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FRENCH ARE WALKING THROUGH ENEMY LINES

They Are Taking Villages, Prisoners and Guns - The Germans Are Fighting For Their Lives - They Want To Stop the Allied Advances.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Paris, July 25.—This afternoon French troops captured Villemeitierre after further fighting and captured 200 prisoners as well as twenty machine guns. Further south Oulchy le Chateau fell into the hands of the French. The French made progress east of the town and captured four cannon. During the combats yesterday in the region south of the Ourcq, the French took many hundreds of prisoners. Villemeitierre is slightly more than five miles directly south of Soissons on the Soissons-Chateau Thierry high road. It is in this region, on the German right flank, where the enemy has been making his most determined resistance to any further advance by the Allied forces. Oulchy le Chateau is seven miles south of Villemeitierre. On Friday morning the entire German position within the Marne salient is such that it may fall at any moment as a result of some sharp forward moves by the Allies affecting vital parts. It is for this reason the German commanders have ordered the men to hold on at all costs while a defensive position is prepared upon which the Germans armies can fall back. Day after day the Allies, now French, now Americans, and now British, are encroaching upon the triangular salient at some places making deep dents in the enemy positions and at others progressing more slowly.

Taken Another Slice.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) Washington, July 26.—General Pershing's communique says the American troops in their advance between Ourcq and Marne have taken the southern half of Forest de Fere.

Are Still Advancing.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) London, July 26.—On all sides of the German salient the Allies are reported to-day continuing their progress, except on the heights behind Soissons. The German resistance to the French pressure has been very determined in this last sector. The advances reported elsewhere are for the most part slight. On the other side of the salient, just to the west of Rheims, the Allies lost the town of Mery and Hill 204 to a German counter-attack, but retained Virgny and the greater part of the line throughout looking towards Fismes. The Allies in this sector hold Marfaux, Bouilly, St. Euphrasie and Courton Wood. Between the Ourcq and Chateau Thierry the Franco-American line now shows an advance beyond the line of a week ago from six to eight miles. The Germans have reinforced their right flank of the Soissons-Rheims pocket, says La Liberté, of Paris, with a new army commanded by General von Eben, which has been placed between armies of Gen. von Hutier and Gen von Boehm.

LOSSES NEAR 200,000.

400,000 Huns Frantically Trying to Escape From Pocket. London, July 26.—News of the French and American advance, the recapturing of Epieds, capturing Corpuil and Brecy and nearing Paris Forest, reached London after midnight. A despatch to the Daily Mail says it is estimated there are 400,000 Germans within the Aisne-Marne pocket after allowing for losses which are approaching 200,000 since July 15th. The Germans are described as being in a veritable inferno, but the very immensity of the crush prevents the claws of the Allied pincers closing. The Crown Prince is throwing every available man to hinder the French-American advance in the district of which Soissons is the pivot.

