

series of lithographs depicting the horrors of war; Charles Sims, R. A., large war allegory; Augustus John, large decorative painting; Edgar Bundy, A. R. A., two complementary pictures, entitled "The First Landing of the Pilgrims" and "The Landing of the Canadians in France"; Mrs. Laura Knight, A. R. V. S., and Miss Alice Jones, two complementary scenes of life in Canadian training camps; G. Clauson, R. A., large decorative painting; John L. Wilson, R. A., "Robert Borden Reviewing the Canadian Troops in France"; C. R. W. Beckett, "The March of the Canadian Wilkisons, R. I., 'Transport of Canadian Engineers Across Atlantic'; C. H. Shannon, "The Landing of the Canadian Patrols of Connaught"; W. Nicholson, R. S. A., "General Turner, V. C., and Co.".

In addition to these Professor Gerald Mira has finished a very fine decorative scheme, showing the Canadian soldiers at work in Windsor Park, Julius Olsson, A. R. A., will paint a large picture of the Canadian hospital, Algernon Talmage and Leonard Richmond, R. B. A., subjects connected with the Canadian army, and the new way work in France, and S. J. Solomon and Spencer Watson, portraits.

The bend was completely controlled and hemmed in, and it was better, I thought, to let the enemy sacrifice his men in holding a position useless to him.

By W. A. WILLISON, Canadian Press
Correspondent in Flanders.

Canadian Army Headquarters, December 20.—On the evening of this Christmas message is being sent to the British Commonwealth brigades, battalion and man. It is our deeply sincere wish for a year of peace and prosperity to all our dear ones in Canada. This is not merely stereotyped wish. Behind the words is a deep and abiding belief in the splendid work which has been carried to such successful conclusion by the Canadian unit in the theatre. It is a full recognition of the sacrifices that have been made, the difficulties overcome, the discipline endured and the high standard of discipline maintained. Your actions in the theatre have been a constant reminder to be revered, respected and honored now and throughout the years to come.

San Francisco, Dec. 26. A woman designated only as "H" and said to be a German spy, who had been in service directed by the German navy, Schuenburg, alleged master spy, today told a federal grand jury in San Francisco information divulged today by federal authorities. Schuenburg is alleged to have acted as a spy for Germany in bridges, public buildings in Canada, shipping and warehouses in Panama.

Von Igel Again

Officials said the woman became acquainted here four days before she was captured. She was captured yesterday before her part in Schuenburg's alleged spy work was disclosed. The clue to her part in Schuenburg's alleged spy work was disclosed today among his effects. It instructed Schuenburg to meet her in Los Angeles, where she was to meet a man named Von Igel, who was in Cleveland, Ohio. Investigation also disclosed that the woman had been in contact with a man named Franz von Papen, military secretary to Franz von Papen, military attaché of the German embassy in Washington, D. C., and a German espionage agent in this country.

She was described as a person of about 35 years of age, with a high birth and education.

DIES IN JAIL; ESCAPES GALIWS

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 25.—(Canadian Press.) Carmelo Sofie Marbilto, the Italian woman who was found guilty of the murder of her husband at the trial of the "Black Legion" in the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, was sentenced to be hanged on January 15, died on the gallows at the provincial penitentiary at the county jail. Death was due to pneumonia fever and heart trouble.

Her husband, Joseph Marbilto, was also hanged. Her brother, Joseph Nerl, who is also under sentence of death on the same date, has been greatly affected by the death of Carmelo.

It is assumed that the party who now make their way to some and then return to the mainland, will be for the first steamer that will bring them back to Canada. It is possible, however, that St. John's may decide to go overland to Dawson.

It is understood here that Mr. St. John's, who was the first to leave northern division of the Canadian Arctic expedition, spent last winter in the Arctic region. He is expected to come out either via Lancaster Sound and Labrador or the Behring Sea route. He is expected to come either of these routes, but chose to come over the ice at Herschel Island. He is expected to come by the coast of Fort MacPherson. His party consists of about 24 men.

Gore, Dec. 25.—(Canadian Press.) The Canadian Arctic expedition,

London, Dec. 2.—The Russo-German peace negotiations, which were held resumed on Monday after a postponement to give the Germans time to formulate their reply on the Russian ultimatum, were telegraphed today, an Exchange Telegram dispatch from Petrograd reports.

The dispatch says the Germans have asked for a further postponement until January 2.

**FIRE RADES BLOCION
HEART OF EDMONTON**

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Paris, Dec. 28.—"On the right bank of the Meuse (Verdun front) the energetic use of our batteries put an end to a vigorous bombardment on our lines in the region of Boexnoivaux," says today's official communiqué.

"In the region of St. Quentin and in Upper Alsace French patrols penetrated German trenches and brought back prisoners."

"Everywhere else the night was calm."

its loss would be a national misfortune. It means much both to the man who labors and to him who works with his brain. Men would eat a great deal more tobacco and would be glad to hold that the deprivation of work great discomfort."

