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THE SITUATION

The signs of a big Allied offensive on the Western front have now materialized in the commencement of what may well prove to be the most tremendous onslaught of the war. British troops assisted by the French have as the initial performance smashed through the German lines along a twenty mile front on both sides of the Ypres. As the result of the first rush many villages were taken and thousands of prisoners.

Trench after trench was taken but at last accounts the enemy were offering a stiffer resistance. From present indications the foe will have to bring up all of his available resources to avoid disaster. It is recorded that among the prisoners there are a number of mere boys, an incident which goes to still further prove that the man power of the foe is not nearly what it once was. In short though still able to put up a fierce argument he has passed the zenith of his power while Great Britain has yet to approach hers and Americans in large number will soon be added into the bargain.

The French have been subjected to further attacks on the Aisne front but have not only withstood them but taken more ground in counter attacks.

The Russian troops are commencing to show more stability but nothing yet to boast of.

THE DUTY OF THE HOUR.

At the "win the war" convention to be held in Toronto one of the propositions to be advanced will be the avoidance of a general election at this time. Ontario Liberal editors in a conference have announced the same idea. That such a contest during such a crisis is most undesirable, not to say unwise, will be quite generally agreed but the trouble of it is that Premier Borden has already been thwarted in the House with regard to said proposal.

He told the members very plainly before the vote was taken that unless there was a marked affirmative he could not feel that the British Parliament should be approached in the matter of an extension of time.

As a matter of fact the majority was small, most of the Liberal members who voted against Laurier in the matter of a referendum on Conscription, supporting him when it came to the matter of forcing a general election.

On what basis is such a position of affairs to be remedied?

There does not seem to be any answer except that an appeal to the electorate will now have to take its course. In such an event, and it would appear to be inevitable, the main object for the consideration of the convention would clearly seem to be that of devising some plan whereby the desire of all loyal citizens can best be brought into co-operation in the matter of Canada's continued and unabated help in the prosecution of the war.

The French-Canadian vote, the Teuton vote and the slacker vote will be against that, and it behooves all others no matter what their politics, to get solidly together as an offset to that circumstance. If this is not done the anti-conscription element will succeed, and this Dominion abased in the eyes of the world while the Hun looks on with sardonic glee.

NATIONAL GOVERNMENT

By Courier Leased Wire
Winnipeg, Aug. 1.—The general Ministerial Association of Winnipeg, comprising clergy of several denominations, adopted unanimously a number of strong resolutions yesterday dealing with the public affairs of Canada. Dealing with war conditions one resolution passed by the association regrets the failure to initiate a national government at the outset of the war, instead of attempting to conduct the war on party lines to the alienation of a huge proportion of the people by party patronage. The resolutions passed will be presented to the resolutions committee of the Western Liberals' convention to be held in Winnipeg next week.

BYRNE RELEASED

By Courier Leased Wire
St. Louis, August 1.—Robert Byrne, an infidel, was released outright here today to the Philadelphia National League Club. Byrne said he thought he was through with baseball and would go into business in St. Louis.

CHANGES NAME

By Courier Leased Wire
Cleveland, L. I., July 31.—George V. S. Michaels, whose father and grandfather were officers in the United States army, has changed his name to George Woodbridge because he does not wish to bear the same name as Dr. George Michaels, the German chancellor.

UNION GOVERNMENT TALK

It is reported from Ottawa that Premier Borden is still a determined advocate of a government representative of those advocating war measures irrespective of party, and that he stands by his original proposal of giving equal representation in a union cabinet.

In this respect he is stated to have the hearty co-operation of his colleagues enough of whom are willing to give up their portfolios in order to attain the desired end.

The statement is further made that the greatest obstacle to an amicable understanding has recently arisen because of the attitude of certain of the war Liberals towards Sir Robert.

Recently the Toronto Star, (Liberal) frankly admitted that the days of Sir Wilfrid Laurier as leader of that party were ended—that he had selected Quebec for his kingdom and must abide by that choice. At the same time the Star made a most unwarranted attack on Borden, alleging that he had failed in every particular and that some other man should be found to take his place.

