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SPLENDID CONCERT BY SCHOOL PUPILS

One of The most Enjoyable Affairs of the Kind Ever held in the City Was the Verdict of Throng Who Attended.

A striking example of what a galaxy of talent is to be found among the young people of Charlottetown, was afforded last evening, when the pupils of the City Schools combined forces and put on one of the very best entertainments held here for some time.

THE GERMAN PLOT INCLUDED INDIA

Congress Bill Passed Almost Unanimously, and Senate Informed that Germany's Mexican Plot Authentic. Senate will Try to Substitute President's Bill for Congress Alternative.

(Special to The Guardian.) NEW YORK, March 2—A Herald despatch from Washington says: "Continuing the exposure of German intrigues in United States to foment warfare and embroil United States with foreign governments. The Herald received information from official sources today of revolutionary plots and expeditions attempted by German officials and agents in this country against India. The British Government has executed the death sentence against, at least, ten of conspirators from the United States.

END OF WAR NEXT YEAR

But German Retirement Merely Military Expedient to Strengthen Their Line.

(Special to The Guardian.) LONDON, March 2—The war may last only another winter as far as purely military factors are concerned, according to a statement by General Frederick B. Maurice, director of military operations for the Imperial Staff, in an interview given to the Associated Press. Indications of what has been asserted, said General Maurice, is that the Germans are withdrawing at some places along the front because of a desire to force open fighting. This movement is forced upon them. They do not like any more than we did when, after the second battle of Ypres, we had to retire, a short distance to straighten our lines. You may be sure no army likes to retire, and therefore it is certain that the Germans will make a determined effort to restore their lost position. We are now merely gathering the fruit of our winter operations, result of which is that from Arras to Amiens salient decidedly dangerous to German positions has been established.

VICTORIOUS BRITISH CLEARING UP TURK

In Mesopotamia the British Drive has Made the Turks Retreat Leaving Prisoners and Booty in their Hands.

(Special to The Guardian.) LONDON, March 2—The Turks are continuing to retreat before the victorious British on the Tigris front. Official announcement was made here today that the retreating Turks on Tuesday evening passed through Aziziyah, 52 miles north of Kue-el-Amari. More than 7,000 prisoners have been taken since December. Statement issued by official press bureau says: "Wednesday's report of officer commanding in Mesopotamia gives following: Pursuit of retreating enemy still continues and the Turks in great confusion passed through Aziziyah on the evening of Tuesday. Clearing of the battlefield is being systematically carried out but as fresh booty is being brought in from hour to hour it will be some days before a complete list of our captures can be compiled. Since February 23, approximate figures are: Prisoners, 4,300, making a total of over 7,000 since commencement of operations last December; guns 28, trench mortars 19, machine guns, 11, H. M. S. Firely captured, Turkish ships 3, tugs 2, barges 10, and pontoons 30.

NATIONAL SERVICE

What Has Been and What Will Be Done. Interview With Hon. John A. Macdonald, Director for the Province.

A representative of the Guardian had an interesting interview with Hon. John A. Macdonald, Director of National Service, on the recent conference of the Directors at Ottawa and the work which the Directors have in view. Mr. Macdonald spoke as follows: "All the Directors for Canada were present at the Conference at Ottawa, which lasted three days. Many matters of interest and importance were considered, and in conjunction with the different Departments of the Government a program of very wide range was mapped out for attention by the Board.

THE MILITIA ACT.

A resolution was passed urging the Government to consider the advisability of making effective the provisions of the Canadian Militia Act. While National Service is not specially charged with responsibility for recruiting—that service being directly in charge of the militia department—it is their duty to assist recruiting officers in every possible way. The calling up of any army for home defence under a Militia Act would not only be a precautionary step for the future or purpose of the inventory, and consequently refused or neglected to make the return; while in other cases the lack of a complete organization was responsible for the failure. Having in mind all these considerations the board deemed it advisable to extend the time for making the return to March 31st, by which time it is hoped to have the enrollment complete. The question of imposing penalties in order to compel those in arrears to respond was discussed, but all the directors felt that as all misunderstandings regarding the cards are now removed a further appeal should be made for voluntary return before resorting to any drastic measures.

SHORTAGE IN THE WEST.

