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THURSDAY, AUG. 29, 1918

## THE SITUATION.

The story of continued Allied progress on the Western front still proceeds without any abatement. It seems almost incredible to the average onlooker that the Hun, who only a few short weeks ago seemed to strike almost as he pleased at points of his own choosing and then to rest up until he got ready for another attack, should now be harried from point to point with not enough time vouchsafed him to secure a firm hold anywhere, yet this is what has taken place. The marked reversal seemed at first almost too good to be permanent, but it is continued day after day until at least the truth has been brought home that the German initiative has passed into limbo. The French and British armies continue to drive the enemy back to the old Hindenburg line and the present offensive may be carried even beyond that. In their retreat north of the Avre River the Huns are being vigorously pursued by the French and harassed by their own mustard gas shells, while there are signs of demoralization among the German infantry.

The Canadian troops still continue to cover themselves with glory. Since Monday in company with a famous Highland division they have advanced over six miles and have cut into the main Hindenburg artery. There is no holding them back any more than the rest of the heroic Allied forces.

Over The Courier leased wire today comes the announcement that French troops have taken Noyon. This follows closely upon their seizure of Chaulnes, the great German defensive point on the Picardy front, and will still further jeopardize enemy forces and material.

## THE RIGHTS OF CHILDREN.

Hon. H. J. Cody, the new Minister of Education, during the course of a speech dwelt upon the above subject in a most forcible and comprehensive manner. He pointed out that over half a million pupils were enrolled in the schools of Ontario, and that neglect in any essential with regard to them was not only a crucial thing, but "nationally suicidal." Germany, for instance, had become a menace to the world because of wrong educational and political ideas, the speaker, of course, using the word political in the sense of pertaining to polity or civil government.

He emphasized five prerogatives which should be recognized with regard to them:

First, there was the spiritual factor.

Secondly, the right to be well born; to be physically, mentally and morally sound.

Thirdly, decent and healthful home surroundings, with nourishing food and good mothering. Infant mortality in this Province of 9.35 per thousand was altogether too high.

Fourthly, protection against drunken, or neglectful parents.

Fifthly, they hold a right to be given a sound education which involves "strong in body, cultured in mind, devout in spirit and qualified for life work." Education had been well defined as what maturity owes to youth and the children constituted the most precious of all duties devolving upon the adult.

## NO END TO GIVING.

The following from The Chicago Tribune should sink deeply in the hearts and remembrance of each one of us;

"Is there no end to giving? There is not—until the great end. The best line that any advertiser in the United States ever wrote was the line: 'While some one gives his life, what are you giving? Think a minute.'

"What are you giving, you who run loose and go about your virtually undisturbed affairs? What are you giving when you think a minute of the fellows who fight Germans and cootles, rats and trench fever, gas and shrapnel, mud and filth, and endure atrocious suffering or miserable discomfort?

"What have you given or what can you give? The demands upon your money do come rapidly. It is the way they have to come. It represents the pressure which must be put upon you. Even this pressure is an indication of your own good fortune. You are here, being asked for your money, but not your life.

"This is the way in which the loose coin of the nation is shaken out of its pockets; the fashion in which lose habits are ironed out and community discipline imposed."

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

There are a great many contrary opinions with regard to the probable size of the Western wheat crop, but the outstanding fact consists of the circumstance that the yield will be much better than at one time seemed likely.

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The German high command has given the Bavarian Crown Prince a long leave. There are some others of that ilk who ere long will find themselves in like circumstance.

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Senator Vardaman of Mississippi was overwhelmingly defeated in the primaries when he sought a Democratic nomination. His attitude has been pro-German and he has also been an expert in twisting the tail of the B. lion. Now it is his own political neck which has undergone that process.

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The Irish are about as hard to size up as a woman's intentions. Voluntary recruiting there has lately been most marked—as many in two weeks as in previous months—and some prominent Sinn Feiners have enrolled.

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The French on the Avre River found some abandoned mustard gas shells and used them against the original owners. In all the other sections they are also getting abundantly peppered, so it is an extra hot time all round for them.

