

PERT PARAGRAPHS

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STARVATION IF WAR CONTINUES

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 30.—European food experts are agreed that the entire world will be brought to the verge of starvation if the European war continues two years more. Dr. Maurice Francis Egan, United States minister to Denmark said here last night. The Northern European neutrals, Dr. Egan declared, are in dire straits. Food is so scarce in Denmark that the famous Danish wolf hounds are being slaughtered for food.

JANITOR FOUND DEAD

Brantford, Jan. 30.—(Special.)—When the teachers of the Rebo Place school arrived at the school this morning they found the body of Alfred Adams, the janitor, in front of the furnace, with life extinct. It is thought that he had been seized with a stroke while at work.

A GENEROUS ROBBER

London, Jan. 30.—The Times editorial today on the subject of von Hertling's speech, says: "The robber graciously offers to surrender the spoils to the owners, if their friends will buy him off at his own price."

STOP COAL IMPORTS

Amsterdam, Jan. 30.—It is announced that the Dutch Government has stopped the importation of coal to Belgium, on the ground that Holland does not consider herself justified in accepting coal mined by compulsory labor.

FUEL CONTROLLER WANTED

Batham, Jan. 30.—At a meeting of the Workmen's Board of Trade a resolution was unanimously adopted calling upon the City Council to appoint a Fuel Controller. Mayor Clements reports that the fuel situation here shows some improvement, and that there are now no cases of actual suffering.

AGED MAN KILLED

Brantford, Jan. 30.—When an east-bound freight train on the Michigan Central Railway reached Buffalo yesterday morning the crew found parts of a cutter on the pier. The train was run back to near Waterloo, when it was found that the train had struck a rig driven by David Smith, aged eighty-three, of Waterloo, killing the driver instantly. An inquest will be held.

LIEUT.-COL. M'RAE DEAD

Brantford, Jan. 30.—Lieut.-Col. M'RAE, the author of "In Flanders Field," died this morning in France from pneumonia. It is reported by cable to the Deputy Minister of Militia in London.

GALT VACANCY FILLED

Galt, Jan. 30.—In the by-election to fill in Ward Five, G. A. Hutchison was elected to the vacancy in the city council by a vote of 109 to 29 over Pindlay Smith. The vote was the smallest on record and this was partly due to the storm which prevailed most of the day. In one sub-division the defeated candidate received only one vote, in another three and in a third 16.

AWARDED MILITARY CROSS

Kingston, Jan. 30.—Lieut. C. W. Dickinson, son of C. T. Dickinson, and a graduate of Queen's University, has been awarded a Military Cross for work as a subaltern in France. He was wounded and has now been appointed to a responsible position with the British minister of munitions.

WM. FOLEY DEAD

Galt, Jan. 30.—William Allen Foley, aged 75, for the past ten years invalid with paralysis, has passed away. He came here 45 years ago and for many years was superintendent of Goldie and McCulloch Company. He was a veteran of the Fenian raid. He served in Galt council a number of years, was a member of the fire brigade, and was instrumental in organizing the Galt branch of the Y. M. C. A., of which he was first president.

BIGAMY AND DESERTION

Toronto, Pte. Archibald D. McCrae was remanded for trial on Wednesday when he appeared in the police court yesterday morning on a charge of bigamy. McCrae stated that he was under the

impression that his first wife was dead when he married the second time. He is also wanted on a charge of desertion.

MORE FOR COAL

Washington, Jan. 30.—Filling of tariffs providing for increases of fifteen cents a ton on coal from points in the United States to Canada was authorized today by the Interstate Commerce Commission. This follows the action of the Canadian public utilities commission in approving such an increase.

DRAFTED SHOT HIMSELF

Toronto, Jan. 30.—"Tired of life," a draftee is now in the base hospital as the result of trying to commit suicide by shooting himself with a sporting rifle. In the guardroom he told the sergeant that he was tired of life, and had shot himself. His wounds were in the legs.

SERVED BEER TO AGED POOR

Liverpool, Jan. 30.—(By mail.)—Beer was substituted for tea as a beverage at the annual dinner which the Mayor of South Port gives to the aged poor of that city. More than 600 guests were served. The mayor apologized for his failure to furnish tea, stating that on account of the market shortage he had been unable to obtain a sufficient quantity, to supply all those present, but instead of the customary tea he had decided to give each of them a glass of beer and six pence.

