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Austrians Lost 800,000 Men

London, Sept. 2.—H. Warner Allen, special representative of the British press, with the French army, says in a cable despatch:

"The Austrian armies have just passed through a period of three months' defeats, in which they lost 800,000 men. Their strategic reserves are completely exhausted, but despite the continual pressure of the Italians and Russians on their frontiers the Austrians were able to scrape together eight divisions, which they sent to Transylvania, in readiness for the rupture with Roumania. These divisions are badly needed elsewhere, and it seems scarcely possible, despite the difficulty of the country, that they will be able to hold the long line of the Roumanian frontier.

"The question arises, where is the dual monarchy to find more troops? It cannot accuse Germany of having failed to succor 'the brilliant second.' The Germans lost half a million men at Verdun before the Somme offensive began. Since July 1 they have been losing heavily, both on the Somme and at Verdun. How heavy the German casualty list has been can be deduced from the fact that since July 1 the allies have taken 43,000 prisoners at these two points on the front.

"Notwithstanding these losses, and the ever increasing pressure of the French and British, on the Somme, the Germans sent some divisions to help the Austrians. Nine of these were withdrawn from the western front. The most surprising point is that four of them have been withdrawn since July 1,

when the Somme offensive began. It is obvious that the German high command would not withdraw if it could possibly help it, a single man from the front which is being subjected to an offensive described in the German press as a gigantic operation. The German press declared the Germans were greatly outnumbered on the Somme, and yet so great is the crisis that the enemy had actually to weaken his western front during the height of the offensive."

SAVE THE CHILDREN

Mothers who keep a box of Baby's Own Tablets in the house may feel that the lives of their little ones are reasonably safe during the hot weather. Stomach troubles, cholera infantum and diarrhoea carry off thousands of little ones every summer, in most cases because the mother does not have a safe medicine at hand to give promptly. Baby's Own Tablets cure these troubles, or if given occasionally to the well child will prevent their coming on. The Tablets are guaranteed by a government analyst to be absolutely harmless even to the new born babe. They are especially good in summer because they regulate the bowels and keep the stomach sweet and pure. They are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Mrs. Holly Clark

Mrs. Holly Clark of Grafton died of tuberculosis trouble on Friday, aged 31 years. She leaves a husband and one little girl.

The funeral was held on Monday, conducted by Rev. F. L. Orchard, with burial at Grafton.

Alfred Osborne Flewelling

Alfred Osborne Flewelling second son of the Rev. J. E. Flewelling, rector of Canterbury died at Bridgewater, Me., Sunday, September 3rd, after a long illness of tuberculosis, aged 35 years. Mr. Flewelling formerly lived at Waterville Me., but for the last few years had been living at Bridgewater. He is survived by his wife and two children, a son and daughter; also his father, Rev. J. E. Flewelling, of Canterbury, and four brothers, John of St. Stephen, Charles, of Mars Hill, Me., Stirling, of Caribou, Me., and Emery of North Dakota and three sisters, Mrs. (Dr.) McNally, and Miss Julia, of Berwick, N. S., and Miss Jean, student nurse in the Chipman Memorial Hospital, St. Stephen.

The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon. Service was conducted at the home at Bridgewater, by the Rev. H. F. Rigby, of Centreville, after which the body was brought to St. James Episcopal church, Centreville, where service was conducted by the Rev. H. F. Rigby. Interment was in the family lot beside his mother and two brothers. The pall bearers were his three brothers, John, Charles and Stirling and his brother-in-law Mr. Pryor.

Mr. Flewelling's aunt Mrs. (Dr.) Main, of Houlton and other relatives placed quantities of beautiful flowers on his grave. His sister, Mrs. McNally, was in Bridgewater about two weeks ago to see her brother.

