

WHAT WILL YOU GIVE THURSDAY?

Just Remember The Allies' Best Friend Has Been The Sailor

The Results of Thursdays' Drive Will Indicate Whether the Public Properly Appreciate the Fact—Three Hundred Thousand Are Braving the U-Boats

The men of the navy and merchant marine have given loyal service, yet, and their lives, ungrudgingly and unflinchingly. Until now no general recognition has been possible, but Thursday of this week will be a red-letter day of the war, when a general uprising of practical help will be seen in Canada and upwards of a million dollars raised to assist the sailors.

What is St. John going to do? If any individual can refuse that appeal made on behalf of the sailor he must be remarkably poor or wonderfully selfish. The tragedy is that this splendid body of men is not recognized by governments, no provision made for the relief of dependents, no separate allowances, no pensions. It is safe to assert that not ten per cent of the people realize these remarkable facts, but when the facts are presented, certainly they cannot turn a deaf ear, even if the subscription means a sacrifice. It is left for public subscription to care for the orphans.

It is vital work our seamen are doing, for without the supplies and munitions carried by the merchant marine it would be impossible to keep our army in the field. These hundred thousand men in the merchant marine are "carrying on" in spite of the U-Boat and the floating mine, and 15,000 have made their last voyage. One hundred and seventy-six merchant ships have been sunk since the war began, without leaving trace of ship or cargo or crew.

All this is for Allied cause; it is for us. Is it not the very least we can do to care for the widows and orphans of these men who otherwise will nurse their grief in poverty? Some time the governments may make provision for this vital service but until then the public has an unequalled duty. Fifteen Thousand Dollars is the local objective on Thursday, but if all do their duty this will be largely exceeded.

BIG WAR NEWS OVER HOLIDAY

Great news came with Sunday and Monday. Over a front of thirty miles from the region of Arras to Peronne, the British forces have smashed the German front. The southern portion of the Drocourt-Queant line which was regarded by the Germans as impregnable, has given way on the Scarpe River to Quent, a distance of ten miles, and on Monday night British and Canadian troops had passed three miles eastward in pursuit of the enemy. Thousands of prisoners have been taken.

With the Hindenburg line outflanked by the British in the north and with the French strike in the south, it appears that the Germans must be forced to retreat from Flanders to Belgium in order to avert swift disaster.

Around Ypres, British and United States troops are forcing the enemy back. Hard fighting is in progress around Peronne and several villages between Bapaume and Peronne have been captured. The Australians have taken Peronne. On the southern end of the front, near Soissons, the French have made another important crossing of the Canal du Nord, east of Meuse. North of Soissons equally important progress has been made.

FOCH, THE GENERALISSIMO

Nothing of the Napoleonic Rhetoric About Him—Man of Deeds, Not Words

(New York Times.) There is no Napoleonic rhetoric in Ferdinand Foch. Bombast is foreign to his habits. One look at that shrewd face seemed with thought, in which no emotion stirs, the eyes unamused, introspective, would set right any one who expected theatrical appeals, gorgeous bulwarks of victory from the commander-in-chief of the Allied hosts. It is not to be imagined that Marshal Foch would address an army of Frenchmen as Napoleon exhorted the soldiers of the Directory: "I am about to lead you into the most fertile valleys of the world; there you will find flourishing cities and teeming provinces; there you will reap honor, glory, and riches. Soldiers of the army of Italy, will you lack courage? The Pyramids will not look down upon the army of Foch were operating in Egypt. Although human enough, he is the most tactician, unemotional of soldiers. He does not dream of glory or talk about it. In that respect he re-

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POOLING OF THE ALLIED SHIPPING

Important Announcement in Speech by Lord Robert Cecil

London, Sept. 2.—Lord Robert Cecil, assistant secretary of state for foreign affairs, at a dinner tonight celebrating the conclusion of the deliberations of the Allied Maritime Transport Council in London, regarding the pooling of Allied shipping. He also alluded to the pooling of Allied food supplies and of Allied munitions.

The following are salient passages from his speech:— "The Allied maritime and transport council was established last December at a meeting of all the Allies. It has completed, but its central principle remains what it always was, the necessity of Allied co-operation in which we are engaged.

"We have seen lately much to cheer us, but that is not reason for diminished effort, but rather for increased effort. Now is the time to strike a definite and final blow. We are in a position, as far as the actual fighting is concerned, that is in other hands, and in hands which give us no reason for doubt, and which we have confidence in our armies and our commanders. We have got to pool all our resources. We have got to pool all the economic strength of our Allies. The accomplishment of that task is not so easy.

"In this and many other matters we are fighting under a certain disadvantage. Our enemies have been constant in their efforts to the German general staff. That gives them certain unity of control and a certain perfection of plan. It is difficult for us to imitate. For, after all, the essential part of our struggle is that we are free nations, that we are free, and that we claim, the right to decide each for ourselves what is necessary in the interests of the general cause in which we are engaged.

