## BRITISH GUNS BUSY ALONG WHOLE FRONT

"Fighting Important," Germany Admits-Robertson Sees King-Briand Visits Haig-Official Reports

The British official statement, issued at midnight Monday reads: "We carried out successful enterprises last night at different points. Hostile lines were penetrated at ten different places. There was a good deal of artillery work on both sides yesterday evening and during the night. Our artillery fired with great effect, the hostile trenches being considerably damaged in many places. Four large explosions were caused by our heavy artillery in the enemy's rearguard army. lines, between Poiseres and Montauban. To-day our artillery was again active at numerous points, and considerable damage was caused to hostile defensive works." The Tuesday at Kuty on Saturday was only a rear-British and German communiques, showing increased activity on the British front, are attracting attention in London and receive unusual prominence in the London papers, which also publish conspicuously the fact that the King received General Sir William Robertson, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, at Buckingham Palace, Sunday evening. The German official statement on Tuesday said: "Fighting activity in the west, on the fronts occupied by the British and the north wing of the French army, was important, and has been for the past two days."

"Hour For Action Here"

Premier Briand returned to Paris Monday after a conference with the British Commander, Sir Douglas Haig, on Saturday and Sunday, at the British front. The hour of action for the allies is here," says The Matin. "Attack succeeds defence on many fronts." It says the outstanding facts are that the allies have increased enormously their material supplies, and by close exchange of views have implanted a common directive idea into the operations now beginning along all fronts.

# ULTIMATUM TO MEXICO

Wilson Declines Latin Offer of Mediation-Senate Acts

The United States Government declined on Monday to entertain proposals of Latin-American Governments for mediation with Mexico. Secretary of State Lansing rejected mediatory overtures made by Dr. Ignacio Calder on, Minister from Bolivia, who called as the spokesman of the Latin-American diplomats. Administration of ficials reiterated that "there is hothing to mediate." Mexican Embassy officials expressed the belief that Gen. Carranza eventually will urge mediation. He is understood as favoring "anything but war," according to advices to the Embassy. The Senate on Monday night passed the riouse resolution authorizing the Presment to draft the National Guard to the Federal service for a period not exceeding three years. Debate mateu seven hours and was acrimonious. Washington announced on Monday:

Full responsibility for the attack on the United States tropiers by Mexicans at Carrizal has been assumed by the Carranza Government. Demand for the immediate -release of the United States Government, with a further demand for an early statement from Carranza as to the course of action he has determined upon. These are the outstanding features of communications exchanged between the public by Mr. Lansing.

sador-Designate, informed Ministers | steamer which had been placed at his Ignacio Calderon of Bolivia and Rafael disposal by the Uruguayan govern-Zaldivar of Salvador on Sunday that | ment for the purpose of effecting the Carranza was ready to accept "in principle" offers of mediation to avert war between Mexico and the United States. Meanwhile President Wilson called into conference the Chairmen and ranking minority members of the Foreign Relations Committees of the Senate and House to prepare the way for placing the Mexican situation before Congress and for action by that body.

#### DUKE OF CONNAUGHT GOING

Earl Curzon May Become Canada's Governor-General

London despatches on Friday said: King George has given his sanction for the Duke of Connaught, whose term as Governor-General of Canada expires next October, to return to England, says an announcement issued by the Colonial Office. The King excused Prince Alexander of Teck, whose appointment was made before the war, from being the successor to the Duke of Connaught, as the Prince feels he cannot relinquish his military duties. Nothing is known officially concerning the report that Earl Curzon of Kedleston, formerly Viceroy of India, will become Governor-General of Canada. An Ottawa despatch says: Lieut.-Col. Stanton, Military Secretary to H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, confirmed the London despatch as to the Royal Governor's departure from Canada. No information has been received as to his successor. His Royal Highness leaves shortly on a tour of inspection which will cover the whole of Ontario and the western Provinces.

#### General Mercer's Death

Lieut. Lyman Gooderham, Toronto, writes from Germany that Major-General Mercer, with whom he was ordered to stay until the end, was arst shell-shocked and then had his leg broken by shell. General and Lieutenant lay in a field until next day when shrapnel killed Mercer. Gooderham was captured. The German staff gave honorable burial to the dead commander of the Third Canadian Division.

