GOT OUT OF GERMANY

NEWSPAPERMAN TELLS OF HIS ESCAPE FROM RUHLEBEN.

mark at the Outbreak of the War Representing Reuter's Agency Spent 10 Months in a Hayloft With 300 Other Prisoners-Finally Escaped Into Holland.

many, "I rejoice to find myself at last in hospitable Holland."

war, who was imprisoned in Ger-

months at Rubleben in an attic hayloft with 300 others. The shape of crouch on the floor continually.

valescent made the acquaintance of heroic band who have immortalized Edward Falk, the district officer of this great fighting corps. ly suggested the idea of escape. We to 913 names. spent three months perfecting our The Tenth Battalion has had 913 plans, which out of regard for the casualties, the Fifteenth 888, and not intend to reveal. We escaped in cent., while the First has lost 794 July 9, passing through a cordon of real, 788. The figures all through armed sentries and four barbed wire show that the Canadian forces have How shall they answer God's stern

in an adjoining sandpit, and next lost up to June 30 from 60 to 80 morning entered Berlin, where they per cent, of their strength so that enjoyed the first good meal they Canadians can form some idea from

Pyke, "we accidentally walked up the glorious rell of honor of Canthrough a powder factory which lay ada's soldiers on the firing line. The on our path, unchallenged by the casualty list since June 30 has been sleepy Landstrum men. As we ap- very heavy so that a very considerproached to within fifty miles of the able number will have to be added to Dutch frontier we found it neces- the present figures published in order sary to exercise greater and greater to complete the grand total to date of caution. Once during the day, while our losses on the firing line. The rehiding in a copse, we found our- cent lists show that the second conselves in the centre of a cavalry man- tingent has also come in heavy conoeuvre ground, a squadron approach- tact with the enemy, as many of the ing within twenty yards. This alarm | names appearing of late in these beover, we resumed our journey with long to men that went to the front provisions almost exhausted. On the with the second contingent. night of the 22nd we almost lost our- Although no official announcement selves in a peat fog upon a desolate has been made as yet, it is said in moor, darkness adding to our perils well informed quarters that a third

position to be, by dead reckoning, Government. The men are already about a mile from the Dutch bound- overseas and the nucleus of a new ary. We were just prepared for a division is already in England and last forward dash through the Ger- can be formed from the training man sentry lines when suddenly we camps over there. All that it will be found ourselves surprised in our necessary to do is to assemble the hiding-place by an armed guard. All necessary units. With three divisions seemed lost. We saw before us an- or about 80,000 men actually in the other prolonged period of terrible field at the front the requirements solitary confinement, when to our joy for reinforcements will be heavy in and amazement Dutch soldiers dis- order to make up the wastage, but closed the viselves. We hardly could there is quite a surplus of men in believe our good fortune when they training in England, fully 60,000, told us that we were fifty yards in- and some 35,000 in Canada. New side Dutch apritory. They had taken regiments are being volunteered and us for smuggiers. We had thus pass- offered from all parts of the country ed the German double sentry line so that there seems to be little doubt without seeing a single man. Being that all the men necessary can be near a village we were treated with had. The present authorization as to the greatest kindness by the officers recruiting is for 250,000 and there on the Dutch border guard. After a will be no let up until this total is delicious night (for the first time in attained. By that time a fourth dinearly a year) in bed, we left for Am- vision will be organized and two sterdam, where the British Consul complete army corps placed on the readily gave us all the assistance fighting line from Canada.

Patti and Her Partners.

needed.

Challenge to the Kaiser.

Lord Northbourne, who is in his seventieth year, has challenged the German Emperor to mortal combat. Speaking at the prize proceedings at Dover College, he said: "It would give me great pleasure to meet the Kaiser in single combat. 'Pistols for two, and coffee for one, is I believe, the formula-and I do not doubt that I should have the coffee." Lord Northbourne is still a "full private" in the Kent Volunteer Fencibles. He achieved some notoriety in 1913 by announcing that he would celebrate the day that Mr. Lloyd George quitted the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer by roasting an ox whole at his home, Betteshanger, near Dover, amid a public manifestation of joy. He is now said to have abandoned the intention.

Warned by Birds.

In the lonely districts of East Anglia the approach of Zeppelins is heralded by means of the wild commotion among the birds, which are sensitive to the vibration long before the airship engines can be heard by human scouts.

Bravo, Melba!

Air castles look all right until you! attempt to move into them. ing, make it as even as possible. is the time to count the cost

CASUALITIES

Analysis of Canada's Losses in Men Since War Began.

