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THE SITUATION. The Crown Prince is still trying to get some sort of a decision on the Vardar front, but without avail.

Yesterday German troops were hurled against the French lines at many points along a front of over a mile, but they were repulsed after sustaining very heavy losses.

Enemy raiders have once more been taking toll of non-combatants in the Old Land. Attacks were made at many points and manifestly without any purpose, save that of creating promiscuous damage and causing terror.

The United States Government has advanced another \$35,000,000 to Great Britain, making a total to that country thus far of \$1,130,000,000, and to all the Allies to date, \$2,426,400,000.

DYNAMITERS ARRAIGNED

By Courier Leased Wire. Montreal, Sept. 25.—The nine men under arrest here on charges arising out of the dynamiting of the Cartier residence of Lord Atholstan, appeared in the Arraignment Court before Judge St. Cyr this morning and pleaded not guilty.

MUNITION EXPLOSION

By Courier Leased Wire. Lowell, Mass., Sept. 25.—Harry Cline was killed and eight others injured to-day by an explosion at the plant of the Newton Manufacturing company which is engaged in making shells for the government.

TRAFFIC TIED UP

By Courier Leased Wire. Chatham, Sept. 25.—Traffic on the C.P.R. was tied up throughout the morning hours as the result of a wreck a mile east of this city, when the Michigan special, west-bound, crashed into the rear-end of through freight No. 901.



MME. CHARLOTTE MAITRE. Wife of the deputy for Simons-Lofe, who won the Croix de Guerre with two bars the gold medal for Bravery and legion of honor. The picture was taken on the front in Alsace, where she was wounded not long ago.

BORDEN AND FRANCHISE FOR WOMEN

That the women of Canada appreciate the expansion of the franchise to relatives of soldiers, and also appreciate the difficulties in the way of a general enfranchisement at the present time, is shown by the manner in which the Franchise Bill has been accepted by the women of the country and advocates of woman franchise.

Speaking in the House on Monday, September 10th, he declared: "We are emerging to the point at which the women of this country must be entitled to the same voice in directing the affairs of the country as men, and so far as I am concerned I commit myself absolutely to that proposal."

It is apparent that the leaders of the woman's franchise movement in Canada quite approve of the stand taken by Sir Robert Borden. The following despatch which appeared in the daily press a day or so ago indicates this:

A letter signed by Mrs. F. H. Torrington, Mrs. Albert Gooderham, Mrs. E. A. Steaven, and Mrs. L. A. Hamilton, and referring to the war time election bill, has been issued. The ladies subscribing to the letter represent the National Equal Franchise Union, the Daughters of the Empire, the National Council of Women, and the Ontario W.C.T.U. The letter says:

"The result of numerous enquiries convinced these women that, considering the peculiar conditions which prevail at the present time in certain provinces and the uncertainty of the results in granting a full franchise, it would be desirable that a limited franchise should be given as a war measure in order that Canada may do her full part in the war and remain true to her sacred trust to the Canadian men now fighting the battle of freedom."

FOSTER SOUNDS FIRST NOTE

In a rousing address which he delivered last night in Toronto, Sir George Foster sounded the first call to the patriotism of the country, in connection with the approaching general election. With reference to the precipitation of a conflict he frankly said:

"The Liberal-Conservative Government did not want an election in war time, I am frank to tell you that. I am equally frank to tell you that they did not want it, not because they feared to face the electors, but because they thought they had better business to do in carrying on the war than in stopping war work to win an election."

Sir George reminded his hearers that the war was not yet over; that Germany still held nine-tenths of the best part of Belgium and a strip of the best part of France, in addition to considerable areas in Russia. While there was no cause for alarm yet there was still need for undiminished effort on the part of the Allies, and it was by her ability to "stick it out," to keep on to the end that Canada would be judged in the future.

In this Dominion voluntary enlistment had done very well indeed, at first, but the time had arrived when some other method would have to fill the ranks, or else leave the men in the trenches in numbers, in influence and fighting ability, and finally disappeared from the front. Did any one want that to happen, he queried, and the answer came back from the crowd with a roar of "No, never."

And this, he emphasized, will be the one great issue which will confront the elector in the approaching contest. Either the continued support of the brave lads in the trenches, or else their betrayal.

REFERENDUM ON FUEL AND FOOD AT NEXT ELECTIONS

Ald. MacBride and Fuel Committee Upheld Before Council by a Large Delegation of Ratepayers Last Evening—Council Makes Grant to Italian Red Cross

"Are you in favor of the municipality entering into the purchase and sale of fuel and food?" Such is the referendum upon which, conditional upon the assent of the attorney-general, Brantford electors will vote next January. The report authorizing the submission of the referendum was brought in by Ald. MacBride, at a stormy session of the city council, and passed after three hours of heated debate.

Ald. MacBride, chairman of the fuel and food committee introduced the following report from that body: "That the report prepared under paragraph 29A of section 399 of the Municipal Act stand as read a second time, and that a referendum be taken on the question at the next municipal elections, said referendum to be submitted in the following words:—"

"Are you in favor of the municipality entering into the purchase and sale of fuel and food?" Ald. MacBride in the first place appealed to Mayor Bowly to enforce the rules of debate. He then recalled the report of the committee submitted to the council on July 17th when recommendations were made to fix the price of coal. At the time, it had not been deemed expedient for the municipality to enter into the fuel business, but future developments, seemed in his opinion, to necessitate such a course.