The labor system is "dying," however, forecast by the newspaper.

obtain a 10 per cent increase they will strike, according to President Barton of the Iron Trade Council, in a statement made public today. It was said federal intervention was anticipated.

THURSDAY—SNOW.
Toronto, Dec. 26—8 a.m.
Forecasts.
Today—Fair and cold
Thursday—Easterly winds,
SNOW.

eight passenger trains, four in each direction, between here and New York. The last train will leave at 11:30 p.m. and it was announced that a further reduction in passenger service will become effective on January 6.

A reduction in the number of passenger cars attached to trains operating between New York and Washington, D.C., to eight train cars, will be effected by the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The reduction in passenger service is established by traffic experts will enable the two railroads to increase their volume of freight by about 40,000 tons daily.

Winnipeg	16	25
Calgary	16	25
Parky Sound	16	24
Edmonton	16	24
Regina	16	24
Buffalo	20	16
Toronto	24	12
Ottawa	22	4
Quebec	22	4
Montreal	20	16
St. John's Point	20	16
Minus	1	means below zero.

The weather has become much colder in Ontario and Quebec, and continued cold in the Western provinces.

**Loot Mail, Killing Driver, and
Lose Many in Fight With
Troops.**

After the bandits had passed over the Rim Rock which rises abruptly more than 1,000 feet above the valley, they carried all its original supplies, except automobiles.

FRENCH LABORITES WANT A STATEMENT OF TERMS

Clermont Ferrand, France, Dec. 26.—At its national conference here, the General Federation of Labor today adopted a resolution calling for a declaration referring to the war aims set forth by President Wilson, saying that the labor movement in France and Germany were virtually the same and declaring the position of the French workers was identical to that in Italy.

The federation was instructed to employ its efforts to induce the German Government to make a clear public statement of its conditions of peace.

He says conditions reports that Stockholm will be the scene of the continuation of the peace negotiations.

He says that the sessions in Stockholm will be held in the presence of the delegates now at Brest-Litovsk, expected in the Swedish capital.

STATE RESTAURANT MENU

CARLISLE, England, Dec. 11.—The menu for the new restaurant at Marlborough House has been opened by the liquor cabinet.

The menu for an 18d dinner consists of soup, roast beef, potatoes, or steamed mince, pudding or fruit and rice, coffee and cigars, to be followed by half-crown dinner and 10s. for dinner and cigars.

The menu for a dinner of 10s. consisted of five courses.

PETROGRAD, Monday, Dec.
News of a revolutionary plot ag
King Ferdinand of Rumania has

troops of Gen. Kornilov's command have been defeated near Bielgorod Bolsheviki, chiefly soldiers and sailors of the Black and Baltic Sea fleets. machine guns and much ammunition are said to have been captured. The Bolsheviki have begun an

The news agency announces a semi-official denial has been issued from Stockholm to Russian reports that Sweden is moving troops toward Finland and is massing forces opposite the Åland Islands.

[By Mr. A. Willison, Canadian Correspondent in Flanders, Canadian Army Headquarters, 28—Canadian front was quiet Christmas. Canadian patrols were active, while our artillery, mortars and machine guns have a trifle busier. Poor visibility has aeroplane observation difficult; three low-flying enemy machines taking the trenches, swept them with gunfire yesterday. Taking advantage of the snow on the ground, a small German party endeavored to approach our wire, dressed in white and was dispersed by our machine guns.]

London, Dec. 2.—The Russo-German peace negotiations, which were to have been resumed here today, have a strong opponent to give the Germans time to formulate their reply on the Russian terms for a truce.

An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Petrograd reports:

"The Russian government says the Germans have asked for a further postponement until January 2.

The remainder of the northern division, consisting of the Russian battleships, is now sunk, in endeavoring to reach Her Island, eight members of the party, including the Russian admiral, were killed, and nine men, including Capt. R. B. Baggett, succeeded in reaching Wrangel Island.

"The Russian fleet is now on foot of the Siberian coast and thence to Alaska, and is unable to communicate with the outside world to have relief ships sent.

"The shipwrecked Russian crew on Wrangel Island by the schooners Kora and Wing, and transferred to the United States revenue cutter

Edmonton, Dec. 26.—Fire which broke

hardware, was greatly damaged by water. The loss of the Cockshutt Company is \$10,500; Lyons' loss is \$13,000, partly covered by insurance and Werner's loss is about \$5,000 on stock, caused by water, which is covered by insurance.

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THREATEN TO STRIKE

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—Unless approximately ten thousand iron workers employed in shops here and in Oakland obtain a 10 per cent increase they will

		High.	Low.	Weight
Dec.	duces railroad congestion, the Philadel-	Victoria	34	32
ber.	phia and Reading Railway today	Calgary	16	26
have	withdrawn from its New York service	Winnipeg	16	26
en-	eight passenger trains, four in each	Port Arthur...	4	16
ch	direction, between here and New York.	Perry Sound...	16	4
	Several local trains were also annulled	Port Stanley...	20	10

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