"That is true. I do not myself wish it, and I am satisfied that with all its inconveniences it gives us a spirited strength which ultimately will prevail. We must be prepared to scrap national prejudices and national sentiments, even, I would say, national interests. That is essential, if we really propose to make the best use of the strength which we have.

"Now, speaking as an Englishman, I am quite content that some of our Allies have suffered more than others. We have not had to undergo the ordeal of invasion. I am sure that we are many respects the sufferers of France and Italy, not to speak of the smaller Allies, such as Belgium, Greece, and so on. But that makes all the more necessary the pooling of our resources. If our sacrifices are to be in any degree equal, the only solution is common Allied control of all the resources of the Allies.

"The pooling of Allied control is Allied shipping, though it is of the greatest importance that you should have common Allied control of shipping, yet our action and shall continue. And unless you have also full consideration of the Allied needs.

"We have a great deal to do. It is well that everybody should know, even the Allies, the changes that are being made. The best example of our efforts in the matter of Allied control is the matter of shipping. It has done wonderful work. Not many months ago there were many of us who were feeling deep anxiety about the maintenance of the food supplies of the Allied nations. Now by the efforts of the Allied shipping, it is a certainty that we will be able to reach the next harvest. The danger of starvation has been conjured away, and much more than that has been accomplished. We have secured the guaranty of a fair distribution of Allied resources among the Allies.

"We have by co-ordinated Allied efforts, as you have seen, immensely in our shipping expenditures, and in the country gets its supply from its nearest source. Allied shipping has been accomplished. From India, we get our supply from two people who are entitled to greater credit than Etienne Clementel, minister of commerce of France, and Sir John Beal, president of the board of allied food controllers.

"We have with great truth that the submarine attack upon our shipping has been a failure. We can feed our people and we shall go on being able to feed our people. We can transport across the sea vast armies to fight the Germans and submarines are powerless to stop us."

CHINESE MINISTER IS KILLED IN VICTORIA.

Tang Hui Lung, minister of education for China, was murdered Sunday night in Victoria, B. C., by Mah Chew, a Chinese barber. The letter then committed suicide. The reason for the murder is thought to have been political.

ONE KILLED AND TWO WOUNDED IN SYDNEY RIOT.

One man was killed, two were wounded and thirty-five arrests were made as the result of a riot in Sydney, C. B., yesterday. The trouble started at sports in Stirling. The dead man is Herman Yard, colored.

ADDRESS LABOR COUNCIL

At a meeting of the local Trades and Labor Council, Sunday afternoon, addresses dealing with labor matters, especially along the lines of the necessity of labor organization and what it has done for the workmen, were delivered by Organizer Tom Moore of the International Carpenters and Joiners' Organization, and Organizers Halford, of the International Brotherhood of Barbers, and Bastine, of the American Federation of Labor for the eastern provinces of Canada. There was a large representative gathering of local labor men who listened with interest to the addresses of the visitors.

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ALONG THE RIVER

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The steamers up river on Saturday were crowded, and other crowds went up yesterday. The Ocean on Saturday afternoon had the largest passenger list of the season, and an equally large one returning yesterday afternoon, while her lower deck was piled high with the household effects of home-coming cottagers. Excursionists who went up river yesterday had a rarely delightful day. The river was never more beautiful than yesterday. The crossing Grand Bay was in striking contrast to the experience on Sunday when a motor boat going up river ran aground in the rain and fog in a bay, and after passing Boar's Head returned round and came back to it again, before a big in the glow covered the proper course. Sunday forenoon was marked by very heavy rain, but the afternoon was clear and the evening the week-end dance at Public Landing was the more enjoyed because for quite a number it was probably the last of a happy series during the last two months.

The harvest service at the church at the Landing in St. John, Sunday morning, was a sacred office crowded with people, and never were the harvest decorations more beautiful. Flowers were there in great profusion, along with products of field and garden, most tastefully arranged. The recitation by Rev. G. W. Nichols, preached a sermon appropriate to the day.

Coming down on the Ocean yesterday a citizen who has known the river for fifty years, remarked upon the changes of half a century. He remembered when there were two hundred sets of wood-bouts owned along the river and there were three hundred in this city has a grandson in France before the casualty lists had brought sorrow to his friends, and there was a keen desire to learn of the events of the last two days. For the world grows small and a shadow from France stretches out until it touches even the St. John valley on a golden September day.

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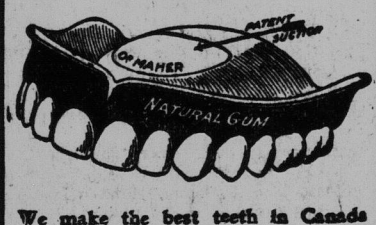
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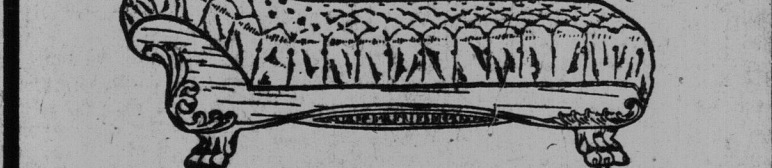
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