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The Situation.

The news with regard to the Verdun offensive, may at last be regarded as more reassuring. Renewed attacks of great violence have been successfully repulsed by the French, and although matters at this point have not yet reached a conclusive aspect, they appear much better from the standpoint of the Allies. Whether or no this Verdun attack is simply the first move in connection with some large plan of aggressiveness remains to be seen. One report states that the German papers have ceased to be jubilant over the aspect of affairs and it is declared that ten thousand women marched through Berlin crying "Bread" and "Peace." That story may be taken for what it is worth, but there can be no doubt that the mass of the Kaiserites would now heartily welcome both.

Meanwhile, the British forces have been doing an excellent job on their own account. The official report is that the trenches, 600 yards, on the Ypres Canal, which they lost on February 14th have not only been retaken, but a small salient of the German line captured into the bargain.

In the Caucasus the Russians still continue to harass the fleeing Turks and the latter are evidently to a greater or less extent demoralized.

President Wilson's firm course with regard to the ship item, is clearly going to win out in the Senate and later on in the House of Representatives. He is having Republican support to a marked extent, one more evidence of the fact that the members of the party in question have chafed under the fiasco of the constant exchange of notes with Berlin.

Road Builders' Convention. The Pittsburg "Press" devotes the following editorial to the Good Roads Congress in that city, in which Mayor Bowley and City Engineer Jones of Brantford are participating:

"Good roads are a valuable asset to any commonwealth of any community. Indeed, valuable is hardly the word. Invaluable is a better one to describe the uses to which a good road system can be put. It is one of the purposes of the road builders' convention, now in session in this city, to discuss ways and means of educating public opinion to an adequate realization of the public needs in this respect. It is a highly representative convention, including men of prominence and influence in practically every state of the Union, and in itself a striking evidence of the manner in which the thought of the country is being directed to the relation between good roads and general welfare."

At last evening's session, preliminary to the formal opening of the convention this morning, there were a number of rousing addresses. It would be rather strange if the bearing of good roads have upon national "preparedness" had not been pointed out, and as a matter of fact this was the keynote of Congressman Shackelford, of Missouri, chairman of the good roads committee of the house of representatives.

The war in Europe, and the controversies with belligerent powers in which the United States has become involved, have given timeliness to plans for increasing American efficiency and "readiness" in every direction, industrial no less than military. Mr. Shackelford was on safe ground in declaring that splendid road systems of France and Germany are a very important factor in either country's scheme of defense. The vast distances which separate the outlying parts of the United States from one another make good roads not less but more indispensable than in Europe.

It is not, however, merely with the outstanding importance of good roads in war that the road builders' congress is to be concerned. A nation's general efficiency plays a tremendous part in the decision of any war in which the nation may be forced to engage. But war or no war, efficiency is the thing by which the rank and power and prosperity of nations and races are determined. If there were not to be another war on earth for a hundred years, there would still be that peaceful rivalry and competition among nations in which the more efficient would win the spoils of victory.

Human society is organized on an industrial competitive basis, which is nothing but war in another form. It is for that struggle, if no other, that the advocates of "preparedness" are endeavoring to fit the United States, and we shall hear much of it before the road builders' convention adjourns. Good roads bring the farms closer to the city markets, and means more food, better food, cheaper food, for our huge industrial population. They are to-day probably the country's best social-uplift and common-welfare investment."

A Harlem beggar, on whom was found \$1,150, said he was saving up to buy medicine.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Quebec has thus far contributed 28,138 men to the war as compared with 110,776 from Ontario. It is thus the difference you can hit. As to how each Prov. is doing its bit.

It is rumored that Mayor Bowley took a picture of Brantford's City Hall along with him to Pittsburg, and that it is holding the place of honor in the cellar of the civic institution there.

Mrs. Pankhurst was a visitor at the session of the Dominion House yesterday. It is quite likely that when she encounters the prices for food at the leading hostilities there she may go on another hunger strike.

Report has it that the Crown Prince has been removed from the command of the German forces in front of Verdun. For such an undertaking he

was found to be too Verdun as it were.

Setting the face of a burglar at her window, a Paterson, N. J., girl hurled a brick shoe, smashed the glass and knocked him to the roof of an extension 10 feet below. The incident is enough to make the average Hamilton girl turn green with envy.

Miss V. Reding is spending a few days in Hamilton, and will assist with the C.M.I. entertainment there this evening.

The Greek Government has decided to make no change in the country's neutrality policy.

Germany has prohibited the existing of raw alcohol for drinking purposes.

Major General George Frederick Goring is mentioned in a casualty list just made public in London as having been wounded in the fighting in Mesopotamia.

