

EVERY MAN NEEDED TO SAVE HIS COUNTRY

YOUNG MAN, STAND FORTH.

"Don't worry about me. I would much rather be here than walking about in civilian clothes with the people looking at me and wondering why I did not enlist."—Sergt. W. C. Leggett, of Newboro, now at the Dardanelles.

GAVE LIFE FOR LIBERTY

Somewhere in Belgium or in France, Playing the game and taking a chance, A lad from Canada paid the price That even the bravest can't pay twice.

EITHER GO OR GIVE.

We should send to the front every man that we can train and equip. As for those of us who cannot go, whose services would not be accepted if they were offered, and who cannot boast since we are not tested who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan.

THE BUGLE CALL

By Albert D. Watson. The Empire needs, in this dark day of slaughter, Great-hearted men unswayed by doom or dread.

THE CALL TO YOUNG MEN.

Brantford Courier. Of the 2,800,000 enlistments from the North, in the American Civil War, more than 2,000,000 were young men less than 21 years of age, and more than a million were 18 years of age or younger.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

A. P. Sweeney, Victoria, N. S. W. Footballers, cricketers, men of lacrosse, There's a new game to play and an ocean to cross.

COME FILL UP THE PLACES OF PAIS WHO ARE DEAD.

Let the Shirker remain with his sweetheart and mother, Were the Huns in our homes, he'd lose one or the other—

BLESS DADDY AT THE WAR.

With the shadows round her stealing, Every night I see her there; Just a little figure kneeling, There's a smile upon the chair.

HEAR THE CALL.

"Who lives if England dies?" In by-gone days was said, Should Germans win the battle now The British Empire's dead.

WHO SAID "ENOUGH"? Men and still more men are needed for the Overseas Battalions. It will be time to talk about "enough" when the Kaiser admits he has "had enough."

BIG SCANDAL IN THE WEST

Federal Treasury Said to Have Been Robbed.

HON. ROBERT ROGERS'

DEPARTMENT IS INVOLVED IN THE MATTER.

Dredging Superintendent Resigns—Said to Have Connived at Overclassification Involving Loss to Country of \$150,000.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—A large-sized scandal is developing in connection with British Columbia dredging under the department of Hon. Robert Rogers.

The recent "resignation" of John L. Nelson, who was appointed Superintendent of the Dredging for British Columbia by Hon. Mr. Rogers in 1912, is one of the first developments so far made public.

Shortly after Nelson assumed the position there were rumors in British Columbia that the patronage and middlemen system was being exploited to the full.

Nelson swore he had certified to the prices charged as being fair and just, even after repeated notification had been given him that coal could be got cheaper from other firms.

COOK TO BOOM MR. FORD.

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here, and will be further investigated when Parliament meets. The first facts made public concerning it have just come out in a court case at Victoria, relative to a question as to the ownership of certain documents taken on from the files of C. E. McDonald, a sub-contractor on the dredging of earth and rock for the new piers of the outer wharf.

When the question came before the court last week at Victoria, Malloy swore that there had been an overclassification of the work from approximately 5,000 cubic yards of solid rock to 20,000 cubic yards or more.

Superintendent Helped Contractor. The evidence further showed that Nelson, although occupying the position of Superintendent of dredging, and therefore responsible for seeing that the work was done honestly and economically, assisted McDonald to get the contract, backed him financially, and saw that he got generous estimates of the quantities excavated, so that progress payments would be sufficient to make the financing easy.

The court has decided that the documents shall remain impounded for three months pending further investigation. Meanwhile Mr. Nelson's resignation had been accepted.

YARN GETS ITS QUIETUS.

Illegitimate Births in England are on the Decrease.

London, Dec. 20.—The ridiculous war-tories campaign last spring, which imputed wholesale inhumanity to young soldiers in camps, has now received its complete reply.

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PRESIDENT WILSON AND HIS BRIDE.

THE SPORT REVIEW

"Rat" Westwick of Ottawa is practicing with Ottawas. He has not played since 1908, but is showing a lot of real form.

Madden, a former Ottawa college hockey player, will be out with the McGill team Monday night.

Ottawa pros. will cut down their hockey squad this week. They will carry 15 into January. Goward, Ross and Merrill are being groomed for the defence.

Under huge captions, "With Sticks and Razor-bladed Skates" as Weapons, Hockey Players Have Bloody Game in Seattle. A cattle exchange tells of the first hockey match in the Sound City.

Four clubs will compose the Upper Ottawa Valley Hockey league this winter—Renfrew, Almonte, Carleton Place, and Arnprior being the four teams expected to compete. The championship race will get under way Jan. 7th.

Frank DiSessa, Toronto, has a letter from Duncy Richardson, the St. Michael's Hockey Club forward. He is at Salonika, in the thick of the Balkan campaign, with the Ontario hospital. "Dotty" Warwick, the Argo

forward, is at Shorecliffe with the Canadian Artillery.

The peace meeting between organized and independent baseball interests adjourned at New York Saturday, and Ban Johnson announced that no definite action had been taken. The committee will meet in Cincinnati Tuesday.

