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THE SITUATION.

The Hun still continue to put up a desperate resistance but the Allied pincers are slowly but surely closing upon them in the Picardy and Lys sectors. The outskirts of Lassigny are reported to have been reached, and there is also an unofficial report that the British have taken the railway station at Roye. If so the enemy in all probability is now evacuating the town. Haig's forces have, within the last few hours, chronicled an advance of ten thousand yards north and south of Merville, Bennes, entering that place, and the French are continuing successful progress on a front of ten miles north of the Aisne. Much importance is attached to the capture of Audignicourt ridge, which is described as threatening the German lines on their Aisne positions. Altogether the indications would seem to point to the speedy taking of Roye and Lassigny, together with another marked enemy retreat.

A dispatch from the American Army Headquarters in France says that the opinion prevails that the German has shot his bolt, and that the war will end next year. The prognostication has a pleasant sound, but military leaders and observers have for the most part issued a warning against too much optimism. There is a long way to travel yet before the German frontier is reached, and then the Hun will have to be licked on his own territory before he can be said to have been properly defeated. Any man has an idea that he can hold his own at home even if he has been beaten outside, and it is the same with a nation. However, the end, although still some distance away, can be now safely regarded as certain.

THE TWO ELECTION RESULTS

Hon. Dr. Cuddy, the new Minister of Education in the Ontario government, and Hon. G. S. Henry, Minister of Agriculture, have been returned by majorities whose emphasis cannot be mistaken. It is that the people do not want needless political contests at this period, and they consider the winning of the war the one great job in hand. Cuddy was running for the first time as successor to Hon. Dr. Pyne, and Henry had to appeal to his constituents again, because under the British rule, no member of parliament can accept a position of emolument under the crown without first having the endorsement of the electors of his riding.

Members of the Opposition took the right stand when they decided that both gentlemen should be unopposed, but Mr. William Varley, Soldier-Labor candidate ran in Northeast Toronto, and Wm. John Galbraith, an Independent Conservative, who has the habit of running for parliamentary honors in East York. Both on the eve of conflict expressed themselves as confident of success, but they were given an overwhelming demonstration as to public feeling at this time.

VICTORY BOND SELLING

The Financial Post calls timely attention to the fact that from want of proper knowledge, and the best methods of disposing of Victory Bonds, many people who find themselves obliged to realize on the same, have been beguiled into selling at too low a figure.

With the \$100 bearer bond marketable today at a little over its face value—that is 99, plus accrued interest, the various obliging cash buyers of Victory Bonds from inexperienced and unsuspecting vendors of their own are complacently paying as little as \$90 cash for some bonds offered them. The exorbitant profits made are excused on the pretext that prompt payment in cash is a privilege not obtainable elsewhere, and that registered bonds, especially are hard to dispose of, and indeed cannot be disposed of in less than a month's time, as they must be sent to Ottawa and go through so much red tape. To the anxious vendor who presumes to suggest that the government is selling the bonds higher, and that there appears to be a ready demand for them, other complicated arguments—mostly false—are put up, such as the story of a one per cent. fee to the broker for "reselling," a registration fee again payable, and quite frankly the mention of the necessary profit to the spot-cash buyer for the accommodation.

If the situation as to selling a Vic-

tory Bond were as complicated and tedious as represented there might be some justification for the cash buyer's having at least a reasonable profit for the accommodation, but when the fact is that Victory Bonds are readily and easily disposed of through regular and reputable channels at prices much higher than these "spot cash buyers" are offering, the transaction of the "spot cash" gentlemen appears little short of deliberate and exorbitant profiteering at the expense of those who are least able to afford the loss.

As the situation is today most of the arguments put up by the "spot cash" Victory Bond buyers are misstatements. Any bond house, bank, stock broker, or even recognized curb brokers can sell these bonds and secure the funds within a day on bearer bonds, and within a week on fully registered securities.

"Bearer bonds left with us before eleven o'clock," says a large bond house representative, "can be realized on within twenty-four hours. On registered bonds there is a wait of only six or seven days. The committee has made arrangements whereby the bonds no longer go to Ottawa but are transferred, in the order received, at the Receiver General's office on Toronto street."

Again, recognized brokers do not receive any brokerage on selling orders for Victory Bonds, nor does brokerage figure in transactions to buy. The committee remits to the agent one per cent. on orders to buy, but on sale for customers the broker receives nothing from committee or client.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

Rev. Dr. Cuddy is not only a Canon of the church, but he also acts like one in an election contest.

A Toronto woman is said to have four husbands at the war. She evidently didn't believe in taking any chances with regard to widowhood.

As might have been expected, the Spanish Premier hastens to explain that his country has not demanded ship for ship from Germany. They are still prepared to take anything the Hun may hand them and smack their lips for more.

In these days of too there is one brand of Teut which is commencing in a most marked manner to lose its "get out of the way" tones.

Parties of Canadian wounded passing through the city, more or less maimed, and invalided home, always command great respect and sympathy from the crowds which gather to listen to tales of the trenches, and to congratulate the boys on their return. The Canadians are uniformly happy and uncomplaining. This optimism, especially is noticeable in the case of two Canadian officers now living up town in New. They seem to be of the Damon and Pythias brand, always together, using crutches, as each is minus a leg, but they are evidently as care-free as children. And it can be said to the credit of every second or third man they meet that he raises his hat to them in undistinguished admiration and to do public honor to those who had offered their lives for their country—Wall Street, New York Journal.

Your Problems Solved.

BY REV. T. S. LINSOTT, D.D. (All rights reserved)

Dr. Linscott in this column will help you solve your heart problems, religious, marital, social, financial, and every other anxious care that perplexes you. In personal answer in required, enclose a five cent stamp. No names will be published; if you prefer, sign your initials only, or use a pseudonym.

A student of nature wants to know how prayer can be answered in a universe governed by law. Probably our friend has read an answer to prayer by miracle involving an interference with nature's order. There are no such answers to prayer in these days. Prayer is effective, and is often specifically answered, in that the very objects desired, and asked for, are received, but not by annulling any natural law. Prayer starts forces in the human soul, and in other minds into activity through the operation of which the answer comes. A Dietitian—It is difficult to answer your question as to how to keep people from gluttony. We speak of the horrors of starvation, but its actual results are not one per cent. of the evils of gluttony. A glutton is one who gluts himself with food. The majority of physical ailments have their origin in over-eating. If people would eat only what the body needs it, would be healed by my profession, a noted physician once said to me. A man should feed himself as he does his horse; eat enough to keep in good condition.

Officials of the Manitoba Gypsum Company, whose employees have gone out on strike, make the charge that the strike was being engineered by enemy propagandists.

SIXTY GERMANS CAPTURED AND NOT A SHOT FIRED

By Courier Leased Wire.

With the American Army on the Vesle Front, Aug. 20.—Sixty Prussians have been taken prisoners by the Americans near Biemette, north of Fismes, without either side firing a shot. The Prussians were machine gunners and all that remained of a company which had been in line less than a month.

American detachments went out a few night ago, the location of the machine gun positions having been reported by a prisoner. According to the intelligence officer who questioned the Prussians, they asserted that they nearly all had agreed to surrender if the slightest opportunity arose.

The Americans who took the prisoners do not claim any credit for the capture, declaring that the Prussians virtually deserted their posts. A German prisoner taken Sunday told an intelligence officer he believed that a detachment of Prussians, sent in yesterday's casualty list, called at Vancouver. He has no next of kin in Canada.

GENERAL IS WOUNDED.

Ottawa, Aug. 20.—Brigadier-General Ross, reported as wounded in yesterday's casualty list, called at Vancouver. He has no next of kin in Canada.

PERISHING'S COMMUNIQUE.

Washington, Aug. 20.—General Pershing's communique, received today, says: "Headquarters American Expeditionary Forces, Aug. 19.—North of Toul a hostile raid was repulsed with losses to the enemy."

CONTRARY TO CONVENTION! Stockholm, Aug. 20.—German war correspondents report to their newspapers that they inspected guns taken from the 77th American Regiment and found them to be shotguns, each carrying five cartridges loaded with buckshot. They declare that the use of such guns is contrary to the Geneva convention.

UNREST IN WARSAW.

Washington, Aug. 20.—Despatches from Switzerland today say deep unrest is manifest in Poland. The streets of the old Polish capital are full of German patrols, who are making numbers of arrests. Houses being searched and arrests being made at Lomza and Piek among the supposed members of the secret association of the Polish army.

POSTPONE DRAFT CALL.

St. Johns, Nf., Aug. 20.—Because of the voluntary enlistments in the Newfoundland regiment, the government of the colony has decided to postpone for six weeks the enrollment of men for further drafts. It has been planned to call a class of recruits for duty on September 1. The large number of enlistments is believed by officials to be due to the adoption of conscription, which was voted by parliament last May.

BIG MAJORITIES.

By Courier Leased Wire. Toronto, Aug. 20.—Complete returns of the by-election in northern Toronto yesterday for the Ontario legislature, indicate that Hon. Dr. Cuddy, minister of education, was elected with a majority of 543 over William Varley, a Soldier-Labor candidate. The return from East York, though still incomplete, gave Hon. G. S. Henry, minister of agriculture, a majority of 2643 over John Galbraith, Independent.

ALLIES WITHDRAW.

By Courier Leased Wire. Amsterdam, Aug. 20.—It is officially reported from Valogda, says the correspondent at Moscow of the Rheinische Westfällische Zeitung of Rhine, that the Entente Allied troops in the Arzov sector of northwestern Russia have withdrawn outside the range of the Bolshevik artillery.

CATHOLIC LEADER DECLINES.

By Courier Leased Wire. The Hague, Aug. 20.—It was announced here today that Deputy Vonless, leader of the Catholic party has requested Queen Wilhelmina to resign him of the duty of forming a ministry in succession to the cabinet headed by Premier Corth van der Linden, which resigned last month. The Queen yesterday received at the palace, Deputy de Savornin Lohman, to obtain his views on the question of forming a new government.

VALUABLE INVENTION.

By Courier Leased Wire. Charlotteville, P.E.I., Aug. 20.—Major J. Stewart, of Brackley Point, P.E.I., who went overseas with the 15th battalion, and who has since received an important contract with the imperial forces, has invented an apparatus to be used by machine gunners and snipers. He has obtained the grant of British letters patent for his invention, which will be of great assistance in protecting the men.

Eliza McIvor, wife of Albert McIvor, brought action in the Windsor Police Court against her husband for non-support. She Hugh Macdonald awarded her \$30 a month. The woman declared: "I don't want his money. Let him keep it." "Hush, you can never understand 'romantic'!" declared Sir Hugh John, as he resealed the \$30 a month order.

A Hamilton lad was killed by a wagon.

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RETURN TO TURK NATIONALLY

By Courier Leased Wire.

Amsterdam, Aug. 20.—Members of a delegation from Kays, Batumi and Ardahan, in Russian Armenia and Transcaucasia, have reported to the Turkish grand vizier, according to a dispatch from Constantinople, that a referendum held in those territories resulted in an overwhelming majority in favor of the return to Turkish nationality. The grand vizier told the delegates that the Ottoman Government would hasten the re-annexation formalities.

STRIKE SETTLED.

By Courier Leased Wire.

Newark, N.J., Aug. 20.—Settlement of the machinists strike in northern New Jersey, involving 5,000 men, was effected by Major B. H. Mitchell, mediator for the war and navy departments.

Airman's World Record.

Vice-Commander and Captain John L. Trollope, M.C., Royal Air Force, the day he made his first solo flight, set a world record by bringing down six enemy machines, in one day, is a prisoner and wounded.

Captain Trollope's air record is a wonderful one. His outstanding exploit was the destruction of six enemy machines in the course of Sunday, March 24. For this achievement the young hero of the air was awarded a bar to his Military Cross, previously awarded for general good work between January last and the day he was captured as missing. At the time of his capture Captain Trollope was not aware of either award.

Captain Trollope, who is now only 29 years of age, has been at the front since June, 1915. He joined the Flying Corps in June, 1916, and at the time of his capture had brought down 14 enemy machines. His timetable when he broke the world's record was: Morning—Shot to pieces a two-seater; brought down an enemy two-seater; brought down in a spin and crashed a single-seater. Afternoon—Exploded in mid-air a two-seater; crashed a two-seater very low down; crashed another two-seater, also, at a low altitude. Evening—Assisted a fellow-airman in difficulty with 12 enemy machines, and enabled him to get away.

A general strike vote will be taken in Winnipeg.

HE'S A WISE BOY



When you see this cheap around it's time to do your canning and drying. Free book of instructions on canning and drying may be had from the National War Garden Commission, Washington, D. C., for two cents to pay postage.

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Complete instructions for canning and drying will be sent to the readers of this paper upon application to the National War Garden Commission, Washington, D. C., enclosing a two-cent stamp for postage.



Home-made rack for placing in wash-bowl for holding jars. The cross pieces should be thick enough to allow circulation of water underneath jars. This and many other good suggestions will be found in the free canning book which the National War Garden Commission of Washington will send any reader for a two-cent stamp to pay postage.

THE WIFE

BY JANE PHELPS, AUTHOR OF "MARGARET GARRETT'S HUSBAND," AND OTHER NOTABLE STORIES.

CHAPTER III.

Engagement Days.

But talk as she might, Ruth still remained unconvinced. She loved Brian Hackett; she would marry him and be poor—for a little while—if necessary.

Not that Ruth was unfeeling, or that she did not love her aunt, the only mother she ever had known; but she loved Brian better—so she thought. At least, she loved him in a different way. But all her coaxing, her wheedling could not change her aunt's decision.

"You must choose between us," was her invariable reply.

