday, gives the following Islanders killed in action: A. J. Dewar, Mounted Rifles, Montague; wounded: S. D. Nicholson, Infantry, Montague. A cable received in Picton on Wednesday brought the news that Rowland Beck had been killed on Oct. 7th. Rowland Beck was a young Englishman who had made Picton his home for a number of years and was fairly well known as a Pictonian. His widow, who has been with her husband's folks in England, since he went overseas, is a grand-daughter of Mr. Fred Cole, of Picton. Before the war Rowland was in the employ of J. W. Hogg, of the St. Julian's Hotel. He enlisted in a siege battery recruited in Prince Edward Island, on account of shortness of stature he had been rejected several times at Picton, but he was bound to do his bit for his country, and finally succeeded in getting past the examiners in Charlottetown. He left behind two young children. His widow has the deep sympathy of many Picton friends. —Picton Advertiser.

SERBIANS' GLORIOUS VICTORY IN BATTLE OF MONASTIR

After Preparatory Bombardment the Serbian Infantry Swept on with a Cheer Capturing Town of Broda and Later Taking Two Other Towns.

(Canadian Press Despatch) LONDON, Oct. 21.—The British press correspondent with the Serbian army gives the following description of Thursday's battle in the Monastir campaign: "The day's fighting began at eight o'clock in the morning. Artillery, infantry, and cavalry all played their parts with unusual faithfulness in the old traditions. Velveto was in Serbian hands by noon and although this was as much as the staff had hoped to attain by the whole operation, the Serbians kept on. The capture of Brod followed immediately and by the night the new Serbian line included Garliavom also with the cavalry still further in front. "At the beginning of the day's fighting every advantage rested with the Bulgarians. They held the higher line beyond the river with slopes so steep that they could roll rocks down on the attackers. There was a two-hour artillery preparation from eight to ten o'clock. Then suddenly a cheer went up and at ten the Serbian infantry began their advance. They could be recognized from a great distance as every man had a

big square white calico fastened to the back of his blue coat and the leading men carried white and red flags with which to mark the further point reached so that the artillery could see and avoid shelling them. "While the Serbian infantry advanced upon the crest, the Bulgarians rounded the crest, just beyond and soon little white flags were carried forward to that point. Their cheering broke out with redoubled force as far beyond the white flags the observers could see dark figures running fast downhill. They were Bulgarians in flight. "The Serbians are credited with a brilliant success, having, by the capture of Brod and Velveto, Thursday, gained a position behind the main Bulgarian front against which the Entente Allies made an unsuccessful attack in force last Saturday. The Serbian advance is regarded as of the greatest importance to the whole Entente programme against Monastir. The Serbians are still continuing the battle, which also had been taken up by

their allies. The latest despatch regarding the situation comes from Reuters' Athens correspondent, under date of Friday. It says: "There is desperate fighting in the Kenalia sector, where the Serbians are attacking along the entire line, supported by the French. The struggle went on all day yesterday, and has not yet been concluded. "The British press representative with the Serbian army, in a despatch dated Thursday: "The sudden thrust of the Serbians across the Cerna River, has driven the Bulgarians out of the villages of Brod, Dradilovo and Velveto, and the enemy is being chased by cavalry out of sight behind the hills. The Kanall line of entrenchments which are comparable to the trench of the western front in strength, and against which a determined frontal attack proved inadequate last week, are now, geographically speaking, turned. The Serbians on the Bulgarian left front are well behind the main alignment of the Bulgar front. To-day's offensive, in fact, surpassed the expectations even of the Serbians themselves."

Another Air Raid On Coast of England No Casualties

(Special to the Guardian) LONDON, Oct. 22.—The hostile aeroplane appeared over the southeast coast today and dropped four bombs in the vicinity of Sheerness. It is announced officially. No casualties are reported. The following official account of the attack was given out: "A hostile aeroplane approached Sheerness at 1.45 p. m., today, flying very high. Four bombs were dropped, three of which fell into the harbor. The fourth fell in the vicinity of the railway station and damaged several cars. British aeroplanes went up and the raider disappeared in a northeasterly direction. No casualties are reported."

THE SITUATION IN ROUMANIA

Germany Playing Her Last Card On Roumanian Front and the Game is Going Against Her.

(Special to the Guardian) PETROGRAD, Oct. 22.—The new offensive of Field Marshal Von Mackensen in Dobruja has caused Russian and Roumanian troops to retire slightly, it is reported today. On the Transylvania front the Roumanians have been forced back into Buzeu Valley. On the northern and northeastern Roumanian fronts, near the little town of Betkas, the Roumanians surrounded an enemy division occupying a small mountain ridge, the statement says. They took 500 prisoners and captured two machine guns and five machine guns. In the valley of the river Twotus successful fighting continues. There, 100 of the rank and file and one officer were taken prisoners and two machine guns captured. In the valley of the River Ulux the enemy were repulsed with losses. In the valley of the river Buzeu Roumanian troops under pressure of the enemy were compelled to retire. In Bran pass attacks by the enemy repulsed with great slaughter. In Dobruja the enemy launched attacks along the whole front, under pressure of which our troops and the Roumanians have slightly retired.