Up to June 30 it is estimated that the first overseas division of Canaper cent. of its fighting force in battle and the story of the casualties is told in a book just issued by the Militia Department which contains no fewer than 11,270 names or about 50 per cent, of the first division. The killed totals 1,787 or 8 per cent., the FTER a weary tramp of missing total 1,842, or 8 1/2 per cent., two weeks from Ber- and the wounded mounts up to 6,619, lin," says Mr. Geoffrey or 30 per cent. In addition there were 167 deaths from various other causes other than wounds, 172 from representative in Den- gas, 113 from shell shock or explosmark at the time of the outbreak of jons, and 173 in hospital from other

Up to June 30 the Princess Patriclas had 981 names on the casualty list, including 253 killed, 631 wound-Mr. Pyke was imprisoned for ten ed, 49 missing, eight suffering from gas, and only three prisoners of war, showing that this regiment fought to Here are men of the Celtic breed, the last and never surrendered, the the hayloft was such that most of its prisoners known to have been capoccupants were unable to maintain tured being taken after they were an upright position, and had to wounded. The original regiment has been practically wiped out, but is be-"Here I contracted pneumonia, and ing constantly filled with the bravest And the balls of Tara now are low nearly died, continues Mr. Pyke. "I and best recruits from all parts of received no medical attention, and Canada and the United States, men from February till June I suffered with fighting blood deeming it an from repeated illness, and when con- honor to be enrolled among the

The Seventh Battallon has also before the war's outbreak while holi- suffered almost as severely as the Or soon or late, come as it may, entirely unjustified by the rules of about 1,000 men in the regiment international law. We became when it went to France, and the casfriends, and one evening he tentative- uaity list to June 30 already mounts

been in the heaviest of the fighting The two Britishers spent the night and that the various regiments have this blue book of the great courage "On one occasion," proceeds Mr. and the stout hearts that are filling

division of overseas troops has been "On the 23rd July we took our actually tendered to the Imperial

Found McClintock Records.

The novel manner in which the adian explorer Stefansson of records sent it on tour. Now it happened the Chilian and Peruvian coast, the famous prima doma on one occasion left by one of the Franklin search that a certain town was billed very great island of New Guinea along chose her partners at a dance is re- parties on the same date 62 years profusely with this play and with the part of Peru and Ecuador, and the lated by Mr. Leslie Ward, "Spy," in ago is contained in the detailed re- announcements of another play west coast of the Central American his Reminiscences. Mr. Ward went port of his explorations received by equally, if not, indeed, even more Isthmus. The Philippine Islands to a certain dance at Lancaster Gate. the Naval Service Department at Ot- popular than my own. And both probably in those days lay alongside "Patti," he says, "was sitting in the tawa. The records were those left were announced as appearing on the of Guatemala, while California bormiddle of the room looking angelic, by McClintock, an explorer, who same day, at the two chief theatres dered on Japan." and surrounded by a host of admir- headed one of the parties which went in the town. ing men. We were each given a in search of Franklin in 1853. Cur- "On the Sunday before the producminiature bugle. Pattie had one also, jously they were found by Stefansson tion, the day on which the provincial on which she sounded a note, and on exactly the same date as they companies always travel from town gain her as a partner in the dance, coincidence McClintock's records left thered to witness the respective ar-The men advanced in turn, some in a cavern near Cape McClintock, rivals of the two, companies, who blew too high, and others too low, tell of the explorer's intention to were due to travel by the same train. until one and all gave up in disgust, travel three days westward in search Well, the train steamed in, amid the At last my turn came: I was trem- of new land. Stefansson instead tra- great but subcued excitement of the bling with eagerness and excitement, veled three days north, and made his waiting crowd, and as" (mentioning and, determined to dance with Patti discovery of an hitherto unknown a certain famous, and, be it added, or die. . . . I hit the note! . . . and land, as has been recorded. In the very stately and pompous actorgained my waltz! - and the applause cavern were various records, some il- manager) "descended from his sawas great as I carried off my prize." legible. They recorded the fact that loon, where he had been traveling in

> north end of Banks Land, if he has ing, 'I beg your pardon, sir, but may establish a winter base as far don"?"" as possible. In February he ill start an exploring trip over the of Beaufort Sea. The explorer is

of the opinion that the new land he has discovered does not extend very far west until it is defined by a norrow channel. On the other side of this channel he hopes to find more new country to add to Canada's far room for a quiet game. northern possessions.