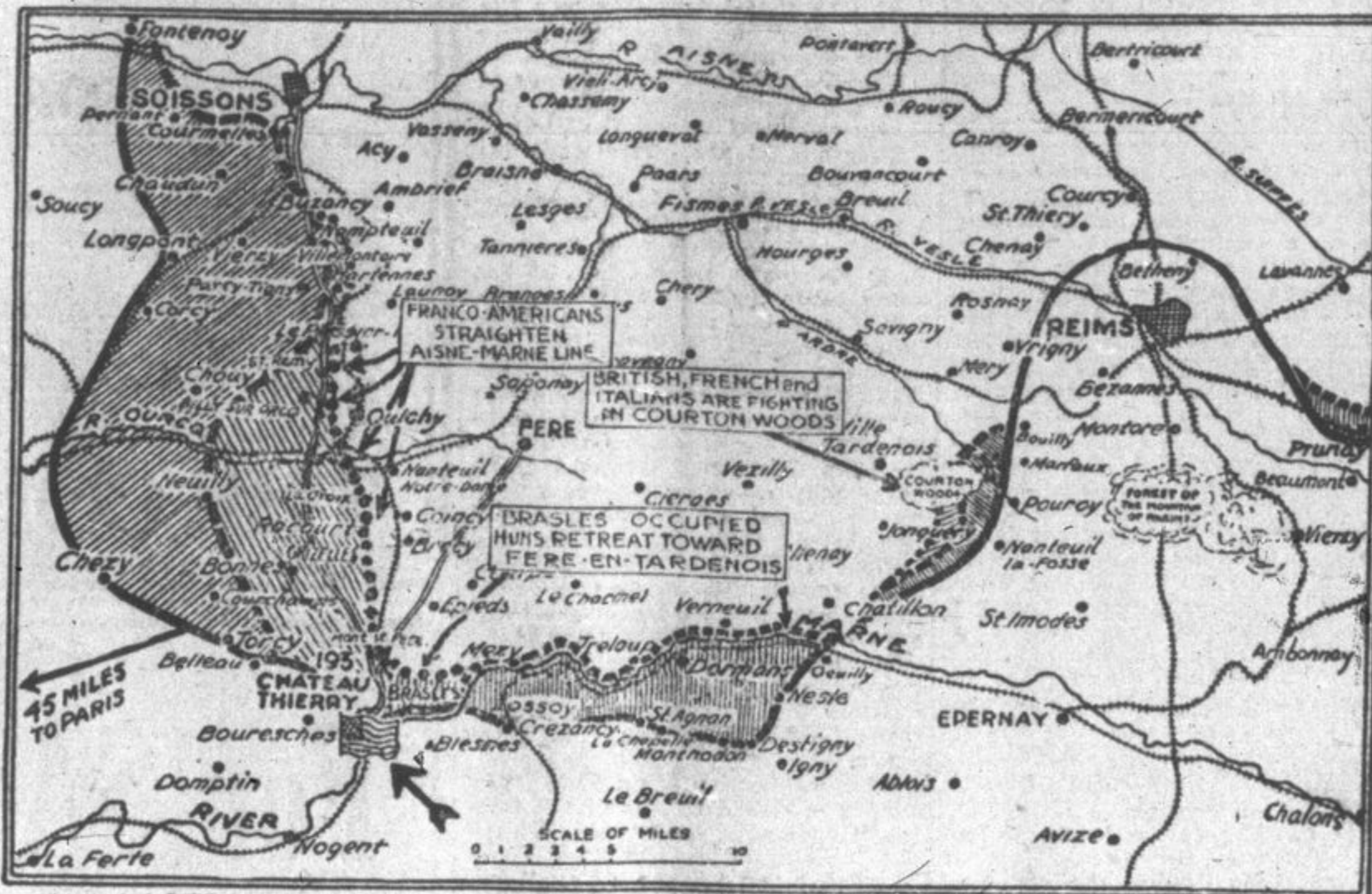
War Tidings.

The New Zealanders about Hoberne have well high exhausted the Huns holding the front lines. They are thoroughly sick of facing the men of the Antipodes. Von Hindenburg fears that his Marne forces are in danger of being crumpled by a surprise blow which Foch might launch in the Dormans sector. During the Albanian debacle, the Austrians abandoned practically the whole of their field artillery, and in one day fled twenty-five miles over the roadless mountains. An American in a mess outfit shot down a German aviator during the Franco-American offensive south of Soissons, hitting the enemy in the head with a rifle bullet as he swooped down on a convoy. The Bolsheviks have abandoned Orenburg and a new Government has been formed in the Ural. The Government is under the leadership of Gen. Dutov. Guerko, former commander of the armies on the Russian south-western front, expelled from Russia last October, has been placed in command of the Entente Allied forces in the Murman coast region. Two Austrian transports were sunk in an Italian attack on Cattaro. The French have used 300 small tanks in their counter-offensive. Dismay is gradually asserting itself over the stoutest German hearts, according to an American official who reached London yesterday. Charged with assaulting his house-keeper on his farm at Cookville, Prof. W. J. London, of Toronto University, was fined \$20. They had trouble of a pan of milk. H.R.H. Prince Arthur of Connaught will be in Toronto on August 14th.

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GERMANS FACE DISASTER IN THE POCKET OF MARNE SALIENT



The above map gives an idea of the ground gained by the American, French and British in their remarkable drive. To the Americans, above all, is due the success of this great and glorious victory.

