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THURSDAY, JULY 26, 1917.

The Toronto News: "Sir Robert Borden has for the strangling hands of the grafter and the middle man from the throat of Canada. The Dominion has waited long for the appearance of a public man with consideration. Now that she has discovered him she is not likely to let him relinquish his task for many years to come."

THE WAR TODAY.

Facing the utter collapse of their fighting forces through treason at the front, and scarcely repressed revolt at home, Premier Kerensky has assumed a virtual dictatorship to re-establish public order and retrieve the military disaster. The task that awaits Kerensky will test even his brilliant ability and magnetic control of men.

For the magnitude of Russia's reverses seem to grow with every hour. The occupation by the Germans of the city of Tarnopol, in eastern Galicia, is now conceded, while the fighting has reached the Sereth river. By capturing Tarnopol the Germans have penetrated well within the original Russian front held for two years. Here the Russians have been driven 30 miles, and the defensive line of the Sereth has already given way. Brest-Litovsk has fallen and the official reports indicate that the whole Russian front from the Zlota Lipa across the Stripa to the Sereth and also south across the Dniester is retreating rapidly, if not in full rout, seeking to escape envelopment and capture. Berlin also declares Korniloff's original army has been rolled southward into the Carpathian mountains.

Meanwhile the Russian offensive planned sometime ago south of Smolensk has met with even shorter shift than the Galician effort. After a long bombardment, which levelled the German defences in this region, south-east of Vilna, the Russians burst through and pushed two miles inside the German front line. Then the enemy gathered his reserves, and in the severe struggle that followed Russian battalions began to desert, and the report from Berlin is that the German troops recovered all but two points, although they admit that the Russians are putting up a fierce resistance at this point.

While signs of a halt in the Russian retreat in eastern Galicia before the advancing Austro-German armies, are largely wanting, indications of stronger resistance in some sectors are cropping out. The Russian generally undoubtedly are doing their utmost to bring their men to a realization of the necessity of implicit obedience, and

the present plight of certain sections of the Muscovite armies, because of laxness in discipline, can hardly help serving as an object lesson.

In the region of the river Alsne, between Laon and Rheims, the German leaders have been conducting for six weeks a costly offensive. In comparison to it the capture of Tarnopol by the Germans is simple, and the battle with the British between Baupenne and Cambrai in May was brief. Apparently the strategists of the Crown Prince are impelled by the double desire to avoid their own lavishly costly Verdun tactics of 1916, and to imitate the French and British Somme tactics of last summer. On the Somme the Allies took their time and took advantage of the smoother surface of the country to let the artillery do the work. This the Germans are attempting to do now on rougher ground and lacking the abundant artillery and munitions that made the Allies' Somme advance, slow though it might be, perfectly practicable. Their using the Somme method of sprinkling the field in advance of their troops with a copious sterilizing solution of powder and shell requires that they should have the strongest sprinkling apparatus. They lack it, and lacking it find themselves unable to effect the gradual but safe progress that the method should yield if properly carried out.

As to why the German leaders should have selected the ridge north of the Somme, a recent despatch suggests that the heights possess some peculiar value as observatories; in reality, however, the airplane has reduced the use of elevated points for artillery and observation. The Germans can retire north of the ridge, in the present case, to a strong line beyond the Ailette valley, and need not regain the ridge for defensive purposes. Their strongest reason for the attack here implies an offensive plan. They are apparently bent on duplicating on a larger scale their success of February, 1915, at Ypres, and driving the French into the Alsne, which flows a few miles to their rear.

Why, then, should the German leadership seek such a triumph, thus uncertain and costly of attainment, over the French at all? The relative weakness of the blows shows that the Germans on this front have become diminished and exhausted to the point where the offensive is no longer their natural role. If they attack the French it is partly in the belief that the French are equally exhausted, or nearly so. But above all, it is in the realization that the French are the most implacable and dangerous enemy, the one against which, save military attack, there is no available weapon. No submarine, no political secret influence can reach the French. Hence the Germans continue the effort of the first invasion and of the Verdun campaign to discourage, if not to repulse them. The purpose is the same, only the force of the efforts diminishes.

