

**RESIGNATION REFUSED
BY CANADIAN CAUCUS**



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PREMIER BORDEN.

Sir Robert Borden, premier of Canada, has offered his resignation to a caucus of his supporters in parliament in favor of Sir George Foster, minister of trade and commerce. The caucus declined to accept the resignation. It reaffirmed its confidence in the premier's leadership. Sir Robert was authorized to continue his efforts to reorganize the government and bring into it representatives of all the elements in Canada favoring compulsory military service.

**A GENERAL SURVEY OF
THE WAR**

The Russians have abandoned Riga, the Petrograd war office announces.

The statement says an order has been given for the abandonment of the Riga region on account of the threatening situation.

Some Russian detachments voluntarily left their positions, the war office reports, and are retiring toward the north.

Riga, Russia's principal Baltic port, was abandoned under the threat of a German offensive by land and sea in which the deciding stroke on the land side was delivered by the Germans last Saturday.

The fate of Riga was virtually sealed when German troops, powerfully initiating their offensive, forced a crossing of the Dvina southeast of the city and began to push northward after making good their foothold on the right bank of the stream.

Riga, capital of the government of Livonia, had a population of more than 500,000 persons before the war and aside from Petrograd was the most important Russian commercial and industrial town having access to the Baltic.

The Italian offensive, still in progress, may prove to be the greatest advance for the allies since the beginning of the war. After Monte Santo was stormed and captured General Cadorna's army immediately began to clear the Bainsizza plateau of Austrians. In this they have been uniformly successful. The last reports of prisoners captured show that about 27,000 Austrians are in the hands of the Italians.

Italian troops extended their positions in the Brestovizza valley, the war office announced. Additional prisoners and much war material, including nine machine guns and five trench mortars, were captured. Austrian counter attacks at various points were repulsed.

In the Stelvio region detachments of Alpini reoccupied the advanced post that was abandoned on Aug. 27, at an altitude of 5,500 meters, and captured the entire Austrian garrison there.

German airplanes raided the Chatham-Sheerness area of England (Chatham is a British naval base and Sheerness is a naval and military depot), inflicting what were officially described as "naval casualties" totaling 107 dead and 86 wounded.

On the Isle of Thanet the raiders killed one and wounded six other persons.

Chatham contains immense military and naval establishments, docks, barracks, engineer schools and immense fortifications.

Sheerness is also a strongly fortified seaport, the naval arsenal of England. It likewise has great docks.

Thirty Italian airplanes dropped nine tons of bombs on the Austrian naval base at Pola, causing destruction and large conflagrations, it is announced officially. The bombs were dropped on the Austrian fleet at anchor, and also on military works.

The artillery fire has grown heavier on the Julian front, says the official announcement.

The fearful fighting of the Flanders offensive in the past month cost England 60,373 casualties, in killed, wounded and missing. The figure is below that of last month, which was 71,899, but the losses of officers were very much greater. The total in July of officers killed, wounded and missing was 2,426. In August it had jumped to 5,459.

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RALPH R. CROSS
Capt. Co. M., 329th Infantry

Ralph R. Cross was born in the state of Indiana but spent his school life in the little village of Jersey, O., where he graduated from high school in 1909. He then attended an academy at Austin, Texas, for one year, teaching a rural school in Ohio the following year. He then continued his studies at Wooster, West Lafayette, and Indiana State University, meantime serving as principal or superintendent of schools at Tiverton, Sulphur Springs, Dresden, Doylestown, and Canfield, serving at Canfield the past school year.

Mr. Cross was selected out of a great number of applicants to bring order and discipline out of the chaotic condition into which the Canfield high school had fallen, and in one year he did it to an exact nicety. He is a clean-cut manly man of splendid physique, a thinker, an eloquent speaker, and has a courage and conviction that proclaim his greatness.

Mr. Cross entered the officers reserve training school last spring and was recently awarded a Captain's commission, an honor awarded to only a few. He is now at Chillicothe having a part in organizing the first great army to be sent to Europe. He is of the military type, brusque, concise and decisive, and we prophesy that when he charges into Heine, the same Heine will be the recipient of a wallop that he will remember many a day.

The teachers of Mahoning county and his many friends in Canfield wish Captain Cross the greatest measure of success in his chosen career of servant to his country and humanity.

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"You have, too!" declared Caroline, "Everybody knows Harris sat up very straight with flushed cheeks. 'You are a horrid, mean thing!' she announced with energy. 'And I just hate you! The very ideal I haven't!'"

"You sat by him all the time at the last meeting!" accused Caroline, with brutal explicitness. "And you gave him part of your ice cream. If that isn't having a case on a boy I'd like to know!"

"I hate strawberry ice cream!" Geraldine defended herself. "And I guess if I want to get rid of it I can. I couldn't help it if he sat next me. I didn't ask him to!"

"You shoved right in beside him," spoke up Angela, with some emotion. "Just as I was headed for the sofa you pushed right in and nearly shoved Gertie off the end so that you could sit next to Arthur. And I knew him before you did, and he always waited to walk to school with me—and now you yell at him from the corner to come along and he comes. And I have to walk alone! If that isn't having a case—the very ideal!"

