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THE SITUATION.

The Austrian offensive on the Italian front has been turned into a defence as far as they are concerned, more particularly on the Piave front. Heavy rains have caused that stream to be in flood, and many Austrian pontoon bridges have been carried away, the work of airmen marking their reconstruction very dangerous and difficult. Enemy troops on the west front have been largely cut off from food and ammunition supplies, and the Italian attacks are yielding great results. They have taken numerous prisoners and machine guns, and the Austrian dead are stated to be lying in heaps.

Within the dual monarchy the food extremity is stated to be the most severe since the war began. Among the starving populace the agitation is growing against the government, and the authorities regard the position of affairs with the greatest apprehension. In Germany also there is much unrest, and socialist member Braun, speaking recently in the Reichstag, asserted that the country was "face to face with a terrible condition of public morality," stating stealing, profiteering, and juvenile criminality were rampant. In these respects he affirmed that the law state of affairs permeated all classes of society.

On the Western front the British lines have been advanced somewhat, and American troops are taking more and more a share of the fighting.

A transport was torpedoed and sunk while proceeding from Blierta to Malta. Of 2,150 soldiers and workmen on board, 625 perished.

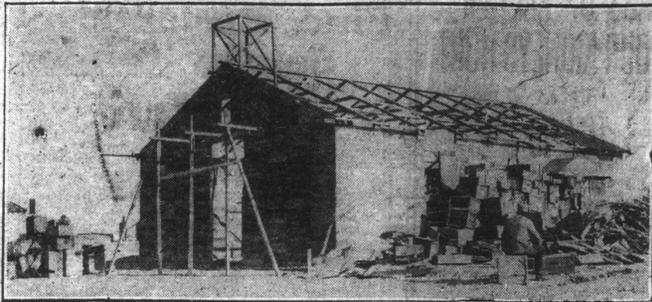
SIZING UP THE SITUATION

Few men during the war have been so loyal and at the same time so impartially observant as our erstwhile foe, General Jan Smuts. A short time ago he made an address at Glasgow, portions of which are worth reproduction.

"The prime minister," said General Smuts, "has his faults, but remember they are the faults of genius. When at a time of supreme crisis a man comes forward, a real man of genius, to guide the affairs of the nation, I pray you, do not look at little mistakes, but look at big work. When I came to this country to attend the imperial conference the prime minister asked me to pay a visit to the front and to give the government my impression of the situation there. I did visit the front, and I looked into things there to the best of my ability, and the report that I gave to the government was this—that the most necessary thing for us in France was to have a big free army or manoeuvre, a general strategic reserve, which could be used for contingencies such as have now occurred and may occur again."

"After referring to General Foch as a leader in whom the British army had complete confidence, General Smuts said that the British were an optimistic people. They had always been successful, unfortunately, and they believed they never could fail. Well, Ludendorff provided an eye-opener. His offensive had been like a blinding flash of lightning on a dark night, and in that way he had done us the greatest possible service. He had been astonished at the curious perspective of many people in this country, who said, 'Oh, do not be too hard on the boche. Do not try to secure an immoderate and impossible victory.' Ludendorff's offensive showed where and what the real danger was. We should have to exert ourselves as we had never exerted ourselves before in our whole history."

Ludendorff has, indeed, proved one of our greatest benefactors. He had awakened not only Great Britain, but America too. The entry of the United States had not only been an act of great courage and statesmanship on the part of President Wilson and his government. It was really the turning point of the war. American troops were arriving in great numbers, and German submarines could do nothing against their transports. The position would, he admitted, be one of the gravest anxiety for some time to come, but he was persuaded that the war would end in a decisive result, and not merely in a stalemate



Serbian Soldiers Build Church of Empty Boxes. Building Materials are very scarce where the Serbs are campaigning in the Balkans, so the men had to use considerable ingenuity when they started to erect a church. They gathered all the empty boxes about and the church, partially completed, is shown in this photograph.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

It is announced that there is a shortage of hairpins. If so there will at last be something coming down.

"And what is so rare as a day in June," sang the poet Lowell. As far as the brand is concerned this year rare means under done.

Austrian hopes are commencing to be more and more austere.

HUNGARY HUNGRY.