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The Kaiser, on a visit to the King of Saxony, is now in Dresden. He is destined to be broken in the same way as a good many other things which come from there.

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New York Herald: Wherever the Germans in this war have made a move, political or military, they have found themselves opposed by the British. At the beginning their mercantile marine was blocked by the British fleet; the "contemptible little army" of Lord Kitchener saved Northern France and Belgium; British submarines were in the Baltic and British gunners in Galicia. When the Austro-Germans made their irruption in Italy last year British air, land and sea forces rushed to her defence. Like a good player Britain has thwarted every move of the Germans on the chess board of the world.

## Your Problems ?? Solved ??

By Rev. T. S. Linscott, D.D.

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**Dr. Linscott in this column will help you solve your heart problems, religious, marital, social, financial and every other anxious care 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.**

Love of Praise—It is as natural to desire appreciation as food. God loves and expects praise. A runner can increase his speed through cheers; all normal people can beat their best, stimulated by appreciation. While the desire for appreciation is a virtue, it can easily be made a vice if one loves praise more than to deserve it.

Political Corruption—A strong party man accuses the other party of gross corruption and can hardly see how a good man can belong to such a party. You are evidently a man blinded by prejudice. Men who are corrupt when belonging to one party would be equally corrupt if they belonged to the other. It is not the party which makes men dishonest, but corrupt human nature. When a party has been long in power there is a tendency to gather around the ship of state crooked practises, like barnacles around an old vessel, that need scraping off by a change of parties in control of the government. Political corruption is not a result of any particular party doctrine, but of selfish human nature.

## CONTINUE TO CLOSE.

The merchants of the city have signified their decision to close their stores on Wednesday afternoons during the month of September. It was thought that they would keep open, but on enquiry this was found not to be the case. This statement is issued on the authority of the president of the Retail Merchants Association.

Coles Shoe Co. have a special line of school footwear for real active boys and girls. Mothers, bring the children, if not, send them—they'll receive the utmost satisfaction either way at 122 Colborne street.

## C.P.R. STRIKE DEFERRED.

Montreal, Aug. 28.—At the conference this afternoon it was decided to defer the strike of the C.P.R. telegraphers for the present and to submit the issue to the Labor Department at Ottawa. Neither side bound itself to accept the suggestions made by the department.

THE GERMAN EMPRESS
Whose illness has taken a critical turn, according to reports received in Amsterdam.

# FREE PRESS QUESTION IS REVIVED

### Report on Finances of Defunct Paper Submitted to T. and L. Council

### OTHER MATTERS UP

The books of the defunct Brantford Free Press were found to be in good condition according to the report submitted by the special committee to the Trades and Labor council at the meeting last evening. There was a good attendance despite the threatening and descending showers, about thirty members being present. The session was somewhat lengthy as there was considerable business that received discussion.

Early in the evening the seating of three men delegates from the Baker's Union took place.

The first important question to be considered was then brought forward. The representatives of the tailors union, the aggrieved party, said that it was useless to interfere with the action of the Street Railway men's union for the clothes were made and being worn by the men. The discussion turned on the action of Mr. Clemlingen in denying through the press his statements made to the T. and L. council. Delegate Bonner, moved a motion to the effect, that is the Street Railway Men's Union refused to come and explain the situation, they should be suspended from holding meetings in the Labor Hall. Delegates Armstrong and Kite thought it too arbitrary to take such action. Whereupon Alderman Symons arose and spoke very elequently on the subject "Why should the whole union be punished for the action of one man?" he demanded. The Commissioners would be only too pleased to see the union thrown down. Alderman Symons then moved that the secretary be instructed to write the Street Railwaymen's Union requesting their presence at the next meeting to explain the situation. This was seconded by Delegate Armstrong and carried.

**Delegate to Convention.**

The sending of a delegate to the Trades and Labor convention was the subject of considerable discussion. It was finally decided to make up the balance of money to make the cash on hand and Alderman Symons was elected to be the delegate.

