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Will Wilson Take Up the Gauntlet

THROWN DOWN BY THE KAISER!

There are two matters of the greatest moment now occupying the mind of the public. One is the outcome of the struggle which is taking place in the French war zones of Verdun and Champagne. The other is the new submarine campaign, which is to commence at midnight. In spite of the tremendous resistance and counter-attacks of the French, the Germans seem to have gained ground to the north and east of Verdun, and trenches on the eastern front of the Verdun bulge have been evacuated by the French. Moreover, the French have apparently long ago abandoned any idea of using Verdun or its surrounding forts as centres of resistance by artillery, and have months ago withdrawn such artillery garrison and left but shells of what originally were fortresses and forts, and depend solely on field forces for the defence of this sector. Whether the Germans by attacks, regardless of the sacrifice of life, will be able to push out this French bulge remains to be seen, but it is clear enough that the French will rather sacrifice this sector rather than allow the Germans to push in the extreme points of the bulge and encompass the great armies within. Apparently the greatest battle of the war is going on, and the fight is being conducted with equal stubbornness on both sides. The losses are frightful and it may be that if the Germans do succeed in pushing out the bulge and straightening their line, they will pay such a price in life and limb for it, that it may in the end prove a catastrophe for them. It must be remembered that the Allies have less of reserves to draw upon than the Entente, and that even if the losses on both sides were equal, the severity of the losses would be more serious and disquieting to them than to the Entente. As for the new campaign against merchantmen, armed or unarmed, it is really carrying out what Germany and Austria have been doing all the time.

It is quite possible that additional and more formidable enemy submarines may be put into the campaign and that the losses may be heavy until the British Navy have means to cope with it, and we may be sure, they have not been asleep in preparing for it, and we can await the outcome well with all the equanimity the French are showing in the results of the Verdun and Champagne battles. The outstanding feature of the new situation is the flouting of the United States. President Wilson has demanded a written undertaking that the Central Power shall not sink merchantmen armed for the defensive without calling upon them to stop for examination. Germany has flatly refused to give such an undertaking or to defer the threatened campaign. The question now is: What will Uncle Sam do about it? President Wilson says the United States will fight not for dollars but for honor and that this is a question where the honor of the States is concerned. Germany has challenged the United States. Will Uncle Sam take up the gauntlet?

Durango Arrives From Old Country.

Sighted Seals.
The Furness Liner Durango, Capt. Chambers, reached port last night from Liverpool, bringing 600 tons of cargo, 25 packages of mail matter, but no passengers. The ship occupied slightly over eleven days, and strong head winds were met, as is customary crossing the Atlantic this time of the year. A strong nor'wester was the prevailing wind, about 150 miles of this port seals, old and young, were seen in large numbers and a deal of ice was steamed through at the latter part of the voyage. The Durango sails again to-night for Halifax. Her inward cargo consists of spring goods.

HOSPITAL FILLED.—At present there is not a single cot unoccupied at the General Hospital and enough women are waiting for admission to all the female wards for ever. Quite a number of men are also awaiting their turn to get in the institution. Nearly all the patients are outport people who are in boarding houses in the city.

Brig-General Cayley

Commands the Newfoundland Regiment for Meritorious Services.

Suez, Egypt, Jan. 26th, 1916.
To His Excellency The Governor of Newfoundland.
Your Excellency, I feel sure that you and the people of Newfoundland will be anxious to hear of the doings of their Contingent since they have been on active service. You doubtless know, the Regiment landed at Suvla in the Gallipoli Peninsula in September and were attached to the 88th Brigade of the 29th Division which Brigade I have the honor to command. It was with the greatest interest and gratification that I looked forward to their joining us.

The Brigade was holding trenches very close to the Turks on the left centre of our line. The Newfoundland Regiment was at first in reserve. Whilst in reserve all officers and the different companies were sent up to the trenches and attached to Regiments in the firing line to get practical instruction in trench warfare. All ranks were remarkably quick in picking up all there was to be learnt, and their keenness was very noticeable. The result was that after a very short time they took over part of the firing line as a separate unit. There were no big operations, but small enterprises were frequently on foot, and in all they had to do the Regiment continually showed a splendid spirit of readiness and resource. I especially recall incidents of the nights of 4th and 5th November when we advanced a part of our line. It detailed them for this work, and it was admirably carried out, all who took part showing the highest courage and determination in face of very severe opposition. The result of the operations was entirely successful.

