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"Welcome to the Boys Who Went Over the Top"

TROUBLE FEARED IN BERLIN CITY

BRITISH AND AMERICAN OFFICERS ORDERED TO WEAR CIVILIAN CLOTHING.

Action Taken Lest the Populace be Incited to Demonstrations

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, May 17.—British and American officers in Berlin have been ordered to wear civilian clothing; out doors lest they incite the population to demonstrations, according to a despatch from the German capital to the Exchange Telegraph Company under date of Thursday. American couriers in uniform have mostly been forced to remain in the Hotel Adlon, and there is a general feeling in the hotel that there will be trouble within the next few days.

AFGHAN REVOLT RECEIVES A BLOW

IMPORTANT TOWN OF DAKKA IS CAPTURED BY GENERAL BARRETT.

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, May 17.—It is learned that General Barrett's troops occupied Dakkafort in Afghanistan, on May 13. This is a most important operation, and is regarded as a most serious blow to the Afghans. It has definitely stopped the menace to Lundketal and is militarily regarded as showing that the movement will fizzle out. Dakka is situated on a very important point on the Kabul River, where the road leaves the stream. Its loss will greatly damage Afghan prestige.

Winnipeg Isolated From Outside World By General Strike

(Special to The Guardian)

WINNIPEG, Man., May 17.—Commercial and press telegraphers employed by the Canadian Pacific, Great Northwestern, Grand Trunk Pacific, and telegraphers in the employ of the Canadian Press Limited, and of all brokerage firms in Winnipeg, at a meeting this evening voted in favor of a sympathetic strike to take effect at 12 o'clock noon Saturday, the 17th, thus isolating Winnipeg from the outside world.

Canada Troops To Tour England

LONDON, May 17.—The tour of Canadian troops round the provincial cities has now been arranged. Twenty-six officers, 25 pipers, 40 bandsmen and 400 men, mostly of the Fourth Division, will form the party. They will visit Leeds, Newcastle, Glasgow, Manchester, Liverpool, Wolverhampton and Bristol.

CONDENSED SPECIALS

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Germans Send Another Note

(Special to The Guardian)
PARIS, May 17.—The Germans have in preparation a new note on the Saar Valley question, the first having been only a criticism, whereas this will contain a counter-proposal.

The Allies' reply to the German note regarding prisoners of war was withheld at the last minute for alteration and has not yet been forwarded.

Wires Were Busy

(Special to The Guardian)
WINNIPEG, May 18.—Two hours before the telegraphers were to go on strike, commercial wires were burdened with messages from local citizens to relatives and friends which outlined plans for a journey out of the city. Railway traffic out of Winnipeg is heavier than usual.

Premier Borden Asked To Return to Europe

(Special to The Guardian.)

PARIS, May 17.—If the peace treaty is not signed before the Canadian parliamentary session for which Premier Borden is returning, ends, it is understood the Premier plans to return and be present for the historic event. Lloyd-George is anxious to have him here before the terms are absolutely settled by the signatures. Since the announcement of his departure Premier Borden has received many messages deploring the necessity for his return to Canada, and urging him not to leave unless it is absolutely imperative. Undoubtedly the Canadian Premier has created a great impression in Paris, and has left a distinct mark on the work of the conference.

Tour of Canadians Has Been Cancelled

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, May 18.—Reuter's learns that owing to the unexpected speeding up of transport arrangements for returning Canadian troops, and the natural desire of the troops to return as quickly as possible with their own units, the proposed tour of Leeds, Newcastle, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Manchester has been regretfully cancelled. The Canadian soldiers have asked that their appreciation of the invitation be expressed to the cities concerned.

Industry Reviving in France

(Special to The Guardian)

LONGWY, France, May 18.—Louis Loucheur, Minister of Reconstruction, today relit the blast furnace in the Senelle Factory at Maubeuge, the first to be re-opened in liberated territory in Northern France. Albert F. Le-Burn, Minister of Blockade and Invalued Regions, and many men prominent in industrial life in France, were present.

German Captain Arrested

(Special to The Guardian.)

COBLENZ, May 18.—A former captain in the German army was arrested today on the charge of having in his possession property taken from France during the war. The German was turned over to the French military authorities, who propose to try him in a French civil court on a charge of common robbery. It was the first arrest of this character in this area of occupation.

British Fleet Ready

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, May 18.—A British fleet is anchored outside of Memel, East Prussia, close to the Russian frontier and the British are expected to occupy the place in a few days, according to a Copenhagen despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company quoting Berlin advices.