COUNTY COURT

James H. Armstrong, of Sidney, was yesterday tried before His Honor Judge Deroche on the charge of theft of partnerships grain and was found guilty. Sentence will be imposed later. The complainants were brothers named Phillips. Crown Attorney Carver prosecuted in the case.

SOLDIERS GO EAST

Cobourg, Jan. 29.—There was no intermediate O.E.A. game here to-night between Whitty and Cobourg, as scheduled, for the reason that the Cobourg players, who are members of the Heavy Battery, are leaving for an eastern point.

ESCAPE DIN NIGHT CLOTHES

Brantford, Jan. 28.—The family of Henry Carter, 12 Holmes St., had a narrow escape in the early hours of this morning when a chimney fire in the kitchen spread to the attic of their home and in a few minutes set the roof ablaze. Scantly clad, the family, including small children, escaped to the neighbors' and were given warmth and shelter. The damage was slight.

OUT OF COAL

Stratford, Jan. 28.—"Out of coal." This was the only local answer posted to the many persons who thronged the offices of the local fuel controller today seeking fuel. None of the dealers had coal and the best that could be given was wood. The Grand Trunk reports seven cars of coal for Stratford snowbound at Paris, while from other sources it is learned there are six cars at Georgetown.

TWO AVIATORS KILLED

Montreal, Jan. 28.—Two Montreal aviators have been killed while flying in England. Flight Lieut. Ralph G. Hall, son of Thomas Hall, president of the Hall Engineering Works, and Flight Lieut. Douglas Reginald Hamilton, son of Geo. Hamilton, 2432 Mance St. Both had been trained at Toronto.

CANADIAN AVIATOR KILLED

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—It is announced through the Naval Department that Flight-Lieut. John A. Page, R.N.S. of Brockville, who was previously reported missing, is now reported killed. Flight Sub-Lieut. John G. Clark, R.N.A.S. of Clark's Mill, Alta., previously reported missing, is now reported a prisoner of war in Germany.

FIRE IN MOOSE JAW

Moose Jaw, Jan. 30.—This city was visited by two disastrous fires this morning, the first being at 4 a.m. when the W. W. Shaw candy factory was destroyed. The damage to the buildings was not great, but all the machinery and stock were destroyed. The total damage is estimated at \$15,000.

MUST HARVEST WOOD FOR NEXT WINTER

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—The commission of conservation issues a note of warning in connection with the lack of coal. "Unless all signs fail," it states, the coal shortage next winter will be more acute than this winter, and every effort should be made to provide a supply of dry hardwood. Farmers and villagers will be expected to look after themselves, but in cities towns the responsibility is developing upon the municipal authorities. These should lose no time in organizing to have wood cut, hauled and stored to dry during the summer. It is not done the situation next winter may be very serious indeed. The commission also urged the tapping of every maple tree to conserve the sugar supply.

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CARS OF TEA GO EAST

Winnipeg, Jan. 30.—Twenty cars of tea from the Orient passed thru Winnipeg on the C.P.R., destined to points in eastern Canada. The shipment consists of 8000 chests, and is valued approximately \$250,000.

SALEM

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Wycoff and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Lunt visited at C. L. Carrick's recently. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simonds and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm French, Melville, on Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Parliament spent a few days last week in Wellington. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kemps and son Gordon took dinner on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ayles at Adams street. Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ferguson, Roblin's Mills.

Mr. C. C. Wainmaker was in Belleville on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Spencer and Myrtle, of Adams, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Vancott on Sunday.

Marguerite Irvin, of Belleville, is staying with her grandmother, Mrs. Elton Parliament. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Carrick spent a recent Sunday at Roblin's Mills, guests of Mr. Albert Lunt. Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Vancott were guests of Rev. Gall and family, Roblin's Mills on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Price spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kemp. Mr. and Mrs. I. Tripp, of North Lakeside spent a few days at Mr. J. H. Parliament's recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Lunt were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lawlor Mountain View, recently. Sorry to report Miss Eva Carrick on the sick list.

Miss Lucy Blakely, having sold her farm stock, accompanied her nephew, Mr. A. Blakely to Belleville and intends staying with him. Much sympathy is extended to the family in their bereavement.