**The Auditors Report.**

The following auditors report was submitted by J. Lewis, Auditor;

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| Total Recipts | $259.83 |
| Total Disbursements | $250.29 |
| Cash on hand | $9.54 |
| Outstanding accounts | $82.17 |

The books have been examined and found to be in excellent condition.

**The Isaacs Case.**

Delegate Neal reported on this case. He had received a letter from the Indian office at Ottawa recommending that the matter be dropped as the head of Alfred Isaacs had been buried with the body. This did not satisfy the T. and L. Council and as Delegate Neal had not yet decided upon a recommendation he was referred back to the committee for further consideration.

**Investigation of Free Press.**

Delegate Neal, chairman of the committee appointed to investigate the financial conditions of the defunct Free Press then submitted his report, showing that the books had been audited frequently and in excellent condition. The books showed a cash balance of $20 and accounts of $150.00.

The financial statement is as follows.

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| Cash in Bank | $19.63 |
| Outstanding accounts | $90.00 |
| Former manager responsible for | $103.00 |
| A total of | $212.63 |

took after the collecting of the accounts.

## SCHOLES' ESTATE.

Toronto, Aug. 29.— John F. Scholes, former proprietor of the Athlete Hotel here, and well known sportsman, who died recently, left an estate valued at $44,325. The hotel is valued at $17,094 and the cash left is $11,938. The hotel is left in equal shares to his sons, Captain Louis and John F. Scholes and the residue to members of the testator's family.

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# BOWLING TOURNAMENT POSTPONED

### Word Was Received of More Casualties and Hotel Changes Hands

(From our own Correspondent)

Paris, Aug. 29—The annual bowling tournament which was to have been held here yesterday afternoon, has been postponed until Wednesday, Sept. 18th, when the handsome trophy, given by Mr. Bonner, on behalf of the Penman Co., will be played for. In spite of the heavy rain, a large attendance of bowlers were present, showing the great interest manifested in the tournament. A pleasant hour was spent during luncheon.

Mrs. Anna Lamb, West River St., received word this week that her son Pte. Norman Lamb, who went over to France with the 19th Battalion, is suffering from gunshot wounds in the right leg, and was admitted to hospital on Aug. 18th. At the time he enlisted, Pte. Lamb drove the Penman Co's. truck.

Word has been received in town by Mrs. Ada Keen, that her son, Pte. Ed. O. Keen, who was wounded some time ago, is progressing favorably.

Official word has reached here that Pte. J. T. Tolbrush, of St. George, has been killed in action. Deceased was known to many in town.

The collection for the British Red Cross and Navy League combined, is being arranged for Oct. 12th.

A tennis tournament has been arranged by the members of the Nu Omicron, the preliminary rounds to be played by Saturday, Aug. 31st. The schedule is in charge of Mr. J. M. Hall at whose store scores are to be recorded.

Miss Fleming of Glenmorris, formerly principal of the continuation school at Ayr, has been engaged as principal of the Ayr public school, at a salary of $800 per annum.

The Paris branch of the North Brant Women's Institute will hold their regular meeting to-morrow afternoon, at the home of Mrs. A. Deane, Keg Lane, when Mrs. Kew of St. George will give an address.

The American Hotel at the Junction, formerly owned by Mr. Kohlbrenner, has been purchased by the MacFarlane Engineering Co. to be used as a boarding house for employes.

Theo. Sayles, W. Parnell and D. A. Holmes won 5th, 6th and 7th prizes in the field competition oats.

The oat crop around Paris good, Postmaster J. P. Nunnan threshing 75 bushels to the acre. Owing to the recent dry spell corn in this section will be light.