Exchange of Credentials

PARIS, May 18.—The exchange of credentials between the Austrian peace delegation and the representatives of the Allied and associated powers will take place on Monday next, the function is set for 3.30 p.m.

THREE DAYS TO CELEBRATE PEACE

DECLARATION OF PEACE TO BE CELEBRATED ON AUG. 3, 4, 5, IF TERMS SIGNED.

Dates Arranged Around the Anniversary of the Declaration of War.

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, May 17.—It is understood that it has been decided, should the peace treaty be duly signed, to hold a national peace celebration on Aug. 3, 4 and 5. Sunday, August 3, will be devoted to religious services of thanksgiving. The Bank holiday is the fifth anniversary of the declaration of war by Great Britain against Germany.

Another consideration which has doubtless weighed with the British government in selecting the dates mentioned is that they cover a period generally devoted to holiday making and consequently there will be a minimum dislocation of public business.

Arrival of the Olympic

(Special to The Guardian.)

HALIFAX, May 17.—The Olympic docked at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon with the fifth brigade, second division, Canadian expeditionary force, including the 22nd, 24th, 25th and 26th Battalions. The steamer also brought the 29th Battalion of the sixth brigade, and a host of smaller units, and details, including the 5th Battalion, Canadian Engineers, the 5th Field Ambulance, No. 2 Hospital, the 1st Canadian Army Auxiliary Horse, the 1st and 2nd Divisional Ammunition Columns and 159 men of the Royal North West Mounted Police.

Among the distinguished military passengers on board were Brigadier-Generals Tremblar and Embury. The civilian passenger list included the Duchess of Devonshire and Lady D. Cavendish, P. A. Franklin, President of the International Mercantile Marine and Frank Vanderlip, of New York.

A Pleasant Trip.

The voyage was described by one of the returning officers as an unusually pleasant one. Things were smooth outside as well as in. Old Neptune being particularly propitious and Bacchus being on strike, left the ship "dry." The men were delighted with the comfortable quarters, while the food pleased them greatly. Throughout the trip the discipline of all ranks was splendid. Concerts were provided nightly in various parts of the ship, while a cinema show ran to capacity houses in the specially prepared theatre. The program was continuous from 9 a.m. to 9.30 p.m. Musical instincts were awakened by the numerous band concerts on deck, and the Scotch blood aroused by the pipers who frequently played and marched the decks. The health of the troops throughout was splendid. "Robert the Bruce", mascot of the 25th, was master of the deck.

Good weather was encountered until approaching the Canadian coast, when heavy fog was run into, delaying the ship slightly. Finally the banks lifted and shortly after three large icebergs were passed. The trip to Halifax was a most pleasant one. The troops were anxious to set foot on Canadian soil again and the "Olympic" was eager to get them there.

Another Note From German Delegates

(Special to The Guardian)

PARIS, May 17.—It became known yesterday that the German peace delegation was preparing to send another note to the Allied and associated powers concerning the peace treaty. The note, which has not been completed, is believed to be in relation to Alsace and Lorraine.

Canada Docks With Troops

MONTREAL, May 17.—The White Star liner Canada, carrying 1200 imperial soldiers, docked this morning. The men reside in all parts of Canada.

General Strike In Suez Canal

(Special to The Guardian)
SUZ, May 17.—The general strike on the Suez Canal continues, but steamer service through the waterway has not been interrupted. The strike affects only the Isthmus employees. The employees in the canal services are remaining at their posts.

Austrian Peace Price

(Special to The Guardian)

PARIS, May 18.—The indemnity clause of the Austrian peace treaty provides for a payment of one-twentieth as large as that demanded from Germany. The sum asked for is 5,000,000,000 gold marks without bond. It has been requested by the Italians that the Austrian treaty provide for the return to Rome of the many priceless art treasures taken by Austria as booty in previous wars.

American Seaplane Reached Azores Safely

(Special to The Guardian.)

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The navy seaplane N. C. 4 has arrived at Ponta Island, off Fayal, Azores. The official despatch to the navy department said: "The N. C. 4 arrived at Ponta Island of Fayal, Azores at 12.20." (9.20 a.m. Washington time.) The N. C. W. left Trespassey, N.H., at 6.07 p.m. yesterday, which would make her time 15 hours and 13 minutes for the 1200 miles flight to Ponta. The American flyers are not eligible for the Daily Mail Prize of \$50,000, as they are doing the flying for a government. The prize is limited to individual efforts.

