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THE SITUATION

The Allies are putting a dent in the so-called Hindenburg line. There can be no doubt at all about that, and the circumstance is one which will still further emphasize the fact that the British and French troops have the measure of the foe on the western front. The position of St. Quentin is becoming more and more dubious. Nivelle's troops have captured German positions on a 9 mile front from north of the Somme to the banks of the Oise, while the British have also advanced and have captured villages on the Hindenburg right wing, bringing them within eight and a half miles of Cambrai. In the Champagne region, a fierce struggle still continues.

It is stated that Germany contemplates a protest to all the neutrals with regard to the action of the United States entering the war. The Hohenzollerns evidently think when they sink American vessels and murder American citizens that Uncle Sam should carefully look the other way. Well, he has been doing that long enough, and at long last has awakened to a sense of responsibilities and self-defence which should have been manifested long ago. Now that he has become aroused, reports from all over his land show that a vast majority of the people are in favor of vigorous action. The effect of our neighbors joining with the Allies should render them that much less afraid of Prussian bullying, if they look upon the matter as most other outsiders will regard it.

Canadian enlistments for the month of March totalled 7,063, and it is worthy of note that the rate at the last half doubled those of the first. The total of Canadians enlisting since the war started is now 407,302.

IS BUSINESS GOVERNMENT POPULAR?

It is said that the chief cause of the turnover in New Brunswick was the management of the Intercolonial Railway. Since Hon. Frank Cochrane took over the management he has run it as a business enterprise. His officials are instructed to consider only business interests and yield nothing to politics. This has resulted in increased revenues, improved equipment and efficient methods. It is well for Canada and for the Empire and her allies that this is the fact. The war placed great responsibilities upon the Intercolonial railway. It was the one great artery through which the red blood of Canada flowed to the support of the Empire. The terminals at Halifax had to be enlarged and improved to tranship the immense traffic overseas. Congestion there would have made itself felt in every part of Canada—in England too, and France and Belgium. Business management enabled the Intercolonial to meet the demand.

The gentlemen who are demanding a business government—what have they to say of this? Are they prepared to do their part to vindicate the business administration of the Intercolonial by Hon. Frank Cochrane? Are the people who demand business administration of our public affairs in earnest? Are they prepared to defend it by their votes or are they only too glad to see it work mischief politically to the government that undertakes it?

HOW THEY ARE WAKING UP

Now that our neighbors are definitely arrayed with the allies, reports of meetings in various U. S. papers show how earnestly the general populace have become aroused. Here is an extract from the Pittsburgh Times with regard to a gathering in that city:

"Thousands of men, women and children, representative of the highest type of Pittsburgh citizenship and Christian humanity, looked into the pictured faces of Washington, Lincoln and Wilson in a great patriotic mass meeting in Exposition Hall last night and lifted their voices in thundering cheers that took out to the whole world a message that the 'Workshop of the World' is ready to sacrifice the flower of her manhood and the resources of her hills and valleys to maintain the honor of Old Glory.

They pledged their loyalty to the

President and their allegiance to the government and emphasized the fact that they are even willing to wage a war of aggression against Germany in order to uphold the principles of humanity. They voiced an eagerness to enter, might and main, into a great struggle that shall decide for all time the supremacy of democracy over autocracy—"The most oppressive autocracy in the history of the world," as one speaker said.

It was a meeting that defined in unmistakable terms the attitude of Pittsburgh in the present international situation—a meeting that left no room for doubt that the Steel City will do her share to preserve the country to which she has contributed so much to make a "land of the free and the home of the brave." It was an assemblage dominated by the spirit of ancestors who sacrificed themselves upon the altar of war in desperate resistance to tyranny of all kinds.

The glories and triumphs of Pittsburgh, past and present, were lauded in addresses to the great through that took up every inch of available space in Exposition Hall and in Duquesne way, outside the building, where an overflow meeting was held. The sacrifices of Pittsburghers for their country was painted by the smoke and blood of battles of the nation's wars in other days in the faded, saber-scarred and shell-torn flags in the hands of the grizzled veterans, sons and daughters of veterans and boys who will be the standard bearers of the Star Spangled Banner in the days that are to come.

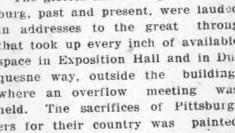
These flags were held above the heads of men whose ancestors came from the lands of all the world. They were waved by arms from which the toll of wars and the flood of years had not taken all strength—waved in a spirit that signified the elimination of all political, social, religious and racial antagonisms in the hour of the great republic's need. They were waved as a welcome to arms from the older warriors to the new—from the men who took their patriotism into the cannon's mouth, in the days when the horizon of the nation was darkened by clouds of internal dissension to the men who will carry Old Glory across the seas, if necessary, in order to maintain the principle of freedom.

The bearers of these flags, the older men, stood like sentinels placed to warn a world of the approach of disaster. Heads covered or sprinkled with gray were held erect in pride of the country's past. Faces furrowed by time or seared by shot and shell radiated a fervor born of hearts made young by a country's call."

