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THE SITUATION.

On the western front the allied and German armies are now definitely facing each other on the Hindenburg Line." Bad weather has hampered operations, especially in the bringing up of heavy guns. However, the British have occupied three more villages and are making headway towards Cambria. The French have recaptured positions in the Champagne region and over The Courier leased wire today there comes the announcement that they have made important progress eastward.

On the Canadian front, as the result of ascertaining raids, it has been disclosed that the enemy is holding his lines in force.

Sir Edward Carson, in answer to questions from the Associated Press, stated that German statements regarding results of submarine warfare were grossly exaggerated He reaffirmed that the Hun cannot starve Great Britain, and that up to date neutral nations have proportionately lost more in shipping than John Bull or any of his associates.

THE PAULINE JOHNSON TABLET.

The Brantford Historical Society did an excellent and a worthy thing when they decided to erect a tablet to the memory of the late Pauline Johnson, a writer both in prose and poetry, whose work will deservedly last for many generations to come.

At the same time The Courier believes that the Society made a mistake when at their last meeting they decided to ask the members of the Free Library Board if they would consent to have said tablet placed in the institution named.

It was the privilege of the writer to enjoy the personal friendship of Miss Johnson. In fact, she brought the first poem which she wrote for publication, to this office, and was advised that the offering, a sonnet, was too good for such an ephemeral vehicle as a newspaper. Acting on the suggestion then made, she sent the production to a recognized magazine. It was accepted and gave her the first impetus in connection with her notable career.

Miss Johnson had no associations whatever with the library. Her whole heart and soul were imbued with strong devotion to the Six Nations, the people of her race and she had many tender memories in connection with the Mohawk church. Surely that should be the spot for the tablet, with the historic tomb of Chief Brant close by in the quiet churchyard, and near to that the last resting places of her late father, Chief G. H. M. Johnson, her mother and her brother Beverley. Below flows the Grand River, on whose banks she was born and whose scenes figure so largely in much of her verse.

It is true that few visit that edifice compared to the numbers who each day make use of the library, but there is such a thing as proper environment and it is the almost universal rule the civilized world over to place such tokens in a place of worship.

These remarks are not made with any idea of criticism, but in the hope that the members of the Historical Society will still see their way clear to do something which, without any doubt, would be more in accord with the desires of one whose memory they are most appropriately seeking to honor.

THE REPORT ON ONTARIO NICKEL.

Owing to the interest which attaches to nickel and its uses in warfare, the public of this province became uneasy in 1915 over reports that Ontario nickel, refined by the International Nickel Company, was finding its way to enemy countries.

Further there were reports in circulation that the profits of the International Nickel Company were abnormally large and the province not receiving a fair amount of revenue from its operations.

To ascertain the facts, the Ontario Royal Commission was appointed in September of 1915 to investigate the resources, industries and capacities of Ontario in connection with nickel and its ores.

The members of this Nickel Commission are; George T. Holloway, associate of the Royal College of Science, London; Dr. W. G. Miller, Provincial Geologist; and McGregor Young, K.C., of Toronto. Thomas W. Gibson, Deputy Minister of Mines, acted as Secretary to the Commission.

This body of experts has made its report to the legislature. It contains information of value which will clear the air of rumors and lead to the province securing a larger revenue from nickel companies.

Probably the Canadian public will be chiefly interested in knowing whether Ontario nickel is reaching the enemy. The Nickel Commission states that while nickel was and is an article of commerce and before the war was sold to whomsoever desired it, none is now going to enemy countries.

Among the criticisms made last year was that the nickel resources and its refinement ought to become a publicly owned and operated industry. In dealing with this phase of the subject, the Nickel Commission points out that the government of Ontario in 1891 offered to give the British authorities a substantial if not controlling interest in the Ontario Nickel industry, if it would establish refining plants and make nickel steel here. The Imperial authorities, however, failed to see any advantage in the suggestion. Since 1891 nickel has assumed a greater importance than it then held.