THE LATEST NEWS BRIEFLY GIVEN

Despatches That Come From Near And Distant Places.

TIDINGS FOR OUR READERS

PRESENTED IN THE BRIEFEST POSSIBLE FORM.

The Whig's Daily Condensation of the News of the World From Telegraph Service and Newspaper Editions.

The Montreal Tramway Company has conceded the demands of the men. There will be no strike.

At London, Ont., the bride of Pte. Francis Alcon is charged with stealing \$750 from soldiers at Carling Heights.

Capt. Barrington Chadwick Quinlan, of the Canadians, attacked to the R.A.F., in England, had died suddenly of pneumonia.

Most Rev. Joseph Petrelli apostolic delegate to the Philippine Islands and papal nuncio to China.

Miss Marquerite Clarke, moving picture actress, has confirmed the report that she is engaged to marry Lt. H. Palmerston Williams, New Orleans.

Lieut. A. P. Mahoney of the Canadians, sentenced to six months for bigamy at London, was promoted from the ranks and specially mentioned in despatches.

Father O'Flanagan, Roscommon, vice-president of the Sinn Fein Society, has been suspended by his bishop for his activities in the East Cavan election last June.

The Ontario Veterinary College has a new head, Dr. E. A. Grange, for many years principal, has relinquished that post, and C. D. McGilvray, V.S., M.D.V., of Winnipeg, has been appointed to succeed him.

George Edgar Whitney, brother of the late Sir J. P. P. Whitney, Thursday at Orleans, Que. He had been in failing health for some time.

Miss Rosalie, eldest daughter of Harry Gordon Selridge, formerly of Chicago, is betrothed to a young Russian, Serge De Belotoff, who has been serving in the Russian naval aviation corps in London.

The habeas corpus writs were dismissed by Chief Justice at Toronto, Sir William Mulock declared that he was bound to follow the decision of the Supreme Court, Gordon Waldron to appeal to a higher court.

The following sub-committee of the Federal Cabinet has been appointed to confer with the representatives of the postal employees: Hon. A. H. Maclean, chairman; Sir Thomas White, Hon. J. A. Calder, Hon. P. B. Carvell, Hon. E. B. Blodinet and Hon. G. D. Robertson.

Mrs. Edwin Blinabury, Mrs. Charles S. Inch, Mrs. William Mathews and Mrs. Edward Benjamin, Pontiac, Mich., were instantly killed when the one at the wheel of the car put her foot on the wrong pedal and backed the machine directly in front of an onrushing interurban. The auto was smashed into kindling wood.

Mrs. Eva Reynolds is under arrest in Toronto for bigamy. She married H. E. Reynolds at Norwood. He left her. She waited seven years, heard he was dead and in succession married John Pearson, Frank Heffner and Albert Smith, with whom she had been living in Toronto. Heffner has again married and Pearson is still living.

Bill Being Prepared by Rumanian Government. London, July 26.—A bill granting equal political privileges to Jews is being prepared by the Rumanian Government, according to Bucharest advices. Full political rights will be granted to Jews who participated in the war, and who were born in Rumania of Rumanian-born parents, and to Jews of professional callings, who at the time of the 1916 campaign had been in practice ten years.

SUES GIRL ON PROMISE.

Disappointed Suitor Asks \$10,000 Damages. Orange, N.J., July 26.—Suit for \$10,000 damages for breach of marriage has been brought against Miss Ruth Robson, South Orange, in the Circuit Court by Harry H. Wilson, Newark. The complaint in the suit, which has been filed in the office of the county clerk, declares that the young woman engaged herself to be married to the complainant March 14th of this year, and without cause broke the engagement April 25th. The document adds that "the plaintiff, confiding in said promise, has always since remained single and is now ready and willing to marry defendant."

FREE FOR MINUTE.