GENERAL VIEW OF WAR SITUATION

LONDON, Oct. 22.—In the face of continued violent attacks by the Teutonic Allies in Dobruja, from the Danube to the Black Sea, Roumanian and their Russian allies are still fighting back. The towns of Toprai Sari 14 miles southwest of Constanza, and Cotadin, 17 miles southeast of the Danube and the town of Rachova have been taken by the combined Austrian, German, Bulgarian and Turkish forces who are declared by Berlin to be in pursuit of their defeated antagonists. On the Transylvanian front, hard fighting continues in the mountain passes, but with results in doubt, owing to conflicting statements of Berlin, Petrograd, and Bucharest war offices. Petrograd says Roumanians have been forced back in Buzeu Valley; Bucharest, however, does not concede this, asserting that counter attacks by the Teutonic Allies here were repulsed at the point of

the bayonet. It is evident from the statements, despite their discrepancies as to results, that no change in positions have taken place anywhere along this front but that the Roumanians are fighting hard to hold back the would-be invaders of their country. The battle the past week on the Narayuvka river in Galida has resulted in an important victory for the Austrians according to Berlin. Here the Russians now only hold a small part of the front on the west bank of the river, following a general attack by the Teutonic allies between Svitinski and Skomovochy, in which the Russians were driven back suffering heavy casualties. Petrograd says, however, that the fighting along the river is still going on, and that the positions have changed hands several times. Twice during Sunday morning and afternoon, the Germans launched vio-

ent attacks against the newly won positions in Chaulnes Wood south of the Somme river in France. Both attacks were repulsed, the Germans suffering heavy losses, says Paris. Some of the attackers in the morning offensive gained a foothold in the French first line but were surrounded and 150 survivors made prisoners. Berlin, in admitting that in Saturday's fighting the British north of the Somme made gains, characterizes the British loss as "reckless sacrifice of human lives." Several trenches between Blaches and La Maisonnette, south of the Somme were captured, Saturday from the French, says Berlin. Despite bad weather on the Macedonian front slight additional progress has been made by the Entente Allies in the Cerna river regions. German troops are now adding their Bulgarian allies in the fighting at the bend of Cerna.

Serbian Offensive Proceeds Successfully

(Special to the Guardian) VODENA, Greece, Oct. 22.—The Serbian offensive is proceeding successfully. Serbians have captured four field guns, one trench mortar, seven machine guns, two Bulgarian officers 146 Bulgarian soldiers and 25 Germans.

Allied Fleet Bombards Bulgarian Defence

(Special to the Guardian) SALONIKI, Oct. 22.—Bulgarian defence at the north of the Struma river has been bombarded by an allied fleet.

Weather Hinders Italian Battle

(Special to the Guardian) ROME, Oct. 22.—Storms and heavy snow falls yesterday limited our operations in artillery fighting and small reconnaissances, says an official statement.

Austrian Premier Was Assassinated

(Special to the Guardian) LONDON, Oct. 22.—The Premier of Austria has been assassinated. Reuters' correspondent says Premier Karl Stuerghk was shot today by the publisher of a Vienna newspaper named Adler, according to a telegram received at Amsterdam.

THE WEATHER TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC

(Special to the Guardian) TORONTO, October 23.—Moderate north-westerly winds, fair, with much the same temperature. The highest temperature yesterday was 58 degrees. At 9 a. m. F. 1, at 9 p. m. 48; and the lowest temperature the previous night was 51 degrees.

HOLD THE G. T. R. RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FATALITY

Gate Keeper Asleep the Cause of the Detroit Crossing Accident Resulting in Loss of Ten Lives.

(Canadian Press) DETROIT, Michigan, Oct. 19.—A coroner's jury today held the Grand Trunk Railway Company responsible for the grade crossing accident on the night of October 1, which ten persons were killed and more than two score injured, cross-town street car, loaded with passengers, was struck by a freight train on the Forest Avenue crossing. The jury held that the railroad company was negligent in employing an incompetent gate keeper. The gate, which was in charge of Valentine Scabinski, were now lowered when the freight train approached, according to testimony given at the inquest. Employees of the street car company charged that Scabinski was asleep when the accident occurred.

ANOTHER ISLANDER MAKES THE SACRIFICE

Private Albert McEwen, Long Creek, Killed in the Battle of October 8th.