SOLE ISSUE BEFORE THE PEOPLE

The situation confronting the Canadian people today could not be more clearly put than it is in Sir Clifford Sifton's letter to Senator Bostock. After revealing that letter one must feel shame for the political shysterism that is taking place in Canada, for the actions of men who call themselves "statesmen" in placing party considerations before the cause of war and the country's honor. One must look with dread upon the possibility of success for selfish scheming of these pseudo statesmen. Sifton reveals the crisis of the Dominion buntily. It would be well if all Canadians were to view it honestly.

"We are not fighting for sentiment," for England, for imperialism; we are fighting for the rights of ourselves, and our children, to live as a free community.

"Shall Canada be the first of all, the Allied nations to sink from the field? Let us realize the position now. It will be no use to wake up when it is too late." Sir Clifford points out that our reserves at the front are becoming exhausted. "Shall Canada be the first of all the Allied nations to sink from the field?" That is just what she will do unless a vigorous war administration is continued. It is what Quebec, or the political leaders of Quebec who would govern the Laurier administration were they placed in power, desire Canada to do. Are the English-speaking Liberals of the Dominion, for the sake of selfish party considerations, to permit Quebec to force Canada to sink from the field? Surely the Liberals of Canada will not sacrifice the country's honor on the altar of party chance.

The situation is clear. With that analytical lucidity which distinguishes him from most Canadian public men, Sir Clifford Sifton cuts straight to the heart of the issue before the nation, when he writes:

"If Sir Wilfrid is returned to power in the approaching election, two-thirds of his followers in Parliament will be pledged to the bill against conscription and pledged to the bill against any but perfunctory and ineffective participation in the war. Then:

"1.—There will be no conscription in Quebec.

"2.—There will be no recruiting in Quebec.

"3.—Under these circumstances it will be obviously impossible to raise troops in other portions of Canada. Imagine Sir Wilfrid Laurier trying

to raise troops in the other provinces while Quebec woefully refuses either to submit to conscription or to recruiting.

"4.—Our regiments at the front will be left stranded and will dwindle and disappear as an effective fighting force.

"The predominating and controlling element behind Sir Wilfrid Laurier is office, and voluntarism broken down, what then? Assuredly the people of Canada never faced a more solemn question. The English-speaking Liberal party men of the Dominion are to give answer to that question. What is it to be? Is there to be an ineffective prosecution of the war? Is Canada to be the first of the Allied nations not merely the first, but the only one to sink from the field?

PIPER CAMERON TO "SUICIDE" CLUB

(Continued from page twelve.) riding breeches made of the famous MacLean plaid, khaki coat and trim fitting leather puttees, he was striking and picturesque figure standing within the enclosure set aside for members of the bar.

Piper "Humie" sitting facing him clad in "civilians," offered a marked contrast to his leader, upon whose eloquence his fate depended. Other bright lights and shadows in the courtroom were kilt wearing members of Cameron's regiment, and the two women, love for whom had brought "Humie" into his sorry plight.

The "First Wife's" Story. The first of these, who before her marriage to Cameron was Miss Mary C. Cameron, of the City of Montreal, was in court for the purpose of seeing Cameron sent away for the sentence which, she said, he so richly deserved. Her love, she said, had been turned to hate by Cameron's action in deserting her and unlawfully marrying another woman.

The second woman, Miss Beatrice Caswell, of Jamaica Plain, whose marriage to Cameron, accompanied by the skirting of the law, was a subject of public interest as they played the "Cock o' the North" was given such wide publicity some time ago, declared that she loved him still and pleaded that he be given a chance to go back and clear his name by dying as a soldier should die.

