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THE SITUATION.

The hammering of the enemy on a fifty-mile front continues in Belgium and Northern France. The process is proceeding with satisfactory results, although the foe is putting up a bitter struggle. In this regard the general public should eliminate the idea that with so-called peace proposals emanating from Berlin the Hun is becoming less vigorous in his fighting tactics. In fact, all the authorities agree that his retreat movement has been conducted with much skill and that with shortened lines there is a stiffening of the defence.

The civil population of Flanders is now being released at the rate of tens of thousands daily and the work of ministering to the needs of these long-suffering people is stated to be handled in admirable fashion.

An American attack upon a comparatively small scale brought about the capture of some strategic points.

A significant incident is to be found in the fact that Maximilian Harden, addressing several thousand people in Berlin on Sunday, made the statement, "The Kaiser must take up his cross of concluding quickly necessary peace and accepting whatever is hard." Moreover, he was loudly cheered in making that announcement and none of those in authority dare to lay a hand on him.

Thirty-four days after launching an offensive in Serbia the Allied troops are bringing freedom near to Rumania and have cut an important route to Turkey. The French, who are operating in conjunction with the Serbs and Italians, have reached Vidin, a Bulgarian town on the south bank of the Danube, and are taking immediate steps to stop navigation of the river at this point.

GERMANY'S LATEST.

On all sides Germany's latest answer is regarded as absolutely evasive and utterly inefficient.

It is prefaced by the hope that "the President of the United States will approve of no demand which would be irreconcilable with the honor of the German people"—just as though the men in control of the Fatherland ever had any idea of that quality—and then with regard to the charge of malicious and wanton work the plea is advanced, "For the covering of a retreat destruction will always be necessary." This first official admission of "retreat" is the only true note in the whole document.

The statement is further made that "in order to avoid anything which might hamper the work of peace," orders have been issued to all submarine commanders not to destroy any more passenger vessels, but guarantees cannot be given that all will receive them in time. Suppose they do. Would the abandonment of that criminally murderous form of campaign give Germany any special cause for consideration?

The effusion closes with the announcement that the constitution of the Fatherland is now undergoing a fundamental change, and the people are coming into their own in the matter of representation. Does any sane man believe that any such program is in earnest, or that the populace are in readiness to be freed from the domination of their war over lords?

Finally the whole tone adopted is that Germany can still tread on equal terms with the Allies, but this can never be. She must admit defeat and get only such terms as those to which a conquered and utterly discredited nation is entitled.

BIG GUN TAKEN.

By Courier Leased Wire London, Monday, Oct. 21.—Allies forces, which have swept the Germans from Belgium and Flanders, captured the big 15-inch cannon with which the Germans have been bombarding Dunkirk during the past year. The gun was undamaged, according to an official statement issued at the War Office. "French detachments which crossed the Lys have repulsed a violent enemy counter-attack and succeeded in improving their bridgeheads east of the river. "The second British army is on the bank of the Escaut from Baillet to Helchin. In spite of enemy resistance it has advanced more than 1,500 metres between the Escaut and the Lys."

There was no issue of the Aurora. Friends of Mrs. Charles Benwell will learn with regret that her serious illness from Spanish influenza.

THE LOAN WILL GO ON

The decision to go ahead with Canada's Victory Loan, despite the influenza epidemic, is a sensible one. The visitation of this plague is proving most severe throughout the Dominion with lamentable results, but the loan is an absolute necessity, not only to help conquer the Hun plague, but also to help the industrial wheels moving and to pay the farmers for their crops. The average man hasn't time to bother with the fundamentals of economics, and he possesses a confident idea that there is always plenty of cash on hand for those who have things to sell. As a matter of fact, without the previous Canadian loans and the one about to be offered, there would, to a very large extent, be manufacturing and agricultural stagnation.

For the farmer, the 1917 loan was able to finance the only purchaser who could buy his excess products, namely Great Britain.

For the Canadian manufacturer also it continued to make available the best export market he had ever possessed, and to carry out his war orders.

Great Britain having borne a tremendous burden of war for four years, cannot be expected to finance her war purchases in this country.

