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GERMANS MAKE AIR RAID ON LONDON; ADMIRALTY REPORTS LITTLE DAMAGE

COMMERCIAL CLUB PLEDGES SUPPORT TO JEFF. HIGHWAY

Rousing Meeting is Held at Commercial Club With Highway Officials.

COMMITTEE NAMED TO PICK COUNTY DIRECTORS

J. D. Clarkson Explains Organization of Association; Lycan to Be on Committee.

Resolution.

Whereas this conference of citizens and representatives of the Commercial Club of Bemidji regards the Jefferson highway extending from New Orleans to Winnipeg through this city as of more value to us than would be the coming of a new railroad:

Therefore be it resolved that the Commercial Club of Bemidji here approves the plan of organization of the Jefferson highway association outlined by Mr. J. D. Clarkson, general manager of the association, and pledges itself to secure the unqualified support of all the requirements of the association by Beltrami county and the raising of $9 per mile tax for the support of the international organization within 30 days.

About 50 citizens and members of the Commercial club passed the above resolution at a meeting with the Jefferson highway officials this morning at the Commercial club rooms.

The Jefferson highway officials arrived in Bemidji late last evening on their return trip from Winnipeg. They were J. D. Clarkson, general manager of the Jefferson Highway association, Walter Parker, New Orleans, secretary of the organization, S. Wolstencroft, publicity manager, of Des Moines, Ia., and Earl Cardoff, driver of the official car.

Meet at Club.

The meeting this morning was called at 8:30 o'clock and E. H. Denu, president of the Commercial club, presided.

Mr. Clarkson explained the organization of the highway association. He stated that each county must name a board of directors of seven members to act as the association's representatives in the county and to act with the state association. Each state appoints a vice president and three directors of the international association. This association meets semi-annually.

Assessed $9 Per Mile.

Each county is assessed $9 per mile and the international association requires that the standard of road in the county be kept up.

Memberships to the international highway association are from $5 up to $10,000. Each fee being in a separate class. It is expected that $80,000 will be raised from the classes of $5 to $1,000.

Mr. Clarkson also urged as many people as possible to subscribe for the Jefferson Highway Decalaration, the official publication of the Jefferson Highway association. The subscription price of the magazine, which is published monthly, is 50 cents a year or $1.00 for three years.

Praises Clearwater.

Mr. Clarkson praised the excellent work that is being done by the highway enthusiasts in Clearwater county.

"The darkest spot promises to be the spotlight," said Mr. Clarkson in regard to the work in that county. county in the state, if the other counties don't watch out."

In Clearwater county the organization has been pefected and the tax had been sent to the home office of the association before Mr. Clarkson arrived in Bagley yesterday. The road improvement in Clearwater county during the past 30 days is 100 per cent, according to Mr. Clarkson.

Canadians Enthusiastic.

Walter Parker, secretary of the association, told the meeting this morning of the attitude of the Canadians to the Jefferson highway. He stated that they were enthusiastic about the highway because of the character of the organization of the association.

Appropriates $20,000,000.

Mr. Parker told of the work that Louisiana is doing for good roads. There $20,000,000 has been appropriated for the building of trunk highways. In Texas, ten counties have bonded for $3,500,000 to construct the highway.

After Mr. Parker's talk, F. S. Lysan offered the resolution that is printed above. The resolution pass-