Bold Robbery and Gun-play Armed bandits are reported to have shot and wounded Bank Manager Lemarche at Ville Marie, Quebec, and blown up bank building with dynamite. They rode away without opening a safe containing \$18,000. Pre | here, charged with violating the neuviously all telephone and light wires | trality laws of the United States by bad been cut.

# BUKOWINA OVERRUN IN SWIFT ADVANCE

Russians Cross Four Rivers and Approach Carpathians-Czernowitz Falls to the Russians

The Russian army under Letchitz'y in Bukowina is knocking at the ga of the Carpathian Mountains. lead into the fertile plains of E .... gary. A Rome despatch on Monday said Russian troops have airead crossed into Transylvania. Mone night's official report from Petrog: reveals an advance east of Kuty, movement of forces southward from Czernowitz, and the apparently ho less position of Pflanzer's Austral

Franz Josef Bereft

The whole rich Austrian Crown land of Bukowina-4,037 square miles-has fallen to Russia. The Austrian stand guard action for Sunday night Vienna officially admits a retreat from end to end of the Duchy. The great southern Austrian army is now in might along the whole line. The campaign to the north, according to Petrograd official reports, has also turned, and from Riga, along the Dvina and Lutt sectors, the day is going against the Germans. Attacks by the latter have been repulsed, some of their trenches filled with dead, occupied, and a nul ber of prisoners and booty taken.

The capture of Czernowitz, capital of Bukowina, by the advancing Rusannounced by the Russian War Office Sunday night. The city withstood the fierce Russian attack until Saturday. The forces which held it are in flight through the passes of the Carpathians, sians. The capture is most notable, involving, as it does, the passing of control of several important railway lines into the hands of the Czar's forces. Reports are to the effect that both sides suffered heavily in the final

#### REDMOND WINS POINT

Ulster Nationalists Reluctantly Accept Exclusion-Lords Oppose

A conference of Ulster Nationalists was held at Belfast on Friday to con- vision of the war pension regulations. sider David Lloyd-George's proposal The present Pensions Board of the for the settlement of the Irish ques- Militia Department has been authortion. John Redmond presided and ized to adopt the new scale, and to was supported by Joseph Devlin. Mr. Lloyd-George's proposal was accepted by a vote of 475 to 265. Delegates outbreak of the war. A permanent from all the Ulster counties and the Pensions Board, appointed for a long Bishops of these counties were present. In all 1,000 delegates were in attendance. It is unofficially stated that Mr. Redmond declared that if the Military Board will apply the new exclusion of six Ulster counties was regulations. The new scale is connot accepted by the conference he siderably higher in the case of priwould resign the leadership of the vates and other ranks up to Lieuten-Irish party. London says: Lord Ball ant than the scale adopted a year or four of Burleigh, Lord Cromer, the so ago. Already there are some 5,500 Earl of Halsbury, Viscount Middleton names in the pension list, and when and the Marquis of Salisbury, who all the casualties so far incurred have represent the extreme anti-home rule been dealt with it is estimated the party, have issued a manifesto depre- total number of pension awards will cating the attempt to settle the Irish question by negotiations at the mom-

#### Shackleton Failed to Rescue

His Party Still on Elephant Island, Explorer Reports

Lieut. Sir Ernest Shackleton has been unable to rescue the men, numbering 22 and comprising the main body of his Antarctic expedition, who were left on Elephant Island. This information was received on Monday two Governments on Sunday and made in London from Shackleton from Port Stanley, Falkland Islands. The ex-Eliseo Arrendondo, Mexican Ambas- plorer has evidently returned on the rescue of his men. According to his despatch the ice conditions had so worsened that he was unable to get nearer than 20 miles of the island. He thinks that there are still hopes for the men, however.

#### Starve British Prisoners

ing supplied with less than half the bushel per acre will mean 20 pounds requisite amount of food. Dr. Klyor, of alfalfa sown to the acre. formation to the British Government, which had protested.

Italy Wins on Whole Front

Lieut.-Gen. Count Luigi Cadorna Chief of the Italian General Staff, in a despatch to the War Office at Rome on Monday said: "An energetic offensive has been undertaken by the Italians. The Austrians have fallen back over the entire front. Italian forces have recaptured a number of positions previously lost to the Austro-Hungarians."

