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## THE SITUATION

The record from the Western front these days is simply one succession of German reverses. At all points the Allies continue to make marked advances and the foe is now where making any kind of a definite stand except in Flanders. Here the Huns had their front lines heavily manned, and the British were in particular opposed by a violent defensive, but as usual made good.

In Belgium, despite rainy weather which has turned the ground into a sea of mud, progress has been made on a wide front, and the important railway and road centres of Menin and Thourout have been taken. It is very manifest that the Belgian coast will soon be entirely cleared of the enemy. The Allied forces are under the command of King Albert.

French troops north of Namur and in the Champagne have made further important advances, and in Macedonia, Serbian troops have captured heights dominating both banks of the southern Morava.

In both Berlin and Essen there has been rioting, with cries of "Down with the War," and revolutionary songs. The police were powerless to control the mobs, and it is related that soldiers refused to fire upon the demonstrators.

The London News understands that the British Government in reply to Turkey, has stated that the only basis on which any terms will be considered is that of unconditional surrender.

## AN OUTCAST.

The unanimity with which civilized lands the world over have repudiated Germany's latest peace proposal, must have opened the eyes of the Hohenzollern outfit to the absolute and unmitigated abhorrence in which they and all their so-called principles are held. The emphatic and unmistakable answer is that the war must go on until the big bully has been beaten to his knees and sues for terms. Nothing short of that will suffice. President Wilson put the matter in admirable terms in his latest message when he said:

"At the very time that the German Government approaches the Government of the United States with proposals of peace its submarines are engaged in sinking passenger ships at sea, and not the ships alone, but the very boats in which their passengers and crews seek to make their way to safety; and in their present enforced withdrawal from Flanders and France the German armies are pursuing a course of wanton destruction, which has always been regarded as in direct violation of the rules and practices of civilized warfare. Cities and villages, if not destroyed, are being stripped of all they contain, not only, but often, of their very inhabitants. The nations associated against Germany cannot be expected to agree to a cessation of arms while acts of inhumanity, spoliation and desolation are being continued, which they justly look upon with horror and with burning hearts."

The murderous crew are now anxious to save their diabolical skins as far as possible, but they shall not thus escape. They started the world conflagration for their own devilish ends and the measure of their punishment must be such as will adequately fit the crime. On top of that the would-be military Goliath must be definitely and effectually hamstringed.

## AN EXCELLENT MOVE.

By advertisement elsewhere in this issue the Provincial Board of Health with the authority and co-operation of the Ontario Government, extends a call for volunteer nurses in order the more effectively to help fight the prevailing influenza plague.

The Provincial Secretary at the meeting held in the Parliament Buildings pointed out that the ordinary agencies for dealing with health matters have become overtaxed by reason of depletion in the medical and nursing staffs of various hospitals throughout the land where members of such staffs have themselves become victims of the disease, and consequent overloading upon the remaining members of the profession to the point where human endurance has reached its limit. In these circumstances it seemed wise to those charged with such responsibility that a meeting of this kind should be assembled—a meeting of patriotic men and women, to consider the situation and endeavor to do everything possible to cope with the emergency by way of formation of an auxiliary which will help as far as

possible. While it would not be as effective as if more time were at their disposal, yet "where there's a will there's a way," and where people will have a strong and determined will to do all possible to cope with a crisis such as is at present under consideration very effective assistance can be rendered. The marvels in organization performed by which Canada in a short period of time placed 450,000 representatives at the front, and Australia, South Africa and New Zealand have made magnificent contributions of men and money, and whereby Great Britain has placed 6,000,000 men in battle should prove an inspiration. Under these circumstances it may be possible, even for those who have had no experience in nursing, to decide that with proper instruction from those who have had experience they will be willing to place themselves at the disposal of the health authority of the municipality, to be sent to homes where they are needed and carry out instructions. The Provincial Secretary expressed himself as delighted with the large response in such short notice and felt sure that many others would join forces with the association as soon as time and opportunity offered.

The response already made to the volunteer call in Brantford and other places has abundantly demonstrated that the women of this Province are willing to nobly do their duty as in all other respects and with a central organization matters will certainly be co-ordinated in a most effective way.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

How would it do to change the Brantford civic coat of arms to a policeman with baton rampant?

It is to be hoped that Dr. Pearson will reconsider his resignation as Medical Health Officer during the present crisis. At the same time The Courier is strongly of the opinion that no man in active practice should hold that job for the reason that during periods of epidemic the demands of his own patients constitute all of the burden that one man can carry.

Turkey these days is willing to part with its wish bone and everything else for that matter in order to stand in with the Entente Allies.

There are very few indeed who have fallen so low as to do Germany honor these days.

The dewhiskered members of the Bolsheviks are commencing to get alarmed and have hastened to announce that they will release all the remaining British officials left in Russia. What most of them need is a hair cut right back of the neck.

The Huns are getting back to the Meuse. The chap who wrote the Hymn of Hate hadn't had time to call upon his muse in connection with this fact.

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.