FOXBORO

The weather keeps very severe. The month of January has certainly been a cold one. Miss Mildred Clarke was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Snider on Thursday evening of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Bird, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howe also Mr. Earl Bird and Master Claude spent Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Davis.

Quite a number of the school children are confined to their homes with measles and some have chicken pox. Miss Gladys Stewart spent Sunday afternoon at her home here.

Mr. Ed. Kennedy, of Halloway who has been staying with her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Wait, for sometime, returned home. Mrs. Ernest McCormick, of Belleville visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Embury, on Monday of this week.

Mrs. Davis, of Madoc Jct., visited at the home of her son's, Mr. Neil Davis, on Thursday last. Mrs. Will Rose and son Wilmo, of Foxboro, visited at the home of Mr. Will Clarke's on Tuesday of last week.

LILLIE BIRD

Dr. and Mrs. Sheldon, Demorest, returned home after spending a few days visiting in Campbellford. Miss Nettie Stewart spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Bird.

Mrs. Harry Frederick spent a couple of days last week in Belleville last week.

Mr. Harry McDonald spent a few days at his home here last week. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Demorest spent last Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bos Bird.

Miss Stella Davis and Miss Grace McBride called on Misses Gladys and Nettie Stewart on Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Thresher spent Sunday at the home of the latter's sister, Mrs. Arthur Wait. Mrs. Utman, of Stirling, spent a couple of days with her daughter, Mrs. Joe Daniels.

Mrs. Sils of Belleville, is visiting at the home of Miss Mary Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Snider spent Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Bird.

The farmers are busy cutting ice.

GRINDING NEW WAR FLOUR

NO "WAR BREAD" YET THOUGH
Bakers Have Supply of the Old Stock Which They Will Be Permitted To Use

Canadian millers commenced yesterday to grind the new standard "war flour," according to samples which the Government provided them with last week, and from now on not so much as a bushel of old No. 1 flour, beloved by bakers and housewives will be milled. "That doesn't mean that the public will immediately get the toothsome bread from the 100 per cent. flour, however," declared a Toronto miller today. "The bakers have probably sufficient stock on hand to last them thirty days, and by the order-in-council passed on January 21 last, they will be allowed a month in which to dispose of their present holdings of flour."

500 BARRELS IN TRANSIT

"The western millers may also have a stock of the old-time flour on hand. I would not be surprised to find that there are about 500 barrels in transit from the west, mostly for the lower provinces, that have been held up by the storm. This will all have to be used before the new standard flour is made into bread. However, the millers have to start making it at once and it will be for sale from now on, according to the samples provided by the Government."

"Will there be any difference in the price?"

No Price Yet Fixed

The Government has not yet adjusted the price, and until we get an order along that line the price will probably remain unchanged. Flour in Canada up to the present has been made in five different grades, and the new flour will be a composition of the entire five grades with the bran and shorts also eliminated. It will, therefore, be a white flour, with a 74 per cent. extraction, but of somewhat coarser grade than No. 1 grade. The millers will get 196 pounds out of 255 lbs. of wheat, and the only change in their plants will be in connection with the "sifts."

Canada Bread Company officials stated today that they had as yet made no provision for the baking of the new war bread.

RETURNED MAN'S RECORD

220481, Pte. D. C. Hunter, enlisted in the 80th Battalion at Ottawa on February 26th, 1916. He was stationed at Belleville until the unit was ordered overseas, the following May. In England he was stationed at Bordon, moving later to Bramshott, where the battalion was broken up. Here Hunter was drafted to the 46th Battalion and accompanied them to France, going out with the 4th division. He was stationed at Stierford for a time and then went to Ypres Salient, where he was wounded on September 20th, 1916. Two days later he was sent to Nethercourt, V.A.D. Hospital, Ramsgate. He returned to Canada on December 22nd, 1917. His home is in Ottawa.

Mr. Kenneth Prentice spent over Sunday visiting relatives and friends in Belleville. Mrs. Roy Sils spent several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Sils, Halloway.

Miss Nettie Fairman, of Gilead, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Dufco. Miss Annie Tracer, of Carmel, is spending a few days with Miss

General agent for Canadian and American periodicals, at the Standard Bank every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Club rates given.