Ontario has 80 per cent. of the known nickel deposits. Three companies, the International Nickel Co. of New Jersey, the Mond Nickel Co. of Wales (Eng.) and the British-American Nickel Corporation, are the holders of the principal deposits. To purchase their interests would require not less than $100,000,000, were the province to decide to purchase it. The Nickel Commission advises against this. Instead, it recommends that the tax be increased on these companies' net profits, a proposal which the Ontario Government has already announced, will be followed.

Although worked for twenty-nine years, the nickel reserve is estimated at 70,000,000 tons of proven ore and 80,000,000 tons of probable and possible ore.

In addition to the increased revenue which will be received from nickel companies by the province, another good has resulted. At present all nickel matte is being exported either to New Jersey or Wales for refinement. The second result of the nickel agitation has been to induce two companies to establish refineries in Ontario.

The International Nickel Company is erecting a refinery at Port Colborne, Ontario. It has obtained a site of 400 acres of land on which 200 men are now constructing a plant whose initial output will be on the basis of 15,000,000 pounds of nickel per annum.

In addition to providing employment for a large number of men, this plant will consume 100,000 tons of coal, coke, fuel, oil, nitre cake, and other materials and chemicals.

The second nickel refinery will be established by the British-American Nickel Corporation at the Murray mine, near Sudbury. Its initial output will be 10,000,000 pounds of nickel per annum.

The chief use to which nickel is put is in the manufacture of nickel steel. As compared with carbon steel, nickel steel has much greater strength and ductibility, and is used in a wide range of industrial operations. Only a small percentage of nickel requires to be mixed in to get the desired results. Were its price to be measurably reduced, it would be in even greater demand for ordinary commercial purposes.

GRAND RIVER WASTE.

Says the Galt Reporter:

"The 1917 flood of the Grand river has caused practically no damage in Galt. This was due to the fact that the breakup of ice at points further north, on both the Grand and the Speed, occurred after the passing down of the ice immediately above Galt, and also to the fact that retaining walls built in recent years along the banks confine the river to its channel when the flood is not of large proportions. But Galt is not immune from flood danger. The city is at the mercy of climatic conditions which govern the character of the annual freshet. Regulation of the stream is the only means by which the flood problem can be permanently solved. This question is to be considered at a meeting of the Grand River Improvement Association to be held in Galt. The purpose is to once more approach the provincial parliament with a view to securing governmental action. Those who are interested in the improvement of the Grand river should make it a point to be present at this meeting."

Most unquestionably, a tremendous volume of water is allowed not only to run to waste, each year in connection with the above river, but also at times to create vast damage. In the case of Brantford, the one corrective method has been to construct dams at large expense and in other communities, along the river bed, the plan has also been to adopt protective means as far as possible, instead of seeking for some plan to turn a devastating force into a useful purpose.

With the marvellous development of electric service the people have come to realize the vast importance of water power and there cannot be any question that the Grand posesses great potentialities in this respect.

Without much doubt, engineering skill could devise means for the storage of the excessive volume of water which the Grand carries at intervals and a vital force thus be created for all the year round to the direct and material advantage of Brantford, Galt, Paris and other surrounding centres.

There should certainly be strong co-operation on the part of all the places interested to this end.

Anglican

ST. JUDES
Dalhousie and Peel
Rev. C. E. Jeakins, Rector
April 1st, Palm Sunday.
11 a.m., Morning Prayer and Sermon. "Caiaphas."
3 p.m., Sunday school and Bible class.
7 p.m., Evening Prayer and Sermon. "Religion After the War."
The services on Palm Sunday will be held in the school room.
Miss Elsie Senn will sing "The Palms" at the morning service.
The Rector will preach at all services.

Baptist

CALVARY BAPTIST
Dalhousie Street
Rev. W. E. Bowyer, Pastor.
11 a.m., "A Burglar—Proof Investment of Capital."
7 p.m., "Gossip and Eavesdropping."
Two timely themes. Come and hear them.
Communion and reception of new members in the morning.
Music; Choir, and soloists.
Sunday school at 2.45 p.m.