EX-ALD. PITCHER

Recommended for Post of Governor of the Gaol

Mr. S. P. Pitcher will be recommended as the choice of this riding for the position of Governor of the



MR. S. P. PITCHER.

gaol, rendered vacant by the lamented death of Mr. J. Y. Brown. There are also some candidates from North Brant, but the endorsement of either one of them has not yet been announced.

Mr. Pitcher is a well known resident of the city, and for many years occupied a seat at the city council board. He would without doubt fill the duties of the post in a most efficient manner.

The position carries with it a salary of \$900 a year, a residence, light and heat.

CITY ITEMS

DIED OF WOUNDS.
 The sad intelligence was received this morning by Mrs. Ella Altchison, 137 Chestnut Avenue, that her husband, who some time ago was reported as having been wounded, had succumbed to his injuries.

FEW APPLICATIONS.
 Thus far there has been but one application made at the office of the Board of Trade for work on the farm. This office was constituted as a bureau where those seeking either farm work or farm laborers could register.

PREPARE TO GO.
 Yesterday afternoon the effects of the 215th canteen at the Armories were sold by auction, the goods being disposed of by Company Sergeant-Major Cook. Practically all the contents were sold with the exception of the cigarettes and the soft drinks.

MAYOR ANNOYED.
 Mayor Bowdler told the Courier today that interference with his effort to postpone the meeting with the Dominion Railway Board at Hamilton was "scoundrelly work." Upon the representation of the Board of Works the date remains unaltered.

POLICE HAD GUESTS.
 Two stray travellers, without means of obtaining a lodging applied at the police station last night and were given accommodation until this morning. They came from Stratford.

COMING HOME.
 Included in a group of returned soldiers from Western Ontario who arrived in Quebec on Tuesday from the west were D. Spence of this city and W. Carr of Simcoe. It is expected that they will arrive here near the end of the week.

INSPECTING MOVEMENT.
 City Engineer F. McArthur and the members of the Board of Control of the city of Guelph were in the city today inspecting the concrete pavement in this city. The advisability of adopting this class of pavement is being seriously considered at Guelph at the present time.

Two Local Casualties

Mrs. Lee, 25 Palace street, this morning received word of two casualties affecting well known Brantford men, formerly of the 8th Battalion and since drafted to the front with another unit. Pte. Peter Stewart is reported as having been killed in action upon November 1st last, while Corp. J. W. Sutton, is reported missing from November 18. Both were well known in the city, where their wide circle of friends will regret to learn the sad news. Corporal Sutton was a soloist and prominent in various entertainments throughout the city. The reason for the delay encountered in word of the casualties being received is not known.

CHILDHOOD AILMENTS

The ills of childhood come swiftly and too often before a doctor can be called in or medicine obtained the little one is beyond aid. The wise mother will always safeguard her little one by keeping Baby's Own Tablets in the home. This medicine always does good—it can never do harm. Concerning it Mrs. Napoleon Lambert, St. Ignace, Que., writes:—"Baby's Own Tablets are an excellent medicine for childhood ailments and I am well pleased with their use." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

GERMANY NOT TO DECLARE WAR

Attitude of U. S. Viewed at Berlin With Comparative Indifference

Submarine Piracy Directed No More Against U. S. Than Other Neutrals

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HAIR COMING OUT

Dandruff causes a feverish irritation of the scalp, the hair roots shrink, loosen and then the hair comes out fast. To stop falling hair at once and rid the scalp of every particle of dandruff, get a 25-cent bottle of Dandruff at any drug store, pour a little in your hand and rub it into the scalp. After a few applications the hair stops coming out and you can't find any dandruff.

Rippling Rhymes

By Walt Mason

REVUE NATION.

When the winter's done with snowing, and the vernal winds are blowing, and the husbandman is hoing, hoing in the fertile glen, I cast off the robes of sadness, and I whoop around with gladness, with joy akin to madness, for I'm feeling young again. In the winter I am weeping, for the rheumatiz is creeping up and down my system, keeping me so sore I swear aloud; then I see an ancient geezer, feel as though I'd lived when Caesar fell beneath the snickersneezers of the looted Brutus crowd. In the win-

Big Values in SOAPS

- Infants' Delight, regular 10c cake, special 2 for... 15c
- Palm Olive, reg. 10c 15c., special... 10c
- Glycerine Soap, large cake, regular 15c., Special at... 10c
- Olive Oil and Cucumber Soap, special 3 for... 10c



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SERGEANTS' DANCE

A very successful dance was given in the Liberal Club Rooms last night under the auspices of the Sergeants of "A" Company of the 215th Battalion. There was a large number present and the hall was beautifully and artistically decorated with patriotic effects. This was probably the last of a series of brilliant social events that have been held here this winter by the Sergeants of the Battalion.

At North Vancouver by the collapse of the old Capilano bridge, an old land mark of the north shore has become a ruin. It is expected that the bridge will be replaced by a new one.