"A Common Laborer" wants to know what prospect there is for him in this world or the next? Your prospects are bright and they are getting brighter. Laborers are making more money than mechanics made up to four or five years ago. The lot of the laboring man during the centuries has not been the best but these dark days are over. Many laboring men rise to positions of distinction and it is possible for you to do so. As to the next world your prospect is away ahead of rich men. Christ's mission is largely to the working classes, and he is building a mansion for you in the skies. A World of Woe. Miss W. W. asks, "Have we a right to be happy with so much suffering in the world?" We certainly have the right and more than that it is our duty. It is the only way to do our full share in helping in the great war for righteousness. The present black war cloud hovering over the world is a sure harbinger of a better day and the blessings which the war is going to bring to the earth will be more than enough to compensate for its fearful ravages.

## ITALIAN STATEMENT

By Courier Leased Wire  
Rome, Tuesday, Oct. 15.—The text of the Italian statement issued at the war office to-day reads: "There has been considerable local fighting from Lake Garda to the Brenna valley. Our artillery has carried out effective bombardments in the Legarina Valley and the Arsa valley. Patrol encounters favorable to us have been fought at Concalaghi end in the Arsa valley. "On the Asago plateau, reconnoitering parties entered an enemy advance post and returned without loss."

## LAIDAT REST

M. GIOVONIAN.  
The funeral took place yesterday afternoon of another influenza victim, Marhan Giovonian. The service was held at Beckett's undertaking rooms, after which interment was made at Mount Hope Cemetery.

## MRS. CAGARIAN.

There was laid to rest yesterday morning Mrs. Padig Cagarian, whose death was caused by Spanish influenza. The funeral took place yesterday morning from Beckett's undertaking rooms to Mount Hope Cemetery. The service was conducted by Rev. J. B. Potheringham.

## G. SCARFE

Sorrowing friends from every walk of life followed the body of the late Gordon Scarfe to its last resting place in Greenwood cemetery yesterday afternoon. While the Board of Health restricted the number of the Rotary Club, of which the late Mr. Scarfe was an enthusiastic member, from attending in a body, a large representation of its members were present. The service at the home of the deceased, 52 Brant Avenue, were conducted privately by the Rev. G. A. Woodside, pastor of Zion church. Mr. Scarfe was an active and energetic worker. A wealth of beautiful floral tributes filled the room in which the body lay. The pall bearers were Messrs. J. E. Welsh, W. C. Bourhill, John Wallace, W. Liddell, G. Stratford and Trudell.

## MRS. MOORE.

The mortal remains of Mrs. Chas. Moore, 31 Eagle avenue, were tenderly laid away in Mount Hope Cemetery yesterday. The deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cord of Hamilton, and was cut down without any warning in the flower of her young motherhood. She leaves a lonely husband to bear her loss and three young children. Violet May, aged 7; Cecil Gordon, aged 4; Margaret Cinthie, aged 2, and a large circle of relatives and friends. Rev. David Alexander, acting pastor of First Baptist Church, conducted a comforting service at the home, and also officiated at the grave. The floral tributes were lovingly laid upon the casket by her father and mother; her husband, her brothers, her sisters, her nephews, her nieces, her friends, her family; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bowden; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers. Much sympathy is felt for this stricken family. The pall bearers were Fred Moore, N. Gordon, P. Gordon, F. Potter, Glen Bowden, T. Cooper.

## MRS. WALLY.

Yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock there was tenderly laid to rest in Mount Hope Cemetery the body of Mrs. Charles Wally, 29 Eagle avenue, who was suddenly called home by the onset of the prevailing influenza which quickly developed into pneumonia. The deceased has only been married a year or so and was a strong fine type of young woman, and was loved by all who knew her. Her sudden departure is a heavy blow to her young husband, who is slowly recovering from the disease, and who was unable to attend the funeral. The Rev. David Alexander, acting pastor of First Baptist Church, conducted the funeral service at the home and at the grave, and delivered the comforting message to the bereaved. The floral tributes were beautiful. Wreath, the husband; cross, the Cook family; sprays, Aggie, Herbert and Harry. Mr. and Mrs. John Walcott, Roy, Mr. and Mrs. J. Anguish and Mrs. Reg. Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. D. Chalmers, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Uptergrove, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Burrows, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. W. W. Messrs. Ford Cook, Jim Cook, Charlie Cook, Reg. Fowler, Ford Potter, J. Anguish.

## WM. RICHARDSON.

The mortal remains of the late William Richardson, 10 Emily street, were laid away in Mount Hope Cemetery last evening at 8 o'clock. The deceased hailed from Scotland and was well known in athletic circles as an expert player of association football. He was a young man of strong build, and popular with all who knew him. He was the most unlikely subject to succumb to this dread disease. He leaves behind him a stricken widow and two small children and sorrowing parents, a host of friends and relatives, one brother of whom is fighting in France. The Rev. David Alexander, acting pastor of First Baptist Church, conducted the funeral service at the home and at the grave and spoke on "The Great Mercy of God." The following friends acted as pall bearers: Burns, T. Robertson, D. Lynn, J. McGrath, T. Anderson, H. Taylor. The floral tributes were: Pillow, wife and children; cross, father, mother, brother and sisters; wreath, Hudson and Davies families; wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Grinell; Mr. and Mrs. Meath and Mrs. Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. P. Ludgen, Pte. and Mrs. Plant, Mr. and Mrs. J. McGrath, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Morrison.

