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NOTE AND COMMENT

Was Germany's proposed blockade conceived by a blockhead?

There is only one thing left for Germany to do now, and that is to declare that there is no such thing as a neutral.

Springfield Republican.—With the Canadian soldiers removed from Salisbury Plain to their places in the fighting lines in France, the war comes near to us by another way. They are good neighbors, even though neutrality allows no special favors.

Just let half a dozen real Americans be mobbed in the streets of Berlin and you will see the real Americans at home in the United States put back their German-American fellow-citizens in the place where they belong so fast that Hermann Kldder won't know what struck him.—Beck's Weekly.

Canada does not yet realize she is at war. She will very shortly. The papers are full of hockey matches and even of horse races in the Southern States. Feeding the people of Canada on such stuff as that in time of war is a national disgrace. Such were Dr. C. C. James' scathing words at the patriotism and production meeting held at Napanee.

This fall will see lower wages and still more unemployment in Canada than exists at present. The great question, and one which is becoming more and more serious, is how to turn this waste energy into profitable use. If, which is hardly possible, the war should be over this spring, 100,000 more men will be back looking for work. The farm fortunately offers a splendid means of livelihood and unusual profits.

The Church has always been watered by the blood of its martyrs, and it is a great and wonderful fact that nothing is of any value until some man or woman has died for it. That is why we must believe that at the end of the war there must be a greater Great Britain, a better France, a better Russia—and a better Germany. We at least shall have learned that to die is better than to live meanly, creatures of compromise trembling at our own shadows.—London "Daily Express."

CHOP STUFF

The government post office building to be erected in Forest, will not be proceeded with this year, owing to war conditions.

The G. T. R. will build a new wharf for the Northern Navigation Co. at Sarnia. A gang is now at work tearing up the old structure.

Thomas Small, east of Wallacetown, lost four cattle by his straw stack falling on them and smothering them. The cattle were worth \$300.

J. C. Ellison, proprietor of the Ellison House, Florence, passed away on Thursday after two weeks' illness. He was a resident of Florence for 40 years.

Rev. A. A. Holzer, B. Th., of Forest, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Central Baptist church, Sarnia, and will enter upon his duties in Sarnia on March 14.

Mr. F. Willoughby, of the townline of Plympton and Enniskillen, is 87 years old and is still active and healthy. Last fall he plowed five acres on his farm and put the seed in.

A fine new home is nearing completion for the Age, Strathroy, published by Evans Bros. The Age will reach the half century mark in 1916, having been established in 1866.

Mr. Christopher Mackenzie, Petrolia's police Magistrate, died Thursday last. He was a resident of that town for 46 years.

One of Strathroy's oldest residents passed away suddenly Saturday night in the person of James Lenfesty. He was apparently in the best of health and was about his work as cab driver, meeting No. 1 train at 9 o'clock as usual.

The death occurred on Feb. 15, of Wm. O'Neil at Keyser, in his 80th year. The funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon at Arkona Cemetery. Besides his widow, he leaves two daughters Mrs. Thomas Brown, of Keyser, and Mrs. McCarel, of Victoria, B. C.

Capt. Jas. Gordon Wood, of Sarnia, now with the 34th batt. at London, was married Monday evening to Miss May Charles W. Whitehead, in St. Georges Church, London. The brother officers were guests at a reception held afterwards at McDonald Hall.

Petrolia has a man who beat his wife up one day last week. It was at least 5:30 in the morning and eye-witnesses declare that he not only beat his wife up, but actually had the fire going and the coffee pot on before the surprised lady could get to the kitchen and fully realized how badly she was beaten up. The

lady declares that he will not get a chance to do it again.

A man claiming to be an Armenian visited this place some time ago and collected a sum of money for the alleged suffering Armenians. It has since developed that he was a Turkish subject and not what the settlers of himself to be. Before parting with their money, people should satisfy themselves that they are not being imposed upon by imposters.—Leamington Post.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mrs. Chas. McDonald, when her second daughter, Jean, became the wife of Mr. P. J. McEwen, of Plympton. The bride, who was richly gowned in white cologne with pearl trimmings, was attended by two little flower girls, Miss Margaret McEwen, niece of the groom, and Miss Margaret McLaren, cousin of the bride. After the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. J. A. Ross, about fifty guests sat down to a gift to the happy couple. The groom's gift to the bride was a pearl necklace and to the flower girls, gold bracelets. The happy couple left on the 2:37 p.m. train for Ottawa. The beautiful day, on which they were married, bespeaks for Mr. and Mrs. McEwen a happy wedded life, which on their return they will live on the groom's farm at Ketch.

