

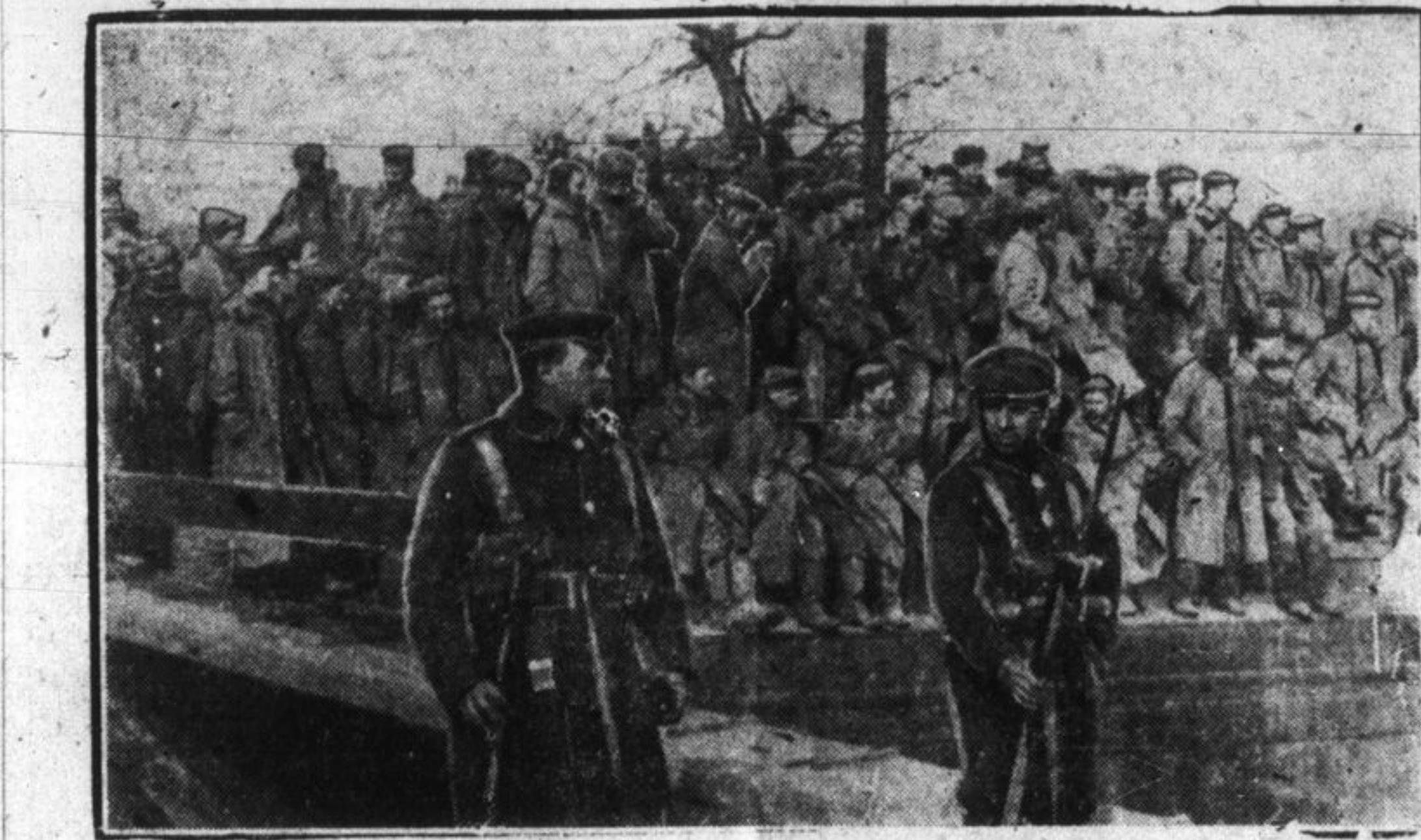
SHE SENDS CHEER TO THE LAND OF MISERY

Maxine Elliott, the Well-Known Actress, Tells of Work Where Guns Roar and Church Bells Chime.