OPEN MASS MEETING

BRANT THEATRE
SUNDAY EVENING March 5th
MOVING PICTURE FILM

"Defenders of Our Empire"

Showing the Different Stages
of the Training of British Troops

SPEAKERS

Dr. JAMES L. HUGHES

Brother of the Minister of Militia

SERGT. N. BETHUNE

A Returned Soldier

CAPT. SMITH, of Onondaga

Who Reached the City This Week From the Front

MUSIC BY 125th BAND

Doors Open at 7:30. Pictures Shown 7:45

Collection to Defray Expenses (No Children Admitted)

PARIS

Alderman Entertains Mission Teachers—Successful Military Euchre.

Paris, March 3.—Mr. Thomas Martin, of Stratford, who is visiting at Paris, has been taken down with pneumonia and his condition is very critical. Mr. Martin has a hardware store at Stratford, and while attending a sale of the tenant on his farm here last week contracted a severe cold, which finally developed into pneumonia. He is lying at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Edward Goddard, River street.

Last evening Alderman C. B. Robinson, of Riverview Terrace, invited the teachers of the Paris Station mission to his residence and discussed an evening's entertainment for the scholars of the mission. Ald. Robinson, since coming to Paris from Montreal, has always identified himself in any good movement in the town, being associated with the Boy Scout movement, Y. M. C. A. and Presbyterian Young Peoples' Society. We understand that the children are to have a tea followed by lantern views, music, etc., which will be in the hands of Mr. C. B. Robinson on the evening of Friday, March 10th at the mission school.

Yesterday afternoon, Mr. Geo. E. Taylor, coal and lumber merchant at Paris Station, had a very narrow escape from drowning in the River Nith. Mr. Taylor has a number of men taking out ice from the Nith for storage, and shortly after dinner went down to see how the men were setting along. While standing on the ice, he picked up a pole to push some ice cakes down into the current of the river. Suddenly the ice on which he was standing broke, throwing him into fifteen feet of water. After considerable difficulty, Mr. John Ames and Arthur Freeman succeeded in getting Mr. Taylor up from his perilous condition. When the sleigh, which was rapidly driving toward Taylor's home, turned the corner of Banfield street, it swerved and Mr. Taylor was thrown to the road. He was taken to his home, and at the time of writing, it was not known whether he was injured or not.

Business in Paris is looking up well, the customs receipts for February showing an increase of over \$12,000 for the same period of last year. The receipts for last month were \$16,292.43.

Last evening the military euchre given in the central fire hall, under the auspices of the Daughters of the Empire, was a decided success. The rooms had been prettily decorated with flags, bunting and patriotic emblems for the occasion. After the games light refreshments were served. The winners of the various prizes were: 1st, Mrs. J. H. Fisher and Dr. Logie; 2nd, Mrs. Emmerson and Miss

E. Lavoie. Mr. Frank Smoke took the chair and the proceeds were for patriotic purposes.

Mr. Percy Evans and little daughter, Ruth, returned to their home in Edmonton, Alta., yesterday after an extended visit spent with relatives in town.

Miss W. Drummond of Hamilton, is visiting at her home here.

Mrs. Cousins and little one of Toronto, are holidaying with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Keen, Willow St.

Mrs. Pankhurst.

At the outbreak of war Mrs. Pankhurst immediately called a truce to the militant suffragette agitation and conducted a vigorous campaign for national service of men and women. Enthusiastic recruiting meetings were held at which she urged that women should be allowed to render patriotic service as well as men. She advocated patriotism, self-sacrifice and vigorous prosecution of the war. She opened a war service register upon which the names of women of all grades were soon enrolled.

As a result of Mrs. Pankhurst's interview with Mr. Lloyd-George thousands of women are now engaged in munition making and general war service.

After the national tragedy which befel Serbia, Mrs. Pankhurst saw the urgent necessity of saving the remnants of this brave nation. It is because she realized the gratitude owing to Serbia that she accepted Mr. Miyatovich's invitation to accompany him on his mission of relief to the people of Canada.

Obituary

MR. ADAM BUGLE.

Mr. Adam Bugle died last night at the Brantford General Hospital. The funeral will take place to-morrow morning from H. S. Peirce's undertaking parlors to Mount Hope cemetery.

MRS. ELMER JONES

Mr. Elmer Jones of the Central Fire Department, is called upon to mourn the loss of his wife, Eva, who died this morning at the family residence, 42 Colborne St. Besides her husband, the late Mrs. Jones leaves to mourn her loss three children. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon to Mt. Hope cemetery.

The Norwegian steamer Loch Tay arrived in New York from Rotterdam after having been locked in an ice field for ten days off the Grand Banks of Newfoundland.