The assault, quoted with approval by other Liberal sheets is the most unwarranted ever made upon any public man in this country. Day and night since the commencement of hostilities Sir Robert has been steadily on the job and no one who has watched his course can doubt that he has rendered most efficient and patriotic service.

Who is there, as a matter of fact, who can begin to measure up to him for the arduous post of First Minister during this crisis, and where in the name of all that is reasonable would the country have been had Laurier unfortunately held the reins?

Any union government which may be formed must assuredly have him at the head for he is without the slightest shadow of a doubt the one outstanding man for the task.

MUST SPEAK

By Courier Leased Wire
Toronto, August 1.—According to the judgment of Mr. Justice Sutherland given today, Chairman Samuel M. Genest, of the Ottawa Separate School board, together with four Christian Brothers, must answer questions asked them upon examination to determine whether there has been a contempt of the injunction granted by Mr. Justice Lennox, restraining the board from paying qualified teachers in the English-French schools. In default of answering they must go to jail. The injunction has arisen from the decision precipitated by R. Mackall and other English-speaking supporters of the separate schools of Ottawa, who have insisted on the board to compel that schools should be conducted in conformity with regulation No. 17.

The order must go in the terms asked, says the judge, namely that the board be ordered to appear and answer the questions which they refused to answer on their former examination and other proper questions. In default each of the defendants be committed to the common jail of the county in which they may be found.

AVIATORS KILLED

By Courier Leased Wire
Camp Borden, Ont., July 31.—One aviator of the Royal flying corps killed another in the hospital with a broken leg is the toll of an aeroplane crash this morning in the district of the village of Lisie, which is about five miles to the west of the camp.

Cadet J. H. Pearson, whose home was at Comber, Ontario, was the young aviator whose body now rests in the camp morgue. Cadet Archibald of Victoria B. C., sustained a fractured leg. He was attended to at the camp hospital and will recover. He was unable to give any connected account of how the accident occurred.

JOE TO FIGHT

By Courier Leased Wire
Vancouver, Aug. 1.—Interest in political circles in this city has been quickened by news from friends of Joseph Martin, K. C., that "Fighting Joe" on his return here in a couple of weeks, will proceed to take a hand in unravelling the situation in the Dominion. Mr. Martin, it is said, has tired of London life and has decided to quit his seat for East St. Pancras and seek re-election to the Canadian House of Commons. Now that the Liberals of the city are casting about for names of candidates for nomination in the forthcoming federal election, it is hinted that Mr. Martin, who has already sailed for Vancouver, will be available.

ADHERE TO PLAN.

By Courier Leased Wire
Denver, Colo. July 31.—Placards announcing the determination of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company to continue to operate under the so-called Rockefeller plan of industrial representation for adjustment of differences with its employees and not to recognize the United Mine Workers, were posted today in all the coal companies of the company. Notice that the United Mine Workers would call a strike in the company's mines was filed with the state industrial commission a month ago. Union officials asserted Saturday that the men would be called out in a few days, efforts to settle by a conference having failed.

KEEP CHILDREN WELL DURING HOT WEATHER

Every mother knows how fatal the hot summer months are to small children. Cholera infantum, diarrhoea, dysentery and stomach troubles are rife at this time, and often a precious little life is lost after only a few hours illness. The mother who keeps Baby's Own Tablets in the house feels safe. The occasional use of the Tablets prevents stomach and bowel troubles, or if they generally come suddenly—in it generally does—the Tablets will bring the baby safely through. They are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Brockville, Ont.

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LABORITE LYNCHED

Executive Member of I. W. W. Hanged By Band of Masked Men

By Courier Leased Wire

Butte, Mont., Aug. 1.—Frank Little, member of the executive board of the Industrial Workers of the World, and leader in labor troubles in Arizona, was taken from a lodging house early today by masked men and hanged to a railroad trestle on the outskirts of the city.

The body was cut down at 8 a.m. by chief of police Jerry Murphy, who identified it. Little, a recent speech here, was a supporter of the I. W. W. He had been in the left bank of the Rhine, but making an autonomous state of these territories which would protect us and also Belgium against invasion.

"We have never thought to do what Bismarck did in 1871. We are therefore entitled to deny the allegation of the chancellor who evidently knows of the letters exchanged February, 1917, at Petrograd and falsified since his most illustrious predecessor falsified the Ems despatch. Whenever the Russian Government is willing to publish these letters we have no objection."

"The chancellor refrained from speaking about my declaration March 21, wherein I repudiated in France any policy of conquest and annexation by force. He was willfully forgotten my language May 22 in the chamber, saying we were ready to enter into negotiations with Russia as to the object of the war and if the German people, whose right to live and develop peacefully we do not

TWENTY SIX DIE OF HEAT IN NEW YORK

Metropolis Swelters In Grip Of a Merciless Heat Wave

By Courier Leased Wire

New York, Aug. 1.—New York continued to swelter in the heat wave which has held the city in its grip for the past two days. There was no relief in sight, according to early reports. Countless thousands spent the night in the parks or at the beaches, while many flat dwellers made beds on fire escapes and even on the sidewalks in an effort to escape the torrid air of their cramped quarters.

Reports from various sections of the greater city indicated yesterday heat victims at 14 dead and 188 prostrated.

This morning twelve deaths and 31 prostrations occurred between 2 and 7 a.m. as reported to the police. The minimum temperature recorded during the past 24 hours was 84 degrees at Cortlandt street, where the mercury again began to go up and at 9 o'clock it had reached 89 degrees, one degree higher than the same hour yesterday and the humidity was greater.

SUBMARINE INTERNED

By Courier Leased Wire

Madrid, Aug. 1.—The German submarine UB-23, which entered the roadstead of Corunna Monday in a seriously damaged condition, has reached Ferrol, 12 miles northeast of Corunna, escorted by the Spanish torpedo boat Audaz. It will be interned there.

Premier Dato told the press that the recent decree regarding the navigating within Spanish territorial waters will be strictly enforced. He added that the government was satisfied at having adopted the Hague convention. The Germanophile press protests against the strict application of the decree, but is not so violent as formerly.

A. R. CLUB GROWING

The newly formed A. R. Club, composed exclusively of men rejected from active service, is allowing no grass to grow under its feet in the matter of paying for its dues.

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NO PLANS OF CONQUEST IN FRENCH WAR AIMS

Premier Ribot Replies To Charges Made By German Chancellor Last Week: No Secret Treaty With Russia To Annex German Territory

By Courier Leased Wire.

Paris, August 1.—Premier Ribot replied in the Chamber yesterday to the declaration made Saturday by Dr. Michaelis, the German chancellor, that there was a secret treaty between France and Russia having in view plans of conquest. Premier Ribot said:

"I wish to reply to the singular speech which Dr. Michaelis thought it to invite the Berlin journalists to hear. The German chancellor publicly commanded the French Government to declare whether in a secret sitting June 1, the French Government had not made known to the Chamber of Deputies, the terms of a secret treaty made before the Emperor or before himself, the return of Alsace-Lorraine to France, the liberation of territories occupied by Germany and just preparation for damages caused by the invasion of the regions. The resolutions also favored the creation of a league of nations for maintenance of peace.

"How can we say to the world that we wish annexation?" continued Ribot. "Such manoeuvres are too crude to deceive anyone, especially the convulsed masses of the Russian people, who it is vainly being tried to separate from their allies by deceiving them as to the true sentiments of French democracy. What is the chancellor seeking? He is trying to hide the embarrassment which he feels in defining German's objects of war and conditions whereon she would make peace. He is trying especially to turn aside attention from the terrible responsibility weighing on the conscience of the Kaiser and his councillors.

"It is on the morrow of the publication of decisions made July 5 at a council held at Potsdam at which all consequences of the ultimatum to be sent to Serbia were discussed and from which we are bound to spring, that the chancellor is trying this diversion. There is something shameful, when one has such responsibilities, in demanding our intentions."

"Assuredly it is not to Germany that we address ourselves but to all who are witnesses or actors in the struggle which we have been maintaining for the past three years and who know that there is in the depth of the French people's soul a deep attachment to the principles of justice, respect for people's rights and I may add at the risk of not being understood by our enemies, true generosity.

"The declaration was frequently applauded. It was not followed by any debate.

Understand we wish peace founded on the right of people. The conclusion of peace would thereby be singularly facilitated.