Our Tallest Soldier,

advantage as now. The tailest soldier heard by the Royal visitor: yet sent from Canada to the war was Captain C. Hutton Crowdy, formerly yer Royal 'ighness or 'Spot Yaller'?" of the 13th Battalion from Montreal. He was six feet four in his stockings. When the war began he was a lieutenant in the 5th Royal Highlanders. and was transferred to the 15th. He Now that Zeppelins visit London is the experimental plots. went through all the battle contained it to be doubted that these deathin the four-days' hell upon earth dealing monsters have been guided around Ypres, last spring, and was upon their way by some of these Over \$150,000 has been added to never even scratched, in spite of his 6,000 or more of enemies within invented to enable a military aviator 20th a sniper's builet killed him.

> tor will not beiner your front gate. the destitution of principle. rime when work will prevent it. they actually back up.

Pay as you go and the bill collec-

THE VALE OF SHADOWS

By Clinton Scollard. There is a vale in the Flemish land.

A vale once fair to see.

The stately poplars march and march, Remembering Lombardy.

Here are men of the Saxon eyes, Men of the Saxon heart, Men of the Fens and men of the

Men of the Kentish meadows sleek, Men or the Dove and Dart.

Here are men of the kilted clans From the heathery slopes that lie Where the mists hang gray and mists hang white, And the deep locks brood 'neath the

craggy height And the curlews scream in the moon less night Over the hills of Skye.

From where the loops of the Shannon flow. And the crosses gleam in the even-

Lads of the smile and tear.

And what shall these proud war-At foot of His mighty throne? For there shall dawn a reckoning

And Donegal cliffs are sheer.

day-making. So arbitrary an act was famous "Pats." There were only When those who gave the sign to

Shall meet His face alone. What, think ye, will their penance be Who have wrought this monstrous

camp commandant's feelings I do the Third Battalion has lost 80 per What shall whiten their blood-red hands broad daylight in the afternoon of and the Thirteenth Battalion, Mont- Of the stains of riven and ravished lands?

> commands At the last assize of Time?

Wireless Train Control. Since experiments were made some two years ago on a small scale with now. the Prentice system of wireless train now being carried out.

a high frequency current runs along before that event formed part of one the line midway between the running immense continent, thus became divrails, and is divided into sections ided, leaving North and South Americorresponding with the ordinary sig- ca isolated, between the Atlantic and nal sections, the arrangement being the Pacific-which were then, and such that when a train enters one only then, formed.

above it. If the track wire is alive, tween North and South America, as it is when the section is clear, the while the entire African coast beof the engine and train in the off and projections, into the coast line position and to indicate by a sema- of South America. phore in the engine cab that the line "The shores of western Europe in is clear. But when the engine enters those days were joined to North Ama "dead" or danger section, an aud- erica, and find to-day their almost ible signal is sounded, the sema- parallel and well-fitting coast line on phore goes to danger, and the air the east coast of the United States brake is automatically applied by and Canada. On the opposite side of

A Slight Difference.

Mr. Alfred Capper relates a de- were formed, leaving innumerable lightful story once told him by islands scattered in the Pacific ocean, Sir Herbert Tree. "You remem- half way between the actual continber," said Sir Herbert, "my Jap- ents of Asia, Australia, and America. anese play some years ago? Well, "A mere glance is sufficient to News of the discovery by the Can- when I took it off His Majesty's I show how well Australia fits in along

McClintock's party were all well, had great state, a coquettish lady reporalready examined the south-east ter stepped briskly up to him with his actual performance as a financier coast, and were about to proceed pencil and note-book ready in her came ten years later, and at the time hand, and said she, with the pointed Stefansson is now in camp on the and affected accent of Upper Tootnot already reached Prince Patrick's I ask, are you "The Darling of the Island. At the latter place he expects Gods" or "The Worst Woman in Lon-

A Question of Etiquette.

It is not generally known that King George is an excellent billiard player, and once, when he was Prince of Wales, he visited same naval yards and in the evening entered a billiard

When the marker was told that Prince George was to be one of the players, his self-possession forsook him altogether. Creeping up to ar At no time in the history of war officer who was present, he cried in a was the tall soldier at so great a dis- whisper loud enough to be distinctly lege. He is recognized as a special-"Excuse me, sir, but do I call 'im

Germans in London,

the Australian war funds by Mme, tremendous height. But on October London's huge area? asks a London to record his observations and still newspaper.

There is no known destication like In the matter of giving and tak- foverty count to be listed as a Style carries on its shoulders of the old Shell Committee, has, it is many burdens not worth carrying, said, resigned from the Imperial Before the transaction, not after. Some people proceed so slowly that Providence is usually good to Munitions Board recently organized, those who are good to themselves, of which he was deputy head,

Savage-Landor Declares It Did, Like a Baked Apple.