"The Directors from Western Canada urged upon the board the necessity of providing additional farm labor for their territory. Owing to heavy enlistment they estimate a shortage of 15,000 men for seeding operations this Spring. Consequently all those who are asked to volunteer for service to the state by assisting to increase food production in Canada. In doing this it is recognized that their importance is second only to that of the soldier at the front.

AFTER THE WAR.

"The question of demobilization was fully discussed, and the board has undertaken to formulate plans for the absorption of our overseas forces into civil life on their return to Canada. This work will of course be carried on in conjunction with existing organizations such as the Provincial Returned Soldiers Commissions, etc., and the work of all co-ordinated and systematized to the greatest effect through the National Service directors. In this connection it is proposed to obtain by means of cards filled out by all soldiers, detailed information bearing on the class of work they are best fitted to undertake. When this information is secured and classified the necessary organization will be created to provide suitable occupations for the men as they are returned and demobilized. The magnitude of this work can scarcely be conceived at the present time.

NATIONAL SERVICE LEAGUE.

"It was decided that each director should at once undertake the duty of organizing his district so that the National Service board may at all times be in close touch with local conditions. For this purpose National

RUSSIANS ACTIVE ON ALL FRONTS

(Special to The Guardian.) PETROGRAD, March 2—The Russian official statement issued today reads: "Western Russian front scouting reconnaissances and reciprocal fighting proceeding. Roumanian front high road, fighting continues. German counter-attacks against Roumanian detachments which had occupied heights near the village of Rekoz north of River Cavaland and obliged them to withdraw. North of River Rionik our scouts annihilated enemy field posts, capturing 236 prisoners and two machine guns.

WIRELESS DEVICE TO WRECK SUBS

(Special to The Guardian.) PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 2—Theodore Elchoz, a young engineer and architect of this city, has invented a wireless device that may be used to destroy submarines by causing explosion of gases that are always present in submarines. For several years the inventor was connected with the United States corps of engineers. Mr. Elchoz stated that a few days ago a small experimental apparatus in his home on Neville island sunk a small dummy submarine in the river five miles away. The destroyed model was built of steel and had been submerged to a depth of ten feet. All submarines while under water are propelled by electric steerable batteries which throw off gas that pervades the hull. This gas, Elchoz says, he detonates by wireless current and destruction follows. The apparatus will be submitted to the Government at once.

THREE MEMBERS OF 105TH WOUNDED

Mrs. John A. McLeod, Upper Hillsborough Street, received a telegram yesterday announcing that her husband, Private John A. McLeod of the Thirtieth Battalion, had been wounded in the right shoulder. Private McLeod left here with the 105th Battalion and was one of the men to cross to France with the first draft from that regiment, being drafted into the Thirtieth. He is a son-in-law of Mr. Roderick Matheson, of the P. E. I. R., Charlottetown, and belongs to High Bank.

OCEAN LIMITED SUSPENDED

(Special to The Guardian.) MONCTON, March 2—Commencing on Monday March 5th, Ocean Limited will be withdrawn and some local trains elsewhere.

SUPREME COURT AT GEORGETOWN

Yesterday was a short day at the Supreme Court Georgetown. Two jury cases which were to have come up for trial, were tried at the last moment. The case Beck Bros. vs. Barnes, an appeal from the county court was called, but owing to the fact that the complete record of the judgment and all the papers connected with the matter had not been sent in, His Lordship Justice Hazard deferred the case till the July term of the court in King's County. Mr. D. A. McKinnon represented appellant Dr. Barnes, while Mr. Donald McKinnon of McLean & McKinnon appeared for the respondent. The court was adjourned sine die.

THE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, March 3—Westerly winds, cold. The highest temperature recorded yesterday was 28 degrees above at 10 a. m. it was 16 above; at 9 p. m. 14 above. The coldest the previous night was 26 above. The tide will be high this morning at 7.04, tomorrow at 8.08 and Monday at 9.05; it will be high this afternoon at 5.56, tomorrow at 7.07 and Monday at 8.11. The sun sets this afternoon at 6.07, tomorrow at 6.09 and Monday at 6.10. It rises tomorrow morning at 6.51, Monday at 6.49 and Tuesday at 6.47. The moon sets tomorrow morning at 4.46 and Monday at 5.12. The first quarter of the moon was on Wednesday, Feb. 28th at 11.44 a. m. The moon will be full on Tuesday, March 6th at 4.58 p. m. The length of today will be eleven hours and thirteen minutes and of tomorrow eleven hours and sixteen minutes.