Another Prince Edward Islander has made the great sacrifice. This time it is Albert McEwen, son of Mrs. Duncan McEwen, Long Creek, who received on Saturday last an official announcement from the Record Office at Ottawa informing her that he had been killed in action on October 8th. The late Mr. McEwen had gone to Western Canada some five years ago and engaged in ranching there with his brother. Immediately on the outbreak of the war he enlisted with one of the Western Infantry battalions and proceeded to England and later to France. He had been in many of the heaviest battles but escaped unscathed till the fatal battle of October 8th in which so many Canadians fell. He was about 25 years of age, a man of fine physique and of splendid qualities of mind and heart and his death will be sincerely mourned by a large circle of friends. His widowed mother will have the heartfelt sympathy of all in the loss that she is sharing in common with so many mothers throughout Canada and the Empire, a loss glorified by the thought that it came in the path of loyal service and manly duty. The surviving brother and sisters are: Anson in the 105th Battalion, David at home, Herbert in the Canadian West, Dalziel in California; Miss Bertha at home and Miss Belle in the employ of Messrs. Moore and McLeod, this City. To the bereaved The Guardian extends deepest sympathy.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS DUE TO DOGS?

MONTREAL, Oct. 19.—Prize-winning dog from New York, which were exhibited at a dog show about three weeks ago, are supposed to have been the medium through which started infantile paralysis in Westmount, where three or four deaths have occurred from the disease. On this basis, Westmount officials are acting, and orders were issued in that municipality that every cat and dog belonging to any family that has been affected with infantile paralysis must be destroyed forthwith. All the Westmount schools have been closed and Dr. S. Bouché, medical health officer of Montreal, will issue a circular tomorrow, advising all school commissions in Greater Montreal, Protestant and Catholic, not to allow anybody from Westmount to visit the schools, nor permit any Westmount children to attend.

CONDENSED ADS TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

ONE CENT per word each insertion for advertising in this column. Cost must accompany orders. Minimum charges 25 cents. SAUNSON SAUSAGES MADE fresh every day from selected young pork. Saunders, Newsoms & Co., Market-Building. 2218-9-25Mimos. POULTRY—I AM BUYING FOWLS and chickens each week-day. Parties having fowl to kill may dress them by scalding, but chickens, geese, etc., must be dry plucked. J. D. Jenkins. 2407-10-4Mimo. WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT. Apply Mrs. J. N. Rattabury, 11 Pownall St. 2694-10-23M34. PUBLIC CAB SERVICE—FRANK E. Martin, Phone 86 or 345-J. 2594-10-11M1. WANTED SIX GOOD COWS FRESH or due to freshen soon. Calvin W. Wood, Southport. 2687-10-23M3pd. WANTED—A THOUSAND FARMERS and their wives to attend the merchants' big "Dollar Day" event in Charlottetown on Thursday, 26th, your chance. 2671-10-21M1. TO LET—ROOMS SPLENDIDLY located, modern conveniences, reasonable rent. Apply here. 2691-10-23M3pd. HOUSE TO LET, CORNER OF WEYMOUTH and Richmond Streets, Night rooms, modern conveniences. Geo. W. Gardner, 222 Craffton St. 10-12 ff. FOR SALE—FIFTY ACRE FARM, with new home and outbuildings, handy school, stores, and sea man's bay. Ten acres of valuable hard and soft woods thereon. Apply to 14, Chestnut St., City. 9-1-1M1ff. Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

NEARLY EVEN MONEY ON PRESIDENTIAL RESULT

(Canadian Press) NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Odds against President Wilson shortened still more in election betting yesterday. After \$25,000 had been wagered on Hughes on the New York Curb at odds ranging from 100 to 7 to 10 to \$20,000 was being offered at even money. Fred Schurman, of Brooklyn, voted 10 to 9 on Hughes, and said that Wilson's money was holding out for 10 to 8. Schurman quipped he odds of 9 to 1 that Hughes would carry New York State, 7 to 5 on Whitman, and 8 to 5 on Calder.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCEMENTS MEETINGS ETC

ONE CENT per word each insertion for advertising in this column. Cost must accompany orders. Minimum charges 25 cents. \*\*The Marshfield Farmer's Institute will meet on Saturday evening, Oct. 28th at 7.30 p. m. 2692-10-23M11. \*\*THE RED CROSS SOCIETY of Mount Stewart will have a supper on Oct. 26th, in the Forrester's Hall. Sale of ice cream and candy. All come. 2690-10-23M11. \*\*The annual meeting of the New Haven Fox Co. Ltd., will be held in the Y. M. C. A., Rooms Charlottetown at 8 o'clock p. m. Thursday October 26th, 1916. S. H. Colwill, President. 26-10-21M31. Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.