Stairs-Marsten

A quiet but pretty wedding took place at the United Baptist Parsonage at Woodstock on Wednesday afternoon, when Mr. Elmer T. Stairs, of Hatfield, York County, was united in marriage to Miss Ada M. Marsten, of Campbell Settlement. The bride was becomingly attired in a blue travelling suit with white hat. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. L. Orchard, in the presence of immediate relatives. The party left by auto for Campbell Settlement, where a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents.

BROOKVILLE

August 29th, 1916.

The weather for the past few days has been very unfavorable for the farmers and harvesting.

Mrs. Jane Tompkins is making an extended visit at her daughters Mrs. Thomas L. Jones of Monticello Maine.

Master James Smith of Tracy Mills has been the guest of Russell Coughle.

W. B. Jones has his auto horse nearly completed.

Our school has opened again with Miss Clara McCullough of Keswick Ridge in charge.

Miss Lena Reid of Easton Maine, has been visiting relatives of this place.

Miss Vena Tompkins attended the dance at Farmerston last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Delong visited relatives at Bristol N. B., last week.

Miss Willard Tompkins of Roysaiton is spending a week in this place.

Mrs. C. J. Jones and Miss McAfee left on Monday evening for Toronto, where they will spend a short time, guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Manus Aitken.

Play at the golf links for the E. W. Mair handicap cup, which was finished on Friday last, resulted in Mr. C. J. Jones winning this much coveted prize, Mr. W. M. McCunn was the runner up.

The Knights of Pythias celebrated decoration day Sunday afternoon. The members of the order made a creditable showing. Led by the 67th Band, they marched to the cemetery and placed flowers on the graves of seven deceased members, while other graves were decorated in the cemetery at Upper Woodstock.

A Queen's Birthday

(St. John Globe.)

Queen Wilhelmina of Holland, as she to-day received and with all a Queen's graciousness accepted birthday congratulations and assurances of good-will from the diplomats at her court, must have thought of the events of two years and pondered deeply what the year ahead has in store for her little country. Born on August 31, 1880, Her Majesty succeeded to the throne on the death of her father, King William III., in 1890, and on her eighteenth birthday was crowned Queen. In 1901 she married Prince Henry of Mecklenburg. The two years of war have been busy and trying years for Holland, and most anxious ones for Holland's Queen. Despite the very evident desire of the Queen and her people to maintain neutrality, there have been frequent occasions when it seemed probable that Holland would be drawn into the great whirlpool. Even yet Holland cannot breathe freely, for there is always the danger that action by one or the other of the belligerents will force a controversy which may lead to a diplomatic rupture and perhaps to hostilities. Holland's very position on the borders of Belgium, with an open sea coast and direct rail connection with Germany, is a point of danger. Great Britain and her allies, while convinced of Holland's desire to remain neutral, are compelled to keep a close check on Holland's trade to curtail shipments to Germany. They know that vast quantities of supplies have reached the enemy through Holland, and only a few days ago were compelled to place the Dutch fishing fleet under restrictions. Naturally, Holland has resented interference of this kind, as she has resented German torpedoing of her vessels engaged in trade with Great Britain, and German bullying in her purely domestic affairs. Growing rich out of the war trade, Holland is not unmindful of the fact that a false move might prejudice her whole future. A too friendly attitude toward the Allies, with whose cause the great mass of the Dutch people sympathize, would make Germany an enemy, and Holland, better than any other European country, knows from her proximity to Belgium and her care of thousands of Belgian refugees what kind of an enemy Germany can be. There is an ever present fear that war necessities may lead Germany to pick a quarrel with Holland, and in the earlier days of the war, when the final outcome was more in doubt, there existed a terrible fear that Germany triumphant would quickly end the national existence for the small kingdom. Fear of Great Britain and her allies has also existed, through to a lesser degree, for while fidelity to their promises was never doubted, there was always realization that Holland offered the natural and easy way for an invasion of Germany. To day it is known the Allies never seriously considered such a crime as the invasion of neutral Holland, and the fear that Holland will be drawn into the war grows daily less. Notwithstanding all the anxieties of two long years, Holland's Queen and her subjects have faithfully, courageously and generously discharged the obligation of humanity, succoring and caring for war refugees, providing homes for thousands of afflicted Belgians and contributing millions to relief work. The nations tribute to Holland's Queen voice world appreciation of a people who in a most trying and difficult position have fairly done their duty.

