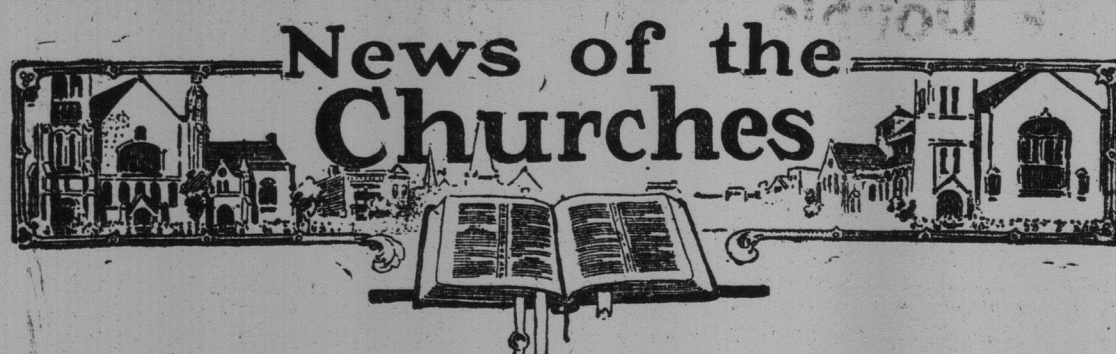


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SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY IN Waterloo St. United Baptist Church

Pastor, REV. F. H. WENTWORTH
 11 a.m.—SPECIAL PROGRAMME—Addresses by Pastor and Superintendent
 7 p.m.—Pastor's Subject "THE CHILD AND THE FUTURE"
 N. B.—Instead of the usual session of the Sunday School, Rally Day Celebrations will be held in connection with the services of the church, both morning and evening.
 Come and Hear the Children Sing! All Seats Free!

TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Haymarket Square—Rev. F. Patrick Dennison, Pastor
 Special Preacher, Rev. H. McLellan Hoffman, B.A. of Clarendon, Ont., U.S.A.
 11 a.m.—"KNOWING CHRIST"
 7 p.m.—"WHO ARE THE HAPPY, AND WHY?"
 Here is your opportunity to hear strong, life-giving Gospel preaching. Come and hear. You won't regret.
 Edith Avenue Mission, East St. John, at 3.30 p.m. The "Prentice Boys" will hold their Church Parade to this Church NEXT Sunday morning, Sept. 24.

SUNDAY AT CENTRAL UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH

REV. D. J. MacPHERSON, B.A., Pastor
 At 11.00 a.m.—Subject "Christ the Truth"
 At 12.15 p.m.—Sunday School, including Chinese Class
 At 7.00 p.m.—Subject "The Blessing of Failure"
 Mrs. H. G. Laidlow, of Sydney, N. S., contralto soloist, will sing.
 Strangers Welcome. Seats Free.

GERMAIN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner Queen and Germain Sts. Rev. S. S. Poole, B.A., Pastor
 Morning Subject at 11 o'clock "THE SUPREMACY OF JESUS"
 Evening Subject at 7 o'clock "A SURE DEFENSE"
 Sunday School at 2.30 p.m. Soloist tomorrow, Miss Fenton.
 STRANGERS WELCOME!

CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

COBURG STREET—Corporal A. P. Hodges at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
 DOUGLAS AVENUE—Rev. R. S. Crisp at 11 a.m., J. Class, Appel at 7 p.m.
 Bible School at 2.30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24 is Rally Sunday at Douglas Avenue.
 Everyone Heartily Welcome!

VICTORIA ST. BAPTIST CHURCH

The Pastor, Rev. B. H. Nobles, Will Conduct Services
 Both Services Tomorrow.
 Subjects, A.M.—"Neighbors"; P.M.—"Secrets of Happy Marriage"
 Miss Campbell Will Sing.
 Bible School for Young and Old at 2.30. Visitors Welcome to All Services.

ST. JOHN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—KING STREET EAST

King Street East. Rev. J. H. A. Anderson, B.D., Minister.
 Public Worship 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sabbath School 2.30 p.m.
 Strangers Welcome. Seats Free.

BLUE-BLOODED ENGLISH LADY PAINTS HER OWN FENCE



Painters as well as other English tradesmen are scarce these days. The picture shows a daughter of a titled house applying a freshening touch to the fences on her estate.

MISS ASQUITH AND WOUNDED SCOTCHMAN



Miss Elizabeth Asquith, daughter of the prime minister (centre), gets along very well with a wounded Scotchman in West-Cliff Sea. The Scotchman is proud of his captured German helmet.

Methodist Churches Tomorrow

QUEEN SQUARE Supply. CENTENARY Supply.