When Col. Guthrie asked Mrs. Cameron, his first wife, if she would not rather see Cameron go back to the front, where his chances of life or death would be even, than have him remain idle in the House of Correction, she replied, "No, I want to see him go to jail. He never was of any use to me and never helped me or my child."

The man who on probation, Judge, said Col. Guthrie, "and I'll take him in my personal charge. I will take him back to Canada with me tonight, and see that when he goes to France he will be sent out with the 'bombers' on the 'Suicide Club' line. Few men ever come out of that alive."

Miss Caswell was then asked regarding Col. Guthrie's suggestion, and she assented, saying that she still loved him and would like to see him given a chance to clear his name of the stain that his marital indiscretions had placed upon it. Accordingly Judge Creed gave his consent and suspended the 18 months sentence he had meted out to the Piper. The woman was then permitted to sit beside Judge Creed for the rest of the morning session.

BUSINESS MEN FOR MINTO.

The Coal Centre to be Visited by Members of the Board of Trade and Mayor and City Council.

In response to the invitation of Mr. Sherwood, manager of the Fredericton and Grand Falls Coal and Lignite Company, the members of the Board of Trade and the Mayor and City Council to visit Minto by rail today, quite a number accented and left this morning, returning this evening. There has been much development at Minto lately, and since the surface process of handling the coal has been introduced there is much interest not only the visitor in the way things are done, but to the advanced business men in the results that are to be attained. The shipments from Minto lately are increasing very rapidly and Minto coal is now in demand in many places in which it was hitherto unknown. As a result Minto has become quite an active centre and from a business standpoint the field has become quite attractive.

Visitors in London. Visitors to New Brunswick office in London to July 12 included: Staff-Sergeant H. B. Ferris, St. John; Major J. J. Bull, Woodstock; Sergeant-Major P. McKay, Little Shemogue; Gunner J. L. Hawkes, Plaster Rock; Lieutenant N. R. Norman, Moncton; Lieutenant G. A. Dabell, Grand Manan; Lieutenant H. O. Schryer, Bathurst; Lieutenant C. M. Young, Fredericton; Private F. Smith, Moncton; Private T. E. Merry, Toronto; Flight Sub-Lieutenant L. A. Sande, Moncton; Flight Sub-Lieutenant K. G. Boyd, Toronto; Captain G. O. Taylor, Moncton; Mrs. G. O. Taylor, Moncton; Captain Leo L. Richard, Dorchester; Corporal McKee, St. John; Captain C. F. Archer, Campbellton; Major E. C. Weyman, St. John; Major G. G. Picombe, Fredericton.

Some minor poet has lately said that "to sum all courage is to say 'I'm France'."

NEW BRUNSWICK CIRCUIT FORMED

First-Racing Will Be at Moncton With Two Days' Meet on Aug. 11 and 12.

A horse racing circuit which has been instituted will open at Moncton with two days' racing on August 11 and 12, at the Moncton speedway with cash prizes offered aggregating \$1,400. Events will be held in St. John at the Moosaph track on August 17 and 18 and at Fredericton on Aug. 22 and 23. The list of events at Moncton is slated:

First Day, August 10; 2:17 class. 2:17 class, trot and pace, \$300. 2:19 class, trot and pace, \$300. 2:35 class, trot and pace, \$200. Second Day, Saturday, Aug. 11. 2:15 class, trot and pace, purse \$300. 2:35 pace, purse \$300. Free-for-All, trot and pace, purse \$300. Entries to close August 2.

General Rules. National Trotting Association rules to govern, except when they conflict with these conditions. All races to end at the finish of the fifth heat, when money will be awarded according to summary, all races mile heats, best three, in five to race. Six or more horses to enter, and four or more to start in all classes. Entrances fee 5 per cent. of purse, payable with nomination with 5 per cent. addition from money winners. Two or more horses may enter from the same stable in the same class. Purse divided 50 per cent. to first, 25 per cent. to second, 15 per cent. to third and 10 per cent. to fourth. Any horse distancing the field, or any part thereof, entitled to first money only.

