

THE HERALD.

TUESDAY, MAY 29TH, 1917.

The British Minister of food has prohibited all speculation in food-stuffs.

Another loan of \$75,000,000 was made to Great Britain by the United States, making the British total thus far \$100,000,000.

The question of taking action to put a stop to price control exercised by manufacturers through agreements with retailers and jobbers will receive the consideration of the Government, and possibly legislation will be introduced this session. It is none too soon.

ONTARIO AFFAIRS.

Toronto, May 26.—After some months of almost but restricted efforts by the Ontario Organization of Resources Committee, that body enlarged and enriched by the addition of a number of prominent, private citizens from the ranks of agriculture, labor, finance and other interests, has now widened its scope and is performing even greater services for the province, particularly in its efforts to cope with the food situation.

It was in the legislature on March 28, 1916, that Mr. Rowell seconded by Mr. Prudden, moved a resolution accepted by the government, calling for the most thorough organization possible of the resources of the province for the successful prosecution of the war and the maintenance of our agricultural and industrial production, and recommending the appointment of a select committee to look into the matter, including not only the work of recruiting men for the Canadian Expeditionary Force, but also of ensuring a sufficient supply of labor for the agricultural interests and the necessary industrial operations of the province and of promoting thrift and economy among the people, thereby strengthening our financial position during the war and preparing for the period of subsequent reconstruction.

At the time, Mr. Rowell emphasized the importance of agricultural development and the need of handling vigorously the pressing problem of farm labor, which was becoming more and more urgent as recruiting continued. Mr. Rowell's resolution was adopted unanimously. A committee was appointed and as a result of their recommendation the Organization of Resources Committee was formed. At first only members of the legislature sat on the committee and it is to be regretted that outsiders who have proved such efficient helpers were not brought in earlier. In conference with the agricultural interests they have been doing a great deal of work last year in agricultural production and at any rate could have worked out at a sufficiently early time more detailed plans for the present year. Even as it is, however, the committee has done and is doing splendid work which reflects great credit on the Opposition and the Government which brought it into being.

IMPORTATION OF LIQUOR.

An extension of prohibition, even from the measures in force at present in Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta is becoming a live subject of discussion. For some time Mr. Rowell has been contending that either the Dominion parliament should pass a measure of prohibition or as an alternative that they should enact a law which would allow any province to prohibit the manufacture and importation of liquor by a resolution from the legislature of that province or by a vote of the people of the province. Mr. Rowell emphasized the relation of liquor to the present critical food situation. "What justification is there," he asked, "to continue in this country the waste of food materials in the manufacture during war time of intoxicating liquor?"

Sam Carter, Liberal member for South Wellington, speaking recently at Parkdale, declared that not another bushel of grain should go into the making of liquor.

It is interesting to note that a similar campaign in Great Britain is being waged with the greatest vigor by the "Spectator"—one of the most Conservative journals in the British Isles.

Mr. B. B. Neely, Liberal member for Humboldt, in the House of Commons, has given notice of resolution to allow the provinces to prohibit the manufacture and importation of alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes. Rumor at Ottawa thinks that the Government may adopt some such proposal.

STOP GAMBLING!

Although the Woodbine race meet in Toronto and other meets throughout the province have been held this May as usual, with large attendances, there are indications that public opinion against war time race-track gambling is having an influence, and rumor says that the Dominion Government will stop all betting on race tracks for the period of the war after the first of July. During the recent session of the legislature, the Liberals carried on a vigorous campaign against race track gambling during the war. If it is cut off the province will lose, according to the estimate of the Toronto News, about \$125,000 a year. Those who favor the suspension of racing, however, claim the province would be far better off even with the direct loss of revenue which would be involved. Directors of the Ontario Jockey Club are not enthusiastic about the proposal. One of them, George W. Beardsmore, said that if the Government stopped racing they should stop everything. He thought, for example, they should stop the Movies rather than the races.

THREATEN NEW HORROR

German Pirates Intend to Sink Hospital Ships.

Allies Have Been Notified That All Red Cross Boats in Barred Zone Will Be Sunk, as the Huns Are Going to Regard Them in Future as War Vessels.

LONDON, May 28.—The intention of the German Government to sink all Entente hospital ships in the "barred zone," with the exception of certain ships from Salonica to Gibraltar, is semi-officially announced in Berlin, according to a Reuters' despatch from Amsterdam. The German announcement was made in reference to British denials of the German allegations that the British misused hospital ships. It cited several instances which, it was asserted, proved the correctness of the German accusation. The semi-official announcement read in part:

"The German Government will in the future prevent all traffic by hospital ships in the entire barred zone and in the Mediterranean, including the road left open for Greece, and will regard hospital ships appearing therein as war vessels and attack them immediately."