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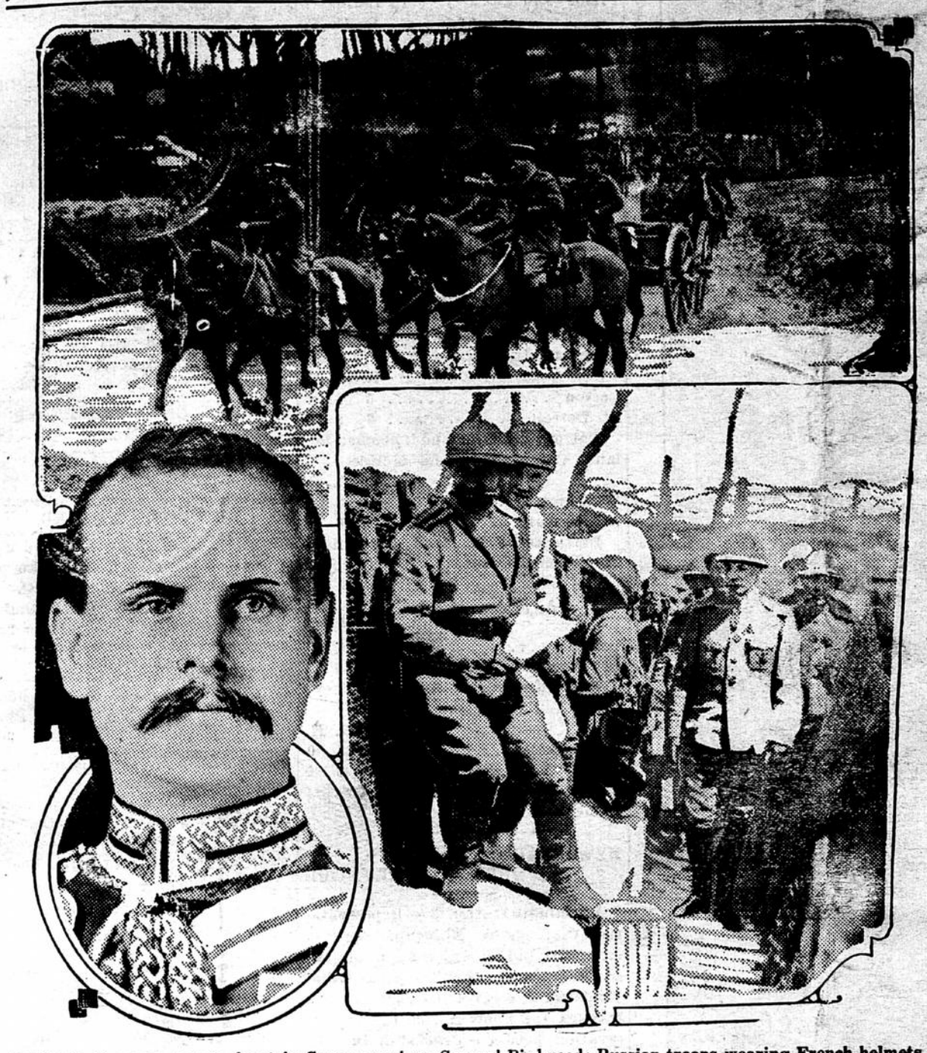
SCENES ON THE WESTERN FRONT; GENERAL WHO LEADS ATTACK



British battery on way to front in Somme region; General Birdwood; Russian troops wearing French helmets in trench on the western front.

These pictures have just been received from the western front. Observe how spick and span are the members of the British battery who are on their way to the front in the bloody Somme region. Russian troops, wearing French helmets, have done some hard fighting on the western front. General Birdwood is the commander of Australian troops in France who in recent engagements have covered themselves over with glory.

CHAUTAUQUA MEN CHALLENGE LOCAL BUSINESS MEN

Efforts Being Made to Arrange Baseball Games; Vawter Men Claim "Some" Teams.

WILL LOCAL MEN ACCEPT? JUST ASK ANY OF THEM

Vawter chautauqua men have challenged the Bemidji business men to a baseball game on the last day of the chautauqua in Bemidji. The chautauqua will be in the city for five days, beginning next Monday.

Chimera's band which will be here on the third day, also "blows" that it has "some" team and wants a game with the business men for the day that they are here.

Bemidji Will Win?

Will the Bemidji business men accept? Why, there is no question about it. Before tomorrow the "old timers" will be rounding into shape and they will make the chautauqua people hurry to even get a score during any of the contests. With such material as "Monty" Brown and W. L. Brooks, besides other good business men ball players there is no question as to who will win the games.

When the chautauqua people play on Friday, Ralph Bingham, the noted humorist, Mr. Hedges, the manager, and Mr. Vawter will be in the lineup. Hedges will pitch and Vawter will play at short.

Officials Arrive.

P. V. Bear, property man of the chautauqua, arrived in the city this noon. Mr. Dudley, superintendent of the chautauqua, will arrive in the city tonight.

The chautauqua will be held on the vacant lot at the corner of Bemidji avenue and Fourth street.

Tickets are going fast and before Saturday the entire guarantee of the local business men will be sold. Tickets purchased before next Monday will cost only $2, after that date the stickets will sell for $2.50.

NORMAL BOARD TO MEET HERE AUG. 22

The meeting of the state normal school board which was scheduled for this city August 9, has been postponed to August 22. On that day all members of the board and possibly some of the state officials will be here to discuss the Bemidji normal school project. The appropriation of $25,000 for the Bemidji normal school became available last Tuesday.

TO ARREST EVERY AUTOMOBILE SPEEDER

Chief of Police Ripple today instructed his police officers to arrest every automobile speeder, also to arrest every person who fails to keep the tail lights of his automobile lighted at night.

"Speeding must stop and stringent methods will be taken to see that it is stopped," said Chief Ripple today.

One person was arrested yesterday and one today for speeding.

An ordinance comprising automobile rules is being drawn by City Attorney Russell and will be presented at the next meeting of the council.

AUTOMOBILES COLLIDE; OCCUPANTS UNINJURED

Two automobiles collided last night on a road seven miles north of Bemidji. Although the machines were badly damaged the occupants of the cars were not injured.