Fragments of Families Crowd Into Small Rooms While Others Pack Into Any Place That Has a Roof of Some Sort.

Dunkirk, France, March 25.—Still vigorously pushing her relief work close to the battle lines in Flanders, Maxine Elliott reports finding the Belgian refugees "stuffed like sardines" in any place that has a roof.

cart close by and have been there five months! They have roofed the top over with sacking and a strip of canvas and there they tuck themselves away and the soldiers feed them.



GERMAN PRISONERS CAPTURED AT NEUVE CHAPELLE. Some of the hundreds of Germans captured by the British in the fighting at Neuve Chapelle, France, "marooned" on barges in the river Lys awaiting their removal to internment camps.

crowded into every available corner and cling to the idea that they may be able to cling back to their homes when the bombardment ceases. By that time there won't be much left of their poor little homes, I fear.

Australia and South Africa even have sent no great quantities of things. One wonders where the family disappears when these poor women have their babies, for there are never less than eight or ten persons in one tiny room. We got into one hospital at St. Idesbald yesterday, and it was the nearest civilian hospital we could find—close to the firing line at that.

"MY YOUNGEST SON FELL GLORIOUSLY FOR FRANCE" Commander of French Expedition at the Dardanelles Writes of Heroic Death of Boy.

Paris, April 6.—General A. G. l'Amade, commander of the French expeditionary forces at the Dardanelles, has lost his youngest son, aged 18, who was a second lieutenant of infantry. A friend of the general has just received from him the following letter written while he was on the way to the Dardanelles:



Is Tea or Coffee After Your Job? The average cup of tea or coffee contains from 1 1/2 to 3 grains of caffeine, a poisonous drug that handicaps the efficiency and chances for promotion of many bright men and women.

Read This Letter "Down at the junction," writes a railroad man, "where I am employed as Telegraph Operator and Towerman for a busy railroad, where every second counts and where I hold the lives of the entire train crew and passengers in my hand, I found coffee was making me dull and exceedingly nervous."

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"There's a Reason" for POSTUM MADE IN CANADA.

NEW PROPOSAL TO KEEP ITALY FROM CONFLICT

Buelow Suggests That Switzerland Might Occupy AREA TO BE CEDED

This suggestion was rejected at once by Italy, and it was then proposed that the territory be held by Germany until the conclusion of peace. Italy dissented from this plan also, and Prince von Buelow accordingly proposed that Switzerland assume temporary guardianship of the territory in question.

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IN CASE SHE IS ATTACKED BY BULGARIA.

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special information, has yet come through from Sofia, it is surmised that this later incident does not differ very much from other recent incidents. On the other hand, it may be pointed out—first, that this raid is no mere frontier affair; second, that Bulgarian troops are said to have been engaged; third, that Vardar was crossed, and the railway, that is Serbia's only link with the outside world, occupied; and, fourth, that the fighting seems to have been severe.

London, April 6.—The Daily News editorial, discussing the Serbo-Bulgarian affair, says: "It is no accident that this incident should take place simultaneously with the rather bitter controversy with the present Greek premier, Gounaris, and his predecessor, Venizelos, as to the proper policy for Greece to adopt towards Bulgaria. If Serbia has sinned in taking by force Macedonian territory, unquestionably Bulgarian in character, the Greeks have also committed the same sin. They are both suffering for it now. Serbia, instead of having the help of a group of Balkan Allies in her struggle with Austria, finds herself alone, and in the hour of most urgent need is in danger of being attacked in the rear. Greece is paying for taking a few hundred square miles more than her due by being check-mated in far more ambitious schemes of expansion. The Allies, who permitted this unjust division of Macedonia, are also learning that political offenses sometimes avenge themselves. The paper proceeds to urge that Bulgarian claims be satisfied. Hitherto, it says, the diplomacy of the Allies towards the question seems to have lacked firmness and clearness, but the blow now struck at the Salonica Railway by the Bulgarian irregulars ought to bring them to a decision.

FELL DOWN A SHAFT.