W. H. MATTHEW

THE BRITISH FRONT IN THE WEST
JUST NOW FROM DAY TO DAY

IT IS PERMISSIBLE TO STATE THAT THE AUTHOR IS "A. A. M."
THE WELL-KNOWN CONTRIBUTOR TO THE LONDON "PUNCH"

The name of the general who has really been in command on the western front this week may be given without fear of the censor; it is General Frost.

To frost and snow all military operations have to give way. The guns may still send across souvenirs to the enemy opposite, aeroplanes may still make their daily observations; but the infantry remains glued (unpropitious word when the thaw comes) to its trenches. In the Cambrai sector many a blessing on the conscientious German minds which planned the famous Hindenburg line will rise up from British lips this Christmas. The depth, the comfort, the warmth of it! For 9,000 yards we hold it, this monument of German industry, a labor of love spread over many months.

From now onwards, too, we shall begin to reap the harvest of the terrible fighting in Flanders. This winter will be different from last winter, for this winter we are on the top of the ridge and the Germans are at the bottom. Let the weather do its worst in the Ypres sector; it is not we who shall be the chief sufferers. We know all about winter at the bottom of the hill. Now it is the Germans' turn.

General Frost, one may expect, will have a word to say in Italy also before long. Meanwhile, the British troops are making their presence felt. We have heard nothing of German reports that "British thrusts failed." "Failed" to get through to Berlin? Is what the German generally means by this; no doubt he is right. It must be very cold on the mountains above the Venetian plain and the Austro-German troops there must think longingly of Palestine or Mesopotamia. No doubt the troops in Palestine have had sometimes the same thoughts of France and Flanders.

Strange things happen in Palestine. We have all heard of the wonderful submarine aeroplanes, which can fly through the clouds, dive under the sea, or (if required) take the place of a tank across the

trenches. It has never actually been constructed yet, but several people have written hopefully to the War Office about it, offering the idea to any member of the staff who cared to work it out. No, it has not been worked out in Palestine, but several aeroplanes out there were flying 400 feet below sea level last week. One must add, although it spoils the story, that they were flying over the Dead Sea, which is itself 1,200 feet below the level of the Mediterranean.

This week we have heard something of the official allied entry into Jerusalem. It was a simple business, the move impressive for its simplicity. When the Kaiser made his triumphal entry in 1898 (not as a conqueror but as a Cook's Tourist) a wide breach in the walls was opened for him, the gate being thought too narrow for the all-highest. The British commander-in-chief did not go in by this way, but on foot by the ancient gate known to the Arabs as "The Friend." And he was received as a friend. Cries of "bravo" and "hurrah" came from the lips which could never have spoken the words before.

A Jewish woman said to one of the correspondents, "This is our day of liberation." And an elderly woman in a black robe, "God has delivered us. O how happy we are!" An American worker in the hospital told the story of three wounded Arab officers who had been brought in to Jerusalem a few days before. One who could speak a little English said, "I can hip hip hurrah for England, now." It is curious how this very has become the shibboleth of the foreign friend of Britain. Every little French boy will greet the British troops with "Bep, bep, oopay," and feel that he had just asserted his claim to be elected an honorary Englishman.

General Allenby's guard of honor was no more than a hundred and fifty. Fifty of these were Australian and New Zealand horsemen, dismounted now, who almost since the beginning of the war have been pursuing or holding up the Turk east of Suez. It will be a memory for them to look back upon, a fitting crown to their three years of work for the Empire.

GERMANY NOW POSES AS THE VICTOR

THE TIMES SAYS TWO SPEECHES POINT TO COLLUSION IN OPENING UP OF DIPLOMATIC OFFENSIVE AGAINST ALLIES

London Press Comment

London, Jan. 30.—The view entertained by a majority of the morning newspapers of London respecting the speeches of Chancellor von Hertling and Foreign Minister Cernin is that Germany regards herself as the conqueror; that she is determined upon aggression and is prepared to listen to no peace terms except her own, and that therefore the war must go on. It is admitted that the tone of the Austro-Hungarian minister is more conciliatory than that of the German chancellor, but this is attributed largely to the pressure of internal conditions in Austria-Hungary. Count Cernin's respectful references to President Wilson's address are received coolly for the most part, because of his acknowledged fidelity to the alliance with Germany.