Evan B. Hugh Jones, McGill University, writes to Dean Adams informing him he has been awarded the Military Cross, and has been wounded in the shoulder. He was a champion heavyweight boxer and football player.

The Ottawa Free Press says that if Captain James T. Sutherland, president of the O.H.A., can travel along in the same vehicle with the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association, of which has been also elected president, then the eighth wonder of the world has been discovered.

The Ottawa Hockey Club has succeeded in landing Gordon Meeking, the crack forward of last year's Victoria team of the Ontario Hockey Association. Meeking wired President Bate accepting terms, and announcing that he would report Monday. It is understood that he receives \$1,200 and expenses.

The official National League averages show some surprising facts. To begin with there were only five players who hit .300 or better, the league being led by Larry Doyle, the captain of the Giants, with an average of .320, a performance which usually lands a batter about seventh or eighth in either of the big leagues.

AN ATTACK EXPECTED

ON SALONIKA BY THE TEUTON ARMY.

Enemy Awaiting Arrival Of Guns—These Necessary Before Troops Venture Within Range Of British Fleet.

Paris, Dec. 20.—The pause of the Bulgarian army at the Greek frontier and the momentary disappearance of German columns which were following the retreating Allies toward Salonika have given rise to much comment here.

The annual meeting of the Inter-provincial Rugby Union was held in Toronto Saturday afternoon. The officers elected were: President—W. A. Ewing, Montreal.

First Vice-President—"Bob" Isbister, Hamilton. Second Vice-President—George Church, Ottawa.

A motion was passed that a recommendation be made to the C. R. U., to permit the substitution of players at any time, either from injuries or otherwise, but that no player having been substituted be allowed to return excepting at the commencement of a subsequent period.

KING NOT TO BE HANGED.

Owen Sound Man Will Be Sent to Asylum For Life.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—Herbert Thacker King, of Owen Sound, sentenced to hang at Owen Sound for murder on December 23rd, has had his sentence commuted by order-in-council to life imprisonment. King is found to be of unsound mind, and will be committed to an asylum.

ROMANIA REFUSES BID.

Berlin, Dec. 20.—The negotiations for the purchase and importation of Roumanian grain, which have been in progress for some time, are still hanging fire.

American Minister Morris at Christiana decided to hold no official reception at the legation upon the arrival of the Ford peace party. He took this stand because of fear that such a reception might be construed as official endorsement by the American Government of the peace voyage.

Twenty-nine divorce cases have so far been entered for hearing by the Senate divorce committee.

SAW THE LAST STAND

OF SERBIAN ARMY BEFORE THE ENEMY.

The Serbian Forces Practically Destroyed—Unable To Offer Resistance To Invaders.

Rome, Dec. 20.—Louis Edgar Browne, one of the war correspondents of the Chicago Daily News, arrived here Saturday after being missing for seven weeks in the interior of Serbia, Montenegro, and Albania.

The party was forced to go days without food and walk for hours across fields of snow at an altitude of 8,000 feet. From Cetinje, Mr. Browne, after putting to sea in an Albanian fishing boat, which was chased and bombarded by Austrian submarines, succeeded in reaching Durrazzo on horseback, and crossed to Italy.

The Serbian army is practically destroyed, he says. To-day the Serbian general staff at Scutari realizes the army is unable to offer the slightest effective resistance to Austrian, German, and Bulgarian forces rapidly driving forward along three converging lines westward through Albania, apparently seeking conquest of Adriatic seaports, which are of the highest strategic value to the Allies' cause.

The last stand of the Serbian army was made at Pristrend, where more than 100 cannon, mostly of the type of French 75s (three-inch guns) were arranged in a huge semi-circle pointing at the Bulgarian army. After five day's bloody battle the Serbs, having fired the last shell and spiked the guns, threw the breech locks into the river, broke and fled in wild disorder through the narrow path where the River Drin cuts into Albanian mountains.

More than 80,000 Serbs were engaged at Pristrend, of whom about half were taken prisoners. Not 10,000 of the 40,000 who finally reached Albania are now capable of offering effective resistance. These remnants, now obsessed only with the idea of obtaining bread and escaping the clutches of the dreaded Bulgarians.

TORONTO MATE WAS KILLED.

Arthur Johnson Jammed in Windlass of His Steamer.

Vineyard Haven, Mass., Dec. 20.—The British steamer Calgary, from Bathurst, N. B., for New York, put in here to-day with the body of Arthur Johnson, of Toronto, the first officer, who was killed four days ago by being jammed in the windlass.

The Calgary had a stormy voyage, during which she lost her deckload of lumber.

Toronto Steamer Afloat. Port Huron, Mich., Dec. 20.—The steamer Marijka, owned by the Bassett Steamship Co. of Toronto, which ran hard aground in the harbor at Harbor Beach, Mich., last Wednesday, has been released. It is thought it will be necessary to lighten a portion of her cargo of 120,000 bushels of wheat before she can proceed on her trip.

M. Solvay, president of the Belgian Academy of Letters, has been sentenced to three months' imprisonment on the charge of having insulted a German officer.