Myron G. Dillon, 67, Is Fatally Hurt at Watertown. Watertown, N.Y., April 6.—Myron G. Dillon, aged sixty-seven of No. 9 Hall Block, who fell down the elevator shaft of the block sustaining injuries, died Sunday night. He stepped into the first floor entrance to the shaft while the elevator was at an upper floor, dropping to the bottom of the shaft.

Mr. Dillon is a native of the town of Alexandria and a veteran of the Civil War, having served with the tenth New York Heavy Artillery. He formerly lived in Albany where he was in the grocery business up to about four years ago, when he came here. He was the son of Mrs. Elizabeth Dillon of the town of Alexandria, who will be 101 years old next July.

NEGOTIATION ENDED.

Paris, April 6.—A despatch to the Temps from Petrograd says: "The Sino-Japanese negotiations, according to reliable information, have been concluded. The Chinese Government agrees to extend the Port Arthur lease for ninety-nine years. It recognizes also that Japan has all the rights in Shantung previously belonging to Germany, and conditions are laid down that Germany shall never have the right to acquire colonies or spheres of influence in China."

PLANTS RUN BY GOVERNMENT.

Glasgow, April 6.—All motor manufacturing plants in Scotland have been placed under Government control, in pursuance of the Government's plans to accelerate the supply of war material.

HAVE EARNED RIGHT TO A CONSULTATION

"Broad Arrow" Says the Dominions Must Have Say in Peace Proposals.

London, April 6.—Speaking of the participation of the Dominions in setting peace, the Broad Arrow, a service newspaper, says they earned the right to consultation in the peace which was concluded after the South African war, but since that opportunity was missed they have truly earned the right to consultation when the time comes for settlement of the present struggle. Their wishes would be made known at a preliminary Imperial Conference, so that British statesmen should carry out, not only the will of Great Britain but of Greater Britain as well.

BEYOND REPAIR

Turk Forts in Dardanelles Have Seen Finish.

ALLIES ARE PREPARING FOR FINAL ONSLAUGHT, LEAVING NOTHING TO CHANCE.

Weeks May Intervene Before Smashing Re-commences—Meanwhile, Discard Germans and Turks Is Growing. Athens, April 6.—I have just returned here from a stay in the Dardanelles region and may briefly sum up the present situation there. Since the battle on March 18th, there has been no activity, with the exception of that reported last Sunday, and the work of mine-sweeping. A close watch, however, is being kept on the further coast of the Gallipoli Peninsula and on the Hellespont up to the Narrows and I believe I am correct in saying that Sunday's bombardment was to prevent the enemy repairing any of the damage already done by the Allied fleet.

There can be no question of the results already received being rendered nugatory by delay. I have heard on good authority that reconstruction wrought was so very severe that it is practically impossible for the Turks to repair effectively any of the forts and works already destroyed.

The heavy guns of the fleet have reduced them to a state of chaos. When the attack is resumed it is believed that the Turks will feel the severity of the loss they have sustained in guns.

Meanwhile, during the cessation, active preparations for a final attack are being pushed forward. For obvious reasons it is impossible for one to say what these consist of, but from what I have seen it is clear that nothing is being left to chance and that the dimensions, both naval and military, of the problem involved are thoroughly recognized.

It is reported that the Turks are now in strong force in the Gallipoli Peninsula. The best Anatolian troops and part of the Smyrna division are now concentrated and it may be taken as certain that, fighting with their backs to the wall, they will put up a fairly formidable opposition.

The interval is likely to last some weeks. In Smyrna region also all is quiet. I fear that the dissections which have already attained serious proportions, are growing, not only between the Germans and the Turks generally, but also between Vail Raby Bay and Pertev Paşa, the military commander. The Germans, owing to the pro-British attitude of these two prominent Turks, are tightening their grip upon the positions there, and this may bring the trouble to a head.

INDEPENDENT CANNERS.

Toronto, April 6.—The project for the formation of a holding company to cement the interests of the various independent canning concerns in Canada is now understood to be in the final stages of consummation. The name of Senator E. D. Smith is prominently connected with the project as trustee.