Rev. W. H. Barracough. Rev. W. H. Barracough

Rev. H. Price. Rev. H. Price

Rev. N. MacLaughlin. Rev. N. MacLaughlin

Rev. T. J. Deinstadt. Rev. T. J. Deinstadt

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AN OPPONENT OF CHURCH UNION

Analysis of Vote by Reverend Robert Campbell

Not Conclusive, He Says

Does Not Believe That Vote in General Assembly Correctly Represents Strength of Movement Among Members

The Rev. Robert Campbell of Montreal, writes to the Star regarding the question of union as follows:

I shall be obliged to you to afford space in your columns for the following remarks for the information of your Presbyterian readers. It is still less than 2 to 1 of a vote for union. Whereas in the assembly the vote was 4.6 to 1, more than double the proportion voted elsewhere. How is that to be accounted for? Only in one way. The unionists, having a majority in most of the Presbyteries, employed that majority unfairly in choosing commissioners.

In one Presbytery open objection to a name proposed was offered—that he was against union. (This was not in the Presbytery of Montreal, which was at least one Presbytery that acted fairly in this matter.) What was done overtly in this one known case must have been done covertly in many other cases in the Presbyteries, employed that majority unfairly in choosing commissioners.

The excess of unionist votes in the assembly must have represented a portion of the clerical element in the church whose movement the agitation for union was from the beginning; whereas it is the people who mainly constitute the Presbyterian church. The clerical and ministerial element are chosen by the people and are supposed to be in accord with the people's views and wishes; but evidently this is one of the things many of the clerical element are doing away with.

The necessity of being chosen by the people. Are the people going to surrender their right of choice to the clerical element? Now is the time for the great silent voice of the men-bering of the Presbyterian church who have hitherto passively stood in the way of the movement to merge their church into a new organization, the necessity of being chosen by the people. Are the people going to surrender their right of choice to the clerical element? Now is the time for the great silent voice of the men-bering of the Presbyterian church who have hitherto passively stood in the way of the movement to merge their church into a new organization, the necessity of being chosen by the people.

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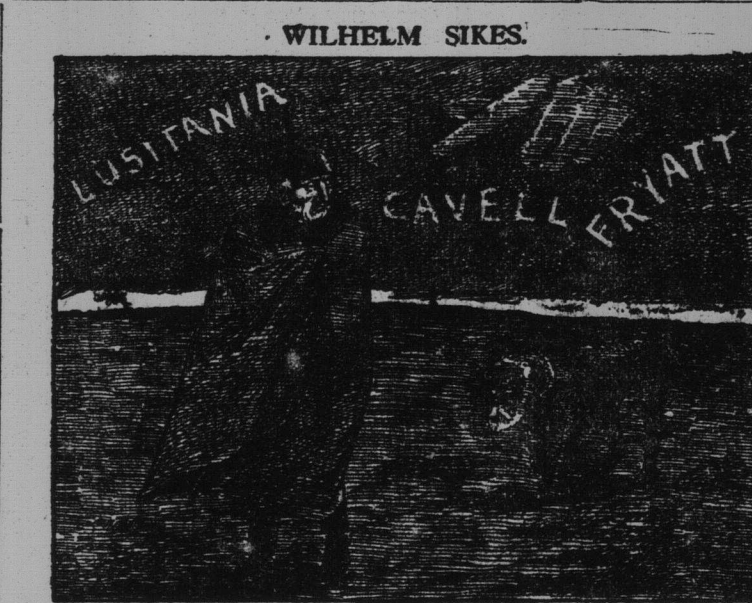
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GERMAN AGENTS BUSY IN SPAIN

Lord Northcliffe Tells of His Investigations There

ENGLAND IS DESPISED

Win or Lose, Spain as Germany's Virtual Vassal Will be Immensely Valuable Asset

London, Sept. 12.—Lord Northcliffe, in a long despatch to the Times from Pamplona, Spain, records his impressions on the state of Spanish opinion, which he derived from a recent visit. The gist of them is that the Germans in a great measure captivated Spanish opinion, and that Great Britain failed to meet and confute their propaganda. Northcliffe gives 50,000 as the approximate number of Germans now in Spain. These, he says, constituted themselves into a well-armed army of propagandists, acting on definite instructions. It is an unpleasant surprise, he writes, on going to a Spanish bank and finding that the British sovereign is at an uncomplimentary discount. It is unpleasant, too, on opening countless Spanish newspapers to find that the belief in German victory and in German invincibility is apparently the conviction in most parts of Spain. It is disappointing to be received by old Spanish friends with fear or doubt as to our capacity to make war.

Many of the Germans in Spain are refugees from France, Portugal and the Cameroons, he states. A majority obtained work in the innumerable establishments of their compatriots, says Lord Northcliffe. "Some in Barcelona, some in Seville, some in the districts, others in the countless industries in Spain into which the German vampire has dug its claws. They are unquestionably helping to get Spain into the German clutch. They realize that if to a victorious Germany Spain is very useful, to a defeated Germany Spain is almost essential. It is likely that in the event of the development of overland transport by aeroplane, the coasts and harbours of friendly Spain would be invaluable to Germany. The mineral wealth of the peninsula, only now being scientifically developed, would afford her several sorts of raw material, of which Germany has little or none. As an outlet for German goods, as the main point of departure for the wealthy republics of South America, as a bulwark against the English control of Gibraltar, Spain is, from the German point-of-view, distinctly Germany's 'pigden'."