Congregational

CONGREGATIONAL—
There is a helpful message for you at the Congregational Church, corner of George and Wellington streets.
Rev. W. J. Thompson, Minister.
Church services; 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Morning sermon, "The Compass of Life."
Evening sermon, "The Completion of Life."
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Sunday school 3 p.m. Mr. J. L. Dixon, Supt. Large adult bible class, Mr. H. P. Hoag, teacher.
You are cordially invited. Come.

Methodist

COLBORNE ST. METHODIST
Rev. W. E. Baker, Pastor
10 a.m. Senior Brotherhood; Jr. Brotherhood; Mr. John Mann's class.
11 a.m., Rev. W. E. Baker will preach. Subject, "Lot's Choice."
2.45 p.m., Sabbath school. 10 minutes appeal by pastor before lesson.
7 p.m. Rev. W. E. Baker's subject, "Moses' Choice."
Meetings each night except Saturday beginning at 7.45, with 15 minutes of song service.
Morning music; anthem, "On the way to Jerusalem" (Maunder); solo, Miss Gladys Garvin; evening music, anthem, "Choral March to Calvary" (Maunder); solo, "The Palms" (Faure) Mr. H. E. Ayliffe. G. C. White, organist and choirmaster.

MARLBORO ST. METHODIST
John E. Peters, M.A., Minister
11 a.m., "First Things First."
2.45 p.m., Sunday School.
7 p.m., "I Will Arise."
You are given a cordial invitation to worship with us on the Lord's Day.

WELLINGTON ST. METHODIST.
Rev. Dr. Geo. W. Henderson, Pastor.
10 a.m., Brotherhood (Fellowship meeting led by Mr. W. L. Townsend) Class and Junior League meetings.
11 a.m., public service. Sermon by the pastor. Anthem, "The King of Love my Shepherd is" (Shelley). Solo, "The Palms" (Faure), Mrs. Frank Leeming. 2.45 p.m. Sunday School for old and young. 7 p.m., public service. Sermon by the pastor. Anthem, "O Salutaris" (arranged from Wagner's Parsifal). Solo, "Peace" (Gerald Lane), Miss Alice Bloxham. Anthem, "I waited for the Lord" (Mendelssohn), soloists, Misses L. Hubbard and A. Bloxham. Thomas Darwen, A.C.T.M., organist and choirmaster.

Presbyterian

ALEXANDRA PRESBYTERIAN.
10 a.m.—Brotherhood.
11 a.m.—The deep need of Christ which we can meet.
3 p.m.—S. S. and Bible Classes.
7 p.m.—Some characterists of acceptable service.

ZION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Darling St., opp. Victoria Park.
Rev. G. A. Woodside, M.A., Minister.
11 a.m. Subject, The Source and Inspiration of Life.
3 p.m., Sunday School and Bible Class.
7 p.m., Subject The Present But Unrecognized Christ.
8 p. m., Wednesday — Regular Prayer Meeting.
The public is cordially invited.

BETHEL HALL
Sunday, 11 a.m—Remembering the Lord's death.
3 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class, conducted by Mr. W. J. Craig.
7 p.m.—Gospel service, conducted by Dr. T. H. Bier. Subject, "When will the world have peace."
A hearty invitation to all.

Non-Denominational

CHRISTADELPHIAN.
Sunday School and Bible class, 3 p.m. Lecture, 7 p.m., subject, "The True Conversion," by Mr. H. W. Styles, in C. O. F. Hall, 136 Dalhousie St. All welcome. Seats free. No collection.

