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# URGENT NEEDS OF BRITAIN DISCUSSED BY WAR CABINET

### Canada Will Not Only Have to Produce More, But May Have to Control Consumption in View of Requirements.

Ottawa, Jan. 27 .- The war cabinet was in session all day Saturday considering the food situation, as disclosed in information recently received from Great Britain. Mr. Thomson, the new food controler, and Sir Chas. Gordon, chairman of the British mission at Washington, were present at the deliberations.

It is evident from advices received here that the food situation is becoming increasingly urgent in Great Britain, France and Italy, and that Canada and the United States must not only greatly increase production, but in certain important lines eliminate all tion in order to help meet the situa

It is known that Hon. T. A. Crerar. minister of agriculture, since his arrival in Ottawa has been working on plans for a far-reaching and important The rationing system, as presented by campaign for increased production this year. It was in connection with this plan that Mr. Crerar recently consulted the representatives of provincial agricultural departments in order to secure their support and co-operation. The minister has since consulted with other leaders of agriculture in connection with this matter.

It is understood that the food controller is giving special attent ont o the question of limiting the use of certain essential articles of consumption.

The manufacture of standard flour

The manufacture of standard flour will be commenced by Canadian milling companies tomorrow 'the making available of a larger part of the wheat berry tor human consumption, and the stepping of the manufacture of patent flour, will mean a considerable saving

## PLAN CAMPAIGN FOR PRODUCTION

Dominion Government Has Had Conference of Provincial Ministers.

QUESTION OF HELP

Hon. Duncan Marshall Says Farmers Will Have Best Chance.

at an effective campaign will be ed early in the coming spring by ominion Government for greater action was the statement made evening by Hon. Duncan Mar-ll, minister of agriculture for Al-la. He has just returned from onference at Ottawa between Hon. A. Crerar, minister of agriculture, and representatives from all the proinces. "I can only say," remarked ir. Marshall, "that a public announcement will shortly be made as to what the Dominion Government will Several propositions, were undiscussion which I am unable to uss with you, but the questions farm help and greater production Were the chief matters discussed."
That the labor question was going a serious one, was his opinion, but he stated that there was a disposition on the part of the farmers to accomplish an they could in spite of the labor shortage. "We are in fair shape in Alberta," he remarked, "and our people have gone into a campaign for increased hog production with a good deal of enthus.asin, which has resulted in a substantial increase. Your labor situation, however, can more easily handled than ours. You have a lot of high school boys who can be better used on Ontario farms than they can by us. This is due for one thing to the fact that seeding operations require skilled labor, as all our seeding is done by big outfits. I can tell you this, that every farmer in Canada is short of help, but it must be remembered that these are times when every man has to do a little more than he would do in ord nary times. There never was a time," he said in conclusion, in the history of the country, when farming will count for so much as it will at the end of this war, and the man who is the best skilled in handling cattle and crops, is the man wno will have the best chances, as the

He stated that, despite the present ions, there were more students in the school of agriculture in Alberta than ever before, due to the armers sending more of their boys who were not of military ages. "They realize the great necessity for pro-

### VICTORY BREAD IN THE STATES PART OF A RATIONING SYSTEM

Curtailment of Consumption is to Be Voluntary, But Force Will Be Employed Where Necessary,

Washington, Jan. 27 .- People of the United States will go on a war bread diet Monday as a part of a war-rationing system prescribed last night by President Wilson and the food administration. "Victory Bread," the food administration calls it. The reduced rations are asked for the purpose of creating a larger export surplus of food for the European allies. Curtailment of consumption will be accomplished largely by voluntary effort, but force will be employed wherever permitted under the Food Control Act.

waste and possibly control consump- Substitutions for Wheat, Meatless and Wheatless Days,

State food administrators will be permit-

Women at Treviso and

Mestre.

Rome, Jan. 27.—There was artillery

activity yesterday along the entire

front in northeastern Italy, the Italian

war office announced today. Enemy

forces last night attempted to ap-

teau and on the midule Piave.
"Aerial activity was notable from

Lake Garda to the sea. British air-

Mestre where among the victims were

Major-General Wood Injured

three women killed and three women

Washington, Jan. 27.—General Pershing cabled to the war department to-

sightly wounded in the arm by an ac-

cidental explosion in France, which

Lieut.-Col. Charles E. Kilbourne and

eident in this statement:

By Explosion in France

**ENEMY AIR RAIDS** 

and Wednesday-and one wheatless meal a day.