## MRS. BATSON.

The remains of the late Mrs. Samuel Batson were laid to rest in Mount Hope Cemetery Monday. The funeral left the home of the deceased about two o'clock. The services both at the home and at the grave were conducted by Rev. G. A. Woodside, who in his discourse paid fitting tribute to the noble character and lovable disposition of a sacred mother and a loving wife gone to a noble reward. Many and beautiful were the floral tributes from friends who had learned to love and esteem a noble nature: Wreaths, husband and son, mother and family of deceased (Paris), Mr. and Mrs. James Batson and family, Knights of Malta, Verity Pattern Department, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Broatch; cross, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Batson; cross, Mr. and Mrs. Isobel Wood; sprays, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Batson, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Batson, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Nicholls, Mr. and Mrs. C. Churchill, Mr. and Mrs. S. Peckham, Mr. and Mrs. C. Scammel, Mr. and Mrs. H. Heames (Detroit), W. J. and C. F. Verity, Mr. and Mrs. E. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hutton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crane, Mr. and Mrs. R. Encrest, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Lundy, Mr. and Mrs.

Garnet Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilcox, Miss Ocie Wheatley, Gordon and Jessie Batson, Mr. A. Tossell, Mr. and Mrs. Miss Olive Nichols (Woodstock), H. H. Class Colborne Sunday School, Mrs. Botham and Mr. J. Watson. Three brothers and sisters were present, and the pall bearers: Joseph Lowe, James Lowe, Alex. Lowe, Hugh Batson, Thomas Batson, Roy Batson.

## SITUATION

Situation—1  
By Courier Leased Wire  
New York, Oct. 16.—The Associated Press this morning issued the following:

Sweeping steadily ahead over the lowlands of Belgium, Flanders, the British, French and Belgian armies are rapidly tearing away the extreme right flank of the German battle line. Twelve thousand prisoners have been captured in two days, according to official statements. This would seem to indicate a victory of great importance, even if the ground gained was not of the utmost importance in the development of the mighty Allied offensive.

Allied forces have captured Menin and Verwied and are across the Lys River in the neighborhood of the latter town. There are unofficial reports that Thourout has been taken and it is confirmed that the British have within two miles of Bourlival. This completely cuts off the Lys from the north and the Germans will probably be forced out of that city in a very short time. The Allies are now about eleven miles from Bruges and twenty-five miles from Ghent.

Fighting their way through a maze of barbed wire defenses and over tangled lines of trenches, the Americans west of the Mouse river are slowly but surely cutting their way through the Kriemhild line. They have carried Hill 299, a height which dominates much of the country west of Romagne, and have penetrated the second line of defense in the vicinity of Landres-et-St. Georges.

The battle in this area has been of the most savage nature, and the Germans are making every effort to hold their positions. They understand the critical situation which has developed there, and are pouring fresh troops into the struggle in the hope that the American onslaught may be stayed before it reaches the important railroad lines in the rear of the German front. A victory for the Americans in the Argonne sector would decide the fate of Germany on the western front, and compel a general retreat by the enemy from the most of the French ground he still holds.

French and Italian troops are moving more slowly along the line from the Oise to the Aisne than they did on Sunday when they wiped out the German salient at the Meuse-La Forest. From all accounts it would appear that the Germans are gradually emptying the pocket formed when the Allies broke the lines north of St. Quentin and along the Aisne at Berry au Bac.

The French, however, have passed the "point of no return," one of the principal concentration points for German troops in this part of the front. General Gouraud's army has crossed the Aisne west of Reims and this advance would appear to render the position of the enemy further east rather perilous. As the progress of the French in this region continues the Germans in the Champagne sector seem to be slowly involved in another pocket.

Durazzo, the most important city in Albania, has been entered by the Italians. It seems probable that the Austrians abandoned the city without a fight, being mainly concerned in making a safe retreat northward.

It is unofficially reported that Great Britain has received peace proposals from Turkey and that her reply has been a demand for unconditional surrender to General Allenby, commander of the Allied forces in Palestine and Syria. Reports of a serious political strike in Bohemia and Moravia seem to confirm recent rumors of serious dissensions in the dual monarchy.

REVOLT THREATENING.  
By Courier Leased Wire  
Paris, Oct. 16.—Meetings called by the Czech-Slovak council at Prague to protest against the export of foodstuffs from the country and against a general strike, which is developing into a revolt, according to despatches from Zurich to to-day's Paris newspapers. Martial law has been proclaimed throughout the country and German and Hungarian troops are occupying Prague, Pilsen, Pizek and Tabor.

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## Local Casualties

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in France; also one sister, Mrs. P. Putnam of Port Huron.

Pte. G. D. Brown  
Pte. Gordon Douglas Brown has been admitted to hospital at Dannes Camiers, France, with a gunshot wound in the knee, according to word received to-day by Mrs. B. