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Saturday, Jan. 19th, 1918.

THE SITUATION

The Bolsheviki Government is taking a very bold stand with regard to Roumania, a country which has already suffered heavily at the hands of Petrograd. The latest move is to issue a two hour ultimatum demanding the free passage of Russian troops through Jassy, the temporary capital of Roumania, presumably for the purpose of putting into effect the order for the arrest of King Ferdinand. It is difficult to size up the object of the game which Lenine and his associates are seeking to play, for there can be no doubt that their demands are of a most provocative nature. It looks very much like a playing of the Hun game.

Baron Rhondda, British Food Controller, during a speech which he made yesterday, stated that the main difficulty with regard to food supplies was the falling off in imports and the fact that most of the latter goods when they did arrive, had to go to the army. He again repeated that there was no cause for alarm, but merely the exercise of the greatest possible economy.

Reports continue to leak through from both Germany and Austria with reference to serious unrest and many outbreaks.

Milder weather on the Western front has swept away the last of the snow, and many Germany infantry raids have been reported on the British lines, none of them with important results.

Lloyd George, again addressing representatives of Trades Unions, gave further reasons for the absolute necessity of raising more men. He also stated that nothing but guns would cure Germany of the futility of her dreams of world domination.

UKRAINE READY FOR HUN PEACE.

Alarming incidents with regard to Russia have long been the order of the day, but the despatch which announces that Ukraine is ready to sign a separate peace with the Huns, is more disturbing than much else which has recently transpired.

The country is located on the right and left banks of the Dneiper River, and peoples comprised therein that speak the Ukrainian language number in the neighborhood of 29,900,000. The annual production of cereals in Ukraine is two-thirds of the whole production in the Russian Empire. Its cereal production is even greater than that of Germany or France. The trade of Ukraine is more developed than that of any other part of the Russian Empire. Ukraine produces all the tobacco of the empire and has the largest and finest orchards and vineyards of European Russia. Sixty-two per cent. of Russia's annual production of pig iron and 58 per cent. of the country's production of steel come from Ukraine.

For many years past Ukraine has had the reputation of being the seat of democratic institutions. The territory of Ukraine at one time comprised the Don Cossacks. These Cossacks were organized somewhat on the lines of the chivalry of Western Europe. Precepts of the Cossacks were obedience, piety, chastity and quality. Their assembly, called the Rada, elected the "Hetman" or head man. If he offended the Rada he could be relieved of his office. Meetings of the Radas were periodical and comprisd representatives of all classs of the community. Their military organization was perhaps one of the finest in Europe and has been famous as an integral part of the Russian forces.

This territory of the Ukraine is unique in many ways. The currents of the life of the people have been democratic for long years and with a chaotic state in the rest of the Empire it was only natural that the people should establish a republican form of Government of their own.

It had been hoped that the democratic and progressive ideas of these people would ultimately help to steady down all of Russia to a saner idea of things, but the latest announcement of a deal with the Hun apparently knocks all this on the head.

GOVT. INSURANCE.

By Courier Leased Wire.

London, Jan. 19—Lloyds underwriters yesterday accepted war insurance or transatlantic cargoes at rates much below the flat rate of the British Government, according to The Times. This action probably is connected with the proposal to extend the government's scheme which in effect, The Times says, would make such insurance on cargoes in British ships a government monopoly.

AS TO QUEBEC.

The Quebec problem does not get any better as the years go by, rather the reverse. The habitants still continue to believe that the Province in question constitutes Canada. That is because the French were here before those of English blood arrived and they still regard the rest of us as outsiders and interlopers. Hon. Mr. Fielding, former Minister of Finance in the Laurier Administration, and a man well qualified to speak by reason of long residence in Montreal, considers that the best course to pursue is to let matters alone "until the present clouds roll by and trust to the healing power of time to bring happier conditions." Mr. Fielding does not take any stock in the separation talk as he does not believe "the people of Quebec will feel that, as residents of a province separated from the Canadian Dominion, they could enjoy a greater measure of prosperity and happiness than is open to them as citizens of the Confederation."

The Quebec Chronicle recently suggested as a solution that a commission be appointed composed of English and French representative of a calibre to inspire confidence and that they should go into the entire question and listen to the varying viewpoints.

It would be the purpose of this commission to hold sittings in the capitals of the various provinces for the purpose of taking evidence and receiving complaints from representative organizations as to the ways and means of removing friction between the two peoples. It is proposed that the commission shall be made up of twelve delegates, six each to be nominated by Sir Robert Borden and Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Of the six nominees each of the party leaders should choose three French and three English-speaking members who would be representative of law, religion and education. Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, is proposed as chairman of the commission.