One meatless day a week-Tuesdayand one meatless meal a day. "Two porkless days a week-Tuesday and

Manufacturers of macaroni, spaghetti, noodles, crackers and breakfast foods,

### TRAPPED INDIANS WITH WOOD ALCOHOL

White Man in Atlin Plays Cruel Trick on Four Thievish Redmen.

Prince Rupert, B.C., Jan. 27.—A report from Atlin tells of an unusual tragedy in the neighborhood of that town. A white man, seeing prohibition coming, cached a lot of liquor away in his cabin. He soon had reason to support that during his abson to suspect that during his absence someone had been helping himself to the liquor. He put what was left of the whiskey in a new hiding place and left a few quarts of wood alcohol in the cabin. One night he returned to find three dead Indians in his cabin. A fourth had barely lived to get outside. They had consumed the poison believing it to be a brand of proach the Italian lines at Capo Sile, whiskey.

## **HEAVY OPERATIONS**

-Sixteen Germans Downed.

London, Jan. 27.—An official report from ried Marshal Haig, issued last night, says: "After a thick morning mist on the 25th had cleared, there again was great activity in the air. The aerial work with the artillery was continued by our airplanes, and large railway sidings at Courtrai, at Roulers and other targets were bombed. Hard fighting occurred in the air along the line, the results being largely in our line, the results being largely in our favor. Ten hostile airplanes were brought down and six others driven down out of control. One of our ma-

chines is missing.
"Last night as soon as darkness came on the aerial activity was re-sumed and continued until 3 o'clock this morning, when a mist made flying impossible. More than eight tons of bombs were cropped, several of our pilots making two trips. Five large enemy airdromes in the neighborhood of Ghent, and also billets in the neighhorhood of Douai, were bombed. One hundred and sxty bombs were dropcompetition will be more keen and ped on a new hostile airdrome west of killed five French soldiers and slightly there will be more men engaged in Tournai. All of our machines re- injured two other American officers.

### turned safely."

A PARTICULAR SELLING EVENT. Dineen Company announces a spe oial stock reduction sale for five days, beginning this morning Exceptional values are offering in furs for ladies. moting greater production, and also what I have pointed out, that it will be the skilled man who will make splendid array of bargains. Dineen's, bourne in the eye and Major Kenyon after this war."

Von Hertling's Speech Causes Another Division in Enemy Ranks.

### KAISER CENSURED

Hindenburg and Ludendorff Again Talk of Retiring From Army.

London, Jan. 27.—What news has been permitted to pass the German censor indicates that a political hor-

The U.S. Rationing System

Substitutions for Wheat, Meatless and Wheatless Days,

Equal Distribution of Flour and Regulation
of Sales to Retailers.

The rationing system, as presented by
President Wilson in a proclamation and
by Food Administration Hoover in a
list of regulations, of which the chief features
are:

"A buker's bread of mixed flours, beginning Monday with a five per cent.
substitution of other cereais for wheat
until a 20 per cent. substitution is
reached Feb 24.

"Sale by retailers to householders of an
every pound of wheat flour purchased,
at the time the wheat flour is bought.

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every pound of wheat flour purchased,
at the time the wheat flour is bought.

"Sale by millers to wholesalers and
wholesalers to retailers to householders of an
every pound of wheat flour sold
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"Two wheatless days a week—Monday
and Wedneeday—and one wheatless
meal a day.

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definite decisions.

The Deutsche Zeitung declares the chancellor's speech is equivalent to a battle won by the enemy. Hotels and restaurants will be classed as bakeries, and will be required to serve

the new Victory bread.

State food administrators will be permitted to designate the wheatless meal in each state. Where this is not done, the food administration requests that the state of the state lantly asserts: "The victory is a vic-tory for peace by arrangement." food administration requests that the

evening meal be observed as wheatless. The Frankfurter Zeitung, according to the Zurich correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Co., reproaches Chancellor von Hertling for a lack of clearness and emphasizes the fact that the agitation of the rear Comment. ON ITALIAN CITIES the agitation of the pan-Germans against Count von Czernin is equally arrected against the Austro-Hungarian

### Hostile Aircraft Kill Three BURGLARS CUT GLASS AND STEAL JEWELRY

Window of Yonge Street Store Broker and Several Trays Taken Away.

