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## MAYOR HAYES BUYING FIRST ST. JOHN BOND



Victory Loan Salesman Hugh H. McEldan taking Mayor Hayes' application for the first bond sold in the city at 9 o'clock this morning. Whistles and bells noisily announced the opening of the big drive. Chairman S. E. Elkin, M. P., and some of his central committee were present.

## One For \$300,000 On The Opening Morn

### Maritime Nail Company's Subscription For Bonds—Mayor Buys the First One as St. John Campaign Opens—Some Big Ones in Upper Canada

The St. John Victory Loan campaign was well launched today and most encouraging reports were received this afternoon from canvassers after their first morning's work. The great drive for funds to keep Canada on a good strong financial basis during the war. The members of the committee went into the work with a determination which augured well for success and their early returns give promise of marked success. They report that they are being enthusiastically received on all sides and that citizens seem to be taking a greater interest in the campaign this year than last. While the committee did not turn in any detailed reports their accounts of the drive point out a most successful day's work.

### SOME BIG ONES.

Three of the largest subscriptions received this morning were as follows: Maritime Nail Company \$300,000, Imperial Oil Company \$50,000, Canada Fairbanks Morse Company \$50,000.

### Mayor Buys First One.

While St. John boys, somewhere in France, this morning obediently responded to the summons of the bugle call a band of citizens in their home town heard the clarion call of factory whistles and the clang of the fire alarm which echoed throughout the city at 9 o'clock this morning, and set out on a drive for money to finance the triumphant march of the Allies on the road to victory and incidentally to keep the boys supplied with the requisites.

Nine o'clock was the hour set for the commencement of the great drive and the assembly at city hall. Mayor Hayes was on hand and purchased the first bond. While he was so doing some of the committee caught the first bond. It was S. E. Elkin, chairman of the local committee, and at his left Hugh H. McEldan, the lucky salesman of the bond to his worship.

After receiving the bond his worship set forth on the great campaign and make it a grand success. He said that while some might think it was a sacrifice it is really was not for it was simply a loan to the government who were paying well for that it was a money. He pointed out that it was a case of making money work and in turn making money. He said the real sacrifice was being made by the boys at the front. In closing, he asked all to get down to the bottom of the box and the end of the bank account and buy bonds and this aid in the great successes being achieved by the Allies.

At the conclusion of his short but spirited address the mayor stepped aside and Mr. Elkin pinned a badge on his coat. A picture of the gathering was then taken by Isaac Erb, after which the assemblage dispersed, the workers going to their respective districts to start on the great Victory Loan drive.

The committee has expressed especial appreciation of the last mentioned subscription, owing to the fact that these companies are the only ones so far which have not bowed down to the ruling of the dominion executive that all companies of national scope should place their full subscriptions through their head offices. This ruling will deprive this province of a list of heavy subscriptions such as were received from the branch houses in the last campaign, and the independence shown by these two companies in shunting their quotas with the various provinces in which they do business is heartily appreciated.

## British Seize More Towns Near Valenciennes

### Fighting Severe But Enemy Fails to Stay Advance—British in Mesopotamia Cut Turkish Lines

London, Oct. 28.—British troops on Sunday repulsed a determined German effort to drive them from Farners, south of Valenciennes. Field Marshal Haig so announces today. Many Germans were killed in street fighting in the villages. On the borders of the Morval Forest, south of Valenciennes, and north of the Rahmes Forest, south of Valenciennes, the British have improved their positions slightly.

### Several Planes Taken.

British headquarters in France, Oct. 27.—(Reuter's)—The British last night got through to Valenciennes and gained a bridgehead east of that place. The enemy retreated hastily upon Valenciennes. To the north the British took Farners. On the front of the fifth army, transport has been reached and the line of the railway to the east of Maude.

### TURKISH LINES CUT.

London, Oct. 28, 1.15 p. m.—The British advancing in Mesopotamia have cut the road from Baghdad to Mosul, one of the principal Turkish lines of communication. This probably will force the Turks to fall back on Mosul.

### British Casualties.

London, Oct. 28.—British casualties reported for the week ending today numbered 82,940, compared with 37,160 for the previous week, as follows: Killed or died of wounds—Officers, 486; men, 5,807. Wounded or missing—Officers, 1,141; men, 24,866.