Meanwhile French-Canadians continue to prate of alleged English intolerance, utterly ignoring the fact that their language has been given official status in the Dominion House and in the printing of public documents, that one of their number, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, was continued as Premier for fifteen years and that in just about every essential their province has been the spoiled child of the Canadian Confederation.

THE NOBLE GRAND.

At the Board of Trade meeting last night the subject of the Grand River came up with regard to power development purposes, and navigation.

That there are great potentialities with regard to the first named portion of the scheme there cannot be any question. The fall in feet, represents many opportunities at various points and there can be no question that some storage plan could be provided, whereby the tremendous and often devastating flood of waters, in spring and at other periods, could be placed under useful regulation. The record in Egypt, Holland and many portions of the States has demonstrated what the ingenuity of man can accomplish in this respect. The present coal shortage has brought home more than anything else the great need for the development of electrical power and there are very great possibilities with regard to the Grand.

On the other hand the turning of the stream into a navigable water way would be a very large order indeed. Time was, in the early part of the eighteenth century, when the Grand River Navigation Company, constructed the canal which connected with the river at "the locks" and boats carrying freight and passengers travelled from here to Lake Erie. For several years this was the only method whereby the produce of the country round about Brantford could reach an outside market, but the railways later came along and the enterprise was soon in difficulties. Finally they secured a loan of $200,000 from the then town of Brantford, this Municipality taking a first mortgage on the works which was finally foreclosed and later the corporation was very glad indeed to hand the whole thing over to the late Mr. Alfred Watts. They paid him to accept the responsibility, he to maintain reasonable repairs. Since then the river during a large part of the year, owing to the clearance of the banks, can at times barely float a canoe, and The Courier is not inclined to believe that there can be any navigable resurrection.

However, the power proposals should by all means be pushed.

MEN'S SONG SERVICE Y. M. C. A. ROTUNDA.

Sunday 4.15 p.m.

Rev. J. A. McLawrin on "Why India's Millions are Loyal"

Every man invited.

News of the Churches

Congregational

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A hearty welcome and a helpful message await you at

The Congregational Church corner of George and Wellington streets Rev. W. J. Thompson, minister.

Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. in the schoolroom.

Morning sermon: "The Lesson of Life."

Evening sermon: "The Likeness of Life."

Efficient choir. Good music.

Sunday school 3 p.m. Mr. J. L. Dixon, Supt.

Large Adult Bible Class—Mr. H. P. Hoag, teacher.

You are invited.

Baptist

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH.
Dalhousie St.

Rev. W. E. Bowyer will preach.

11 a. m., "The ministry of loneliness."

7 p.m.—"The Reasonableness of Religion." Good music, all welcome. Baptism at night.

Sunday School at 2.45 p.m.

Methodist

BRANT AVENUE METHODIST CHURCH.

10 a.m.—Brotherhood.

11 a.m.—Rev. J. D. Fitzpatrick. Subject, "An Open Door."

2.45 p.m.—Sunday School.

7 p.m.—Rev. J. D. Fitzpatrick. Subject, "A Great Miracle."

Morning Music.

Solo—"O Jesus, Thou Art Standing" (Ambrose), with violin obligato.

Anthem—"Jesus, Word of God Incarnate" (Gounod), soloist, Mr. W. Gives.

Evening Music.

Solo—Selected.

Anthem—"Rejoice in the Lord" (Elvey), soloist, Miss Reba Force.

Organist and choirmaster—Mr. Clifford Higgin.

COLBORNE STREET METHODIST CHURCH.

Rev. Clarke F. Logan, M. A., Pastor.

10.00 a.m.—Class meeting. Dr. Linscott will address the Men's Brotherhood on "The Church of the future."

11.00 a.m.—Rev. H. F. Deller, B.A. will preach.

2.45 p.m.—Sabbath School. Supt. Mr. C. F. Verity. An offering will be taken for the starving Armenians.

7.00 p.m.—Rev. H. F. Deller, B.A. will preach.

Morning Music

Anthem: "O for a closer walk with God" (Myles Foster) Obligato part taken by Mrs. G. E. Reamon.

Duett—"The Lord is My Shepherd" (Smart) Mrs. Reaman and Miss G. Garvin.

Evening Music.

Anthem: "O come to My Heart Lord Jesus" (Ambrose) solo part taken by Mr. George Humphries.