If Mrs. Clayborne had stormed and been cross and disagreeable, as people were in the novel, Ruth had read, it would have been much easier in a way. But Aunt Laura was just as kind and gentle as she always had been, save when they were talking of Brian—then she simply gave Ruth her ultimatum. She was even gentle and kind when Brian called. But it was a cold, calm kindness which held him off so thoroughly that he remarked to Ruth:

"Mrs. Clayborne, your aunt doesn't like me."

"Why do you say that? She doesn't dislike you; she told me so."

"What is it then? Does she freeze me out because I am poor? For, freeze me she does."

"It is because of me, Brian. She is fearful that I will be unhappy. What if I get away from her—this lovely home?"

"It is lovely, but—Oh, a beautiful home doesn't make people happy! I have known lots of people who had lovely homes who fought like cats and dogs."

Brian makes a Promise. "You don't quite understand, Brian," Ruth was anxious that her lover should like Mrs. Clayborne. "Aunt Laura has been very indulgent to me. I can't remember her ever denying me anything money could buy; and—"

"Why should she? Uncle says she

is as rich as mud. She is old and you are young, and I guess she'd have a hard time getting anyone else to stick as close to her and the place as you have. You told me, yourself, that you never had been away from here."

"No, but Brian, I didn't have a penny. My father was poor. Aunt Laura was his sister, and her money came from her husband, not from our side of the family. So you see it was awfully good of her to take me in and treat me as she has."

"She has had 'value' received," Brian answered with all a lover's confidence in the virtues of the girl he loves.

"Silly! I have given her nothing but love. And oh, Brian! Mammy wants to know if she can go north with us. You know she has taken care of me ever since I was ten years old."

"Why, Ruth—?" Brian looked distressed for a moment, then he brightened at a thought. "She won't perhaps be able to come right away, but after a little we will send for her—that is, if your aunt can spare her."

"Why, Mammy is mine! She belongs to me!" Ruth had imbibed all the southern ideas of the colored servant. "She calls me 'her baby' yet."

"You're my baby now," Brian gathered her in his arms and kissed her.

"You think I can have her soon?" Ruth was still thinking of Mammy's swollen eyes and her lamentations when Mrs. Clayborne had told her. Ruth would not be able to take her when she left to marry a poor man.

"Yes, very soon, my baby," Brian had all kinds of faith in his quick success. In a way, he was metaculous. He believed fully that, because he was rather smart, perhaps clever in some things, and attractive in appearance, he was bound to get there quickly, as he expressed it when talking of his prospects. That those very things he valued so highly were of little or no use in the fight

for financial emoluments, he had yet to learn. So, with the hopefulness of youth, he promised Ruth that she should have her old Mammy, as well as many other things, very soon.

There was one trait Brian Hackett possessed, of which Ruth knew nothing, because she never had seen him under the conditions to call for its expression; Brian was of an intensely jealous disposition. But he could easily see that the young men of the town held no attraction for Ruth, and there was nothing else of which he could be jealous at this period.

Aunt Laura's Stipulation.

When Ruth told her aunt that Brian had promised that she soon could have Mammy Rachel, if she could spare her, Mrs. Clayborne said:

"I'll let her go to you any time you can assure me she will have a good home. I cannot prevent your marrying whom you wish; I shall not attempt to, beyond letting you know my wishes and the consequences, if you go against them. But I can and will prevent any of my old servants leaving the only home they ever have known until I am positive that they will be comfortable. And nowadays an extra on in the family is something of a hardship for a poor man. Remember, Mammy was born a slave, right here on the plantation. Of course, she is free. Mr. Clayborne freed them all. But she is still a child—still looks to someone to take care of her while she lives. No, she cannot go unless I know she will be comfortable. Then she can come to you—if you still insist on marrying before Brian has shown himself capable of supporting you."

"He can support me, Auntie! The very idea of thinking he would not me to marry him if he couldn't! He can't give me quite as much as you have, right away, but he soon will be able to; then I'll send for Mammy."

(To-morrow—A Trip to New York.)

MAIL CONTRACT

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, the 20th day of September, 1918, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed contract for four years, six times per week, over Cainsville No. 3 Rural Route, from the 1st day of January, 1919.

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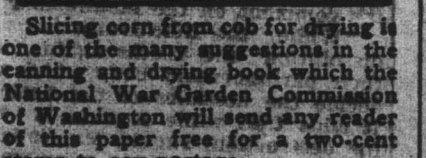
CHAS. E. H. FISHER, Post Office Inspector.

Post Office Inspector's Office, London, 9th August, 1918.



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- The estimated special rate per foot frontage per annum is 10 cents. The special assessments to be paid in 20 annual instalments.
- Petitions against the work will not be received to prevent its construction.
- A By-Law for the above purpose will be introduced at the Council at its next meeting.

City Engineer's Office, Dated Aug. 20, 1918.

T. HARRY JONES, City Engineer.