BRANT AVENUE Methodist Church
10.00 a.m.—Brotherhoods.
11.00 a.m.—Rev. A. A. Bowers
2.45 p.m.—Sunday School.
7.00 p.m.—Choral Service
MORNING MUSIC:
Anthem—"Rejoice in the Lord" Sir Geo. Elvoy
Solo—"The Palms"—Fauvre
Anthem—"There is no Sorrow Lord too Great"—Godfrey
Soloist—Sgt. Harold Oldham
EVENING CHORAL SERVICE AT 7.00
Organ—"Lamentation" Guilmant
Anthem—"Lift up Your Heads" ....Colridge Taylor
Anthem—"The Eternal God is our Refuge"...J. E. West
Organ—"Romance to an Evening Star".....Wagner
Solo—"Life's Day" Clifford Higgin
Anthem—"Come to My Heart, Lord Jesus"— Ambrose
Organ—"March Triumphale" Lemmens
Soloist Miss Jean McLennan

ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN
Brant Ave.
Rev. James W. Gordon, B. D. Minister
11 a.m.—"Is there a simple Gospel?"
3 p.m.—Sabbath School
7 p.m.—"A Soldiers Rations."
Music
THE MAPLE LEAF QUARTETTE of Galt wil assist the choir at both services.
Morning
Quartette, "The Beautiful Land." (Jones) and "Sometime, Somewhere." (Spooner).
Solo, "Consider and Hear Me" (Wooler).
Evening
Quartette, "Wandering Child Come Home" (Bottorf) and "Rock of Ages," (Herberts).
Duet, "Come Unto Me," (Campana).
Anthem, "Come to My Heart Lord Jesus," (Ambrose).
Soloist, Mr. W. T. Millard.

"I was glad when they said unto Me, let us go up to Thee."

First Baptist Church
To-morrow
11 a.m.
"The King Dethroned"
Special Grand Ligne Mission Sermon
Communion
Anthem—"Seek Ye the Lord" Shelley
Solo—"There is a Green Hill" Gounod
Mrs. Dr. Nichol
7 p.m.
"Radiant Soul"
The Music Includes:
Anthem—"Lead Kindly Light" Pughe-Evans
Duet—"Love Divine"—Stainer
Miss Hubbard and Mr. Pickering
Male Quartette—"Just as I am" Schofield
Hearty welcome to all. Always good music. Come

"The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them. Blessed is the man that trusteth in him."—Psalm 34.

An interesting day at
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"Shephard of Israel"
Communion Service
7 p.m.
" The Great Dynamic "
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THE SPECTRE

Last night when I had gone to rest, a ghost came to my side; it was the most astounding guest that ever man espied; it wouldn't go at my behest, but watched me, fiery-eyed. Before last night I used to scoff at ghostly things of dread; I laughed to scorn the timid toff who said he'd heard their tread, and told him where he might get off, and where to soak his head. But, oh, the horror of last night I shall not soon forget! I lay and gazed in mortal fright and oozed all kinds of sweat; that ghost, aglow with bluish light was something fierce you bet. How long 'twas there I do not know—it seemed to me ten years— and through my soul I felt the flow of grim and icy fears; at last I saw the phantom go, back to its misty spheres. Then I arose and said, "By heck, no more will I eat pie, no more consume of shrimps a peck, ere to my couch I hie; I'd surely be a mental wreck, if more such ghosts were nigh!"

CHICAGO WOMEN RIOT AT H. C. OF L.

Policemen Detailed to Defend Meat Markets in Ghetto

By Courier Leased Wire.

Chicago, March 30—Hundreds of policemen were detailed to-day to protect the meat markets and groceries in the Westside ghetto, which were attacked yesterday by angry crowds, composed mostly of women, who protested against the high prices of food.

Armed with stones and kerosene which they poured over meat, the women attacked the kosher butchers who, they said, were chiefly responsible for the high prices. Windows were shattered; hundreds of pounds of food stuff destroyed. Women who entered the shops to make purchases, were seized, their clothing torn and their parcels taken from them and thrown into the street.

The rioting began early yesterday and was kept up until the markets closed late at night. It is said that a boycott of all kosher butchers in the city has been planned for today.

To prevent rioting such as took place last night when more than 50 persons were arrested, police officials early to-day sent mounted and motorcycle squads to the congested sections of the Westside where crowds are likely to congregate.

It was said by the police that the disturbance was not due so much to the inability of the rioters to buy food as to their desire to lower prices by keeping others from obtaining it and thus increasing the supply.

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