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EDITORIAL

NATIONAL SERVICE SHIRKERS

If Newcastle's interest in National Service was fairly indicated by the number of citizens who attended the public meeting called by Mayor Fish, in the Town Hall Tuesday evening, there is no reason to assume that the people of this community as a whole care a rap about the success of the government's scheme for ascertaining Canada's man power.

Apathy, evidently, is not the only influence which is adversely affecting National Service in Newcastle and Chatham. Mayor Fish has stated that a number of men have told him that they would not sign National Service cards, and at Tuesday night's meeting it was stated by Rev. Mr. MacArthur, that in Chatham, National Service cards had been returned unsigned, but with the insolent words "Nothing Doing," written across them.

Those of us who have remained at home have not felt the pressure of the enemy yet in our daily lives, but we should not deceive ourselves into assuming that we will continue to escape the hardships of the war. Great Britain is in a death struggle with an unscrupulous and resourceful foe, and the fate of Britain will be the fate of Canada.

Regarding the Entente Allies' reply to the so-called "peace proposal" of Germany, the following German press comments have been cabled abroad: The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger considers that nobody will be shocked, because the Entente refusal was anticipated.

The crisis which confronts Canada today, as a part of the British Empire, leaves no time for mincing words. If Germany conquers Britain, she conquers Canada, and the people of this country, this province, this county and this town, enter into a state of vassalage from which they will not escape within the lifetime of any person living today.

The action of Mr. R. Corry Clark, in presenting the Miramichi Hospital with a house and lot in Newcastle is deserving of public commendation. The property is a revenue producer, and the annual rental from it will be used for the benefit of the hospital.

The German people to one man will now gather round Von Hindenburg. The last plea for indulgence has been made to the ground. All our sharp weapons must come into use on the land and sea and in the air.

GENERAL JOFFRE'S FAREWELL TO THE FRONT



When General Joffre handed over the command of the French armies to General Robert George Nivelle, the new commander in chief of the armies, he made a brief speech congratulating General Nivelle upon his appointment, and General Nivelle replied, expressing admiration for the high military qualities of the victor of the Marne, whose selection as president of the Allied Military Council he alluded to as a merited promotion.

something for the good of his town and for other people. Newcastle needs more of such a spirit.

Northumberland county holds the 1916 record for slaughtered moose. It is a distinction of doubtful value. Most of these animals were destroyed wantonly, without danger to their slayers, and without any show of necessity, if not from inclination.

Disregarding the spirit of bluff and bluster pervading these veterans, the hard fact remains apparent that the Central Powers, will as a matter of necessity, if not from inclination, continue the struggle for what is now, at least, an indefinite period of time.

Little by little the conclusion seems to be forcing itself upon those whose wide sympathy has heretofore caused them to view German character with a degree of charity, that the German people are not to be trusted.

PORTER COVE ROAD DEATH OF MRS. WM. PRICE It is with sad regret that we report the death of Mrs. William Price, who fell asleep on Dec 29th. She had been a great sufferer for a long time with cancer.

GREY RAPIDS The weather for the last few days is very cold and the roads are in good condition and some of our young ladies are enjoying sleigh drives.

BOIESTOWN Fts. Price's Death Shocks Friends An official telegram was received by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Price of Lunenburg, of the sad death of their only son, who enlisted with the 132nd Battalion. He is survived by his parents and two sisters, Misses Bessie and Phoebe, both at home.

McKinleyville School Standing for term ending December: Grade V—Miles McGregor 79.4 Grade IV—David McGregor 81; Maud McKinley 74.2, Billy McInnis 73.8, Amby Clarke 71.6, Harry Clarke 71.6, Vivian Clarke 67.2, Harry McKinley 57.2

VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR During the last few years prices have advanced, and are still advancing by leaps and bounds. We have done our utmost to protect you against high prices—Already our stock rooms are filled to capacity with goods for the coming year which you can buy then at the old prices.

Mr. John Macdonald has returned from Minto, where he spent Christmas with his wife. Mr. Charles Norrad has resumed his duties at Hinchey Camp. Mr. Joseph Norrad was calling at Norrad Munn's one day this week.

AN ITALIAN REFUGE IN SNOWCLAD MOUNTAINS OF THE ALPS The heavy snows that have recently fallen in the mountains of the Trentino have hindered military operations to a great extent. This is shown in the above picture, which shows a refuge of the Italian Alpine troops in one of the high peaks of the Alps.

WHY You Should Give Us That Order for Your Spring Suit NOW! We have a very full line of beautiful fabrics to choose from. At present market prices these suitings are actually worth from \$35.00 to \$40.00.