Italy Relinquishes Claims to Islands

(Special to The Guardian)

PARIS, May 17.—Italy has relinquished her claims to the Dodocane Islands, off the Asia Minor Coast in favor of Greece. This ends one of the most acute controversies before the peace conference. Premier Orlando, Count Macchi Delleire, Italian Ambassador to the United States, and Colonel House, of the American peace mission, continued today their conferences looking toward a settlement of the Adriatic question. It was stated that the outlook was hopeful, but it was the opinion in official circles that every optimist at present should be discouraged.

Allied Naval Force Land at Smyrna

(Special to The Guardian)

PARIS, May 18.—Allied naval forces were landed at Smyrna on Wednesday, it developed in advices received today from the Near East, where military moves are being made in anticipation of the making of peace with Turkey. All the forts and strategic points of Smyrna were taken possession of by nightfall. The movement was directed by the peace conference as a precautionary measure for the maintenance of order.

No Modification Of the Treaty

(Special to The Guardian)

LONDON, May 18.—Speaking at the Primrose League today, Earl Curzon, of Kedleston, Government Leader in the House of Lords, said, that if Germany refused to sign the treaty of Peace the Allies were not unprepared for every emergency. No substantial modification of the treaty will be permitted, he added.

THE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, May 19.—Unsettled. The tide will be high this afternoon at 12.41, and tomorrow at 1.19; it will be high tomorrow morning at 2.35, and Wednesday at 3.21. The sun sets this evening at 7.39, and tomorrow at 7.40; it rises tomorrow morning at 4.48 and Wednesday at 4.47. Full moon Wednesday, May 14, at 8.01 a.m. First quarter moon Thursday, May 22, at 5.04 a.m.

ROUSING RECEPTION OF MEN OF THE ORIGINAL 105TH

Less Than 200 Sons of the Province Now Remain Overseas.

A glad welcome home to the gallant boys of the glorious 25th and 26th Battalions.

It was with joy that friends and parents of the brave sons of Prince Edward Island of these units, learned yesterday that arrangements had been made by which it was possible to have them arrive in Charlottetown on Sunday evening.

A special train left Charlottetown for Summerside at 1.30. To prevent crowding on the return from Summerside only the representatives of the Y. M. C. A., the Knights of Columbus, the G. W. V. A., and Premier Arsenault, Mr. James Paton, M.L.A., representatives of the Examiner, Patriot and Guardian, and a few others were taken on board.

The run to Summerside was made in quick time, but the Northumberland, with the troops on board, did not arrive till about 7 o'clock.

Citizens of Summerside were well prepared for their arrival, practically the whole town being at the pier. As the steamer was being docked the Summerside Band played a number of patriotic selections, and the crowd cheered itself hoarse.

When the boys had disembarked, Mayor Morrison extended them a hearty welcome on behalf of the citizens, while a number of young ladies handed each soldier a package containing oranges, bananas, chocolates and cigarettes. As quickly as the boys could be disentangled from the welcoming arms and hands extended to them they entrained and started for Charlottetown, where they arrived about 9.40.

Before leaving Summerside Premier Arsenault visited each car, giving an address of a few words of hearty welcome in each, which the boys received with cheers and applause.

They were a happy crowd, all the weariness of war and of travel being forgotten in the joyous thought that they were home.

The men of the 26th were under charge of Lieut. Charles Thompson, M.C., of the original 105th, of whose kind attention during the voyage home they all spoke in the highest terms. Lieut. Irvine McLaren, M.C., had charge of the 25th and the boys are loud in their praise of his attention and kindness also.

The voyage across the Atlantic they describe as a picnic, beginning with a rousing send-off at Southampton and ending in a welcome home, begun in Halifax, continued most warmly and enthusiastically in St. John and ending in the real thing when they landed in their home province.

There are still about 150 Prince Edward Islanders overseas attached to the Fourth Division, besides a few men attached to different auxiliary units. They are all in England and are expected home shortly. The men of the Fourth Division will return with the 85th Highlanders of Nova Scotia, probably within two weeks.

They were enthusiastically greeted upon the arrival of the special train from Summerside, which arrived about 9.40. An immense throng gathered at the station and the members of these fighting units were made to feel that they had at last, after their years of strenuous fighting and weary life in the trenches reached "Home Sweet Home."

Three bands turned out to welcome the heroes—the G. W. V. A., the 4th Regiment and the League of the Cross. The members of the Fire Brigade in uniform also took part in the welcome—one of the home-comingers, Reginald McMillan, being a fireman.