Work on Spain's Fear
 "Well-drilled battalions of German residents and refugees in Spain know exactly how to confuse public opinion in any locality. In North Spain, where the French have never been popular since the Napoleonic wars, they alarm the ignorant by threats that an Allied victory might mean a revival of the days of a hundred years ago when the west they state that as a reward for Portugal's treachery in joining the Allies, she is to be given two of the richest Spanish provinces."

The German aim is to give that with Spain as a point d'appui, and the backing of Spanish opinion, and above all with that of the church, which is likely to be better appreciated in the new world than if Mother Spain were hostile. From Spain, the Germans proceed to South America a great deal of German propaganda in the Spanish language. The chief methods of propaganda seem to be a daily stream of wireless communications from Berlin and Austria discrediting the Allies' continuous activity, and the influence of the German colony, with steady work on the part of the university professors and schoolmasters on behalf of the Central Powers, the chief channel being, of course, the press.

As elsewhere, the view is industriously spread by Germany that England is the sole and only cause of the war, and that the unfortunate French are only too anxious to make peace. England is represented as sacrificing France, as she is alleged to have sacrificed Belgium, Serbia and Montenegro. The argument runs that were Spain so mad as to join the Allies, her fate would be that of France. President Wilson, who, like most Americans, is not liked in Spain by reason of Cuba, and whose Mexican policy is not pleasing to a country that has millions invested in that distraught Eldorado, is quite the hero of the Germanophiles. When pro-Ally Spaniards ask pro-Germans when they are going to protest against German horrors, the pro-German reply is that the atrocities are a malicious invention of John Bull. If they are true, the good President Wilson would interfere in the matter.

Spain as Arbitrator
 Another line taken by the German propagandists, chiefly among the aristocratic circles, is that Spain should keep itself impartial, so that if necessary King Alfonso and his cabinet may perhaps be invited by Great Britain to arbitrate when we sue for peace with Germany. That we shall eventually invite the Spanish court to save our face seems to be accepted by all except the inner circle, who know some of the facts. One of these facts is that the Germans lately induced a well-known Spanish nobleman to go to London to fly a peace kite, and that on his arrival those to whom he was accredited wisely took not the least notice of him. The Germans now assert the unfortunate Spaniard went to London on his own account.

"From much that I heard in the course of my inquiries, the Spanish court would be the very worst arbitrer between the Allies and the Central Powers. Whatever may be King Alfonso's own knowledge, the views of the average court official are something like these:

"English officers are gallant fellows, excellent polo players, good sportsmen in general, but amateurs. The English footmen are few in number, brave, but foolhardy. The bloody republic, so

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New Catholic Priest at Norton

REV. MICHAEL O'BRIEN, of the Cathedral, who has been appointed to the parish of Norton, King's county, in succession to the late Father Byrne. Father O'Brien has been attached to the Cathedral since his ordination nine years ago and will leave soon for his new post.

GETS BIG WAR CONTRACTS

Wilmington, Del., Sept. 15.—Announcement is made by the E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. that contracts had been closed in New York for large amounts of smokeless powder. The officials of the company refused to give out any figures or say with whom the contracts are made. It is understood, however, that they are the largest received by the company for some months, totalling from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 pounds, and that it is probably for the Allies.

The contracts are large enough to keep the powder plants and the gunpowder factory at Hopewell, Va., running full capacity for some time.

The Shadow of Death Hangs Over Belgium

3,000,000 People are Living Within A Few Days of Actual Starvation

The situation in Belgium grows more critical with every passing week. The lot of women, children and wounded men, in steadily growing numbers, depends absolutely on the Belgian Relief Commission. If the food supplied by the Commission were cut off, the third day would find the weaker ones starving to death. Within two weeks 3,000,000 would be dead or dying, and 4,000,000 more would be suffering acutely.

Compare this with Canada—with our huge crops and busy factories—an abundance of food and plenty of money! Think of the average Belgian family! The father is in the trenches—or dead. The mother takes her place in the lengthening bread lines, to get the meager rations served out by the Belgian Relief Committee. The children, thin and pinched, and clad in rags, wait for what she will bring home.

So long as contributions to the Belgian Relief Fund keep up, each will get three slices of bread and a pint of soup a day. If givings fall off, some must go hungry, or starve!

You can save at least one from such a fate! \$1.00 a month—less than 4c a day—will do it. \$2.50 a month, in the hands of the Belgian Relief Commission, will feed an average family. Can you spare that much or more? Can you, with a clear conscience, withhold it? How many families will you undertake to feed till the war is over?

Whatever you