AMERICAN SHIPPING AND MAILS

(Special to The Guardian.) NEW YORK, March 2—To remedy in a measure present chaotic condition of mail service between the United States and Europe, the merchants' association of New York has suggested to the Postmaster General that foreign mail be forwarded in units duly registered so that the sender may know in what mail his letter has been placed and if the unit is lost will be certain as to the fate of his mail.

SWISS SUFFER FROM EMBARGO

(Special to The Guardian.) COPENHAGEN, March 2—American who have reached Copenhagen say that the German raider is Puchme, commanded by Lieut. Berg.

FRENCH SUCCESS IN WEST

PARIS, March 2—Two German raids occurring simultaneously last night on the front west of Sosaone were broken up by French fire with losses to German War Office, announced today. German trench near Vanquois in Argonne was raided and prisoners taken.

FISH AND GAME PROTECTION MEETING

Matters of Importance Discussed at Meeting of the P.E.I. Fish and Game Association.

A largely attended meeting of the Fish and Game Association was held in the City Hall last night. President Morrison in the Chair. Several cases of illegal fishing of trout were reported, particulars of which were handed the Association's Attorney, with instructions to prosecute. Reports that pump guns are being used will also be investigated. The matter of taking of large quantities of smelts from the creeks, during the spawning season, to be used as fertilizer was discussed by Messrs. J. O. Hyndman, Jas. Paton, Isaac Carter, and J. E. Bell. This matter will be brought to the attention of the proper authorities. A committee consisting of Messrs. J. A. McLaren, J. S. Morris and A. W. Hyndman was named to make arrangements for the appointment of an inspector.

CONDENSED ADS. TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

WANTED—Two GIRLS FOR KITCHEN. Apply to Revue Hotel. 4549-2-24M.C. SAUNSONE SAUSAGES MADE fresh every day from selected young pork. Saunders, Newbome & Co., Market Building. LOST—HAND BAG CONTAINING money, between Market House and E. H. MacEachern's shoe store. Finder please leave at 171 Water Street, Reward. 4635-3-3MEIpd BARBER WANTED—MUST BE A good workman. Pay \$14.00 per week. Steady job. Address Neil O'Brien Box 143 Newcastle N. B. 4631-3-3M4Ipd. FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN A PRO-ectograph check writer (almost new), also a New Era Check protector. Apply at Guardian Office. 4078-MIL. WILL THE LADY WHO GOT TWO skates for the left foot at the Arena, Thursday, February 22nd, please call at the checking office. 4634-3-3MEIpd. Minard's Liniment Cures Colic &c.

VIOLENT ACTION ON ITALIAN FRONT

(Special to The Guardian.) ROME, March 2—Violent artillery fighting east of Gorizia, is reported by the War Office today. There was considerable artillery action yesterday, says the statement. It was especially violent in the area east of Gorizia. Our batteries replied vigorously. In the evening, one of our detachments suddenly raided enemy lines near Tivoli and destroyed a small part of them. Enemy aeroplanes dropped bombs on Gorizia and in Valence. No damage was done. Our airplanes successfully bombed enemy's lines of communication.

REFERENDUM WANTED FOR PROHIBITION

(Special to The Guardian.) WINNIPEG, March 2—Temperance leaders announce that a meeting of the Dominion Prohibition Committee will be held in Toronto, March 8th, to decide on procedure for determining effort to secure Dominion wide prohibition. Western prohibition advocates are said to believe that prohibition should be preceded by referendum.

SPAIN AND U. S.

(Special to The Guardian.) PARIS, March 2—A despatch to the Herald from Madrid, says it is stated in diplomatic circles in Spain that James W. Gerard, former American Ambassador, at Berlin, who is now on his way to the United States carried with him a message from King Alfonso to President Wilson.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT AT MONCTON

(Special to The Guardian.) MONCTON, March 2—A serious accident occurred today in the inter-colonial yard here when Robert White, brakeman, was severely jammed and injured when the hopper on which he was riding jumped rails and crushed him against a freight car, standing on the siding.

Minard's Liniment Cures Toothache.



KAISER BILL:—Sorry, Uncle Sam, but you may hold me to "strict accountability" for this—after the WAR. UNCLE SAM:—Oh, that Wilson would adopt Sand's motto.—NEMO IMPUNE LACESSIT!