Ald. Dowling stated that Ald. MacBride had waited upon the municipal board without the knowledge of the committee or of the council. He believed that local coal dealers were in no way responsible for the shortage last winter, and looked for a more even distribution this year owing to the entry of the U. S. A. into the war. He submitted that the by-law should be passed by the property owners, rather than by the general electors.

"If the by-law were voted upon by the ratepayers there would be no need to submit it to the Municipal Board," demurred Ald. MacBride. This Ald. Dowling and Mayor Bowly contradicted. Ald. Dowling said a little hope of receiving the approval of the Municipal Board for a by-law approved by the electors, and submitted an amendment to refer the committee's report back for revision to comply with the stipulations of the Municipal Board.

Ald. Dowling took issue with statement made before the board, that the council and the press were unanimous in favor of the by-law. "The by-law was twice read here without an opposing vote," observed Ald. MacBride. "If you objected to it, you had two opportunities to speak."

Ald. Second, seconding, Ald. Dowling's amendment, did not look for another year of such shortage as last winter, nor did he consider the city in a position to go into the fuel business at the present time. Referring to the by-law, Ald. Wilely considered that in the case of the electors approving a referendum, it would still be necessary to place a by-law before the property owners.

"Quite so," observed Mayor Bowly. Ald. Bragg urged getting down to business at once, without needless referendum, and advocated the placing of the by-law at once before the ratepayers, at no greater expense than the making of a referendum. "Put in a legal vote," observed Ald. Dowling.

Ald. Kelly emphasized the necessity of going into the business in a legal manner, and of laying the matter before the property owners. Ald. English looked to the Municipal Board to give its sanction for the third reading, and favored a referendum of all the ratepayers, which he considered would convince the board.

The referendum is perfectly legal, according to the city solicitor, declared Ald. MacBride. "Mr. Brewster so informed me this afternoon," declared Mayor Bowly. "He is acting city solicitor," retorted Ald. MacBride.

At this juncture, the following report from the factorymen was submitted by Mr. J. H. Clements:—The Mayor and Council, City of Brantford, Gentlemen:—With your permission, I will briefly outline the origin of the movement which led to our presence here this evening. Among the average factory men a keener interest than ever before is apparent on questions of the day. This we attribute to the strenuous times and conditions occasioned by the war. Therefore when a request was sent to the factories asking for delegates to confer with the Fuel and Food committee it met with a ready response. At the informal meeting, it was ascertained that practically every factory in the city was well represented in the gathering.



"Fighting Mac."

In regard to fuel supply are, I regret to say, by no means unknown in the City of Brantford. Similar situations have been experienced in the past (although not as serious as now) but nevertheless causing much hardship and suffering to those who through necessity are compelled to buy their fuel in small quantities. Up to date the dealers have been unable to meet the demand. Instances may be quoted by the score where responsible citizens have placed early orders, but so far have been unable to secure delivery. We do not wish to go on record as having any animosity toward the coal dealers, but the fact remains that they have failed to supply our requirements, and in some cases the prices are open to criticism. We feel that the domestic supply should be the first consideration, and a sufficient supply fully guaranteed at reasonable rates. This to date has not been done, therefore realizing the urgent necessity of securing immediate relief we are here tonight to request our elected representatives to take the matter in hand and make adequate provision to meet the needs of the hour.

We further wish to go on record as favoring the establishment of a permanent municipal fuel depot, as follows: 1. An emergency supply for private consumption; 2. In that there are numerous public buildings requiring large quantities of fuel, our judgment teaches us that a supply of this nature would be a public economy.

The creation of a permanent municipal fuel depot need not necessarily mean competition or opposition to our local dealers, but as a central source of supply for public buildings and as a guarantee against a repetition of the present shortage. It would also serve to prevent extortionate prices being charged.

J. HARVEY CLEMENTS. Various spectators voiced their opinions at this point, sounding a demand for an adequate supply of coal at once, whether by referendum or by-law, and supporting the demands of the report.

CONGRESS POSTPONED

By Courier Leased Wire. Petrograd, Sep. 25.—The Democratic Congress summoned by the soldiers and workers' central council, which was to have been convened to-day has been postponed until Thursday.



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LOCAL CARETAKERS PLENTY. Four applications for the position of caretaker at the Bell have been received by Glover, of the Parkes Building position is an enviable one comprising thirteen of the house are at the disposal of the tenant and proprietor. A vacancy was created Alexander tendered his resignation to the Board recently. ST. JOHN'S CHURCH. Since the holiday time choir of St. John's church re-established and the duties that appear from of September to Easter is the Annual Harvest Festival will be held on Sunday whole nation should be bounden duty, to return the Harvest also St. John's has decided to install a blower run by Hydro. GOES HOME. Centrefielder Jack McLas played with the club F. team of the city last the past season, and while welding of the willow important factor in the club, left to-day for Hamilton. McElvey was the best outfielders of the club and acres of ground and speed on the bases. CARS COLLIDED. When the automobile driven by G. Youngblood St. collided with a car H. Lampman, 16 North Hamilton, in that city right, the local man's body, although badly damaged. The car about half past two cars struck each other they rounded the corner. At Forty People F their arms "short", that arms are not enough to hold matter far enough their eyes to right "focus". Our Glasses in this defect in Jarvis Optical 52 MARKET ST. - PHONE 1000. Just North of Dalhousie Street 1st for my Hours 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily until 9 p.m. evenings, 7.30 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays 12.30 to 4 p.m. August and September. NEIL PREP WE Solid Prod FO Ne 15