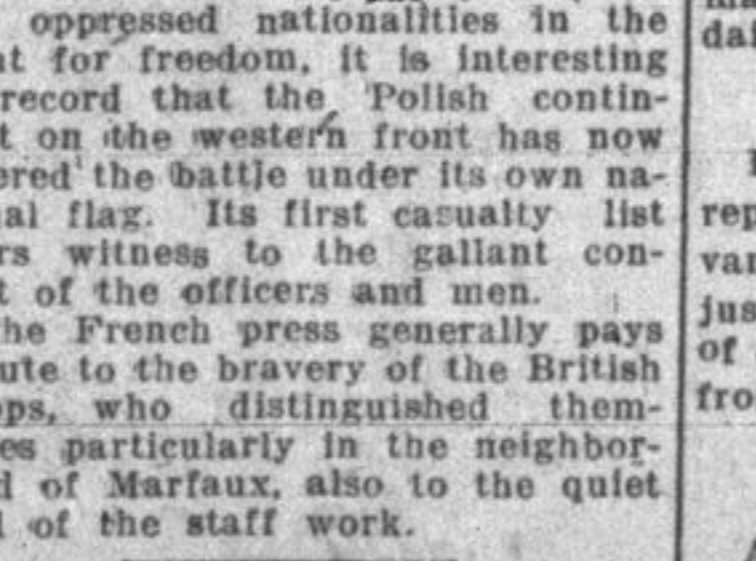
Principal in Case Released, Then Retaken. Calgary, July 26.—Norman Earle Lewis, the young man at Sarcee Camp, for whom R. B. Bennett applied for habeas corpus and got an order for release, but has been held ever since at court, was formally released by the military authorities. In that way the militia complied with the order of the court. One minute after the formal release he was taken under the Military Service Act, and conscripted for service. He is still at the Sarcee barracks, but now without benefit of any habeas corpus.

POLISH UNIT IN FIGHT.

Officers and Men Conducted Themselves Gallantly. Paris, July 26.—As an indication of the active participation of the oppressed nationalities in the fight for freedom, it is interesting to record that the Polish contingent on the western front has now entered the battle under its own national flag. Its first casualty list bears witness to the gallant conduct of the officers and men. The French press generally pays tribute to the bravery of the British troops, who distinguished themselves particularly in the neighborhood of Marfaux, also to the quiet skill of the staff work.

TO AID ALLIED CAUSE

Vladimir Gorlachovskiy, who built the Murman Railroad from the city of Mourmansk, on the Arctic Ocean, to the interior of Northern Russia, where it connects with the main line to Petrograd, has arrived in Washington to aid the United States Government in the preparation of any military movement which the country and the Entente Allies may undertake from this point to save the Russian people from their German oppressors.



Vladimir Gorlachovskiy

ALLIES ADVANCE IN MARKED WAY

Moves Are Not Extensive in Area But Show How Battle Proceeds.

GAIN A MILE AND A HALF

BRITISH AND FRENCH REACH GUEN AND MERY PREMECY

The Roar of the Guns Are Heard in Paris—The Germans Have Concentrated the Most of Their Guns On Their Flanks.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) French Army in France, July 26.—Fresh troops were thrown in by the Allies to meet the enemy's blows on Thursday. On both wings of the Soissons-Rheims salient, the artillery duel was of a most violent character, as the Germans concentrated most of their guns on their flanks.

The roar of the guns from the region of Dormans, sixty-five miles from Paris, is plainly heard in the latter city.

Latest official reports show continued advances by the French, British, Americans and Italians. White advances are not extensive in area they show the battle continues favorably.

Late reports on Thursday showed the Allies continuing to make good progress between Ourcq and Marne.

Between Rheims and Soissons about forty-three German divisions (516,000 men) are within the salient, of which fifteen were added after the "friedenssturm" started. Inside the pocket the seriousness of the German predicament has been increasing daily for the past five days.

Making Fine Advance. London, July 26.—The War Office reports say British and French advanced to Guen and Mery Premecky, just west of Rheims, making a gain of a mile and a half on a three mile front.

Have 25,000 Prisoners. (Canadian Press Despatch.) American Army in France, July 26.—It was unofficially stated last night that the German losses have been two hundred thousand in the present fighting zone; twenty-five thousand of these are prisoners and over 500 guns were taken.

The Allies have closed the mouth of the pocket to twenty-one miles, but the Germans are fighting desperately to escape.