Hood's Pills

Cure Constipation
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Liver Ills

Fresh and Refreshing

"SALADA" B76

is composed of clean, whole young leaves. Picked right, blended right and packed right. It brings the fragrance of an Eastern garden to your table.

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Start saving NOW. Seeds never grow until planted. Dollars do not increase unless they are set to work earning interest. If you wish to have a fortune grow, you should set your dollars to work by depositing them in our Savings Department, where interest will be allowed at the rate of 3%.

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LITTLE THINGS COUNT

Even in a match you should consider the "little things"—the wood, the composition, the strikeability, the flame.

EDDY'S MATCHES

are made of strong, dry pine stems, with a secret perfected composition that guarantees "every match a lighter." Sixty-five years of knowing how—that's the reason. All EDDY products are dependable—always.

Items of Special Interest
for Saturday

WHITE COTTON—36-inch, fully bleached, fine quality White Cotton, soft finish. 8½c
SPECIAL SATURDAY

TOWELS—20 dozen fine quality Hemmed White Huck Towels, large sizes, washed ready for use. 25c
SPECIAL SATURDAY

CURTAIN SCRIM—30 pieces of Colored Border Curtain Scrim, in white, cream and ecru. Reg. prices 25c and 35c. SPECIAL SATURDAY 19c

MADAPOLAM—36 inch, extra fine White Madapolam, no dressing, the perfect cotton for underwear. Regular 25c. SPECIAL SATURDAY 15c

8/4 SHEETING—3 pieces of fine heavy White Cotton Sheet, 2 yards wide, free from any dressing. Regular value 35c. SPECIAL SATURDAY 29c

INDIA LAWN—100 yards of 45 inch extra fine sheet quality India Lawn, regular 30c., SPECIAL SATURDAY 20c

TOWELLING—3 pieces only, 18 inch all pure linen, grey crash towelling, red-bordered, regular 18c. SPECIAL SATURDAY 12½c

WHITE
VOILE

75 yards of fine, double fold White Cotton Voile. An extra good quality and a great bargain. Sold only at this price for one day.

SATURDAY

17c

A Bargain in Women's Skirts

Women's fine French Serge Skirts, Navy or Black, trimmed, with wide Belt, pleats and buttons, other styles in tailored effects, Skirts worth up to \$6.50. \$3 YOUR CHOICE SATURDAY.

Prints and
Ginghams

5,000 yards of Prints and Ginghams, in checks, stripes and spots, light and dark colors, guaranteed fast. Regular values 15c.

12½c

Edgings and
Insertions

50 pieces of fine Embroideries, Edgings and Insertions, beautiful designs. Regular prices up to 20c.

8½c

A BARGAIN IN RAINCOATS

Ladies' and Misses' Poplin and Paramatta Cloth Raincoats, sizes up to 44. Colors are Navy, Black, Fawn and Grey. Guaranteed waterproof. A variety of styles to choose from. Regular values as high as \$6.50.

Visit the Dress Goods Dept. this Saturday and see the range of cloths at special prices. Our advice is—BUY NOW. Prices are advancing rapidly.

Fancy Muslins

40 pieces of fine striped and floral Muslin, beautiful quality, all new designs, all fast colors. SATURDAY 25c

Crepe de chene

Black, Navy, White, Champagne, Sky and Belgium Blue, 36 inch, all silk, heavy quality Crepe de Chene. SATURDAY \$1.25

Ladies' Nightgowns

Fine White Cotton Night Gowns, embroidery and lace trimmed yoke and sleeves, round neck, slipover styles. SATURDAY 50c

Your Choice Saturday

\$3.95

Black Silk

2 pieces of 36 inch heavy quality all silk Black Paillette, bright, lustrous finish, to-day's price \$1.25. SATURDAY 93c

All Wool Serge

44 inch fine all wool serge in navy, Alice, Goblin Blue, Cream and brown. A serge worth to-day 75c., a yard SATURDAY 50c

Hand Bags

Solid leather Black Hand Bags, with leather and fancy lining, fitted with vanity mirror and change purse. Regular \$1.50 and \$1.75, SATURDAY \$1.19

Aprons

Bungalow Aprons in light and dark colors, bound edges, all sizes, SATURDAY 39c

Corset Covers

Women's fine white cotton corset covers, embroidery and lace trimmed, Regular 40 cents SATURDAY 29c

Corsets

Fine French Coutil Corsets, low, medium and high bust, 4 supports, rustproof, all sizes. Regular \$1.50 and \$2. SATURDAY \$1.00

House Dresses

Women's House Dresses in Gingham, Print and Chambray in stripes and checks, trimmed and piped in plain colors, regular prices up to \$1.25. SPECIAL SATURDAY 89c

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