Right reserved to change order of programme, or to reject any entry, or to bar any driver. If, owing to bad weather, the Driving Park Association shall not be able to start all or any of the above races on the date advertised, such races may be declared off.

Trainers will be allowed three seconds over paces. Five per cent. of purse must accompany entries, otherwise entries will not be accepted. Entries close on Aug. 2, 1917. Hay, straw and stabling free. All communications to be addressed to the secretary, P. A. Belliveau, of Moncton.

MONTHLY MEETING OF SCHOOL BOARD

(Continued from page twelve.) law, and it is likely the agent of the children's home may in some way assist in the work. Definite arrangements will be made later.

Evening Schools to Open. A scheme is under way for the opening of the evening schools on the 24th September next. As last year, there will be two terms of ten weeks each. The trustees continue most enthusiastic in their desire to furnish the public with opportunities for vocational training, especially in view of last winter's success. They have a desire to extend the curriculum so as to include other lines of work such as millinery, dressmaking and engineering.

Mr. LeMont spoke of some suggestions made to him by Mr. J. D. Palmer, through whose generosity cash prizes were given to last year's classes. Mr. Palmer would like to have scholarships established. These would be given to the best students in the department of domestic science and for the commercial course. The present teacher will probably be willing to conduct the mechanical drawing and woodworking departments. The second year of ten weeks will be opened the week beginning 14th January, 1918.

The report of the recent High School survey was presented and discussed, and there seemed to be a strong desire on the part of the members to open the doors of the High School as wide as possible in order that the benefits of secondary education might come to the people generally. With an additional teacher for next year more liberal opportunities may be afforded.

SCHOOLS TO RE-OPEN AUGUST 27.

The schools will re-open on Monday, August 27th, and permits may be obtained from the secretary at his office in the York street school building on any day during the week beginning 20th August. This office is directed to issue permits only to children of the age of six years. All applicants must produce a physician's certificate of vaccination, or show satisfactory evidence of recent vaccination, in accordance with section 73 of the Schools Act.

The question of flag flying is naturally a live one these days, and the secretary was instructed to have poles erected on the schools at Morrison Hill and Doak Settlement. School children are to be asked to bring a flag to the school at the Snythe street school.

Mark, of this city, has been appointed in charge of the school at Doak Settlement. This is the school lately in charge of Miss Dorothy F. Doohan (Mrs. McElhede). After ordering payment of a number of accounts the session was closed.

Painfully Injured. While hitchhiking a car this morning at the scales at the Gibson station the 311 poke broke and struck Miss O'Brien, a brakeman. In the face, inflicting several nasty gashes in the face and scalp. He was rushed to the city in an automobile and Dr. McNally rendered the necessary medical assistance, after which he was taken to his home at Marysville.

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AFTER August 1st, members of the New Brunswick Association of Graduate Nurses will charge \$15.00 per week for all cases except quarantine cases, which will be \$21.00. These charges are found necessary on account of the continual advance in the cost of living.

HELD AT MONCTON.

Young Man and Two Companions Held on Orders from Halifax.

Moncton, July 25.—The Moncton police today rounded up a party of three, Harold Davidson, aged twenty-one years, and two young girls for the police of Halifax. Davidson is charged with the theft of \$150 from a Halifax concern. A telegram from Chief Frank Hanrahan to the police here stated that Davidson and the girls were on a train bound for Montreal and asked them to intercept the three, particularly Davidson. It is not known that there is any charge against the girls but they were held at the station here with Davidson for Halifax officers.

Club Formed.

The Home Efficiency Club of Fredericton Junction has been organized with a membership of upwards of twenty-five. A lesson in canning was given during the strawberry season by Miss Nutter and Miss Currie and the club members have responded wholeheartedly. Altogether over one hundred quarts have been canned, one member alone doing fifty quarts. Preparations have been made for the work to be carried on here very soon as the garden vegetables will be ready in a very short time.

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