The Germans are strengthening their lines and reserves are coming up rapidly.

It is expected that the next German offensive will take place in the Champagne district, but the British are prepared.

Important Strategic Point. (Canadian Press Despatch.) Paris, July 26.—The French troops are now within about 200 yards of important strategic point of Oulchy le Chateau says a Havas despatch.

They Were Repulsed. (Canadian Press Despatch.) London, July 26.—The Germans this morning launched a local attack against positions recently taken by British in the Meteren sector of the Flanders front. The War Office announces the attack was repulsed. Last night the Germans delivered an attack upon the new British positions in Rebutere sector on the front between Albert and Arras. The enemy was driven off with severe losses leaving prisoners.

British troops made good progress, breaking the resistance of the enemy and taking the villages of La Nappe and Bouilly, with considerable booty in machine guns. They also recovered twelve 75s, which the enemy had captured in May last.

ODDFELLOWS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION HELD ITS ANNUAL MEETING

A Readjustment of the Rates Was Decided Upon—The Reports of the Various Committees Submitted—Reference to the Loss of Association Officers.

The Annual Meeting of the Odd Fellows' Relief Association was held in this city, in the Odd Fellows' Hall, King street, on Wednesday, July 24th. James A. Minnes, president of the Association, occupied the chair. The following representative members of the Association were present: Grand Lodge of Quebec—J. D. Samson, Magog, Grand Master; T. J. Potter, Grand Secretary, Montreal. Grand Lodge of Ontario—Rev. W. Cox, Gananoque, Grand Master; W. Brooks, Toronto, Grand Secretary; H. G. Robertson, Barrie, Grand Warden. Grand Lodge of Alberta—J. A. Tully, Calgary, Grand Master; O. E. Tisdale, Calgary, Grand Secretary. Grand Lodge of British Columbia—A. E. Harron, Deputy Grand Master. Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan—J. A. Hagerman, Unity, Grand Master. Advisory Committee, Quebec—R. W. Dickson, Montreal; W. S. McCorkill, Farnham; F. P. Houlihan, Sherbrooke. Advisory Committee, Ontario—J. T. Hornbrook, Toronto; E. C. Garbutt, Picton; W. A. Dennis, Gait. Advisory Committee, Maritime Provinces—J. R. MacDonald, Sherbrooke, N.S. Local Board, Manitoba—W. T. Devlin, Winnipeg; J. Douglass, Winnipeg. General Representatives—C. R. Cotton, Gananoque; W. H. Wallis, Lansdowne; D. C. Parker, Ingersoll; A. Searies, Norwich; S. J. Farmer, Ottawa; William Mitchell, Millbank; P. McCallum, Almonte; John Square, Lyn; John Munden, Gananoque; J. Owen, North Bay; J. H. McKay, Alms Craig; Canon F. W. Armstrong, Trenton; W. J. Saurin, Port Colborne; A. F. Messervy, Halifax, N.S.; O. L. Steele, Port Colborne; Wm. J. Dash, Toronto; C. J. Young, Brighton; A. Barbour, Lucknow; G. N. Gordon, Peterborough; R. Gamble, Manotick; Arthur Flynn, Morrisburg; G. A. Ferguson, St. Thomas; F. J. Reynolds, Regina, Sask.; C. Gibb, Blonham; J. A. Young, Hamilton; J. N. Smith, Farnham; G. W. Dorland, Brantford; R. L. Gosnell, Blenheim; F. J. Verrill, Melbourne; J. E. Morris, Smith's Falls; John P. Wear, Charlottetown, P.E.I.; R. D. Gibson, Watford; J. J. Brant, Smith's Falls; Albert Bruner, Ruthven; Robert Healey, Kingsville; W. E. McGillivray, Smith's Falls; Carmi Welch, Cardinal; D. M. McIntyre, Toronto; D. Ferguson, St. Thomas; S. J. Bolton, Montreal; W. H. Moss, Dunbar; Dr. Paul Harp, and Dr. E. LeSueur, Saranac; Jas. H. Walford, Rentree; A. G. McLean, Toronto; T. H. Wigle, Ruetun; P. T. Coupland, St. Mary's; T. Fairless, London; Jas. Neil, Leamington; J. R. Thomson, Windsor; Daniel Denton, Cobourg.