Duett by Mr. G. N. Crooker and Mr. Geo. Humphries.

G. C White organist and choir director.

WELLINGTON ST. CHURCH

Dr. G. W. Henderson, pastor.

10 a.m., class and junior league meetings.

11.00 a.m. public service. Sermon by the pastor. Anthem, "From all that dwell below the skies" (Walmisley); Mrs. Frank Leeming will sing.

2.45 p.m., Bible school for old and young. Mr. W. H. Ranton in charge.

7.00 p.m., public service. Sermon by the pastor. Anthem, "Come unto Him" (Gounod). Duet by Misses Lily Darwen and Violet Clement. Mrs. Frank Leeming will sing.

Both services will be held in the school room, which is very comfortable. Thomas Darwen A.T.C.M., organist and choirmster.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

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With the lactual fluid becoming more and more scarce it will be next in order for some one to suggest the tapping of the milky way.

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It would be a heap sight better if Russia would transfer to Germany some of its stiffening towards Roumania.

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Toronto City Council has voted one million dollars towards the Patriotic Fund, one-half to go on the tax roll this year and one-half next. Some gift, all right.

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Latest indications are more favorable for an Irish settlement. If so the Emerald Isle would become a veritable jewel.

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These are the days when you shouldn't let your light so shine.

RIDEAU HALL DRY.

By Courier Leased Wire

Ottawa, Jan. 19.—Rideau Hall, the official residence of the Governor-General, has gone dry. All alcoholic beverages, it is announced, have been banned. The cellars have been sealed until the close of the war.

The action of the Governor-General has been determined by the decision of the Government to bring Canada under a general prohibitory law. His Excellency has decided that Rideau Hall shall not be an exception in a dry Dominion. The new regulation will apply to all functions at the Governor-General's residence, including formal State dinners.

Presbyterian

ALEXANDRA PRESBYTERIAN

10 a.m. Brotherhood meets.

11 a.m. Rev. H. E. Thornloe.

3 p.m. Sunday school and Bible class.

7 p.m., Rev. H. E. Thornloe.

Everybody welcome.

All services held in the S.S. room

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BRANT AVE.

Rev. James W. Gordon, B.D., minister.

11a.m. "Filling up the Sufferings of Christ."

3 p.m. Sabbath School.

7 p.m. "Confidence in God."

Morning anthem "Ninety and nine." Wheeler.

Evening anthem: "Heavenly Love Abiding.", Brown.

M. J. Leach, P. G. H. M., organist and choir conductor.

ZION PRESBYTERIAN

Darling street, opposite Victoria Park.

Rev. G. A. Woodside, Minister.

D. L. Wright, organist and choir leader.

Union services with Park Baptist church.

11 a.m. Subject, The Creed—"Conceived of the Holy Ghost."

3 p.m., Sunday school and Bible class.

7 p.m. Subject "The Dogs Under the Table."

The public is cordially invited.

Non.Denominational

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST
44 George Street

Service Sunday, 11 a.m.

Wednesday, 8 p.m.

Reading room open 2.30 to 4.20 every day except Sunday.

Subject, Sunday, Jan. 20th. 'Life.'

CHRISTADELPHIAN.

3 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class.

7 p.m.—Lecture, subject, "The Apostle's Creed in the Light of Truth. Part II., God, the Father." Speaker, Mr. Geo. Dunton, in C. O.F. Hall, 136 Dalhousie street.

All welcome. Seats free. No collection.

ST. MATTHEW'S, LUTHERAN

Corner Queen and Wellington

Rev. A. A. Zuick, B.A., pastor.

10 a.m. Sunday school.

11 a.m. "The Father's Business."

7 p.m., "An Active Church".

All are welcome.

Bethel Hall

Sunday, 11 a.m.—Remembering the Lord's death.

3 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Classes.

7 p.m.—Bright Gospel service. Mr. Chas. Innes, of Toronto, will (D.V.) speak. Subject, "A night in Prison."

A hearty welcome awaits you.

Open Evening Held at Y.W.C.A.

The concert put on by the Y.W.C.A. girls Thursday night in Victoria Hall was a very enjoyable affair and largely attended, there being about five hundred persons present.

The smaller girls' and the wand exercises were of particular interest and were very nicely carried through.

The Thursday afternoon and evening Junior classes executed free exercises, Swedish dances, and the Seniors club swinging, Russian folk dancing, free exercises and polka steps. The two classes of Wednesday Juniors gave marching exercises, skipping and running dances, free exercises and two Swedish games.