Arthur P. Dickinson

Chief of Police Kelly received a telegram on Wednesday announcing the sudden death of Arthur P. Dickinson, of Montreal. The deceased is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dickinson of Woodstock. He was born here, was a general favorite, and was very prominent in athletics. After serving his time in Connell's Foundry, he moved to Montreal, and when he died he was working in a munition factory. He was about 36 years of age. The body arrived on Saturday.

The pall bearers were, Augustus Hand, Chas. Hand, Fred Webber, Fred Everett, Rev. R. H. Barnes, a vest minister, officiated.

Donald Rankin spent the week end with L. D. Grant at Victoria.

Edmundston Lad Instantly Killed

Edmundston, Sept. 1.—A young boy twelve years old, deaf mute, and son of Denis X. Herbert, was run over last night by an automobile on St. Hilaire road, two miles above Edmundston. The lad died shortly afterwards and the doctors who were brought on the scene found that the boy's neck had been broken when thrown to the ground, after he had been struck by the car.

Presentation to Major Good

Letters received from members of C. Company, 140th Battalion, now at Valcartier, tell of the presentation of a purse of gold to Major F. A. Good, of this city, who because of ill health has been found medically unfit to accompany the battalion overseas. The occasion when Major Good bade farewell to his company is also referred to in the letters from the soldiers who declare the incident was most pathetic, there being many tear filled eyes and Major Good breaking down completely as he was making his farewell speech to "his boys." There was no more popular commanding officer in all the camp.—Gleaner

BORN

STONE—At Woodstock, Sept. 1st, to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stone, a son.

Miss Madeline Smith, kindergarten instructor at the McGill Settlement, Montreal, who has been spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Smith, returned to Montreal on Wednesday.

Mr. Peter Cosman, representing the J. M. Queen, Insurance Co., St. John, has been in town for two weeks on business. He was a guest at the Turner House.

A number of Miss A. M. Rankin's friends surprised her with a picnic on Tuesday at her new home in Grafton.

Miss Dorothy Smith, who is teaching at Temple spent Labour Day in town with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Smith.

The Rev. Aaron Hartt and Mrs. Hartt of Brocton Mass., spent Tuesday in Grafton, guests of Mrs. John Shea.

C. S. Baker, manager of the Bank of Montreal Hartland, spent Sunday and Labour Day in Woodstock guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Gibson.

Miss Verna McQueen spent part of last week in Houlton, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McCready.

Lieut. Allan Good of the 140 Batt., Valcartier, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles Comben.

Misses Frances and Annie West, nurses of Boston, Mass., who have been visiting their father, E. L. West, Centreville, returned to Boston on Saturday.

Coley Wetmore, formerly civil engineer on the Valley Railway, after a strenuous time in the trenches with the Mounted Rifles arrived home on Monday and will be connected with the Kilties.

The following went to Fredericton on Monday to attend the Normal School: Hubert Seely, Leonard Shipp, Susie Sharpe, Helen Smith, Gladys Haley, Aurilla Gibson, Mary Cogger, Gladys Glidden, Marian Dunphy, Bessie Shaw, Georgie Plummer and Mary Howard, and Ada Bull, of Bedell.

Charles Wolhaupter has been awarded the contract for supplying meats, fish, etc. for the soldiers quartered here. The tenders do not call for the supplying of any special unit, and it is understood a large number of troops will be quartered here this winter, as there is ample accommodation.

County President Joseph Fewer has received a letter from Rev. C. J. McLaughlan, Chairman of the A. O. H. scholarship board, Debec, announcing the winner of the scholarship in this district as Roy H. Allison of Johnville. The scholarship entitles the holder to \$120 a year for a three years consecutive course.