President's Address.

The President opened the meeting at ten o'clock by extending a hearty welcome to the members present and gave a very interesting review of the business transacted by the Association during the past year, expressing his thanks for the co-operation which he received from the members of the Board of Directors. He paid a glowing tribute to Brigadier-General and offering his Medical Director and took occasion of expressing the appreciation of the members of this Association for the high character that had been paid Bro. Ross by the military authorities recently in advancing him to the rank of Brigadier General and placing him Medical Director of the Fifth Army Division and asked that the greetings of this Association be forwarded to Bro. Ross. He well as Bro. Donogh, another member of the Board who was unable to be present through illness. He feelingly referred to the great loss the Association had sustained during the past year in the death of (Continued on Page 3.)

BABY BOY BORN AFTER MOTHER DIED

Skillful Work of Physicians at Albany, N.Y., Institution Saves Thriving Infant.

Albany, N.Y., July 26.—Through what is known in medical terms as a post mortem section, a baby boy was born ten minutes after the death of his mother at the Brady Maternity Hospital, Dr. Paul Harp, and Dr. David Hurlbly were in charge of the case, considered very unusual in medical circles. The boy, a thriving seven-pound youngster, is in splendid health. The mother, Mrs. William Farrell, who before her marriage was Rose Cecelia Farrell, daughter of John Farrell, at one time well known in Albany as a contractor, went to the hospital for treatment. With her was her sister, Mrs. William Connell, New York. Soon after Mrs. Connell's departure Mrs. Farrell was taken very ill and physicians found she had been a long sufferer from a heart ailment. Though given the best of care, she became weak, and on Sunday, while a nurse was taking care of a patient nearby, Mrs. Farrell threw up her hands and said: "I am dying. Tell my sister at—"

APPOINTED REGISTRAR.

City Solicitor of Woodstock Succeeds Late James Canfield.

Woodstock, July 26.—Peter McDonald has been notified of his appointment to the position of local registrar of the Supreme Court of Ontario, and clerk of the Surrogate Court and clerk of the Oxford County Court, to succeed the late James Canfield, who died last February. The income from the position will be approximately \$4,000. The new registrar is an Oxford boy.

THE GERMAN'S SHOOT.

Stretchers-bearers Who Approach Too Near Enemy Line.

London, July 26.—The Germans apparently have decided to abolish another humane practice prevalent in all wars, for they have issued an order that stretchers-bearers must be fired at if they attempt to remove the wounded from the battlefield in front of the enemy's lines. The orders were obeyed a few days ago, when some of our stretchers-bearers, attempting to reach some wounded men, were fired at and forced to return to their trenches.

SHIPBUILDING NOT ADEQUATE

London Times Says Two Vessels Should Be Built For Every One Lost.

London, July 26.—The Times' naval correspondent says: "The Admiralty return of the shipping losses for June shows a gross total decrease of 81,500 tons over the preceding month. It is a good month since the figures of the loss from U-boats were so low as in June. The impression given is that either it is more difficult for submarines to find vulnerable targets or there are fewer submarines at work, or, in the words of Sir Eric Geddes, the one-time hunter are now the hunted and are given less time to hunt for prey. The sinking, however, of the great liner which is reported to-day, as well as other recent misdeeds, is a warning that the menace is by no means over. That we come to a good month is no guarantee of the continuance of such improvement. Against the decrease in loss by 64,527 tons of British shipping in June there should be balanced the diminishing rate of production in British yards. A British ship must be completed for every British ship sunk, and the deficiency accumulated in the first six months of this year now amounts to over half a million tons. In other words, the output should be nearly double what it has been in order only to meet the losses of 1918. At the present moment, although the shipbuilding world is outstripping the destruction by the new tonnage produced in British yards, it is far from having reached the required standard. It is not sufficient to know that the enemy cannot starve us into submission—few people believed he could—peril lies in the slow rate at which we are building. The result is disappointing, and even ominous."