The United States is perfecting a vast war machine. Her financial resources are required for that purpose and to place credits at the disposal of the Allies. It is necessary, therefore, that Canada should raise the funds required, not only to carry on our normal and war activities, but also to advance substantial sums to Great Britain for her purchases here.

Residents of Brantford and Brant County not only owe it to themselves from patriotic reasons to subscribe up to the top of their ability in connection with the new flotation, but also from the more sordid consideration of keeping matters moving and in addition securing a thoroughly sound investment. Let the response be hearty and unconfined.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Germany's clumsy effort to talk like a sucking dove, hasn't served to side the wolf underneath.

The Hohenzollern outfit talking of "honor," is about equal to a courtesan boasting of virtue.

The Kaiser is reported to be spending more and more of his time in prayer. Perhaps with his head bowed he hopes to miss seeing the handwriting on the wall.

The Detroit Free Press is willing to bet at great odds that the Crown Prince will never sit on the throne. It is a safe wager. The thing that is going to keep him busy is looking after his bruised shins among the thrown.

The Provincial Secretary has issued instructions that public meetings may be held in connection with the Victory Loan, and in this, said secretary has done wrong. With churches and schools closed to prevent the spread of contagion, why should an exception be made for any cause? Does the Secretary imagine that the Spanish influenza microbes would be considerate enough to avoid loan gatherings?

RUMANIAN BORDER IS REACHED

Allied Troops Block Danube And Cut Route to Turkey

SPLENDID STROKE

Paris, Oct. 21.—A French official report on the Balkans operations, issued to-night, shows that the Franco-Serbian forces are in touch with Rumanian territory on the north bank of the Danube. Rumania is still under German and Austrian occupation, but Mackensen is believed to have moved the bulk of his forces from Rumania into northern Serbia with the object ultimately of holding the line of the Danube to prevent an Allied invasion of Austria. The Allies are heading for Orsova, where the frontiers of Rumania, Serbia and Austria meet, and where the river navigation is difficult. The French have blocked the Danube, the most valuable route that remained open for the transmission of war supplies from the Central Powers to Turkey.

The text of the statement follows: "On October 20, thirty-four days after launching their offensive, the French troops reached the Danube, in the region of Vidin, and took measures to prevent all traffic on the river. An enemy monitor was forced ashore on the north bank under our artillery fire.

"The same day Allied forces occupied Zaitchar. Their advanced elements are within ten kilometres of Laratchin, on the Morava. Serbian troops are in contact north of Aleksintz and Krushevatz (in Serbia) with German forces strongly entrenched."

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Your Problems Solved

By Rev. T. S. Linscott, D.D. (All rights reserved.) Dr. Linscott in this column will help you solve your household problems, religious, marital, social, financial and every other anxious case that perplexes you. If a personal answer is required, enclose a five cent stamp. No names will be published; if you prefer, sign your initials only, or use a pseudonym.

The Honor of a Man—"A Socialist" wants to know, "Are the words of a minister as honorable as those of any other man? Notwithstanding that a man is a minister, it must not be forgotten that he is also a man. To expect too much from a minister is to realize too little. On the law of averages the word of a minister, upon matters of fact of which he has personal knowledge, can be depended upon. There may be a dishonorable man here and there among ministers, but I believe it to be a rare occurrence. On the matters of conduct I will guarantee the writer, or you have rarely been misdirected by a minister of the gospel.

Social Equality—"A Father" writes, "A young man is paying attention to my daughter who is much beneath us in social position, what do you advise?" You are probably giving too much value to your social position. Some of the greatest scoundrels occupy exalted social positions, and some of the best men are in lowly walks of life. If the young man referred to is honorable and industrious, you should think twice before forbidding your daughter to receive his attentions. If he is disreputable, no matter what his social position, you ought to use all your influence to sever the connection between them.

AS A DEATH-DEALER PAUL WAS A PLUVER.

Paul Paulson of Port Arthur embarked recently in a campaign of carnage. He took one shot at his wife, the bullet going through the palm of her hand. A second shot missed fire. Paulson then threw himself in the river—and was fished out. Now the courts will deal with his case.