### British in Italian Front.

London, Oct. 28.—British troops in their offensive on the Austro-Italian front up to last night captured more than 4,000 prisoners. They also captured twenty-nine guns, including six 8-inch howitzers.

### Vienna, Oct. 27.—(Via London, Oct. 28.)—Between the Brenns and the Piave the Austro-Italian front has been quiet since Saturday, according to the official statement today from Austro-Hungarian headquarters. The Italian front is quiet back in the region of Dol Capria.

### Berlin, via London, Oct. 27.—The evening report from general headquarters says: "The day passed without great fighting operations."

### London, Oct. 28.—The enemy's aircraft were active on Saturday on the northern battlefront. Eight enemy aeroplanes were shot down. Nine of our machines are missing.

### HON. MR. CARVELL'S VISIT.

Hon. F. B. Carvell, minister of public works, who was to have arrived in the city this afternoon, was not able to get here so early as anticipated and will not be able to aid in the public meeting in the evening. He will arrive on the train from his home in Woodstock and expects to spend a day or two in the city.

### THE INFLUENZA SITUATION IN ST. JOHN—The Advice as to Low Neck—V. A. D. Work—Liquor and Tobacco

The total number of cases of Spanish influenza in the city officially reported to the board of health so far aggregate 679. This, however, does not include some thirty or forty houses which have been reported to contain one or more cases and which have not as yet been visited by the health officials owing to the large amount of work which is taxing the staff at the present time.

There are twelve patients in the Emergency Hospital, Mount Pleasant, up to this forenoon. Dr. W. L. Ellis, board of health public physician, says he could fill the place as fast as the ambulances could convey patients to it if the nursing staff in the institution was large enough to take care of them.

Dr. J. W. Daniel, chairman of the local board of health, told the Times this morning that the great need just now was for trained nursing help. In fact, any kind of intelligent nursing assistance would be greatly appreciated and readily employed. There is accommodation for more than fifty patients in the new hospital, but at present only twelve can be cared for by the small staff.

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### WEATHER REPORT

Issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stuart, director of meteorological service

### Synopsis—A disturbance, which was over Texas on Saturday has since moved northward to Lake Superior with increased intensity, causing strong winds on the Great Lakes and rain in western and northern Ontario. The weather has been showery in the maritime provinces and fair in the west.

### Forecasts.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Frost to strong southwest winds, mild with showers; Tuesday, fresh to strong southwest and west winds, unsettled.

Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence and Lower St. Lawrence—Strong south and strong winds, showery tonight and on Tuesday.

Gulf and North Shore—Moderate south and strong winds, showery tonight and on Tuesday.

Maritime—Moderate southwest winds, cloudy; Tuesday, increasing south and southwest winds, cloudy and unsettled with local showers.

Superior—Strong winds, occasional showers; Tuesday, strong northwest winds, turning colder with local falls of rain or snow.

Manitoba and Alberta—Northerly winds and colder with local snow falls.

New England Forecast—Local rains late tonight or on Tuesday, warmer tonight; cooler Tuesday, increasing south winds, shifting to westerly.

## Washington Suprised A Bit By Rejoinder To President's Last Note

### PRINCE OF WALES WITH CANADIANS IN JOYOUS DENAIN

#### A Stirring Welcome With Thanks For Delivery PROCESSION TO HIGH MASS

Washington, Oct. 28.—Germany's rejoinder to President Wilson's last note was rather unexpected here and pending receipt of the official text through the Swiss legation, comment was withheld. Generally, however, the note was not regarded as one requiring an answer. The diplomatic situation is just where it was when President Wilson informed the German government that its request for an armistice and peace had been transmitted to the Allied governments. The next step expected was the submission of terms of an armistice to Germany.

### Announcement from London that Premier Lloyd George and Foreign Secretary Balfour had left for France with naval and military advisers, foreshadowed an early meeting of the supreme war council at Versailles. While the military and naval members of the council are drawing terms of an armistice, the political representatives of the Entente Powers are expected to discuss the individual peace views of their governments with a view to formulating a complete programme to be presented to Germany acceptable to the Allies.