By cutting a hole large enough to admit the head and shoulders of a man in the plate glass window of Kents Limited, jewelers, 144 Yonge street, about 3.20 Sunday morning, burglars removed several trays of jewelry, valued at about \$2000. The work was apparently that of ex-

near the mouth of the Piave River, but were promptly repulsed. Bombs dropped by Teuton airplanes on Treviso and Mestre claimed six women BY BRITISH IN AIR victims, three being killed. Three hospitals at Mestre were damaged by the explosives. The text of the state-ment reads:

Eight Tons of Bombs Dropped

"At Capo Sile last night enemy parties attempted to approach our entanglements at the bridgenead, but they were promptly repuised by a way unable to give any estimate of the way unable to give any estimate of the they were promptly repulsed by a value of the stolen lewelry. "We will lively fire. Our troops then counterattacked and brought back prisoners. Antiliery activity, extending along the attacked and brought back prisoners.

Arthlery activity, extending along the whole front, was considerable in the Lagarina valley, on the Asiago plateau and on the middle Piave.

"Aerial activity was notable from Lake Garda to the sea British air.

### men brought down two machines within the lines and one in flames. STRONG WINDS WITH "Between 7 o'clock last night and dawn this morning enemy aircraft carried out repeated raids on the plain between the Brenta and Plave Rivers, especially on Treviso and

No Improvement Promised in Forecast of Weather Conditions Today.

The blizzard which was promised this district at the end of the week, wounded. The greatest materia; dam- and which failed to come, will probage was done to three hospitals in ably arrive today. The probabilities are that there will be strong northeast and

thruout the Dominion, with the excep-tion of British Columbia. In Toronto day that Major-General Wood had been the official figures show that the mercury dropped to a minimum of eight below, while it never climbed over six above. In some of the country dis-tricts in the neighborhood of Toronto

Major Kenyon A. Joyce. Secretary Baker announced the ac-"A cable despatch from the head-quarters of General Pershing states that an accidental explosion occurring

## PLANS FOR ALL ARMIES WILL SOON BE COMPLETE

Supreme War Council Meets This Week in Paris, When Thoro Coordination Will Be Mapped Out and Plans Arranged for a General Advance.

Paris, Jan. 27.—The plenary meeting of the week. Premier Clemenceau, of France, Premier supreme war council, deferred until the arrival of lando, of Italy, will be present. The council aims to have those co-ordination—and the plans of the can army, has now been fixed for some day this allied armies will be arranged for an advance.

### Steel is Arranged for In Canada's Ships

Keels of the Standardized Fleet of Dominion Will Be Laid Next June.

Special to The Toronto World.
Ottawa, Jan. 21.—The first keels of Canada's standardized merchant fleet will be laid in June, and the necessary steel plates and other parts have been arranged for. Alexander Johnston and Charles Duguid of the marine department have reston and Charles Duguid of the marine department have returned from Washington, where, it is understood, they were successful in arranging for steel, which the present plants in Canada could not supply.

The estimated tonnage output is 200,000 tons annually, at a cost of \$60,000,000. The vessels built at lake ports are to be 2800 tons, and at ocean ports 5000 and \$200 tons.

Every available yard in Canada will be used. The ships will be owned and operated by the government, but may be chartered to private companies

chartered to private companies in special cases when the public interest demands it.

## TO GIVE BELGIUM

Germans Favor Supporting Movements of Flemings for Nationhood.

### REICHSTAG DEBATE

Speakers Admit Austria Begins to Distrust Germany's Policy.

London, Jan. 27.—During the debate at Friday's sitting of the reichstag main committee, after the speech of Dr. von Kuehlmann, Deputy Fischfront for independence should be sup-ported, but that conditions now were too insecure for the withdrawal of

"It must be known in Austria that we desire peace by understanding and not by violence," Deputy Fischbeck declared. "A substantial part of President Wilson's demands are in ac-President Wilson's demands are in accord with what the reichstag desires.

"An understanding on the Belgian question is the most important, but there is no Alsace-Lorraine question for us. Neither can there be a question of German territory going to Poland." Deputy Fischbeck asserted in concluding: "If Premier Lloyd in concluding: "If Premier Lloyd Clearge or President Wilson talks about the control of the enemy were observed approaching our wire under cover of a presching our wire under cover of a president wilson talks about the canadian front. A lieutivity on t own destiny, we must refer to the peoples that are the subjects of Great Britain, such as Ireland and Egypt."