By Courier Leased Wire
 London, June 21.—In many provinces of Hungary there is only one-third or one-quarter the food necessary to maintain the population in health, former Premier Tisza declared in a speech to the Hungarian Parliament yesterday, according to a Budapest telegram, forwarded by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Amsterdam.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

By Courier Leased Wire.
 Ottawa, Ont., June 21.—To-day's list of casualties reports three killed in action, three died of wounds, four died, four prisoners repatriated, one prisoner of war, fourteen gassed and five ill. The list for western Ontario follows:

Infantry:
 Wounded—189,843 J. A. Boyle, London.
 Artillery:
 Wounded—799,375 S. J. Agnew, Strathford, Ont.

FARM HOME BURNED

Ingersoll, June 21.—Fire which it is supposed to have started from the kitchen stove completely destroyed the brick farm dwelling of Samuel Samers, near Faldon's Corners, about 6 o'clock this morning. Before Mr. and Mrs. Samers left the house to do the milking, a fire was started in the kitchen stove. Soon afterwards the house was observed in flames, and others, who were sleeping, were quickly awakened. Most of the contents were saved. The loss is covered by insurance.

LAD MAY DIE OF BURNS.

Chatham, June 21.—The seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Allison of Harwich township was so badly burned when coal oil and turpentine which he was mixing on a stove took fire that his life is despaired of.

CORPORAL TO LIET-COLONEL

Victoria, B.C., June 20.—Major Geo. Parkes, M.C., V.C., of this city, who has been in nominal command of the 116th Battalion since the beginning of the present year, has been promoted to be a Lieutenant-Colonel with command of the unit. He left Victoria as a corporal.

ORONO FARMER MAKES BIG THREAT.

London, Ont., June 20.—More than one thousand farmers, who gathered at Port Stanley this afternoon for the annual picnic of the Farmers' Clubs of Middlesex, listened with the keenest interest to an address by A. A. Powers of Orono, Ont., vice-president of the Farmers' Co-operative Society of Ontario. In regard to the action of the Government in cancelling exemptions after promising them to farmers' sons, Mr. Powers declared that the farmers throughout the Dominion are organizing, and will promulgate a policy that will put them in the majority and wipe out the work of politicians forever.

Riety thousand Germans were killed, wounded or made prisoner during the offensive between Montdidier and Noyon.

Frank M. Meyer, one of the leading explorers of the U. S., and who gave to America many plants of the Orient, is dead in China.

General Franchet d'Espèrey has been appointed commander-in-chief of the allied forces in the Near East in succession to Gen. Gullusamat.

An unknown man was instantly killed by a G.T.R. passenger train near Unionville. He stepped out from underneath a bridge in front of the train.

FROST IN N. B.
 Moncton, N.B., June 21.—Heavy frost did enormous damage throughout the entire district for 30 or 40 miles, so far as can be learned. The early crops at present appear to be totally destroyed. The monetary loss is reported serious. Reports are only beginning to be received.

Half of the Russian prisoners of war now returning home from Germany have tuberculosis.

Bishop Endler, of Trent, in the Austrian Tyrol, has been interned by the Austrians in an abbey near Vienna.

Western Canada needs rain from Winnipeg to the mountains.

WEDDING BELLS RING AT PARIS

Miss Daphne Reed Became the Bride of Frank McKinnon Yesterday

OTHER NEWS OF PARIS

Alex. Huson, Old Resident of Paris, is Dead in Winnipeg

Paris, June 21.—(From Our Own Correspondent).—The Church of the Sacred Heart was the scene of a pretty wedding when Miss Daphne Reed, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Reed, Queen street, was united in marriage with Mr. Frank McKinnon of Galt, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McKinnon of Brantford. The bride wore a dress of champagne satin charmeuse, with a dainty hat of pink Georgette crepe and a corsage of pink roses and carried a white ivory prayer book. Miss Eudora Rooney was bridesmaid, and wore a pretty dress of blue crepe de chine with a pink hat. The groom was dressed in a dark suit and carried a white ivory prayer book. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Catharine. After the ceremony the bridal party motored to the bride's home, where the wedding breakfast was served. After receiving best wishes and congratulations the young couple left later for points East, and upon their return will reside in Galt. Many beautiful and useful gifts were received, showing the high esteem in which the bride was held.

Word has been received in town of the death of Mrs. Susan Conworth, of Falkland. Since the death of her husband a few years ago she has resided with her niece, Mrs. Charles Clement, at Edgibaston, England. Deceased was 89 years of age, and well known to many around town and vicinity.

The death took place in Winnipeg on Monday of Mr. Alex. Huson, formerly of Paris, who came out from Ireland with his parents when a small child, and remained here for some 60 years, being engaged in the cooper business with the late Mr. Taylor on the flats, and John Kewney, Mechanic street. Some 10 years ago he left for Winnipeg and resided with his daughter, Mrs. Christie, where he passed away.