Finally the chancellor passed over in silence the resolution unanimously voted after the June secret session.

Here Premier Ribot read from his speech in the Chamber warning against those who wished to spread the conviction that France was seeking conquest and read the terms of the resolution adopted by the Chamber at that time declaring that peace sooner must include the return of Alsace-Lorraine to France, the liberation of territories occupied by Germany and just preparation for damages caused by the invasion of the regions. The resolutions also favored the creation of a league of nations for maintenance of peace.

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BOGUS CHEQUE

A local jeweller was the victim of the "bogus cheque" game yesterday afternoon when a stranger walked into the store and, after making several purchases, tendered a cheque for \$50 on the Royal Bank, in payment. He received his change and walked out, and since then no trace of him has been found. When an attempt was made to cash the check, it was found to be worthless. The fraud was communicated to the police, who are now working on the case.

WITH LEAF.

Pitcher Allen of the Dominion Steel Products team reported to the Toronto Internationals on Monday afternoon and after a short workout, he was taken to the hospital. He was in poor condition, "Smoky" Joe refused and came back to Brantford. He will report again in about two weeks when the Toronto return to the Island stadium at the conclusion of their road trip.

POLICE COURT

This morning's session of the police court was an unusually profitable one. Two fined \$200 and costs for having liquor in their possession on West street, late Sunday night. Two juveniles each paid \$5.00 for riding their two-foot-power, 1917 models, on the sidewalk in the township.

Obituary

C. Schertzberg
As the result of injuries received while adjusting some belting in the Schertzberg department of the Massey Harris factory here last week, Cealfer Schertzberg, aged sixty-five years, passed away at the hospital yesterday afternoon. He is survived by a wife, and three children, Allen, overseas with the 215th battalion.

Official Record in Brantford Is 97 in Shade

Yesterday was by far the hottest day recorded in Brantford so far this year.

The official chronicle at the Mohawk Institute was: Highest 97 in the shade; lowest 75.

In the city itself, the reading was about 100 in the shade.

There were a number of prostrations and one death—that of Mr. Steele, an old gentleman residing at the Corner of Darling and Queen sts. He had not been well, but his attending physician states that the intense heat was responsible for his sudden passing.

Mr. Walker who works in the Good, Shapley and Muir shops was overcome and had to be taken to his home on the corner of A. A. doctor had to be summoned and he is now better.

Mr. Swayne, driver for Pursell's, was overcome on Darling street.

Mrs. Thompson, of Emily street, was another victim.

In Detroit there were five deaths. The City Hall thermometer in that city registered 100.

The weather bureau predicts that following thunderstorms, a cooler spell is likely to be in order.

Laugh When People Step On Your Feet

Try this yourself then pass it along to others, it works!

Ouch ! ! ! ! ! This kind of rough talk will be heard less here in town if you are troubled with corns will follow the simple advice of this Cincinnati authority, who claims that a few drops of a drug called Iroquois applied to the tender, aching corn stops soreness at once, and soon the corn dies up and lifts right out without pain.

He says freeness of an American compound which dries immediately and never inflames or even irritates the surrounding tissue or skin. A quarter of an ounce of freeness will cost very little as any drug store, but is sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

The Courier is always pleased to use items of personal interest. Phone 139.

Mr. T. E. Ryerson and family have moved into their summer cottage at Port Dover.

Mr. Richard Coulson, of Thomasburg, had nine young cows killed by lightning one day recently.

Mrs. Reville has returned from a stay at the Wa Wa Hotel Muskoka.

Mrs. Harriet Main, of Galt, who has been the guest of the Lohrey for the past two weeks returned home today.

HEAVY FLOODS IN QUEBEC PROVINCE

District of St. Mary's Cut Off From The Outside World

By Courier Leased Wire
Quebec, Aug. 1.—With all means of communicating with St. Marys, Beauce, cut off with all telephone and telegraph wires down in that region, the outside world is without news of the population of the submerged town since yesterday noon when reports indicated that the rise of waters was still going on and that scores of families were marooned in their homes on hills already surrounded by water. No definite news of fatalities has yet been received.