Dr. Gustav Stresemann (National-Liberal) also said that the Alsaced, tho not before there had been a ditio on his rounds,

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OF Religious Dr. Stresemann (National-Liberal) also said that the Alsace-Lorraine question could not be discussed, but that Turkey's integrity must be preserved. Chancellor von Hertling aiready had said that Gernary was not striving for the annexation of Belgium, Dr. Stresemann re marked, but the Flemish in that coun try wished for independence, and the German Government should support the movement. Lithuania had from 70 to 80 per cent of illiterates among its population, Dr. Stresemann ob-

All the speakers referred to the Aus-

Aircraft Attack Enemy Camps Samaria—Enemy Column Also Assailed.

### BIG LINER TORPEDOED OFF COAST OF ULSTER

Cunard Steamer Andania Not Sunk, According to Belfast --- Early Report Says No Deaths Resulted From Explosion.

Belfast, Jan. 27 .- The Cunard Line steamer Andania was torpedoed, but not sunk, off the Ulster coast this morning, says The Irish Daily Telegraph. The new paper adds it is believed that no deaths resulted from the

The Andania was outward bound. She had on board about forty passengers and more than 200 men in the crew. The first torpedo missed the steamer, but the second found its mark amidships. The captain ordered the ship abandoned, and passengers and

crew embarked in the ship's boats. After rowing for an hour they were rescued by trawlers and patrol boats and landed at a north Irish coast town.

It is believed that it will be possible to bring the Andania into port.

The Andania is a vessel of 13.405 tons. She was built at Greenock,
Scotland, in 1913, and since then has made many trips between British and American ports.

# **GROUND LOST LAST WEEK**

HER INDEPENDENCE Struggle Against Rumanians Lasts a Day and Night With Heavy Artillery and Monitors Engaged, But So Far is Unsuccessful.

Petrograd, Jan. 27.—Serious fighting has taken place between Russians which they had been cut off by the Rumanians on Jan. 20.

The struggle against the Rumanians.

of Galatz, near the border, according to a report received from Austrian headquarters at Brest-Litovsk. The Russian ninth Siberian division and a portion of the tenth division attempted to fight their way thru Galatz

The struggle against the Ruman-lans on the lower Danube continued for a whole day and night. Heavy artillery was engaged, as well as monitors on the Danube, but thus far the Russian attempt seems to have failed.

### GERMAN PATROL CAPTURED BY CANADIANS FROM QUEBEC

beck (Progressive) said that the desire of the peoples on the eastern Observed Them Approaching Under Cover of Mist and Got Behind Them---Greater Activity on Canadian Front and Guns Busy.

By W. A. Willison. Canadian Headquarters in France, in concluding: "If Premier Lloyd of the enemy were observed ap-George or President Wilson talks about the right of peoples to determine their proaching our wire under cover of a

sharp exchange of rifle and revolver

The enemy attempt to raid our lines, which was preceded by a sharp

been active against the enemy tracks, communication trenches and dumps.

For the last five days the weather has been fine and mild and our trenches have been in a much better con-

### BRITISH LINE EXTENDS SOUTH OF ST. QUENTIN

Germans Discover Move When They Attempt Raid Supposedly Against French.

respondent at British headquarters in France says that the southern Brifrom the winds, with the temperature decidedly low. Heavy snowfall, however, is not expected, the there will likely be light falls.

All the speakers retained to the Austral France says that the southless of the German policy in the Russian negotiations, indication that there was a strong feeling on the part of Austria in this regard.

St. Quentin. The extension was atweather and was only discovered by Saturday, Count Czernin, the Austro-IN PALESTINE RAIDS the Germans when they attempted a Hungarian minister of foreign affairs, raid, as they believed, against the explained that Germany wanted to get French, a couple of nights ago.

### **WANTS PRESIDENT** TO SUPPORT PEACE

London, Jan. 27.—The Reuter cor- Czernin Forwarded Wilson Advance Copy of Pacifist Speech.

> London, Jan. 27 .- Addressing the forher colonies back, and obviously could not consent to abandon occupied territories before securing guarantees for the

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London, Jan. 26—The war office the following report on operations in Palestine:

"A half ton of bombs was dropped monday on enemy camps and depots in the railway west of Sebustieh, Samaria. Friday bombing squadrons is in temperature, such as often to making the such as colder, the snow making the atmosphere raw.

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