Deeply interesting is the theory Where under the sweep of the sky's advanced by that intrepid explorer, A. Henry Savage-Landor, who bedian soldiers at the front has lost 50 Thro winter freeze or summer parch, lieves that our system of detached vast continental areas was originally formed by the crust of the earth splitting from pole to pole, for all the world like the skin of an over heated baked apple. May be this is true. Way back in the prehistoric ages. when there existed animals of strange forms and really as large as Men of the Cornwall cove and creek, the present circus side-show barkers would have us believe they have in dinky tents to be awe-strickenly viewed for the small sum of a dime, the earth may have split open like a pea pod and mixed things up generally. It is just possible the rush of ocean to fill the gaps would have caused no more disturbance of the earths' regular orbital movements than the explosion of gas which sends the griddles of a cook stove through the roof and leaves the legs intact on the kitchen floor may be said to disturb the stove. Quite likely, however, such a cataclysmal event in the musty past would at least have caused the dinosauria to stretch their bloomin' necks in a vain search for the back lot when they awakened and started out for their morning

But this is Savage-Landor's little joke. He started the argument, let him have his say. That sets his mind at rest on the subject, and you can believe it or go fishing, just as Reliable persons will be furnished with you like. To support his theory, the profitable, all-year-round employment explorer cites likeness of feature, language, habit, and state of development between South American tribes and those of the lands over the seas. Some day he hopes to go further into

"On that expedition through the wilds of central South America." says bot-foot Henry, "I was able to collect further evidence that a theory I had long held as to the present shape of the earth was correct. I had never believed in the well known! theory that a continent, now submerged, once existed between America, Europe and Africa-in other words, where the Atlantic ocean is

'Here is what really happened control on the Hampton Court branch The earth at one period changed its of the London and South-Western shape-when, is merely guesswork -cure Headache in 20 minutes Railway, modifications have been in- and is of no consequence here-and troduced to bring it into conformity the crust of the earth-not the core, with British railway conditions, and mind you-split into two great gaps experiments on a larger scale are from pole to pole, with a number of other minor fissures. In other words, do-they won't hurt you. The purpose of the apparatus is the earth opened just like the skin of to prevent a train from running past an overheated baked apple. The Afa signal at danger, and its sationt rican and American continents, as feature is that there is no mechani- well as Australasia, with New Guical connection between the track and nea, the Celebes Islands, the Philipthe engine. A copper wire carrying pine Archipelago, and China, which

section the current is cut off from "It is easy, by looking intelligentthe section immediately behind it. ly at a map, to reconstruct the form-The receiver on the engine consists er shape of the world. You will of a length of copper wire directly notice that the most western portion over the track wire and about 12in. of Africa fits exactly into the gap bewaves picked up from it by the re- tween Dahomey and the Cape Colony ceiver are caused to hold the brakes fits perfectly, in all its indentations

the world, the western side of South America, the same conditions can be noticed, although the division of the two continents (America and Asia) In "A Rambler's Recollections," is there much wider. Fragments

Youthful Chancellors.

No one would call Mr. McKenna whoever repeated it exactly was to were deposited, June 15. By another to town, there was quite a crowd ga- even middle-aged as far as appear-(but for a certain baldness) or energy is concerned, but he ranks fairly high among the more recent Chancellors in this respect. Mr. Mc-Kenna is rather over fifty-two. Gladstone produced his 1853 Budget at the age of forty-three, Mr. Lloyd George was forty-six, and Mr. Austen Chamberlain forty-one.

> Lord St. Aldwyn was under fifty when first appointed Chancellor, but of the 1896 Budget he was not far short of sixty. Disraeli was fortyeight when he produced his unlucky Budget in 1852. On the other hand, Sir William Harcourt, though Chancellor for a few months in 1896. brought in his first great Budget when nearly sixty-six, and Lows was fifty-eight in 1869, Mr. Asquite was fifty-four in 1906, and Mr. Goschen was fifty-six in 1887.

Expert Goes West.

William Southworth, of the Ontario Agricultural College, has been appointed as plant breeder and lecturer on forage crops at the Manitoba Agricultural College, Mr. Southworth is not a graduate of Guelph, but is the product of a Scottish colist in the science of plant breeding. His main object here will be to develop a variety of corn for fodder, which can be sown late in May, after danger of frost has passed, and be It is known that there are still at ready for the silo in ample time in large in London, Eng., at least 6,000 the fall. His work at the college will He enlisted with the 13th Battalion Germans, naturalized and otherwise, be largely in the laboratory and in

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