The death took place on Tuesday night of Mr. Benjamin Stock, after an illness of some four months from acute asthma, in the 58th year of his age. Deceased was born in Rochdale, Lancashire, England, and came to Canada about 31 years ago, first settling in Hespeler, where he spent four years. From that period until his demise he had resided in Paris, where by his integrity and sterling worth, he had made a large circle of friends, who learned of his death with sincere regret. He had been engaged as foreman of the knitting department of Penman's Ltd. for many years. The late Mr. Stock was well known in athletic circles, having played on the Hespeler baseball team, and for twenty years being associated with the famous Paris Cricket Cub, before it disbanded some ten years ago. He was also a member of the Paris Glee Club. Some thirty-three years ago he was united in marriage to Miss Annie Bolduc of Hesepler, who survives him, as also six daughters, Ethel, Alice, Mae, Gladys, Viola and Evelyn and one son, Clifford, all at home, to whom the sympathy of a wide circle of friends will be extended. The funeral will take place from the Church of the Sacred Heart tomorrow morning and thence to the R. C. Cemetery.

Miss F. E. Mylne and Miss Stella Begg are holidaying at London and Port Stanley.

Mrs. W. Norris and Miss Blanche Norris have returned home after a pleasant holiday with friends at Ashtabula, O., and Buffalo.

About two months ago a man named Sidney Albert Lee obtained a raincoat and other apparel from Messrs. Blackhurst and Gill by false pretences. His description was published by Chief Rutherford and Lee was finally apprehended at Owen Sound on Monday. He was brought to Paris by the Chief and yesterday Lee appeared before Magistrate Patterson and remanded until Saturday. It now transpires that the prisoner is a deserter from one of the Hamilton units and is wanted also by the military authorities. It is also charged that at Ingersoll Lee stole a considerable sum of money from a boarding house. He is reported to be an old timer in his records with the police and believed to have served several years in jail.

# THE WIFE

### BY JANE PHELPS, AUTHOR OF "MARGARET GARRETT'S HUSBAND," AND OTHER NOTABLE STORIES.

CHAPTER XI

**Brian Tells Ruth What He Earns. Plan to Use it to Advantage**

When Ruth asked Brian for the dollar, for Mrs. Murphy, she added: "You better give me a little more; she is coming up to do the dishes."

"How much

"Oh I guess twenty-five cents will be enough for her. There aren't many."

Brian counted out twenty-five cents and added it to the dollar, then handed it to Ruth. Had she thought he would give her more, so preventing her being placed where she would have to borrow from Mrs. Murphy again, she was disappointed.

"Brian," she said, after a pause, "don't you think we'd better sit down together and plan to use your salary to the best advantage, like the young couple in the story?"

"Very well, perhaps it will be the best way."

It was late when they finished. Ruth was too amazed to speak when Brian told her what he earned Why she often had paid more for a gown than his entire monthly salary. But she hid her surprise from him. She had married him knowing he was a poor man—how poor, she never had dreamed—and she would do the best she could. So they apportioned their income. So much for rent; so much for food, ice, lights; so much for rough help. The rest they divided in half. Ruth to do as she pleased with her half, Brian to have the same privilege.

"But dear, we haven't counted a penny for outings or theatres," she said when finally they got up to retire.

"No, I guess we'll have to do without many theatres for a while. We'll go to the movies occasionally, and if we do go to the theatre we will each pay for our own ticket."

"Oh, how funny," and Ruth laughed hysterically. Not that she really thought it funny, but that it seemed so utterly incongruous. The idea that she should buy her own ticket, and he his, out of that part of the meagre amount left for clothes, etc., made her hysterical.

"How long do you think it will be Brian before you can earn more?" she asked soberly the next morning at breakfast. She had eaten nothing, neither had she slept. She was beginning to realize that, even though she loved him and was willing to economize, that unless he quickly brought in more money they could scarcely afford to live even in the, to her, mean little place they now occupied.

"Oh very soon. I shall get some paying cases before long. There's a man down on Long Island owes me a little money. I'll try to collect that. Is there anything particular you want right away?"

"No, dear, but I've been thinking You see, our clothes will soon be shabby and out of style. We will have to have new ones. We can't possibly buy new ones on what you earn now."

"Don't cross bridges until you come to them. I don't see but we are pretty well fixed. By the time we need clothes, we'll be able to have them."

Ruth bit her lip and said no more. And not even Brian's compliment because of her improved breakfast could bring a smile to her face.