Another occasion I should wish to recall is the storm of 26th November and following days. A very violent rainfall, which flooded the trenches more than waist deep was followed by three days of northerly blizzard with intense frost. The conditions were such that the most veteran troops might have been excused for losing heart. But, in spite of very heavy casualties from exposure, the Regiment never for a moment gave in, but maintained their spirit and cheerfulness in a valiant manner. Then again, in the evacuation of Suvla and Helles operations of which the success depended entirely on the steadiness and discipline of the troops taking part, their share in these extremely arduous movements was most admirably performed.

It has been of the greatest honor and pleasure to me to have these gallant fellows in my Brigade, whose traditions they have most worthily upheld. Their fellow countrymen have every reason to be proud of them and their doings. The whole 29th Division is now enjoying a much needed and well earned period of rest in Egypt, prior to operations in some other sphere. It is my sincerest wish that the Newfoundland Regiment may continue to form part of my Brigade, and I feel confident that whatever dangers and hardships we may yet have to undergo, they will continue to prove themselves second to none.

Their casualties have been many from bullets and sickness. It is my earnest hope that all who have left us are doing well, and that for the remaining there may be a speedy and safe return home.

In conclusion I desire to offer my most respectful sympathy to the relations and friends of all those who have so gloriously fallen.

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(Sgd.) D. E. CAYLEY,
Brigadier General,
Commanding 88th Brigade.

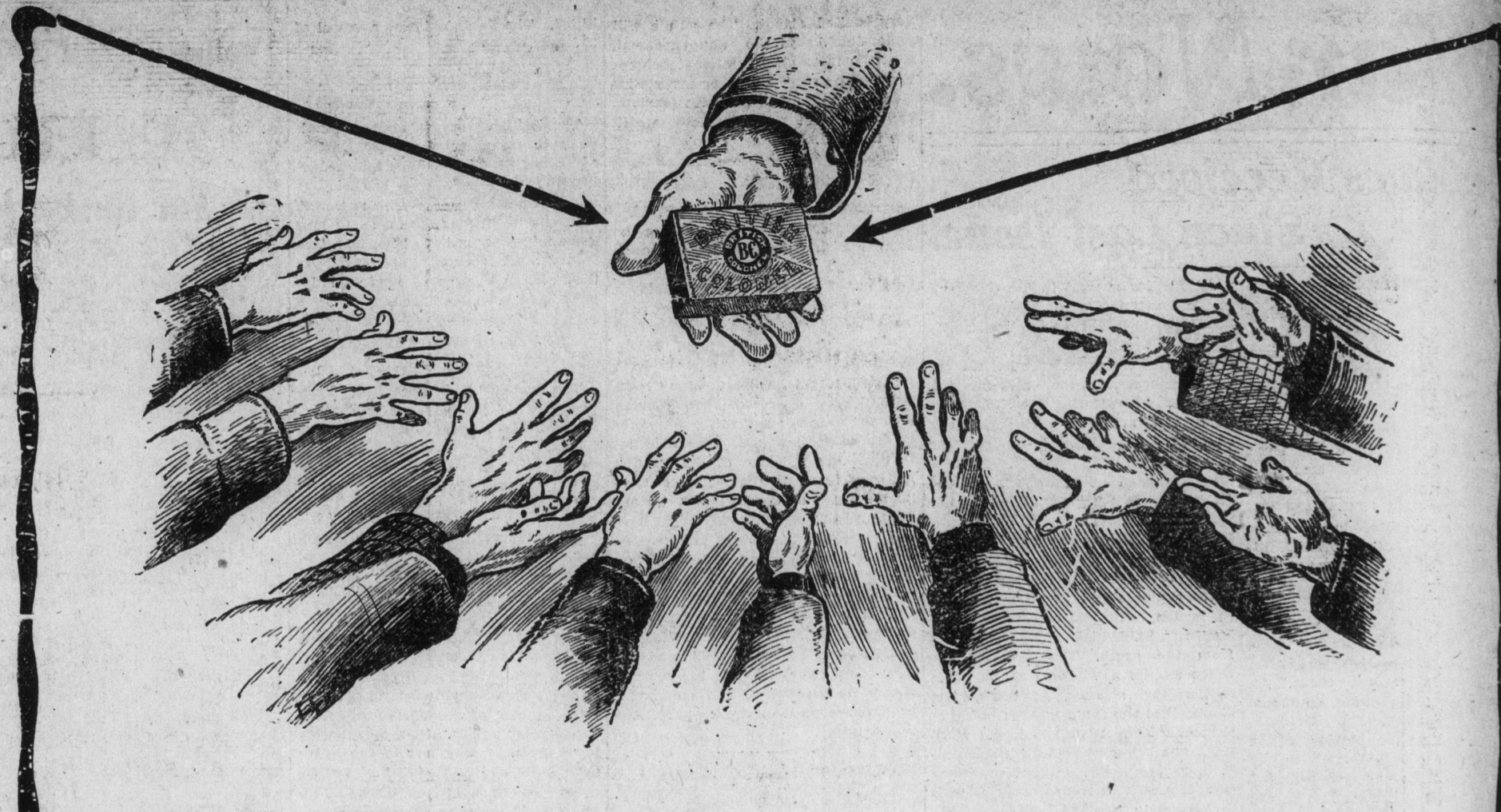
To-Morrow's Concert.