At the monthly meeting of the Ratepayers' Association held in the Council Chamber last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Hon. president, Mayor C. B. Robinson; vice-presidents, Senator Fisher, John Harold, M.P., Reeve Pitts, J. M. Patterson, G. W. Featherstone, C. W. Lawton, Alderman J. H. Weller; president, W. J. Gayler; vice-president, George Wren; second vice-president, Ben Stock; third vice-president, Walter Bromfield; secretary, Wm. Springate; assistant secretary, W. Burton; treasurer, C. W. Lawton. The executive committee will be elected at the next meeting, which will be held July 16th.

A quiet wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Tapley, Washington street, when the eldest daughter, Sadie M., became the bride of W. G. Flowerdy of Brantford. The young couple, who were unattached, were married by Rev. J. H. Weller. The bride wore a dainty dress of ivory satin with hat to match, and carried an armful of bridal roses. After the ceremony luncheon was served, and Mr. and Mrs. Flowerdy left for Brantford, where they will in future reside.

This morning's one of our local bread pedlars was watering his horse on the back road near the junction, when two or three tramps pounced on the rig and made off with a number of loaves and cans. They had the appearance of foreigners. They took the railway track, and Chief Rutherford was notified, and is out in pursuit of them.

Mrs. William Rutherford and little ones are holidaying at Elmhurst, N.Y.

Mrs. Jas. Teller is spending a few days in Toronto.

Miss Florence Taylor has returned home after attending the closing exercises at Alma College, St. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Huron and family, who have been in California

NOVIATIE MEMBERS

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French Canadian rector of St. Stanislaw Noviatie, who sent a long letter of protest against the visit made on the institution by the military police under Inspector Menard and Captain A. C. Macaulay, assistant provost marshal, in search of alleged defaulters under the Military Service Act. General Mewburn's telegram reads as follows:

"Am just in receipt of your letter of 14th inst. on my return to Ottawa and words can't express to you my deep regret of the action taken by the deputy provost marshal, Captain Macaulay, on the evening of the 7th."

"My attention was called to this matter on my arrival in Ottawa this morning and I find that my A. G. Alex. McKinnon of Brantford, the most thorough investigation and if the acts are as stated in your letter, which of course, I do not doubt, I can assure you that the error in judgment committed by this officer will be dealt with in a proper way, as I will not tolerate any such action on the part of any military officer as far as the operation of the Military Service Act is concerned."

"As I have already stated, I deeply regret this occurrence, and I thank you for your frank letter."

"The question of liability for military service of any of your students is a matter that is now being considered by the Department of Justice."

"Believe me, yours faithfully,
 (Signed) "MEWBURN"
 The Rev. H. Bourque,
 Rector of St. Stanislaw, Noviatie."

FAMINE THREATENS.

By Courier Leased Wire.
 London, June 21.—Vienna newspapers are quoting a Socialist party manifesto which declares that the workers and small office holders in Austria are at their wits' end to maintain an existence because of the food situation in the monarchy, says a Central News dispatch from Amsterdam to-day.

In many Austrian towns the manifesto declares, these classes are threatened with absolute famine while similar conditions prevail in Prague, the Bohemian capital and points where the population has not seen bread of potatoes for weeks.

NO COMPROMISE

By Courier Leased Wire.
 Toronto, June 21.—"There will be no compromise with Detroit over the date for the speed boat regatta," said a high official of the National Exhibition to-day. "We intend to adhere to our original program and will not back down one inch."

Detroit has claimed the same dates for the gold cup regatta, but they will either have to postpone their events or renege altogether, as Toronto was first in the field.

NOTICE

All other methods of notice, go to Dr. E. L. Henselman, chiropractor, 222 Dalhousie St., for a permanent cure for any ailment.
 No drugs, no knife, only natural medicine.

Margaret Garrett's Husband
 BY JANE PHELPS

CHAPTER LXXXVII.
 A Mysterious Message.
 Mrs. Baldwin had been gone but a short time when Bob came in. I had almost forgotten to watch the clock so interested had I been in her story of Elenor Farnsworth. I couldn't feel that she had done right, yet I was anxious to meet her.

Scarcely had Bob laid off his coat when the telephone rang. He answered.

