

NAVAL CONFERENCES HELD AT WASHINGTON

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Washington, Oct. 8.—Conferences between American naval officials and the British Admiralty Board, headed by Sir Eric Geddes, First Lord of the Admiralty, which arrived yesterday, began to-day in Secretary Daniels' office. Admiral Benson, Chief of Operations, and Vice-Admiral Duff, Assistant Chief of Admiralty Naval Staff, shared in the discussion with the civil heads of the two navies.

Important questions relating to the winter naval program probably will be decided at the conference. The Admiralty party shows that the British First Lord came prepared to deal at once and finally with any agreement that might be reached during his stay here.

Teuton Capitulation World's Only Hope

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Rome, Oct. 8.—Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, who is here with a delegation of American Labor leaders, strongly denounces the recent peace move of the Central powers, saying that the new German manoeuvre seeks to weaken the unity of the democratic nations and lessen their fighting spirit. He says:

"The Austro-German and Turkish military system should be beaten. The security of Labor and the people requires that the Central powers shall capitulate and their military menace be broken."

180,000 New Cases of Flu in German Army

Geneva, Oct. 8.—One hundred and eighty thousand new cases of Spanish influenza are reported in the German army, according to an official despatch received from Berlin to-day.

A Vienna despatch says Hungarian newspapers report 100,000 cases in Budapest.

SOLO FLYER KILLED.

Pte. A. L. Dick of Welland Crashes
at Camp Borden.

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Camp Borden, Oct. 8. — While solo flying here this afternoon Pte. A. L. Dick, No. 171,042, in training for a pilot, whose mother, Mrs. P. Dick, lives at Welland, lost his life through his machine crashing to the ground. Pte. Dick was engaged in high manoeuvres when his airplane turned over, and before it could be righted, crashed to the ground.