SIR ROGER CASEMENT, IRISH LEADER, HANGED FOR HIGH TREASON

Dying Statement is "I Die for My Country"; Hanged With a Hemp Cord.

GOES CALMLY TO DEATH; ONLY OFFICIALS PRESENT

(By United Press)

London, Aug. 3.—Sir Roger Casement, Irish leader, convicted of high treason, was hanged at 9:07 this Penton Ville prison. Ten minutes later his body was cut down and his life was pronounced extinct.

Dies for Country.

The Irish leader's last words were spoken fearlessly while he waited for the drop. He said, "I die for my country."

The prison's regular executioner sprang the drop and used ordinary hemp rope, Casement being denied the silken rope usually accorded noblemen. Only officials of the prison witnessed the hanging.

In Dublin Rebellion.

Several Irish women standing near the jail attempted a demonstration led by an Irish member of parliament but were quickly hustled off the scene by guards.

Casement was found guilty of high treason in connection with the rebellion in Dublin.

Casement's counsel requested that the body be turned over to him for Casement's relatives. The request was refused at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Finch of Northern were in Bemidji Wednesday enroute to Grand Forks where they will visit relatives for some time.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF POLICE ARGUMENT FAVORING OPTION

Condition Better During 1916 Months Without Saloons Than in 1914 With Saloons.

CHIEF RIPPLE MAKES REPORT FOR MAY, JUNE, JULY

Only One Arrest for Selling Without a License; Three for Running Unlicensed Saloons.

The quarterly report of Frank B. Ripple, chief of police, completed today, is a big argument in favor of county option in Beltrami county. The report of police affairs for the past quarter when there were no saloons in Bemidji, compared with the police report of a similar quarter in 1914, when there were saloons, show a wonderful improvement in police affairs.

Less Arrests Made.

In 1916 during the months of May, June and July only 21 arrests were made for drunkenness as compared with 79 in the same months in 1914.

In 1914, during May, June and July, there were 28 arrests made for vagrancy, six arrests for disorderly conduct and one arrest for non-support. There were no arrests on any of these charges during this same quarter in 1916.

$79 in Fines.

The report made by Chief Ripple for May, June and July, 1916, is as follows:

To the City Council of the City of Bemidji. Gentlemen:

I hereby submit for your approval the following report for the months of May, June and July, 1916.

Number of arrests for drunkenness, 21; amount of fines paid $54.

Number of arrests for unlicensed drinking places, 3; amount of fines collected, one of $50; two cases dismissed for lack of evidence.

Number of arrests for selling liquor without a license, 1; amount collected in this case, $25, the bail being forfeited.

Number of arrests for violation of state auto law, 17; amount of fines in these cases, $44.

Total amount of fines city received, $79.

Total amount of fines state receives, $44.

79 are Drunk.

The 1914 police report for May, June and July follows:

Seventy-nine arrests for drunkenness.

Twenty-eight arrests for vagrancy.

Six arrests for disorderly conduct.

One arrest for non-support.

Total number of arrests, 114, paying a total amount of $127 in fines, six being committed to county jail for different periods; 56 received suspended sentences.

FREE CLINIC TO BE ESTABLISHED HERE

According to plans of the Lake Julia sanatorium board, a free clinic will be established in Bemidji. Dr. Guyer of Chicago, who has charge of similar work at Crookston, will be placed in charge in this city. Dr. Guyer has already made several trips to Bemidji and it is expected he will have a definite schedule made out in the near future.

Since opening the Lake Julia sanatorium fifteen patients have been registered and are being cared for at the sanatorium. Quarters for male patients are entirely filled. There are still quarters for other women sufferers.

CASS LAKE MAN ON LIQUOR CHARGE

Charles Nelson of Cass Lake was arrested Tuesday by A. H. Jester, deputy U. S. marshal, charged with introducing one gallon of alcohol into Indian country at Cass Lake.

He entered a plea of not guilty, waived examination and gave bonds to the sum of $200 for his appearance at the January term of Federal district court which meets at Duluth.

2 YEAR OLD BOY STRUCK BY TRAIN AT MILL PARK

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Larson Steals Away From House and Plays on Track.

TAKEN TO HOSPITAL; REPORTED WILL LIVE

Has Several Bad Cuts on Scalp; Accident Occurs on Sharp Turn On Soo Line Tracks.

Robert, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Larson of Mill Park, narrowly escaped death yesterday afternoon when he was struck by a Soo Line west bound passenger train while playing on the tracks. His scalp was badly cut and he was taken to St. Anthony's hospital. It was reported today that he would live.

Play on Tracks.

The little fellow stole away from home late yesterday afternoon and went to the railway tracks where a number of boys were playing. The boy walked to a sharp bend in the track at the Mill Park crossing.