Definite information has been brought here today by two reporters for LeSoleil, who were despatched to the scene of the disaster yesterday. They confirm in every detail the reports given yesterday and the gist of the situation today is that one more railway bridge has been swept away by waters, that of the Quebec Central Railway at Scotts, Beauce. The Quebec Central Railway's bridge at Valley Junction has already been reported gone and this is confirmed to-day. The bridge and foot bridges at Scotts, Valley Junction and St. Marys have been washed away, the bridge from St. Marys drifting down as far as Scotts where it went through a thicket of maples as if they had been mere hay.

Two houses that drifted from St. Marys down the Chaudiere River, stranded in clover fields at Scotts. One of these houses is that of Edward Gagne, of St. Marys.

There is no way of communicating with St. Marys and Valley Junction, the stream at Scotts from a width of seven hundred feet has been spread to a width of a mile and one quarter, over houses, factories, stores, etc. and the current is so fast that not one single boatman would venture across. There would be a possibility of reaching St. Marys if one could go by way of the back ranges of the upper parish, but the roads have been damaged to such an extent by the recent rain that no traffic is possible there.

As it is, three parishes in Beauce are known to be under water, they are St. Marys, the most severe hit, Valley Junction and Scotts.

RIOT IN MONTREAL

By Courier Leased Wire
Montreal, Aug. 1.—The racing at the Mount Royal Jockey Club track yesterday terminated in a riot. Following the placing of the horses in the seventh race recording Jerry as the winner over Oscar Prince, the public choice, so far as the betting went, an angry mob crowded about the official stand and followed up their jeering by pelting gravel and rocks at the stewards and judges as well as the windows in the coop. With the air full of fists and stones, the scene was a stormy one while it lasted. No one was seriously hurt, but more than one of the officials emerged from the fracas with marks of the stone throwing. One of the stewards was knocked down by a stone which struck him in the neck, but most of his confreres escaped with nothing worse than scratches.

FUR WORKERS STRIKE

By Courier Leased Wire
Montreal, July 31.—Five hundred union fur workers are on strike in Montreal over a decision of the Montreal Furriers Association, supporting A. J. Alexander, Limited, in employing a non-union cutter.

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LOCAL

TOWNSHIP POPULATION
The population of the town of Brantford, gathered from the assessment returns up to the June, is 7,739.

LIBRARY CLOSED
On Monday next, August 6, the office of the County Clerk, Brantford, and the reading of the public library will be closed for the public.

BACK ON DUTY
Mr. George Mosley, physician for the Y. M. C. A. returned to his morning after a couple of weeks vacation.

RENOVATING OFFICES
The offices of County Clerk, Brantford, and the County Court, A. Hillinrake, at the Court are being renovated according to instructions given at the last meeting of the county council.

PROSTITUTE
Word has been received from the City of St. Smith, 144 King Street, formerly of Han Nott Co. Ltd., has for the past weeks been in Edinburgh, suffering from frostbite, coming in France. He has had the time to loose the big toe on his foot, it being amputated a few ago. Pte. Smith went overseas the 125th, and was later drafted the 4th battalion. He expects to be moved to Epsom county home.

GADSBY INJURED
Frank Gadsby, former Ontario League ballplayer with the Thomas team, who is also well known as a hockey player, was injured last night when he dived from the front of the Casino. He was in the sand and was conscious for some time after the fall.

NOTICE
Any person willing to knit socks for the 125th Battalion, may have wool for same by applying to Emily Bunnell, 56 Dufferin Ave.

NOTICE
On and after August 1st all Barbers in the city will raise the price of a haircut to 35c.

NOTICE
A unique and interesting job has been received by Mr. Henry Mauser, of the customs department, his son, Pte. Hawley, who is in the front. It is a German automatic repeating Mauser pistol that will sight a fifty to one thousand yards and shoot to kill at that distance.

WIN THE WAR!
Mr. Wilfrid Scraton, is representing the Brantford "A. R." club in the "Win-the-War" convention held in Toronto to-day. Several Brantfordites have left to attend the meeting.

COMING HOME
A letter from Ottawa has received by Mr. J. W. Patte of city informing him that his Sgt. George Patte had left land for Canada, and could be expected to arrive in Brantford in ten or twelve days.

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