"Pooh! You're jealous because he likes me better!" Geraldine burst out with feminine sagacity. "You're just jealous!"

Angela gave a good imitation of a lady expiring from excess of horrible emotion.

"Me?" she squeaked. "Me jealous? Why, if Arthur was the only boy on earth and I knew that I'd be an old maid forever, I wouldn't look at him! That's how much I like Arthur! I just walked with him because he happened to come along and I don't care how much he likes you. He doesn't like you very much anyhow! You don't know what he said to Harry!"

"What did he say?" demanded Geraldine. "You needn't think I care," she added scornfully. "I guess Arthur can say anything he wants to and it won't make any difference to me! Only I want to know!"

"Wouldn't you, tho!" scoffed Angela.

"Tell her," urged Caroline, with the sincerity of one who also would like to hear.

"He said," drawled Angela maddeningly, "he said—now let me see! He told Harry that he hated curly hair, and yours is red, you know! So now, you see!"

"O-o-oh!" gasped Geraldine, aghast at the perfidy of man. "Why, he told me he liked my hair! He said the braids were so long! I don't believe it! You just made it up! Anyhow, I think Harry is nicer!"

best you needn't try to get him away!"

"He doesn't like you as much as he does me!" said Angela, instantly. "You asked him for the candy hearts, I heard you! And Arthur is going to bring over his new dachshund to show me!"

"He's going to bring it to me first!" said Geraldine, promptly. "He said he had to show it to you, and I told him if he didn't bring it to me first I'd be mad and never speak to him again. He's coming over tomorrow."

"Maybe it'll bite you," suggested Angela. "You can't tell about dogs. I don't believe my mother would let me play with it, anyhow, so you might as well tell Harry he needn't come to see me."

"You're just jealous," repeated Geraldine calmly. "You're mad because he's coming to see me first! I can't help it if he likes me better!"

"Why, you want everyone!" cried Caroline, indignantly. "You don't want both Arthur and Harry, do you?"

"She hasn't got 'em!" declared Angela, wrathfully. "She just chases after 'em and calls to 'em to wait, and then they have to wait and she forces herself on sofas to sit beside 'em and pretends she likes dogs—why, I think you're perfectly horrid, Geraldine! I don't think I'd better come over any more to see you! I don't think my mother would want me to!"

"Mine wouldn't either," said Caroline, virtuously. "There's a new boy moved in our block, anyhow, and he's awfully handsome!"

"Is he?" Geraldine asked interestedly. "Maybe I'll come over and see you this afternoon. What time does he get home from school? Say, Harry and Arthur will be over tomorrow with Harry's dog—you'd better come over."

"Well, maybe," said Caroline, grudgingly. "But you needn't think I'm going to introduce you to the new boy, because I won't. You've got two now!"

The Listening Patrol.

There is a species of sentry groups employed near the trenches. They are called "listening patrols" and their duties are to always be on the alert and give timely warning of any attempted attack. One night an officer on his rounds inspecting a listening patrol stationed on an empty farm asked, "Who are you?"

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COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICE

Joseph L. Wheeler

A state law which has been on the books for twenty years has provided for the establishment of county library systems wherever the commissioners have felt inclined to levy a tax for this purpose. Although much interest has been shown in Mahoning county during the last year, the majority of the county commissioners are still unfavorable to spending any money for books.

A new law was enacted by the Ohio Legislature this winter but was vetoed by the Governor on account of one section which he objected to. This law would have made the establishment compulsory after putting the proposition up to a vote by the people. It is probable that this law will be passed at the next session as there was no dissenting vote at Columbus last winter.

In the meantime, according to the speaker, it would be possible for townships or small communities by securing 100 dollars, each, to secure a library service that would in many ways be exactly the same as the service provided by the state law. If four communities can raise \$100 each, making a fund of \$400, the Youngstown Library will undertake to give service in these four townships, spending practically all of the money on books. The books will be sent to the schoolhouses in these four districts and given out by the older pupils. The books would be changed each three months so that for the money visted, each of the four communities would get four times as much book service at the close of the year.

Several requests for such a plan have been received by the Youngstown Public Library and it is quite likely that the work will be started on a small scale during the next two or three months. Mr. Wheeler also pointed out the value of books in the life of the people who live in the country and showed how they connect with school work. According to Mr. Wheeler, education and school are not synonymous terms but that the school only begins education and it is the work of the public library to continue it all through life.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that Joseph East, Washingtonville, O., has been appointed and qualified Administrator of the estate of Anthony East, late of Green Township, Mahoning County, Ohio, deceased, by the Probate Court of said county. All persons interested will govern themselves accordingly.

JOHN W. DAVIS,
Probate Judge of Mahoning County, Ohio
Aug. 10, 1917. 20-3

LEGAL NOTICE

John Reed, whose last known place of residence was Sharon, Pa., is hereby notified that Mary L. Reed has filed her petition against him for divorce and alimony, alleging willful absence, in the Common Pleas Court of Mahoning County, Ohio, and that said cause will be heard on or after the 15th day of September, 1917.

H. H. Graham, Atty. for Plff. 17-4



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