The Telegraph fears that the speeches contribute nothing to the pacification of Europe, and believes that there is no radical divergence in the views of Germany and Austria. The chancellor's views are especially important because he exposes unmistakably the fact that the militarist party in Germany has gained a remarkable ascendancy. "It is useless to talk peace when there is no peace," he says. The Chronicle says that von Hertling, while giving guarded and practically valueless assent to some of Wilson's abstract principles, refuses every one of the concrete territorial demands, and finds it difficult to say how much Cernin's phrases regarding Wilson mean, for on one concrete point he concedes nothing. The Chronicle says: "It looks as if nothing but Germany's defeat could change Germany's heart."

"Swollen With Victory"

The Mail says: "If there are any shirkers or believers in peace by negotiations among us there will be none left when Chancellor von Hertling's speech is read. It is clear that Germany is unrepentant, unbattered and swollen with victory for aggression."

Dictated by Pan-Germans

Paris, Jan. 29.—Von Hertling's speech is considered in official circles as confirming the position that von Ludendorff, von Hindenburg and the pan-Germans are dictating the German Government's policy. The intention appears clearly on the part of the Germans to seek to treat separately with each of its antagonists. Cernin's speech is regarded as having the same foundation, although the form of expression is different. "Never was the Alsace-Lorraine question farther from being the sole obstacle to peace," says The Temps. "This is only the most visible symbol of the untrustworthy German imperialism." The Temps says that the chancellor falls utterly to follow the

reasoning of his collaborator, von Kuehlmann, the foreign secretary, declaring, for were he to believe the Alsace-Lorraine question the only bar to peace, he would have been obliged to declare Germany's readiness to restore Belgium without restrictions, to assure the Poles, Lithuanians and Latins freedom to settle their own destinies.

Doubt as to Belgium

"Instead," says The Temps, "over Belgium he leaves a menacing doubt. He refuses all explanation to the Allies about the eastern front and he does not even promise that French territory will be vacated without reserve. He goes out of his way to give the impression that Germany and her three allies constitute a splendidly unified diplomatic front. He attempts in return to open a separate debate with each of the Entente Allies, or even to make one contradict the other. Chancellor von Hertling's principal program, it appears, is to separate from Wilson's program the Alsace-Lorraine question."

The Journal des Debats says: "The two orators have maintained their earlier position, merely avoiding this time provocations and provocances."

American View

New York, Jan. 29.—The morning newspapers generally consider von Hertling's address insincere and arrogant, but those commenting on the speech of Count Cernin see a weakening of Austria under the stress of the internal situation and the desire for peace, "not merely because of being tired of the war, but because of being practically at the point of exhaustion."

"The difference in the tone of these two addresses is vital and significant," says The Times. "It will not escape the attention of the allied chancelleries, and it must tend to confirm the pre-existing belief that the road to peace negotiations will lead through Austria."

German Tone Changed

The World says: "The chancellor's speech reveals a different Germany from that which set forth a year ago to wage ruthless submarine warfare upon enemy and neutral alike. The old-time Prussian defiance is gone. Unlike his predecessor, von Hertling no longer discusses peace in terms of a German victory. It is a Germany that is on the defensive at home as well as abroad."

ASKS UNITED STATES FOR MORE WHEAT

LORD RHONDDA SAYS BRITAIN MUST GET 75,000,000 BUSHELS MORE

London, Jan. 30.—Great Britain calls upon the United States for 75,000,000 bushels more wheat.

This was one of the important statements which Lord Rhondda, the British food controller, made in an interview with the Associated Press. The controller described the food shortage in Great Britain as most serious, but not such as would be detrimental to the health of the population with proper management of supplies and willingness on the part of the people to accept equally nourishing substitutes for some of the foods they have been accustomed to.

The Oil for the Farmer.—A bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the farm house will save many a journey for the doctor. It is not only good for the children when taken with colds and croup, and for the mother who suffers from pains and aches, but there are directions for its use on sick cattle. These should always be a bottle of it in the house.

The barn of Andrew Atchison, Jr. near Elora was burned with its contents, including 18 head of fat cattle and two horses, on the night of Jan. 8th. The origin of the fire is unknown, the family being absent at the time. The loss is approximately \$5,000.

Ex-Mayor Lapp in the last days of his term of office, sent the congratulations of the town to Uxbridge to Col. Sharpe on his receiving the D. S. O. honor. His answer has arrived: "Sincere thanks for congratulations from home town."

Good Health

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