#### Sank Austrian Transports

An official communication in Rome on Monday said: "Italian warships entered Durazzo roadstead on the night of June 25, and sank two steamers, one of 5,000 tons, and the other of 3,000 tons, laden with arms and munitions. The warships returned without loss to their base, notwithstanding the heavy fire of the enemy."

Selborne Left Cabinet

It was officially announced in London on Sunday night that the Earl of Selborne had resigned the Presidency of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries. The general belief is that Lord Selborne resigned owing to the Government's Irish policy. He has been a strong opponent of the Home Rule policy.

Unpleasant for Canadian A despatch from Seattle, Wash Sunday said: Lieut. Ernest Austin o the Canadian army is confined in jair recruiting men here.

# RETAKEN TRENCHES ARE CONSOLIDATED

Canadians Build Strong Defensive Positions Despite Intense Shelling -Counter-attacks Frustrated

The following communique was rereived on Friday from the Canadian General Representative at the front: Canadian Corps Headquarters in France, June 23-The consolidation of the positions recaptured on the morn- more important, if we would have it ing of June 13 was carried out by our troops during the past week under difficult and trying conditions. Our original lines were found practically obliterated. The ground had been churned into a sea of mud. The remains of former trenches and shell holes were all deep in water. The weather continued cold and wet.

Trying Ordeal

Under a constant and at times intense bombardment by the enemy, new trenches and works had to be constructed. All our battalions engaged on this arduous duty displayed the greatest courage and endurance. Throughout they received splendid assistance from our pioneers and engineers. As the result of indefatigable labor our hold on all essential points system built.

No further counter-attacks were delivered by the emeny. From time to time the volume and concentration of his shellfire suggested preparation for an assault, but the prompt and givorsian army under Gen Lechnitzky was ous retaliation of our artillery on these occasions effectively checked any such attempt. A great deal of patrol work had to be done during the period, not only to determine the positions | marks. and attitude of the enemy, but also pursued by the swiftly-moving Rus for the purpose of recovering our own wounded and any wounded or unwounded Germans in the area affected by the fighting.

## HIGHER PENSION RATES

Canada Adopts New Schedule Benefitting Lower Ranks

The Canadian Government has adopted the recommendations of the special committee of Parliament which last session considered the remake it retroactive, applying to all pensions already granted since the period of years, and removed from all political influences, will be named later on, but meanwhile the present be up to the ten thousand mark. The aggregate of the annual pension bill is now over two million dollars. The new maximum for total disability of a private soldier is \$480. This is graded up through the ranks, brigadiergenerals receiving \$2,700 annually.

#### ALFALFA IN EAST

How to Sow and Care For With or Without "Nurse Crop"

Dr. Malte of the Dominion Experimental Farm deals as follows with alfalfa growing in Eastern Canada: When sown with a nurse crop the seed is sown from the grass seed attachment of the grain drill. When sown without a nurse crop, the seed can be sown broadcast either by hand or from the grass seed attachment to the grain drill. It can also be sown in drills from the grain tubes of the ordinary seeder. In the latter case the seed should be mixed with some coarser material to prevent too thick seeding. For this purpose ground wheat crushed as coarsely as possible Lord Robert Cecil, Parliamentary is generally used. The alfalfa seed is Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, mixed with the crushed wheat and the told the House of Commons on Mon- drill set to put on the amount wanted. day that the British Government had For instance, 20 pounds of alfalfa learned that British civilian prisoners mixed with 40 pounds of crushed interned at Ruheleben were now be wheat, and the drill sowing one

attached to the American Embassy at Whatever method used, the ground Berlin, learned that the German Gov- should be harrowed and rolled imernment had reduced the rations of the mediately after sowing and then the interned civilians, Lord Robert said, surface of the rolling lightly broken and Ambassador Gerard gave the in- with a brush harrow, a weeder or a tilting harrow. If the land is deficient in plant food, alfalfa may be sown in rows about eighteen inches apart. By this method, however, a crop is obtained which, though it may be satisfactory as to quantity, is somewhat inferior in quality to the crop obtained when the seed is sown broadcast or in drills from the seeder.

