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**NEWS TOPICS OF WEEK**

**Important Events Which Have Occurred During the Week.**

**The Busy World's Happenings Carefully Compiled and Put into Handy and Attractive Shape for the Readers of Our Paper — A Solid Hour's Enjoyment.**

**TUESDAY.**

A large party of returned soldiers arrived on the Corsican at St. John, N. B.

The Ontario Government authorized an expenditure to double the capacity of Orpington Hospital.

Captain Ian Hay Beith, before the Canadian Club, said the Germans are behaving under their broken war machine.

The Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, their daughters and suite arrived on their first visit to Toronto last night.

Gaspard Picard, a former Grand Chief of the Hurons, and one of their last descendants, died at Lorette, Que., aged 85 years.

At the closing session of the Christian Endeavor convention a resolution was passed asking the Dominion Government to pass a Dominion prohibition measure.

President Campbell Humphrey, addressing the Harvard Club of Toronto, said 400 Harvard men are fighting on the side of the Allies and more were with the ambulance corps.

The Dominion Government ruling that postal and customs positions be given to returned soldiers is being lived up to, and it has been suggested that the Toronto City Council take similar action.

The Manitoba Court of Appeals ruled that Mr. Justice Haggart exceeded his jurisdiction in quashing Edward Beck's committal for alleged contempt after having ordered his release on habeas corpus proceedings.

**WEDNESDAY.**

A 70-year-old bride took action in Brantford to secure alimony. Druggists seek to make the sale of invalid port legal in Ontario.

The arrival of a large amount of stock is reported in Guelph for the Winter Show.

The Bantam Battalion of Toronto was presented with colors by Mrs. Timothy Eaton.

The Ontario Government takes steps to protect the forests of the Province more effectively.

Grace Hospital, Toronto, was burned yesterday, but all patients and nurses were saved.

The Roumanian Government has decided to abandon Bucharest, moving the capital to Jassy.

A tablet was unveiled at Kingston to the late Captain John Macdonald Mowat, who was killed in action in France.

The German submarines sank nine boats in a day, one of which was a United States vessel flying the stars and stripes.

Contractor Kelly sentenced in connection with the Manitoba Parliament Buildings scandal, makes appeal for new trial.

Toronto tendered its official reception to the Duke of Devonshire, who brought greetings to the Province of Ontario from the King.

Frederick Palmer, the war correspondent who is visiting Toronto, expressed the opinion that the Battle of the Somme will be decisive.

York Councillors oppose the paying of a magistrate who has done a great deal of fining of automobilists on the fee system. They recommend a straight salary.

**THURSDAY.**

Further Turkish gains were admitted by the Russian War Office.

The British Admiral, denied that the cruiser Newcastle had been sunk by a mine.

Germany protested against the Allies ordering the Teuton envoys out of Athens.

Lieut. Bruce Hosmer Acton Burrows, younger son of Mr. Acton Burrows, was killed in action.

Sir George E. Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, has declared himself for woman suffrage.

It was announced that the disease discovered amongst western live stock was not of the foot-and-mouth variety.

Ex-Mayor James Hower of Guelph is dead, in his 70th year. He was active in the city's business and municipal life nearly half a century.

Mr. Frederick Palmer, the noted war correspondent, told a big Massey Hall audience that the Allies would break through the German line.

Colonel C. N. Perreault, Commandant of the Royal Military College, Kingston, has arrived in England en route to France to join the staff of General Sir Douglas Haig.

The steamer Shenango has cleared

from Duluth with 445,000 bushels of fax, worth \$1,268,250, the most valuable cargo, it is claimed, that ever sailed the Great Lakes.

A steamer arriving from Europe brought the news that Harry Lauder, the famous Scottish comedian, had spent \$100,000 in recruiting, and that he is likely to be knighted.

Captain C. L. Bath, step-son of Colonel H. C. Osborne of Headquarters Staff, Toronto Military District, has been appointed Flight Commander and Captain of the 29th Squadron, Royal Flying Corps.

The Commission of Conservation is preparing a comprehensive report on Canada's fire losses, and has secured the services of a specialist on fire engineering and protective methods, whose services are offered free to municipalities.

An Ontario Hydro-electric deputation waited on the Government at Ottawa asking that expert licenses be refused to private power companies falling a satisfactory agreement of the latter first to meet the needs of the Provincial Commission.

**FRIDAY.**

Three hundred people were killed by a cyclone in India.

The war credits of France to date total 72,500,000,000 francs.

One hundred and thirty Japanese soldiers were killed in a railway collision.

Lake navigation—that is, regularly insured transportation—closed at midnight.

The administration of Santo Domingo's affairs has been assumed by the United States.

Work on the new Welland ship canal is to be discontinued at the close of the present season.

Major W. G. Mackendrick, President of the Warren Bituminous Paving Company, Toronto, has been appointed to the British staff.