Brian really meant what he said. He didn't see but what they were pretty well fixed. He never had been accustomed to luxury, and the neat, simply furnished rooms, with the dainty muslin curtains at the windows and soft-toned rag rugs on the floor, the comfortable chairs, big table—which after dinner was cleared away, they used as a reading table—seemed to him all that was necessary for comfort. Brian thought a great deal of that; his comfort. Had he not, perhaps he might have been more successful in a business way. But "mannana" was always on his lips. Never was he in a hurry to accomplish anything; another day was coming, he would do it then.

He had a very optimistic nature, and a way of impressing people who did not know him, fostering in them the belief that he would accomplish great things. But Mrs. Clayborne had seen the weakness in his character, and had feared for Ruth's happiness because of it.

Had Brian been or had Mrs Clayborne thought him more stable, she would not so much have minded his poverty, and she would have assisted him and Ruth until such a time as they could get along alone. But she sensed his weakness, and felt sure that sooner or later Ruth would wake up to the sort of man she had married and come back home. Not that Mrs. Clayborne thought Brian a bad man. She didn't. And he wasn't; but she did sense his limitations. He was, he always would be, a financial failure, so she thought. And so, after a month or two of life in New York had Ruth begun to think.

It was so belittling, Ruth thought, to count every penny. Yet, never did she voice a complaint. She went to market in all the bravery of her expensive gowns, carried a basket, and bought a little of this, and a little of that, and, as Mrs. Murphy said, "lugged it home."

To say Ruth was happy would not be true. It would be equally untrue to say she was unhappy at this time. She was still very much in love with Brian; yet she often spent nearly her entire day weeping. Her surroundings, in spite of all she could do, depressed her. She longed for the dainty, beautiful things to which she all her life, had been accustomed.

Continued To-morrow

# "ALIBI IKE" SALZMANN TO THE FORE.

### Germany Adopted a New Policy Back in July, He Declares

### END OF WAR NEARER?

Amsterdam, Aug. 28—Captain von Salzmann, who is usually entrusted with the task of preparing the German people for a change of policy, elaborately explains that German attempts to force a decision by means of much vaunted hammer blows were really abandoned on July 15, in the course of an article written for The Vossische Zeitung of Berlin. Captain von Salzmann declares:

"Even the recent considerable tactical successes of the Entente nations cannot alter the fact that Field Marshal von Hindenburg has brought nearer the end of the war, which England and America are endeavoring to prolong as much as possible.

"Apart from considerable loss or gain of ground, it is to the advantage of the Germans to entice the enemy into the trackless, roadless, and waterless waste of the Somme.

"It must be admitted that England was the first to turn the war into a world war. Thus Premier Lloyd George, Field Marshal von Hindenburg's great opponent as so often before, is endeavoring to shift the centre of gravity of England and Germany at the beginning of the twentieth century. Germany, a purely continental power, fighting for Europe, while England, a world power for centuries, is fighting all over the world.

"It is to her interest to establish an equilibrium on the western front and seek partial decisions elsewhere. Final decisions must be made in France.

"Germany is just as ready to adopt a new policy as to adopt new military tactics. Germany must, however, realize that England's history clearly shows she can learn her lesson. Striking proof of this is afforded by her successful resistance to the last German offensive. German's problems in the fifth year of the war can only be solved only if she is able to find new ways and methods in the political, as well as military sphere."

**FACING DARK HOURS.**

Amsterdam, Aug. 28.—"The German army and nation now face dark hours. May God protect the fatherland," concludes an article by Lieut.-Gen. Baron von Ardenne in The Dusseledorf Machrichten of Tuesday.

"The period from August 20 to 28 has been one of the trying tests of this hardest of wars," the critic continues, but he thinks the Germans have stood the test magnificently and compares certain isolated actions with the stand of Leonidas at Thermopylae."

General von Ardenne speaks of measures "of which it is not yet permitted to speak," and which will aid the Germans in resuming the initiative and recouping their losses. He does not believe the offensive will end speedily.

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