Germany, the announcement adds, will allow the transport of the ill and wounded from Salonica on Greek railways to Kalamata harbor, and thence on hospital ships to Gibraltar on the following conditions:

"Firstly—These hospital ships on the road left open to Greek shipping must proceed at a rate of speed previously reported to the German Government."

"Secondly—That the name of the vessel and the time of arrival or departure be communicated to the German Government six weeks in advance."

"Thirdly—That a representative of the neutral Government representing Germany's interests in the particular country in question shall certify before the departure of the hospital ship that she carries only the ill, wounded, and nurses, and no goods other than materials for treating them."

WORKERS WANT VICTORY.

British Declare for War Until All Europe Is Set Free.

LONDON, May 28.—An impressive demonstration by many thousands of workmen, organized by the British Workers' League, was held in Hyde Park Sunday to express fraternal greetings to the peoples of allied countries and the determination of the workers to continue the war to a victorious conclusion.

These sentiments were voiced in stirring speeches from twelve platforms. David Lloyd George, the Prime Minister, in a letter which was read from all the platforms, expressed hearty appreciation for an address which the Workers' League had presented to the Ambassadors of Great Britain's allies. In his letter Mr. Lloyd George said:

"A lasting peace will come when all the peoples of Europe are free to determine their own fate for themselves."

At the conclusion of the demonstration the workers formed in procession and marched to the French Embassy, where all the allied Ambassadors had assembled. The Ambassadors received a deputation of workers, which presented their address to them. The French Ambassador read an appreciative letter from Premier Ribot, while the other Ambassadors made sympathetic replies to the address of the workers. Walter Hines Page, the American Ambassador, said that the preliminary American expeditionary force would soon land "on the sacred soil of France."

Russians Are Stronger.

PETROGRAD, May 28.—There is a healthier tone in Petrograd. Much good has been done by the visit of 200 sailors and workmen from the Black Sea fleet arsenals. Their intensely patriotic addresses and boldness in encheiring the red flag and displaying the naval ensign at their meetings have enormously impressed the public. If these demonstrations could be multiplied throughout Russia a great change would come over the country. The Black Sea delegates announce their departure for the front. They are going to accompany War Minister Kerensky. They have sworn to march at the head of regiments against the foe. Batkin, an ex-mutineer, who figures as leader of the delegation, has become next to Kerensky, the most popular figure in Russia. A congress of officers Saturday discussed the relations between the Government and the Committee of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates. The majority of the speakers expressed the opinion that the committee henceforth should avoid interference with the legislative and administrative functions of the Government, inasmuch as they are well represented in the Ministry.

Women Shot by Germans.

GENEVA, May 28.—La Suisse Sunday printed details of a case similar to that of Miss Edith Cavell, the English nurse, who was executed by the Germans in Brussels in October, 1915. The Germans, says the newspaper, recently arrested two women, Mme. Pfeister, and her daughter, aged 22, on the Swiss Alsatian frontier. They were charged with acting as spies.

The women promptly admitted at the trial that they had smuggled letters, without knowing their contents, from Alsatian families to relatives in Switzerland. This was done simply as a friendly act and without political or malicious purpose.

Both women, says La Suisse, were shot at Mulhausen. The mother was a horrified witness of the execution of her daughter before her turn came.

GAINS ARE INCREASED

Italians Advance Further on the Carso.

Cadorna's Right Wing Passes the Mouth of Timavo River—Nearly 25,000 Austrians Have Been Captured Since the Great Spring Offensive Was Launched Against Trieste.

LONDON, May 28.—The Italian army has been victorious again in its big offensive toward Trieste. Unwearied by previous efforts General Cadorna's infantry Friday stormed the sections of the Austrian second line of defence on the rocky hills of the Carso plateau, and to the north held firmly against most violent counter-attacks. All the captured ground on the Carso.

In this day of tremendous fighting the Italians took 3,500 fresh prisoners.

Following up their successes Friday, the Italians on Saturday smashed through the Austro-Hungarian positions between Jamiano and the Gulf of Trieste, passing the Monfalcone-Duino railway north-east of San Giovanni, and establishing themselves within a few hundred yards of the village of Medeazza. North of Piava the Italians carried the heights at the head of the Palliove valley, thus joining their Mont Guccio line with those on Hill 363. Eleven guns were captured, and more than 1,200 Austro-Hungarians were taken prisoner.