The men were taken to the Market House where they were received with speeches of welcome and given a most cordial reception also by the Ladies Aid of the Great War Veterans, who, following their usual custom, had piping hot coffee and tasty refreshments all ready for the boys.

It was unfortunate that the weather was not what might have been desired upon the arrival of the troops in Charlottetown.

The rain which had been threatening all afternoon descended in torrents apparently with the desire to join in the welcome, too—test it might be said that it was a dry greeting. This, however, did not dampen the ardor of the welcome, and the band played lustily in the triumphal march to the Market House, the men being conveyed thither in autos, kindly placed at their disposal by citizens. The Provincial Building was illum-

inated at full glare for the occasion. As the boys entered the Market building from the South entrance they were heartily applauded. The building was soon filled to its full capacity.

Short speeches of welcome were delivered while the boys partook of the refreshments, the speakers being Mayor Wright, for the citizens, Hon. M. McKinnon, for the Government, Colonel R. H. Campbell, Rev. (Major) Fullerton and Corp. P. A. Hughes.

Each paid brief and fitting tribute to the splendid work of the 25th and 26th, and the 2nd Division Machine Gunners who arrived, and when cheers were called for, they were given with a vim. The reception passed off very successfully and the boys who all look fine seemed very happy to be home once more.

Fighting Record of the 26th.

The career of the 26th Battalion in the fighting zone of France and Flanders, during which that unit gained imperishable glory and added to the history of the people of this province, a chapter which will glow with the story of their service and sacrifice so long as the province endures, began in September, 1915, when they crossed the English Channel and first set foot on French soil.

From the time they first entered the line until the fighting ceased with the signing of the armistice, the Gallant 26th ever was ready when called upon—and they were called on time and again for the performance of the most difficult feats. The men are ready to give credit for their achievements to the excellence of their officers, to the courage, ability and good fellowship which created a standard which inspired the men to deeds of valor. On the other hand, the officers have shown a disposition to give credit to the men, praising their qualities of courage and endurance, their willingness to work and fight, the initiative which they displayed and their many sterling qualities as men and fighters which carried through the war with such great honor.

The constant use of the Battalion in the later days of the fighting as "shock troops" was convincing evidence of reliance which the higher command placed in the members of the 26th.

The Price They Paid.

The glory they won was dearly bought and the sacrifices the men of New Brunswick and P. E. Island made were heavy. Time and again the battalion was reduced to a skeleton of its former strength, but each time it was filled with men eager and able to uphold the high standard set by those who had fallen. Forty-one officers left St. John with the unit, and by the end of the fighting something like 400 officers had appeared on the battalion rolls, including those who returned to duty after being invalided. No exact record of the number of men who passed through the ranks is available at present but it is estimated that upwards of ten thousand were required for a force whose nominal strength was about 1,200.

The first fatal casualty in the battalion occurred when Private Moses Gallant of Prince Edward Island was struck by a German bullet and died almost instantly.

It would take columns to attempt to describe the work that they have done, but they were considered an exceptionally good unit and once, in a competition with the ammunition columns of some crack Imperial division, such as the Guards, they carried off the honors for quick handling of ammunition.

Chief Engagements.

A record of the 26th engagements in which the 26th fought merely touches the high lights of a career marked by constant trench fighting. Some of the outstanding battles were: St. Eloi, Third Battle of Ypres, Courcellette, Vimy Ridge, Hill 70, Passchendaele, Amiens, Arras, Cambrai.

The Glorious 25th

The famous Fighting 25th Battalion of Nova Scotia, first of the great voluntary units that have made the name of Canada's oldest province famous in the fields of France, had a fine aggregation of P. E. Islanders in its membership.

It is just four years less three days that the 25th sailed on the Saxonia for England. Since then its career has been glorious. The bare facts themselves are more eloquent than any eulogy of the pen. The regiment

saw service in France totalling three years and seven months. During that time 4,500, all ranks, have passed through the unit, 235 officers and 4,315 other ranks.

Of these 32 officers were killed, 156 wounded, 2 reported missing, 686 men were killed, 2,557 were wounded, 64 reported missing. Only 8 were taken prisoners.

The principal engagements of the battalion were: St. Eloi, April, 1916; Ypres, June, 1916; Somme and Courcellette, September, 1916; Vimy, April, 1917; Oppy-Fresnoy, May, 1917; Hill 70, August, 1917; Passchendaele, November, 1917; Amiens, August, 1918; Arras, August, 1918; Canal-du-Nord, September, 1918; Cambrai, September, 1918; Elouze, November, 1918.