SALE REGISTER.

Monday, March 1st, Lot 20, Con. 2, N. E. R., Warwick. 31 head of choice stock with reserve, 7 months' credit, W. C. Poore, prop., T. V. Ridley, auctioneer.

Interesting News Items

Kingston, Feb. 23.—Mrs. John Fraser, last surviving member of the family of John Mowat one of the early settlers of Upper Canada, died in Kingston to-day. She was a sister of the late Sir Oliver Mowat. Four sons and two daughters survive.

Capt. James Ross, R.O., of Rainy Hills, Alta., has been directed by the Department of Militia to raise in North Oxford an infantry regiment of 240 men, on the English "pals" regiment plan, as part of the 33rd Battalion in the third contingent.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—At a meeting yesterday of the executive of the St. Nicholas House Association, it was reported that 500 needy and hungry members of the unemployed are being fed daily at the headquarters of the association. The organization is supported by members of the hotel trade.

The special Boot Investigation Committee of the Commons elicited from two of the Minister of Militia's Board of Inquiry that the boots furnished the first contingent was fairly good, but not up to specifications, and not suitable for the service demanded of them.

St. Catharines, Feb. 23.—Alfred E. Stull, a prominent fruit farmer of Homer, dropped dead to-day at noon from heart failure, while proceeding from his house to the barn, although he was believed to have been in excellent health. He was in his 63rd year, and leaves a wife, one son and two daughters. No inquest will be held.

Leamington, Feb. 23.—A young son of Joseph Hillman, Mersea Township, age 4 years, was drowned last night. He with two other boys was playing on the ice of the large dyke ditch not far from his home, and entering too far from the shore, broke through. His companion gave the alarm at once, but it was fifteen minutes before the body was taken from the water, the current having carried it down stream some distance. Dr. King was called, but nothing could be done.

New York, Feb. 23.—A prominent grain man stated to-day that there is absolutely no danger of a grain shortage anywhere on the American continent, and opined that though wheat had advanced, it was liable to take a drop, for shippers were now confronted with the difficulties of securing neutral bottoms to convey the crop to Europe. The Allies would appear to have foreseen their difficulty for their efforts now in bombarding the Dardanelles is with the object of providing an outlet for the huge Russian crop which is also tied up and must be released.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—While the question of the conservation of our grain supply is being discussed, it is interesting to note the extent to which the mother country is dependent upon us. It is commonly thought by many in Canada that the Dominion is the largest producer of the wheat grown in Great Britain. The London Times, however, sets us right on that score in a recent issue which shows that the United States leads with 34,000,000 hundredweights, Canada third with twenty-five millions, and the Argentine Republic a close fourth with twenty millions, while Russia sells British eleven millions a year and smaller supplies are also purchased from Roumania and Bulgaria.

War Summary

Chief interest in the war centres in the operations of the German submarines in the waters around the British Isles. The British steamer Downshire has been blown up in the Irish Sea, while the American steamer Evelyne, with a cargo of cotton, from New York for Bremen has been sunk by a mine near Borkum Island in the North Sea. From Berlin comes the report of the sinking of a British transport with troops and "an accompanying steamer," but the scene of this incident is not given.

The British steamer Canibank was also sunk in Irish sea.

The latest official announcement from Paris regarding the operations in the west describes considerable progress made by the Allies in the Champagne district and the repulse of the Germans at various points along the southern end of the line. In the eastern war zone Russia

TREMENDOUS STOCK ENTRY

WE are fortunate enough to be able to advertise our big store full of beautiful and fashionable spring merchandise at better prices this spring than ever. Our Staple Department is piled up with fresh new patterns in wash goods and many new materials that are good value.