The surest testimony to the strength of the Italian offensive is that since the first attack on the Isonzo on May 14 these troops have captured 24,619 Austrians, of whom 487 are officers. This is a total of prisoners equal to that taken by either the British or French in their offensives, in a considerably longer space of time.

The Austrian general staff, too, bears witness to what a powerful machine the Italian army has now become, and what terrific blows it can deal. "Never in the two years of fighting just completed," says the Austrian official announcement, "has the heroic Isonzo army had to face greater efforts of the enemy."

On a six-mile front on the southern Carso, from the Gulf of Trieste to Castagnavizza, the Italian infantry renewed their attack Saturday afternoon and pushed forward everywhere. At some points the advance attained a depth of a mile, and this on a front of solid rock, honeycombed with caverns, studded with steel and concrete fortresses, and bristling with cannon and machine guns.

At the southern end of this front the Italians swept on to the plateau north of Duino, driving the Austrians from all the heights between the village of Plongar and Medeazza, which is straight north of Duino. This single success would be a splendid day's work, for the terrain is of tremendous difficulty. At the same time storming columns north and south of the plateau had also advanced, fighting through the trench systems at the mouth of the Timavo River, near Lokavac and San Giovanni, and also the Brestovca road, near Komarje.

Still further to the north, on the main mass of the Carso plateau, Italian stubbornness in attack won a notable victory. The Austrian trench labyrinth east of Boscomalo, or Hudi Log, as terrible a position to assault as any German field fortress on the western front, was riddled by the Italian infantry with their bombs and bayonets. This enabled a column advancing from Versic to clamber to the summit of Hill 220, beside the Castagnavizza road and south-east of Boscomalo. Trenches near Castagnavizza also were taken.

WILL STOP U-BOATS.

Submarine Menace is Said to Have Been Mastered.

LONDON, May 28.—The Westminster Gazette publishes a message from a correspondent who says the submarine menace is being mastered by a simple method, which he indicates is the invention of an American.

"It is giving away no secret," the correspondent writes, "to say that the method, which is reputed to be infallible, requires only a little time to come into full effect and wear the German submarines out. It is a simple matter of simplicity. The press has been liberal in its announcement of Marconi's device, but, while extending encouragement to Marconi, it must not be overlooked that the genius who perfected one of the most monumental advances in maritime navigation has devoted his unremitting consideration to the menace, and this resourceful American, too, has worked toward the device along independent lines."

Asserting that the British have better submarines than the Germans, the message continues: "Our pre-eminent inventive brains to outstrip the pirate professors, and by a method which is simplicity itself we already have the life of the U-boat campaign measured."

A New Atrocity.

CHRISTIANIA, Norway, May 28.—A German submarine captain, angered at a Norwegian steward for his refusal to give information about one of the U-boat's victims, put the steward and his wife atop the submarine, closed the hatchway, and submerged. There was no mistaking the clear intent that the man and woman should drown. Both, however, were picked up.

Strikes in Finland.

PETROGRAD, May 28.—Strikes in all branches of industry throughout Finland are reported in a despatch from Helsinki. In some districts the strikes have been accompanied by acts of violence against the employers.

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BIRTHS.

LEWIS—In Drummond, May 26th, the wife of Mr. Wm. Lewis, of a son.
FANNING—In Beckwith, May 27th, the wife of Mr. S. G. Fanning, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

GRIFFITH-GARVIN—At the home of the bride's parents, May 26th, by Rev. E. T. Newton, Mr. Norman Griffith to Miss Ellen Lola, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Garvin, all of Carleton Place.
BULLIS-ATKIN—At the home of the bride's parents, May 26th, by Rev. A. D. Fraser, Mr. Alfred Leonard Bullis to Miss M. Kime, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Atkin, all of Ashton Station.

DEATHS.

SALTER—In Montague, May 29th, Mr. John Salter, aged 86 years and 6 months.
CHAM—In Carleton Place, May 28th, Annie Dow, widow of the late Samuel G. Cham, aged 66 years.
STURGEON—In Carleton Place, May 26th, Sadie Sturgeon, youngest daughter of the late William H. and Mrs. Sturgeon, aged 29 years and 11 mos.
MATTHEW—In Carleton Place, May 27th, Miss Ellen G. Matthew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Matthew, aged 23 years.

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