> Divide Cost of Spraying It may be claimed by some that spraying a few trees is an expensive matter not commensurate with the returns, be the crop ever so good. After all there is the satisfaction of having your own home-grown fruit. Much, however, can be done through co-operation of the horticultural socieities to reduce the cost of spraying the trees in the home fruit garden, by purchasing larger quantities of materials than one person would need and distributing it at cost among the members of the societies. It is nothing more than a co-operative scheme that is carried on among fruitgrowers who depend on this vo-

> > Cats Killed by Wholesale

Speaking at the meeting of the 17,000 cats were destroyed at the headquarters of the Animal Rescue League. He thought cats should have to wear a collar with the address of the owner.

After seeding is a splendid time for a clean up about the farm and yard. Bring all the machinery under over. Gather un loose lumber.

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# LAWN-MAKING DEMANDS CARE AND KNOWLEDGE

How to Secure Velvety Sward That Rivals Flower Garden in Its Beauty

Advice on lawns is given by B. C. Tillett of Hamilton, Ont., as follows: There is no feature of our garden look well, than a perfect piece of lawn. It may be said to be the frame to the picture-the finishing touch. A really good velvety lawn is, in fact, worthy and generally receives as much admiration as the flower borders behind it. A perfect lawn depends, to a very great extent, upon the seed used. This must be the best lawn seed and guaranteed free from hay, meadow grass or clover seed. A new lawn can be laid down either in the spring or in the fall.

Level and Unlisturbed

It is essential that the seed should be sown on absolutely even ground. was confirmed and a strong defensive It must not, therefore, be trodden on to avoid this, a strip of ground about with the garden line. After this has of nearly six miles. been sown, rake out the feet marks, and measure off another strip the ground in the same way, each

> fairly thickly, so that all the ground is well covered. It should then be lightly raked in, taking care that the turbed, and that no footprints are left. The ground should then be rolled in order to bury any unco. ered seed, which will then germinate with the remains dry, the ground may be seed veguired, one pound will sow

Cutting and Weeding

The grass should be allowed to scythe; afterward the machine may mous Ayton choir have been secured for the occasion, which alone will be a 'ers asked. be used, setting it high; cutting too treat to hear. close weakens the young plants. If there are any bare places these should be reseeded. The new lawn should ally beautiful wedding day. We were much work. be cut regularly once a week, and when there is little rainfall, watered it, will try to give a write-up of Miss twice as much work to do." in the shade of the evening. Never Caldwell's, who was always recognized Washington Star. water grass when the sun is over. by your humble scribe as the "Belle of

A suitable tool should be used to remove weeds, such as dandelions, daisies, plantains, docks, etc. These will always appear even when the best seed has been sown, as there are certain to be some weed seeds in the ground, but, if taken in time, vulgar is usually slow when it the grass will soon become master comes to paying his bills. of these, and they will disappear. In order to possess a fine lawn, there must be constant cutting, rolling, and watering. Nor should the broom be spared, a thorough brooming does a awn good. Always use a catcher on the mower. It is a mistake to leave the clippings on the lawn.

# FOR STOCK RAISERS

Advice For Handling Milch Cows and

the cow calving thin has a poor chance to make greatest profits, if

any profits at all. The persistent milking cow needs four to eight weeks' rest and good feeding before her next freshening. Is your cow which is not persistent less profitable because she is not so good, or because she is poorly fed and managed? Only by keeping records of milk produced and feed consumed can this be discovered. Discard the mongrel and scrub bull and save money. If calves are worth raising, they should be of the best breeding possible, on the sire's side at least. Use only the very best pure-bred bull available; good dairy cattle are more valuable each year, and the good ones never come by chance, but are well bred and reared. Greatest profits are made in steer feeding when the animals are finished and marketed as baby beef (12 to 20 months) or as prime 2-year-old steers. In finishing steers in summer, the poor pastures must be supplemented by green fodder crops and a good grain ration.-Farm and Ranch

Cauce of Soft-shelled Eggs Soft-shelled eggs are common in the early spring. The first and usual cause is that the bird is too fat. In this case make the hens take more exercise by scratching in deep litter cation for a living, only on a smaller for their feed, which should be reduced somewhat. Also, feed sprouted oats or beets. Lack of lime will also cause it. This may be supplied by feeding Royal Society for the Prevention of crushed oyster shell or old plaster. Cruelty to Animals in London, Mr. Forcing the hens for heavy egg pro-H. Greenwood, M.P., said that in 1915 duction and the excessive feeding of a loosening ration will also bring about this condition.