The 25th and 26th have proved in many a dreadful encounter that the martial spirit of these provinces is undying, and their triumphal return to the Capitals of their home provinces fittingly crowned a record of service which will be cherished as one of the glories of the provinces down by the sea.

Welcome home, oh, soldier boys—
We indeed are proud of you!
In rain and sun you fought the Hun,
And our hearts kept step with you!

P.E.I. Members of the 25th Who Returned

- Lieut. Irvine G. McLaren, Charlottetown.
- Sgt. G. M. Peters, Summerside.
- Sgt. D. Mathieson, Valleyfield.
- Sgt. McD. W. Archibald, North River.
- L' Corp. E. Gallant, Summerside.
- Pte. F. Allan, St. Louis.
- Pte. J. S. Anderson, Souris.
- Pte. A. Arsenault, New Glasgow.
- Pte. A. G. Arsenault, Summerside.
- Pte. E. Arsenault, Wellington.
- Pte. J. J. Arsenault, Tignish.
- Pte. P. J. Arsenault, Tignish.
- Pte. V. S. Baker, Charlottetown.
- Pte. M. Beagan, Johnston's River.
- Pte. J. F. Bearfoot, Malpeque.
- Pte. J. M. Bowles, Peters Road.
- Pte. L. Bowness, Charlottetown.
- Pte. F. X. Brown, Piusville.
- Pte. R. Barbour, Alma.
- Pte. D. H. Bears, Brooklyne.
- Pte. D. L. Bearfoot, Freeport.
- Pte. R. Beaton, Flat River.
- Pte. R. H. Biggar, Portage.
- Pte. T. F. Birch, Port Hill.
- Pte. J. Blanchard, Traveller's Rest.
- Pte. W. W. Bull, White Sands.
- Pte. B. Buote, Tignish.
- Pte. R. Burke, Bear River.
- Pte. C. W. Campbell, Rollo Bay.
- Pte. H. J. Campbell, Kelly's Cross.
- Pte. W. E. Cann, Park Corner.
- Pte. T. A. Cass, North River.
- Pte. J. Chappel, Clermont.
- Pte. A. M. Chaisson, Tignish.
- Pte. B. A. Clarke, Summerside.
- Pte. M. P. Clarin, Charlottetown.
- Pte. W. A. Coady, North Wiltshire.
- Pte. J. C. Cook, Little York.
- Pte. J. F. Carr, Emerald Junction.
- Pte. G. G. Cotton, Clinton.
- Pte. J. Curley, Charlottetown.
- Pte. E. Dalyle, Iona.
- Pte. R. Dailzel, Charlottetown.
- Pte. W. J. Desroches, Miscouche.
- Pte. T. Dolron.
- Pte. S. Dolron, Martin.
- Pte. J. Donovan, Charlottetown.
- Pte. W. Doucette, St. Louis.
- Pte. A. A. Dowling, Charlottetown.
- Pte. P. Dunsford, Bonshaw.
- Pte. J. R. Farquharson, Charlottetown.
- Pte. M. J. Fraser, Whim Road East.
- Pte. H. Gallant, Howlan Road.
- Pte. A. J. Gallant, St. Timothy.
- Pte. O. A. Gallant, Beaton's Rd.
- Pte. R. Gaudet, St. Nicholas.
- Pte. J. R. Gaudet, Miscouche.
- Pte. P. J. Gavin, Alberton.
- Pte. J. L. Gillis, Summerside.
- Pte. F. C. Glover, Mt. Stewart.
- Pte. C. D. Gosbee, Murray Harbor.
- Pte. W. M. Graham, Braddabane.
- Pte. J. K. Grady, Summerside.
- Pte. R. Griffin, Rock Point.
- Pte. P. T. Hagen, Wiltshire.
- Pte. L. V. Stewart, Mount Stewart.
- Pte. W. L. Kelly, Charlottetown.
- Pte. D. F. Laird, Charlottetown.
- Pte. G. J. Laughlin, Summerside.
- Pte. Livingstone, Charlottetown.
- Pte. F. H. Lyle, Summerside.
- Pte. W. E. MacKie, West Devon.
- Pte. H. P. Mahar, Bear River.
- Pte. A. L. Matheson, Forest Hill.
- Opl. D. A. Morrison, Beaton's Mills.
- Pte. D. Morrison, Blue Mills, N.S.
- Pte. S. T. Mortimer, Charlottetown.
- Pte. J. C. Murphy, Conway.
- Pte. E. Myers, St. Louis.
- Pte. B. McDonald, Sr., Rollo Bay.
- Pte. D. S. McDonald, Souris East.

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