A good game of Basketball was then staged, the teams being the B. C. I. girls vs. the Y. W. girls. The teams were very evenly matched and the basketball "fans" received a real treat. The scores were given in last evening's Courier.

The "grand finale," a march of the juniors in gymnasium suits, ended the performance will long be remembered by physical culture devotees.

QUITS THE COMMITTEE

Mr. I. S. Armstrong has resigned his position on the Industrial Committee of the Board of Education. He writes:

Mr. A. K. Bunnell,
Sec.-Treas. Board of Education,
Brantford.

Dear Sir,—I hereby resign my appointed membership on the Industrial Committee of the Municipal Board of Education. It places me in a fool's position as labor by their vote last municipal election did not wish labor on the educational staff.

Thanking the board for past kindness and wishing them every success in this strenuous time, I remain

Yours to command,
IRWIN S. ARMSTRONG,
83 Dundas Street, City.

84th Anniversary Sunday

Rev. J. B. McLaurin, B.A.
OF TORONTO
will assist the pastor and will preach at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. and address Sunday School at 3 p.m.

SPECIAL MUSIC
All former members and friends of the Church specially invited.
COME!

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

PARK Baptist CHURCH

Corner George and Darling Sts.
Rev. W. H. Wrighton, Pastor

Members of Church and Congregation are uniting with ZION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH and will alternate places of worship for the next few weeks

Services in Zion Presbyterian (Ind)
Morning and Evening

All members and visitors requested to be present to hear the Rev. G. A. Woodside.

LOTS OF COAL ON HAND NOW

Seven Carloads Reached the City Yesterday Afternoon

The fuel situation has largely improved hereabouts.

Yesterday afternoon seven cars of hard coal reached the city, consigned to the Gibson, Mann and Miller and Millan companies. In all this constitutes in the neighborhood of 300 tons.

The Fuel Committee consider that with stock now on hand and other supplies in sight that theer is no need for citizens to become overanxious.

At Civic Depot.

"The situation is a great deal better," remarked Mr. H. D. McIntyre to The Courier this morning. There was a large crowd at the municipal depot at an early hour, but with an abundance of coal on hand it was possible to satisfy all, and orders were issued wholesale.

The U.S. is about to license 'exports for charity," and place a maximum of $800,000 a month on money sent out of the country for such purposes.

Watch Your Sneeze!

It may be the forerunner of bronchitis or a bad cold. It is nature's warning that your body is in a receptive condition for germs. The way to fortify yourself against cold is to increase warmth and vitality by eating **Shredded Wheat,** a food that builds healthy muscle and red blood. For breakfast with milk or cream, or any meal with fresh fruits.

Made in Canada.

Safety Deposit Boxes

DO NOT trust to your own means for the protection of your Securities, Deeds, and other valuable papers. Keep them in a box in our Safety Deposit Vault, where they are absolutely secure against fire and other elements of risk. Boxes $3.00 per year and up. Vaults open every day during banking hours. Your inspection is invited.

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Royal Loan & Savings Co.
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The Overland Garage and Service Station

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Now ready to take care of repair work on all Overland and her makes of cars.

GEO. E. BROWN, MECHANIC IN CHARGE.

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MAYBE BUYING MATCHES

Never Struck You As Being An Important Job. But It Is.

It Is Important That You Buy None But

EDDY'S

CHEMICALLY SELF-EXTINGUISHING

Silent 500's

The Matches with "No After Glow"

EDDY is the only Canadian Maker of these matches, every stick of which has been dipped in a chemical solution which positively ensures the match becoming DEAD wood once it has been lighted and blown out.

LOOK FOR THE WORDS "CHEMICALLY SELF-EXTINGUISHING" ON THE BOX

Soldier's Trench Candles

Special for Soldiers in the Trenches—Will Burn for 15 Hours

We have had a great demand for this article. We also have the *Trench Lamp* for holding this candle. It has a globe to keep wind from blowing it out and also makes a handy holder for heating a cup.

A WONDERFUL IDEA

Price of Candles 8c each; 85c per dozen
Price of Lamp, 25c each; $2.75 per dozen

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Notice to Paris Householders!

Electric Power and Water Shortage

The public are hereby informed of an impending shortage of water owing to the daily consumption being much in excess of the supply. Householders are warned to keep taps shut when not in use, also to conserve in every possible manner electric power or our local industries will be forced to curtail operations.

EVERY CITIZEN MUST HELP

Paris Hydro Electric and Water Commission.