- 16 Patterns in OSTEND CREPE, a charming cloth for wash dresses and a cloth that will stand up as far as wear is considered. Floral design. Per yard.....12½c.
7 shades in PRINCESS CREPE, a new cloth in solid colors only. This is a new fabric and up-to-the-minute. Per yard.....12½c.
20 patterns VANITIE CREPE. This is the last word in spring material for dresses, and we have a large range of patterns. Floral design, per yard.....15c.

- 21 patterns in a cloth called "NOVELTY," a charming Bedford cord effect, floral patterns. See this one. Per yard.....20c.
Now a word about COTTONS, grey and bleached. A 7c grey cotton seems like old times, doesn't it? We have contracted with a mill that will supply us with unlimited quantities. Prices (by the piece—pieces run 30 to 40 yds.) per yard 7c; another at 8c, and a heavy one for 9c. See them sure.

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Our Curtain Department is now complete. A number of good patterns in Nottingham Nets, at.....63c pair, 85c pair, up to \$5.00 pair.
15 ends assorted patterns, in Arab and Bungalow Nets, choice at.....15c.

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WANT COLUMN.

WANTED—All who pass our store window to stop.—SWIFTS.
A FRAME HOUSE for sale. Apply W. S. SHUGG, Lot 15, Con. 10, Brooke. 29-3t

CHARLEY GAY, BEST HAND LAUNDRY. Collars 2c, family washing (everything) 40 cts. dozen. 322m3

FOR SALE—A number of choice bronze gobblers.—C. E. TANNER, lot 25, con. 12, Enniskillen, Petrolia, R. R. No. 2. 193

FOR SALE—A few thousand four inch cement tile and a few hundred cement blocks. Apply to JOHN KIRVELL, Warwick. 19-2

WANTED—48 people to buy ordered clothing.—SWIFTS, Tailoring dept.

PASTURE FARM to rent, 50 acres in township of Warwick, Well watered. Apply to R. E. WALKER, blacksmith, Watford. 112-3t

FOR SALE—Pure Bred Shorthorn Bull Call, fit for service. Terms easy. WALKER, AXMINSTER, lot 14, con. 12, Brooke; Watford P.O. 322w4

CARD OF THANKS.—MRS. R. MOODY and family desire to express their heartfelt thanks to their friends for their many expressions of kindness in their hour of bereavement.

FOR SALE—Wisconsin No. 7 seed corn, home grown, selected and string dried. Price \$3.00 for 70 lbs, freight prepaid. Address P. MCKINLAY, Teccumseh, Essex County, Ont.

WANTED, at Swifts', 200 people to pay past due accounts.

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claims to have put a check on the German advance by the aid of strong reinforcements.

A hostile aeroplane is reported to have dropped bombs near Brainree, Colchester Markstay on Cogshall, virtually within fifty miles of London.

In the western war zone the Zeppelin dirigibles have come into action. One of them has bombed Calais, dropping ten bombs, which killed five people. A German dirigible has dropped bombs on the railroad running from Dunkirk to Saint Omer, according to a news agency despatch.

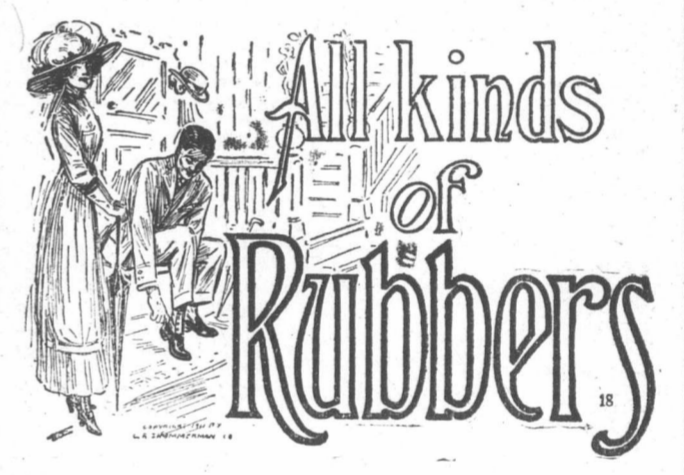
The members of the crew of the Evelyne sunk off Borkum Island, to the number of thirteen, including the captain, have been definitely accounted for. They are in Bremerhaven, their boat having been picked up by a Dutch pilot ship. Another boat, believed to contain thirteen members of the crew, has not been heard from.