"Yes, this is I.—Is that so? When did you hear?—Of course, I wouldn't miss it for worlds.—What time—yes, it will be a pleasure.—no, she never goes to our little affairs, they bore her.—no, I'm not high brow at all.—what's that?—oh, yes.—Good night," and he hung up the receiver.

I had listened so intently that I had lost no word of what he said, and tried to piece out the other side of the conversation, but could make little of it.

"Was it a woman talking to you?" I asked.

"I suppose it was the same one who telephoned before. She refused to leave any message; said it was personal. I think women are very bold in talk so, to a man's wife."

"Well, tell me all about what has been going on while I have been away. I suppose the boys are asleep."

"Of course, have been asleep for hours.—If you want to see, your children you should get home at a decent time."

Bob paid no attention. He was fussing with an unruly catch on his bag. Finally it yielded to his persuasions and the bag opened. He took out a parcel and laid it on my lap.

"I hope you will like it," he said as he turned out some rubber animal for the boys.

"Oh, how lovely!" I exclaimed as I unwrapped the waist he had brought me, a delicate, filmy affair of chiffon and lace, exquisitely fine and dainty.

"I thought it was pretty," he replied, but at the same time he

flushed. That slow flush I had occasionally noticed before. What did it mean? Then I dismissed it as simply a trick of my imagination. Why should bringing me a waist cause him to flush?

"You can't imagine how disappointed I was that you didn't come home with me to-day," I commenced.

"I went into town purposely to meet you."

"I am sorry you thought it foolish for me to want to meet you; if you loved me as you used to you would have been pleased."

"Perhaps."

"What do you mean by 'perhaps'?"

"Margaret!" he caught himself and it seemed he uttered "not tonight."

"What did you say?"

"Nothing. I am very tired, I think I'll go to bed," and he moved away.

Anxious to keep him with me a little longer I commenced to tell him the story Mrs. Baldwin had told me; Elenor Farnsworth's story. He was interested at once.

"I have heard of Farnsworth. He was pretty wild, I guess. He was married last week. There was quite an account of it in the Chicago papers."

"Won't Mrs. Baldwin be surprised she said he had not married the woman?"

"I don't imagine he has. This was some Chicago girl; quite young I believe."

"I don't see what men see in very young girls!" I exclaimed.

"They are seldom good housekeepers; and are immature in every way. What comfort can a man of order than they get from their companionship?"

"Sometimes they are very bright and entertaining. Margaret. And a husky man likes to be amused."

"That's a pretty poor reason for

getting married—to be amused?"

"It may not be a good reason, but most men expect to be entertained; just the same. A man looks for relaxation in his home."

"I had a sort of feeling that Bob was hitting me; but I would not take his speech as personal."

"Aren't you going to kiss me? Good-night?" I asked as he again went toward the door separating our rooms.

"Certainly—if you wish," and he dropped a careless kiss on my cheek. I threw myself into his arms and begged him to remain with me; at least to visit a while longer.

"I am tired," was all he said, as he disentangled my arms, but his tone had that finality I had learned not to combat.

Long after Bob was sleeping I sat thinking, thinking of my own life; and strangely enough of Mrs. Farnsworth. Then I remembered I had not answered to the telephone message. I knew nothing of its portance. I would ask Bob at breakfast.

To-morrow—A Morning Yarn.

RECORD SOWING.

By Courier Leased Wire.
 Regina, Saskatchewan, June 20. (Saskatchewan has approximately 9,222,000 acres sown to wheat this year, according to the preliminary estimate made by the provincial department of agriculture. This is \$49,000 more than last year.

Coles Shoe Co., 122 Colborne St., are offering for to-morrow Ladies' White Canvas, Black Canvas and Leather Pump, and Strap Slippers at \$1.49, regular old time prices.

GIRL'S DRESS.

This quaint little lady wears a frock which very much resembles a coat, but it is really a very smart little tailored dress which will make up well in such wash materials as linen, Indian head, kindergarten cloth, chambray or novelty cottons. The short waist is made in kimono style and it buttons at centre front. The short sleeves may be finished with or without the very narrow turned back cuffs. The round collar of white linen has a hemstitched hem.

The one piece skirt is straight at the lower edge and it is gathered to the waist except at each side of the front, where it is caught in box pleats.

The girl's dress pattern No. 8731 is cut in five sizes—4 to 12 years. As on the figure, the 8-year-old size requires 2 1/2 yards 27 inch or 2 1/2 yards 36 inch material and 3/4 yard 2 1/2 inch contrast leg material.

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