Two Victoria men working claims near Yale lost the buildings of their camp and all belongings during the winter weather by fire.

Victoria's balance sheet for 1916, issued by City Controller Raymur, shows the city's assets exceed the liabilities by \$3,722,964.68.

At Vancouver the remains of Pte. James McCellan and Harry Duchesne, returned soldiers, were interred with full military honors.

Paris Customs Returns High

Presentation to Miss Edna Stewart of Penman's Staff

Paris, April 4.—(From our own correspondent)—The members of the Prince of Wales Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, will hold their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Robt. Baldwin, Warwick street, tomorrow afternoon.

Customs receipts for the month of March show a large increase over receipts of the same period last year. They were \$38,200.35, as against \$18,714.77 for March, 1916, being an increase of \$19,485.58.

Miss Edna Stewart of the office staff of Penman's Limited, was made the recipient of a handsome solid mahogany writing desk and chair to match, by the other members of the staff. Miss Stewart, owing to ill health, has been compelled to sever her connections with the firm, and will leave shortly with her mother for their old home at Leamington.

The members of the Junction Mission Bible Class paid a surprise visit to the home of Miss Gladys Gowler, and presented her with a miscellaneous shower.

The sympathy of the community will be extended to Sergt. Wm. and Mrs. Richardson, in their bereavement, their little son having passed away after a brief illness. The funeral took place yesterday from the grandparents' residence, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Richardson, to Paris cemetery. The father is with his battalion at Leamford, England.

Miss Mabel Bromfield, retiring treasurer of the Maple Leaf Patriotic Club, was made the recipient of a miscellaneous shower by members of the club; a very pleasant evening being spent by all.

There will be a special service at St. James' Church to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock, during which the Holy Communion will be administered in commemoration of Christ's institution of same. There will also be services held on Good Friday at 10:30 a.m. and at 7:30 p.m.

All that was mortal of the late Mrs. John D. Reynolds was laid to rest this afternoon in Paris cemetery, the services being conducted by Rev. J. C. Nicholson and Rev. J. K. Seton-Adamson. The deceased, whose maiden name was Fanny Bennett Hockerstaff, was a native of Ayr, Scotland and came to Canada when a young woman. Some forty years ago she was united in marriage to Duncan C. McKay, of Paris, who predeceased her in June 1912. Two years later she was united in marriage to M. John D. Reynolds, who survives her. Deceased was a member of the Presbyterian church and in her younger days took an active interest in the work of same.

Of a generous and kind disposition, always ready with willing hand to help those in trouble or need, she made many friends and her demise was learned with deep regret. Besides her husband, she leaves four sons and one daughter by her former marriage, William and Robert Cornwall.

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- 1st—It will make you a producer—not simply a customer.
- 2nd—It will thereby save YOU money that otherwise would have to be spent for vegetables.
- 3rd—So it will help solve that ever present problem, "the high cost of living."
- 4th—And by lessening living expenses will enable you to save money to lend to your country by investing in its war savings certificates.
- 5th—It will set free for vital war work the labor that would otherwise be engaged in producing vegetables for YOUR use.
- 6th—It will increase the surplus food stuffs available for export—to England, France, Belgium, the boys in the trenches and on the sea.

Are not these worth-while contributions to victory this year? Every available square foot of space in the city must be tilled. If you have more than you can work, lend it to the Thrift League. If you haven't enough use the coupon below and get more. It is your PLAIN DUTY.

To Mr. H. T. Watt, Secty., Brantford Thrift League, CITY. Date.....

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It pays, therefore, to read advertisements in The Courier.

"Brantford's Better Paper"

LOCAL

HOSPITAL.
 Private L. Miller of the Battalion is at present in base hospital. He was that institution on the March.

SPECIAL SERVICE.
 On Good Friday more there will be a public prayer and meditation of the nation, in Zion church. The public is invited, and will be made.

UNDER AGE.
 Private L. Broughton of the Battalion has been drafted that unit on account of under the required age. This effect was contained morning's orders.

RETURNED SOLDIER.
 The returned soldier are holding a meeting C. A. to-morrow night seven to complete the smoker to be held in the future, the proceeds to be devoted to furnish the proposed club room.

PIPPILS' RECITAL.
 The regular fortnightly of Music last night, a great success as the Those who participated Lillian Newham, E. Isabel Somerville, Sophia Levine, Nora Margaret Watt, Isabel Winona Zavitz, and M. Watt and Earnest Cutler.

PASSION SERVICES.
 The pastor, Rev. J. conduct special services at the First this evening, speaking subject "Lessons From Zion." The address fully illustrated, and cordially invited to Augustus will sing "Lone and Gray."

FINE MEETING.
 There was a large the quarterly meeting 742. Past Master B. was presented with a jewel in recognition of in which he had filed for two years. The speech was ably made Cornan Severin, a higher degree and a membership received the lodge is in a very condition.

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