Much anxiety is said to exist at Cuxhaven, over the absence of two large submarines which are two days overdue at their base.

Both Germany and Russia agree that there has been a severe defeat of the Russians in East Prussia, but they differ with reference to the actual importance of the defeat. Whatever has happened to the Russian Tenth Army, it has at least been driven back many miles and one army corps, numbering 40,000, has been badly cut up.

London, Feb. 23.—1:25 p. m.—The Norwegian steamer Regin, sunk off Dover this morning by either a submarine or a mine. The crew of 22 men was saved.

The Norwegian steamer Regin, coal laden; the American steamer Carib, with



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in their ability to prevent a further advance by the Germans.

The Austrian claim to have shattered the Russian attacks on the Carpathian front.

Paris, Feb. 23.—The Balkan News Agency has received a dispatch from Athens stating Monday, February 22, saying that the allied fleet, in bombarding the Dardanelles threw 2,000 heavy projectiles into the Turkish forts yesterday (Sunday). The Ottoman batteries replied without hitting any of the allied warships. The allies continued their fire to-day (Monday), but with diminished intensity.

London, Feb. 23.—The Official Press Bureau to-night made the following announcement:—The British Admiralty has issued an order closing the Irish Channel and the North Channel to the shipping of all nationalities. The order takes effect from to-day. All traffic wishing to proceed through the North Channel must pass to the southward of Rathlin Island between sunrise and sunset.

Reposts from the battlefronts are meagre. The German victory in East Prussia is admitted by the Russians, who, however, have brought up large reinforcements and express confidence

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ESTABLISH PRESIDENT VICE-PRESIDENT—K. W. Capital \$7,000,000. Rese 220 BRANCHES ANI Coast to Coast A GENERAL B A SAVIN Keeps your money w WATFORD BR

ARKONA

Messrs. Harry Thoman, of Tenn., are spending a few of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. man.

Mr. Robt. Fitzsimmons re n Monday from his friends in Sarnia.

Mrs. Johnson and son, o re spending a few days at the parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Humffrater, Stella, spent Sunday w Mrs. H. Kooks.

Reliable seeds.—We spec department of our business. of red, alkise and alfalfa clo othy seed on hand.—Brown

Mr. C. Everest returned 1 urday from a three month friends in Port Huron.

The Rev. Otten, confere of the Methodists, is cond weeks' special service in t church, commencing Monda 22nd, 1915. Song service b All are invited to attend.

Mr. P. Blackburn, of Sarni week-end with friends in Ark.

Mr. A. Thoman is spendi with friends in the Ark.

Opened out this week—ne broderies, wash goods, col American gingham, etc.—B J. Fitzsimmons, of Arkona, i cousin, Miss Ada Feigntner, Journal.

From Old Subscr

Thos. Goodhand, Saskatoon, writes: "Enclosed find the dollar to pay for my descup as we cannot get along with home paper. With the exce cold dips which lasted for at each we have had an ideal w valley. We will have about of the amount of what we h weeks and bright sunshine all as well and have stea at times are not at all too good. I. W. Gilleland, West Du writes: "Enclosed you will money order for subscrip Advocate, the old reliable. clock work every Monday m like meeting an old neighbo not like to miss the weekly the old town for anything. well here, as usual. A. B. ha have had it as low as 34 be last week has been fine and J. W. Rogers, Bay City, M —I am sending you subscrip ever welcome messenger, th vocate. We are watching interest the great conflict in sympathies of the Republic with the Dominion, our gre neighbor, as well as the the seas."

NOTICE

To Residents of the Townsh

Owing to an outbreak of S in the northern part of the Board of Health hereby no tidents of the municipality it of this disease, even if so mil require the attendance of a must be reported to the B head of the home within hours after the beginning of The disease will be recog fine red rash that appears on the second day of the illness. treated by headache, vomiti throat.

Parents or Guardians comply with this notice r selves liable to the penalu under the Public Health Ac will administer the quara tions so as to cause as lit ence and expense as possi ask all residents of the mu co-operate by notifying the of any cases of this disease isolated.

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