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Saturday, Feb. 23rd, 1918. THE SITUATION. It is announced that a courier is now in Berlin with Trotzky's peace proposals.

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POLICE REPORT.

The annual report of Chief Slemin, as usual, makes interesting reading. The document shows a vast amount of activity on the part of the force, an activity which enables Brantford to make a most favorable comparison with any other community in the matter of law and order.

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ARCTIC EXPLORER FOUND HIMSELF LEFT IN ICE.

V. Stefansson, Canadian explorer, who has of late been planning for a north-east passage because two of his crew disobeyed orders and left him marooned on McIlvaine Island.

The French farmers in the Canadian provinces are cultivating land all around the area of the desperate fighting at Vimy last spring.

The official statement on aerial activity issued tonight, follows: "But let us look at the whole seven of his one discourse in Matt. 13, and remember that he is describing this world as the seed of the Kingdom."

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SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson 8—First Quarter, February 24, 1918.

THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES. Lesson Text, Mark 4:21-34—Memory Verses, Matt. 13:31, 32—Golden Text, Isa. 11:9—Conventary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

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DAY OF PRAYER FOR ALL SCHOOLS OF LEARNING TO-MORROW. Teachers and Pupils Specially Invited. 11 A. M.

Christian Education. "Onward Christian Soldiers" The Choir. Solo: Selected Mrs. Secord.

First Baptist Church. 7 P. M. Facing The Dawn. How will the Lord Come? "Hark! Hark! My Soul!" The Choir.

BRANT AVE. METHODIST. 10:00 a.m.—Brotherhood. 11:00 a.m.—Rev. J. D. Fitzpatrick Subject: Penitus Plute. 2:45 p.m.—Sunday School. 7:00 p.m.—Rev. J. D. Fitzpatrick. Subject: The Destruction of Sodom. Morning Music—Anthem: "The Soft Sabbath Calm." (Barney); Solo: Selected.

COLBORNE ST. METHODIST. Rev. Clark V. Logan, M.A., Pastor. 10:00 a.m.—Class meeting. Jr. Brotherhood. Mr. J. Hurley will address the Men's Brotherhood. 11:00 a.m.—Subject: "Our Kadiash Barnes". 2:45 p.m.—Sabbath School. Supt. Mr. C. F. Verity. 7:00 p.m.—Subject: "Christian Fatalism". Morning Music—Anthem: Hymn Anthem; Solo, "The Homeland" (Shelley), Mr. W. Gives.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH. Rev. Mr. Armstrong will occupy the pulpit morning and evening, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Good music. Every body welcome.

BIBLICAL SCHOOL AND CLASSES AT 3 P.M. MUSIC MORNING. Anthem: "Rock of Ages" Buck Solo: "Callest Thou Thus, O Lord" Mietzke Miss Elsie Senn P. M. Anthem: "O Love that will not let me go" Sealy Solo: "O Great and Glorious Vision" Miss Anguish W. H. THRESHER Choirmaster.

DAY SERVICE OF PRAYER Tea Pot Inn. March 4th, 81st. 4.30 to 5 p.m. Public Invited.

COMPERS REPLY. By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Feb. 22. —In the name of American labor, Samuel Compers declared yesterday, in reply to Germany's peace talk: "I say you can't talk peace with us now—you cannot talk international confederations. Either you smash your autonomy or we'll smash it for you. Get out of France, back from Belgium, back from Serbia and back to Germany, then you can talk peace."

AIRMAN KILLED. By Courier Leased Wire. Forth Worth, Tex., Feb. 23. —James C. Ringland, aged 27, Royal Flying Corps, died to-day, and another Royal Flyer, whose name is not to be learned, was injured as the result of a collision between two airplanes near Brook Brook field yesterday. Ringland's home was in Dover, England. The planes collided at an altitude of about 3,000 feet, both machines crashing to the ground.

News Gleaned From Captives

By Courier Leased Wire. (By W. A. Willson, Canadian press war correspondent.) Canadian Army Headquarters, Feb. 22.—More prisoners have wandered into the Canadian lines since my last cable, giving us additional valuable identifications. Sent out as a patrolling party they lost their way south of Avion, and finding them-

None of these things will take place, but the task of preventing them has become all the more arduous. Japan, also, must be watching the new turn of affairs with keen alertness, for her interests are becoming more nearly involved than at any period since the war started. In this regard, it is not surprising to hear that she now has a number of war ships at Vladivostok.

AN AWAKENING NEEDED. Residents of Canada as a rule do not yet fully alive to the exceedingly serious nature of the issues depending on this war and their personal relationship thereto. The great importance of public arousal in this respect is not only commencing to be realized more and more here, but also in the Old Land, where a Minister of Propaganda has been appointed.

In the same direction the Ottawa Government has also appointed a Director of Public Information under whom a War Lecture Bureau will be organized. Thousands of local volunteer speakers, known as "Five-minute men," are being enrolled in hundreds of cities and towns throughout the Dominion, who are giving brief talks on war topics issued by the Bureau in moving picture and other theatres, and before all kinds of audiences, in churches, colleges, schools, clubs, etc.

The idea is a most commendable one and should prove to be a valuable factor in bringing home to the Canadian people the seriousness of the struggle and the ever-increasing responsibility that rests upon each one of us.

Brantford stands ready to do its share in this line of patriotic service, as in every other.

HONORARY COLONEL. The appointment of H.R.H. the Princess Patricia as honorary colonel in chief of the famous Princess Pats, Canadian Light Infantry, is gazetted.

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PARIS Patriotic Fund

A Public Meeting will be held in the Council Chamber, Paris, on Tuesday, Feb. 26th, at 8 p.m., to consider plans for a canvass for the Canadian Patriotic Fund. Rev. G. A. Woodside and Mr. H. T. Watt, of Brantford, will address the meeting. C. B. ROBINSON, Mayor.

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