It has been the custom of several boys in the Mill Park district to see how close they could get to the engine before having to leave the tracks and it is reported that the little Larson boy tried this yesterday. He was unable to get out of the way, and although the engineer whistled and put on the brakes, the accident could not be avoided.

Several Near Accidents.

Chief of Police Ripple today ordered that the playing on railway tracks must absolutely stop. It will not be tolerated. Several accidents have been narrowly averted in the Mill Park district.

12,000 CANADIAN MINERS ON STRIKE

Lethbridge, Alta., Aug. 3.—A general strike of the miners in Crow's Nest Pass and this district was called last night, and within 48 hours the action of the miners at Coalhurst, Fernie and Michel in laying down tools will be followed in all mines and coke ovens. A straight demand is made for a 10 per cent war bonus.

Miners at Commerce, another mine near here, went out yesterday, and the miners at the Galt mines will go out today. Miners at Taber will follow suit. This will mean that about 12,000 will be on strike, seriously handicapping the coal production of western Canada for the winter.

LARGE SETTLEMENT MADE BY TREASURER

County Treasurer Earl Gell has made a report of the June settlement to the county auditor. The settlement for June of this year amounted to $246,669.07. In 1915 the settlement amounted to $219,429.04.

SEVEN ZEPPELINS IN NIGHT ATTACK ON ENGLISH CITY

Indications are That Deutschland is Safely Out in Sea; Passes Allied Warships.

FRENCH MAKE PROGRESS SOUTH OF FLEURY

Russian Forces Continue Battering the Teutonic Defenses Along Kovel.

(By United Press)

London, Aug. 3.—Another German raid was made on London and adjoining counties last night. Six or seven Zeppelins participated in the attack.

The admiralty this morning stated that the raid resulted in little damage.

Deutschland to Sea.

Baltimore, Aug. 3.—Indications today are that the Deutschland is now safely out to sea. The tug Timmons returned today and reported that the British warships were five miles from where the submarine submerged.

British Ship Sunk.

London, Aug. 3.—The small British steamer Brittanic, not the great liner, has been sunk, the admiralty announced today.

French Make Progress.

Paris, Aug. 3.—Material progress south of Fleury is announced by the Commique todap. Pressing their advance the French have moved to a point beyond yesterday's station and have taken 700 German prisoners, making a total of 1,100 prisoners since Saturday night.

British Gain Ground.

London, Aug. 3.—The British have continued to gain ground, General Haig reports. Constant artillery fire is being kept up by both sides.

Russian Drive Continues.

Petrograd, Aug. 3.—The Russian forces discovered an attack in the region of Smorgen in time to beat back with heavy forces. The battering of the Teutonic defenses along the Kovel-Lemberg line has not abated.

NEPHEW OF BEMIDJI MAN INSTANTLY KILLED

Ralph Hatch of Woodstock, Ill., was instantly killed when an automobile in which he was riding was struck by a train, according to word received by George Ostrander, who lives east of Bemidji. Mr. Hatch was a nephew of Mr. Ostrander.

COUNTY OPTION MEET AT TURTLE RIVER

A county option meeting will be held at Turtle River next Saturday night.

A meeting will be held at Puposky Monday night. The option election will be held Aug. 14.

USES MACHINE OIL TO POLISH WOOD FLOORS

Bemidji police today took into custody Alfred Deland who claims his home in Wisconsin. The police accuse him of selling machine oil for the polishing of wood floors. His case will be taken up in the municipal court tomorrow.

FORTUNES BEING MADE BY WHEAT SPECULATORS

(By United Press)

Chicago, Aug. 3.—Fortunes are being made by speculators as a result of the jump of wheat. J. A. Patten, A. J. Lichstern and Armours are making the biggest gains.

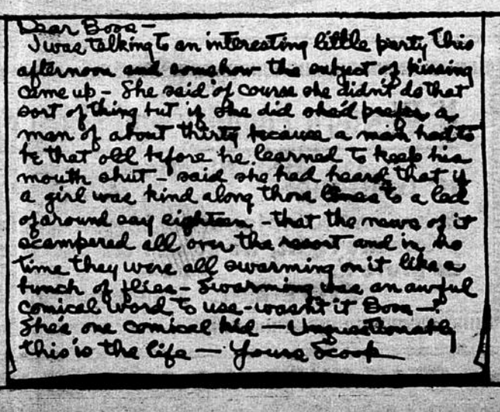
STATE LABOR COMMISSIONER TO VISIT MESABA RANGE

(By United Press)

St. Paul, Aug. 3.—W. F. Houk, state labor commissioner, will personally visit the Mesaba iron range next week. Houk conferred with Governor Burnquist today.

SCOOP THE CUB REPORTER

Says She To Me



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