BRANDONITE HAS CAUSE TO ADMIRE THE LADIES.

A Brandon market gardener unable to secure labor to harvest his six acres of potatoes was voluntarily assisted by the ladies of the Assiniboia Church Mission, who in three days dug 1,000 bushels. The six acres yielded 1,800 bushels—or 300 bushels to the acre.

PARIS HAS 'FLU UNDER CONTROL

Situation Reported to be Well in Hand—No Deaths Yesterday

EMERGENCY HOSPITAL NEW HEALTH OFFICER

From Our Own Correspondent.

Paris, Oct. 22.—At a special meeting of the Council and Board of Health, the following were appointed as a Board of Governors for the Emergency Hospital: Mr. John Penman, (chairman), Mayor C. B. Robinson and Warden E. Pitts.

The following ladies comprise the management committee: Mrs. Sinclair, Mrs. Dunn, Miss Craig, Miss McVicar and Miss Robson. Secretary, Miss Nellie Smith, assistant, Miss Stewart Jones. At the council meeting, Dr. W. J. Forde was appointed medical health officer in place of Dr. Lovett, deceased.

The treasurer was also empowered to borrow money to carry on the needs of the hospital. There are some 25 cots in the institution, and about all are filled now. It would seem that the epidemic is now well in hand, no deaths being reported yesterday.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Woodson passed away on Sunday from an attack of influenza, and was buried this afternoon.

Mrs. Garwood of Paris Station was laid to rest yesterday afternoon. Deceased was in her 32nd year and died from pneumonia following a few days' illness from influenza. A husband and two sons survive.

All that was mortal of the late Joseph Martin was laid to rest this afternoon in Paris cemetery. He was another victim of the prevailing epidemic. Deceased was born in Birmingham, England, and was in his 30th year. He had resided in Paris for 13 years. In 1911 he was married to Miss Elizabeth Richardson, who survives him. Deceased was a talented musician, and was a member of St. James' Ministerial troupe.

By the bursting of a high-power press at the shell works yesterday morning, one man was badly cut about the head and hand. He is being treated in the emergency hospital. Two others received minor injuries.

It is reported that during the night, Mr. W. A. Shannon took a paralytic stroke. He has not been well for some time.

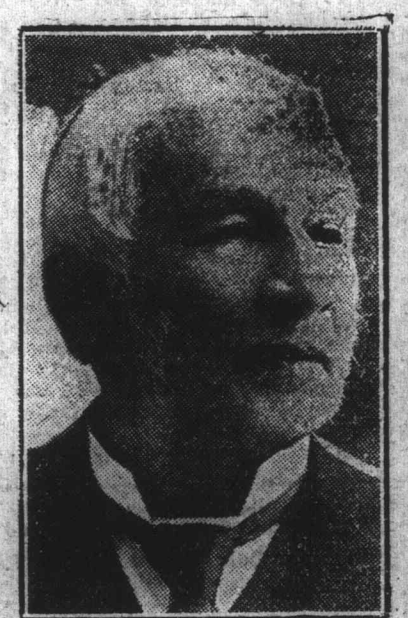
IF HAIR IS TURNING GRAY, USE SAGE TEA

Here's Grandmother's Recipe to Darken and Beautify Faded Hair.

That beautiful, even shade of dark, glossy hair can only be had by brewing a mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur. Your hair is your charm. It makes or mars the face. When it fades, turns gray or streaked, just an application or two of Sage and Sulphur enhances its appearance a hundredfold.

Don't bother to prepare the mixture; you can get this famous old recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients at a small cost, all ready for use. It is called Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound. This can always be depended upon to bring back the natural color and lustre of your hair.