The annual concert in aid of Mount Cashel to be given in the Casino to-morrow evening promises to surpass anything which has yet been done in this connection. The very best of our performers will be heard as the list includes Mrs. Dr. Chafor, Misses Anderson, Sless, Ryan, Mars, Herder and Johnson; assisted by Pay-Master Pearce of H.M.S. Briton, and Messrs. Ruggles, Hutton, O'Neil and O'Leary. The boys of the Institution will give an exhibition of gun-drill and dancing from St. Patrick's Hall and Holy Cross Schools will be heard in choruses. The above with the C. C. Band will, it is needless to say, provide an entertainment which is certain to be an unusually attractive one. The concert is under the direction of Mr. T. H. O'Neil whose experience in this direction is such as to insure a well arranged programme. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Davidson and Right Rev. Monsignor McDermott will attend, and the advance sale of tickets at the Atlantic Bookstore assures the usual crowded house. In addition to having a very pleasant evening those who patronize the concert can feel that they are assisting an institution which is doing splendid work.

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The Commercial School Club

CONTINUES CONFEDERATION.
Canada on Confederation with the United States was the subject of a debate at the Commercial Night School last evening and was keenly contested by Messrs. H. Harrett and Brown on the affirmative side, and Messrs. C. Barnes and H. Hawkins on the negative side, while the leader of the affirmative, Mr. S. Pelley, acted as chairman, permitting the Principal of the School to take part in the debate also. The result of the voting was a great majority for the negative. The students had made an exhaustive study of the subject and for an hour scored point after point, especially in reputation of opponents' arguments, giving facts and figures appealing to common sense. After the vote the chairman, Mr. Pelley, made his remarks which were entirely in favor of confederation; then the Principal of the school resumed the chair and invited Capt. Dawe, A. W. Miller, Esq., and A. Barnes, Esq., who were present to favor the class with a few remarks. The captain said he was more than delighted to find the Night School and Debating Club such a success. He congratulated the speakers and said not to be discouraged; the interest shown was sufficient to warrant the holding of a whole night each week especially for debates, and he went into the confederation question in a

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masterful manner giving the benefit of his long experience and extensive reading on this great public question. Mr. A. W. Miller desired to congratulate the Debating Club, and believed in this movement to encourage the young men, and women too, to take part in the doings of their country. He believed Newfoundland possessed ability and resources in every way as good as any to be found in Canada, and only needed the opportunity, practical training, and the encouragement that is now being afforded, then she would prove worthy of every possible recognition from the Old Country and bloom and blossom as the rose, surpassing even the great West in value after a few years. Next Monday's debate will be on Free and Compulsory Education, and will commence at 8 o'clock.

What Are You Doing for that Eczema?

"Nothing; I've about given up trying to cure it."
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Amusements.

AT THE CRESCENT.
The Crescent Picture Palace is showing a very fine programme to-day. The Biograph Company presents Mrs. Van Alden's Jewels, a great detective drama in two reels. Isabel Rea features in "Masked Fate," a meta-drama of the best kind. A full reel of Hearst Selig News Pictorial contains all the world's latest news. "The Broken Pledge" is a laughable Essanay drama with Wallace Berry. Mr. Dave Parks, the man with the voice, sings "If I should meet you face to face," a classy ballad by Charles K. Harris.
BRITISH THEATRE.
Crowded houses greeted the fine all-round program which was shown at the British Theatre last night. The Universal Animated Weekly contained a splendid selection of items called from the world's affairs. Among the views shown were several of the Anglo-French Commission, who were in the United States to borrow a Billion for war purposes. Princess Clemenceau of Belgium is seen visiting the Canadian soldiers at the front. De Rest, the famous dare devil driver is seen breaking the top mile record on the great motordrome at Sheepshay Bay. King Baggot, the Universal, was

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