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of Mrs, Thos. Wallace and Mr. and Mrs. Second Ditto-Well, yesterday I Alf. McCabe of Varney took a joy ride hung my thermometer on the to near Guelph on Saimday last to easel supporting my view of the time levelling out the sower's feet visit the former's brother, Mr. Samuel polar regions. It fell at once to Petty. They returned the following 20 degrees below zero. The seed must be evenly sown and Monday forenoon feeling happy.

porting the baseball game between man was so lifelike it had to be Hampden and Knox teams. It ppears shaved twice a week .- Boston our Knox loys he ced the visitors Post. evenness of the ground is not dis 9 to 4. This is as we hoped for, as they would not be wertly to be called forlowers of Knox if they could not do

Then on your part, Mr. Editor, you "We Americans believe in augscarcely didour write-up Mr. Smith's menting our output. We believe in first shower of rain. If the weather sermon justice when you say "the Al- forging ahead. We're not like lies have more need of sef reliance." Smithers," said a Boston capitalsyringed over. As to the quantity of It should have read "a great deal less," ist the other day. less, have you got it? of self reliance. "One day in Loretto I saw Heaven only knows, and Britain Smithers whitewashing his pig about thirty square yards of ground. knows too, she has been too much pen with a white-wash brush stuck up on her o vn ab lity.

Anniversary services are being gone. lookes forward to on Sunday next, "'Smithers,' I said, 'why don't grow until it is four inches high and July, 2nd, and the treat in store on the you get a brush with more brisshould then be cut with a sharp following Monday evening. The fa tles in it? mous Ayton choir have been secured "Why should I do that? Smith-

two worthy couples with an exception- bristles you could do twice as unable to take in both, much as we "'Yeh, p'rhaps I could,' said would have liked. If we live through Smithers. But, ye see, I ain't got Normanby," and he is a good !udge.

If our neighbors would mind their own business we would be more apt to mind ours.

REALISM IN ART.

We are fiving the strenuous life-It was a gay and frivolous parwork as long as we can see, with a date ty at the Boston Art Club that gathered one evening to do honor A meeting of those unterested in tel- to a number of artists, and soon ephone was held on Monday night at the talk turned into the channels

First Artist-The other day painted a board in imitation of marble with such accuracy that on being thrown into the water it Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Petty. Mr. and immediately sank to the bottom.

. Third Ditto-Ah! That is noth-

We struck a shoal last week in re- ing. My portrait of a city alder-

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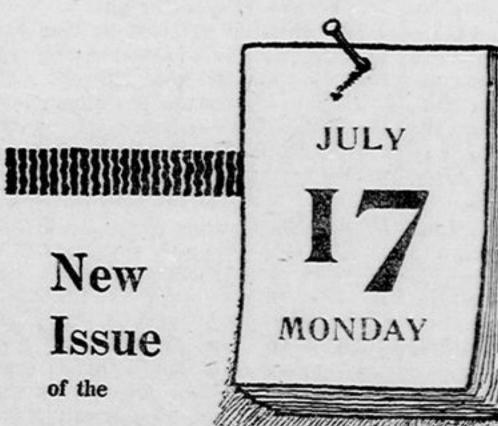
with nearly all of the bristles

"'Why,' said I, 'because, of Heaven seems to have favored our course, if your brush had more

A JOB LOT.

"I should have given him a lock of my hair when he asked for it." "Why so, girlie?"

"When I refused, he bribed my little brother, and that pestiferous The upstart who says trade is brat supplied him with an assortment of switches, rats and puffs." -Kansas City Journal.



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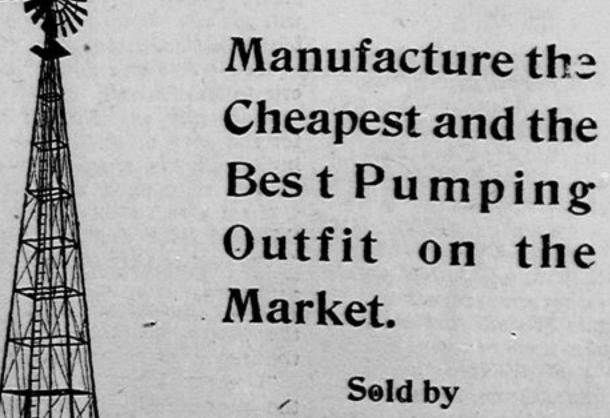
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