### MORE OF OUR BOYS COME HOME

Twenty-five returned soldiers who arrived in Halifax yesterday from overseas reached the city this morning en route to Fredericton, where they will be boarded and then sent to their various homes throughout the province. Included in the party were six St. John men—R. Rollings, James Ross, H. Patchell, N. Downings, J. M. Ham and Bennett Wilson. Gunner Wilson, has lost a leg. He left St. John in 1915 as a member of the 2nd Divisional Ammunition Column and until about one year ago was steadily at the front.

### Eight Hundred Arrive.

Halifax, Oct. 28.—Eight hundred returned soldiers are here from overseas, en route to their homes. Following are the men from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick:

Sapper Goodman, Pte. D. J. Morrison, Pte. P. J. McAnlay, Gunner F. Oakes, Driver G. W. Beacomit, Pte. J. Campbell, Pte. C. W. Grant, Pte. S. Isakawa, Pte. N. McDonald, Pte. F. M. Nelson, Sapper D. Ross, Pte. J. H. Leod, Pte. W. A. Miller, Sapper Reddaway, Sgt. E. E. Thibodeau, Pte. W. Smith, Pte. R. A. Langille, Pte. J. H. Langille, Pte. T. Riggs, Sapper J. Robinson, Pte. H. W. Taylor, Corporal E. J. Wilson.

### BRING HOME BODY OF DR. LYNDY, WHO DIED OF INFLUENZA

Sheriff Lynds of Albert county, accompanied by Miss Belle Lynds, his daughter, and Mayor Turnbull of Chatham, Michigan, a relative, arrived in the city at noon with the body of his brother, Dr. James Lynds, who died at Ann Arbor, Mich., a few days ago of Spanish influenza. Doctor Lynds had been conducting a private hospital at Ann Arbor for some years and only recently offered himself for army medical work. However, before he could do the khaki the prevalent disease struck him down. He was a familiar figure in his native New Brunswick county and news of his untimely death has caused general regret. Interment will be made at Hopewell tomorrow.

### FOOD SHORTAGE IN LILLE REGION, GHENT LIBERATED FROM HUN

Washington, Oct. 28.—Food supplies for the civilian population of the Lille region of France, recently evacuated by the Germans, are at an extremely low stage, and only energetic measures by the commission for relief in Belgium will prevent much distress during the winter.

Despatches received today at the offices of the commission here said the present supply of food in the region cannot possibly last more than two weeks.

### MRS. LEONARD WHITE

Mrs. Leonard White died this morning at the residence of her son-in-law, Paul Rental, 109 Hilyard street, after a long illness. She leaves three sons of her former marriage, George Ferris of Riley Brook, N. B., Private Budd Ferris, overseas, and Walter of this city; three daughters, Mrs. Harold Ferris, of Mill Cove, Queens county, and Mrs. Paul Rental of this city. She also leaves four step-sons—William and Malcolm White of this city; Theodore, of the Narrows, and Clarence of Glenwood; and four stepdaughters, Mrs. P. Murphy of this city; Mrs. S. M. Straight of Carleton Place, Ont.; Mrs. Fred White, of Fredericton, and Mrs. D. A. Ferris, of Mill Cove.

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At another cemetery there were 100 unburied bodies and city laborers have been drafted to prepare graves.

### FUNDS WANTED FOR HOSPITAL; GRAND FALLS

Appeal to People of Province to Help Influenza Situation is so Bad in Victoria

Grand Falls, N. B., Oct. 28.—Conditions have become so pitiful in Victoria county that a committee of prominent citizens of Grand Falls has deemed it most urgent that an emergency hospital be established to alleviate the conditions of the people who are suffering from Spanish influenza.

To the end we call upon the good people of New Brunswick to forward subscriptions to defray the expenses. All contributions can be sent to D. J. Collins, mayor of Grand Falls.

D. J. COLLINS.

## STINGING BLOW AT WILLIAM II AS HE TRIES TO HOLD TO THRONE

### GERMAN RULER HATES TO GIVE UP POWER

Quoted as Saying He is Willing, However, "That His Rights Shall be Re-Framed"

London, Oct. 28.—Emperor William has no intention of abdicating, but is willing if it is for the good of the people, to ordain that his rights shall be re-framed, according to a statement attributed to German court circles. The emperor is said to have remarked—"I will not abandon my sovereignty tried people, but if necessary, I am ready to become something in line of a mediatory president of a German republic like the kings of England, Belgium, and Italy."

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