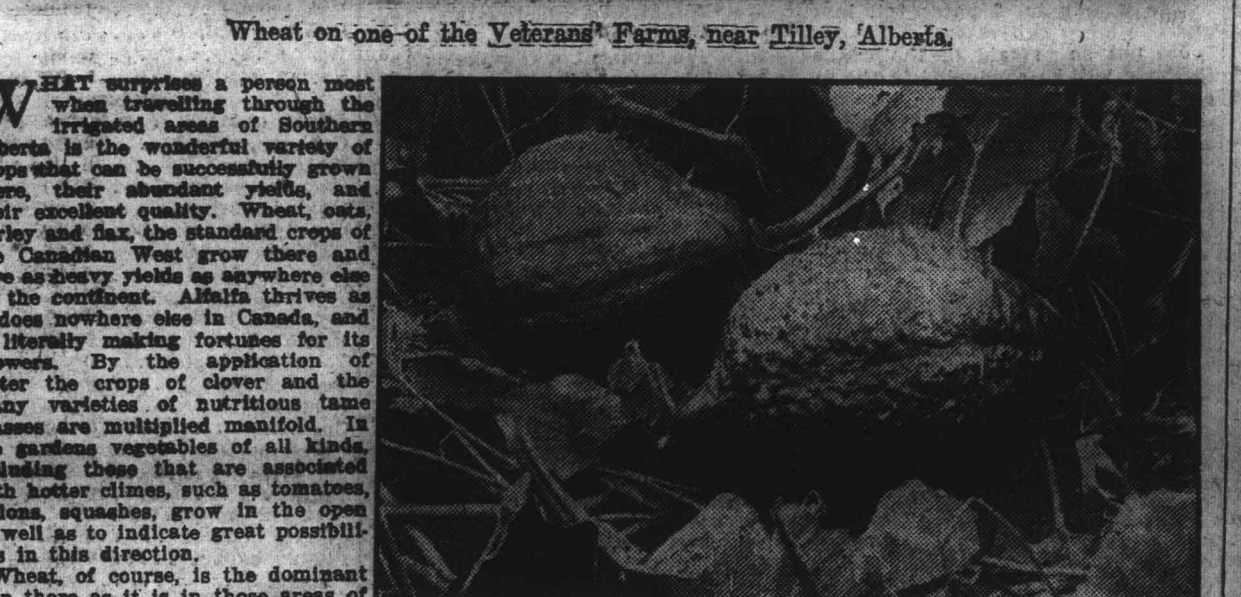
Everybody uses "Wyeth's" Sage and Sulphur Compound now because it darkens so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied. You simply dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through the hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair has disappeared and after another application it becomes beautifully dark and appears glossy and lustrous. This ready-to-use preparation is a delightful toilet requisite for those who desire dark hair and a youthful appearance. It is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.



HENRY W. SMALLPIECE Late of the Postoffice Inspector's Department, who died Saturday at the advanced age of 95 years.

THE POSSIBILITIES OF IRRIGATION

Wheat on one of the Veterans' Farms, near Tilley, Alberta. Wheat surprises a person most when travelling through the irrigated areas of Southern Alberta. In the course of many of the crops that can be successfully grown there, their abundant yields, and their excellent quality. Wheat, oats, barley and flax, the standard crops of the Canadian West grow there and give as heavy yields as anywhere else on the continent. Alfalfa thrives as it does nowhere else in Canada, and is liberally making fortunes for its growers. By the use of water the crops of clover and the many varieties of nutritious tame grasses are multiplied manifold. In the garden vegetables of all kinds, including those that are associated with hotter climates, such as tomatoes, melons, squashes, grow in the open so well as to indicate great possibilities in this direction.



Squash grown with irrigation at Brooks, Alberta. and excellent flavor, cantaloupes, plowed up gives considerably larger yields. It makes possible the development to the highest degree of the live stock industry. Horses, cattle, sheep and pigs all like it. Combined with oats, barley, the clovers and grasses which grow abundantly in Southern Alberta, alfalfa enables the irrigation farmer to give his stock the best balanced food possible. He is thus able to get the most milk from his cows, the most wool from his sheep, and to have his cattle, pigs and lambs ready for market in the earliest possible time. No wonder there is prosperity wherever alfalfa grows. The advantage to the farmer of a great diversity of crops cannot be too greatly emphasized. He is able to make his plans for the future with greater certitude. He can devote his chief attention to crops that remunerate him best. He is not greatly influenced by the fluctuations of the markets, and when any of his products are down others are likely to be up. It thus makes for greater stabilization of his efforts, and assures him of a regular and steady income year after year.

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