The Duke of Devonshire, in an address commending educational institutions, urged Canadians to make the fullest use of the fruits of victory sure to come.

Mr. R. Home Smith explained to the York County Council how he came to donate \$12,000 towards the construction of the new bridge over the Humber.

Dr. C. J. O. Hastings, Medical Officer of Health, Toronto, discussing the affairs of his department with the Board of Control, said aldermen act like zepplin raiders.

Andrew Carnegie's secretary told Mayor Rochester of Renfrew that several Ontario municipalities have failed to keep their obligations to maintain libraries founded by the Carnegie fund.

The Grain Growers' Grain Company decided to amalgamate with the United Farmers of Alberta, the Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company, and the Manitoba Grain-Growers' Association, forming the United Grain-Growers, Limited.

**SATURDAY.**

Big artillery battles were reported along the Italian front.

The Derby recruiting plan is to be given a trial in Australia.

The Germans in East Africa suffered heavy losses at the hands of the British forces.

Union Bible classes were recommended for Toronto by Dr. James M. Gray of Chicago.

In the list of medical graduates from Queen's University appearing in the lists last week we notice the names of two former Athens boys, Messrs. Ambrose G. McBride and Bernard T. McBride, graduates of the A. H. S.

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**LOCAL ITEMS**

Mrs. W. J. Morris, of Delta, was a guest of Mrs. O. L. Munroe last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arza Sherman left this week for Calgary.

Miss Sabra Wiltse is very ill at her home on Church street.

Mrs. John Watson, of Brockville, visited friends in Athens last week.

—A Christmas entertainment will be held at the school-house, Charleston, on the evening of Friday, December 22

Mr. E. E. Riley, B. S. A., of Shannonville, is assisting Mr. Smith in the Department of Agriculture here.

—Athens Poultry Fair, Friday December 8, "the best poultry fair in the county".

Mr. Clarence Washburne returned to Athens this week after an absence of several months in the Canadian West.

Mr. Bryce Wilson who has been in the West for several months was a guest at his home here for a few days

Miss Orma Mulvaugh, of Hamilton, was in Athens over the week-end visiting Mrs. M. A. Mulvaugh who is seriously ill. Miss Mulvaugh is now at her home in Caintown.

Childrens Mission Band Service at St. Paul's Presbyterian school room this evening at 7.30. Exercises by the members.

—A large line of Christmas goods consisting of China, crockery and glassware for holiday trade at old prices at the Bazaar. These goods cannot be purchased for less money at wholesale than we are selling them at to-day.

Mrs. Purvis and family, of Delta, have moved into the residence on Reid street, of the late Mrs. Sarah Brown.

Mrs. M. J. Cowan and family are moving to Brockville, where Mr. George Cowan has secured a position in the carriage works.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Pierce and child have returned from Maple Ridge near Winchester where they have been manufacturing cheese.

Rev. J. U. Tanner, B. A., Home Mission Supt. for Ottawa and Montreal Synod, preached an able sermon in the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening.

Private "Lou" Moulton has been given an honorable discharge according to a message from his aunt in Ogdensburg.

The shipping season on the Rideau canal is now over and the locks are closed. On the morning of November 30 all the water was emptied out of the locks and the season of rest and quiet, ice and snow will reign supreme. Ice is already on the water and the canal locks deserted. The shipping on the canal this season has been the lowest on record.

**Y. P. C. Notes**

The social evening of the Young People's Club held Friday last was one of the most successful and enjoyable events ever held in the village. Friday of this week a literary evening will be held. Members are all asked to be present. Another social evening will be held on Tuesday, December 12.

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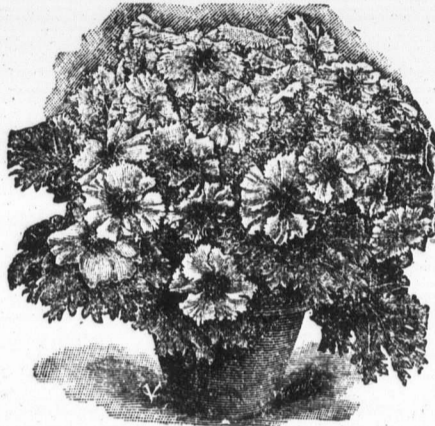
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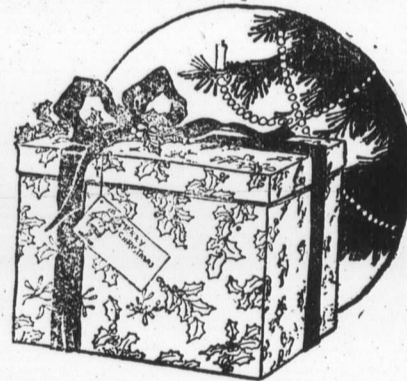
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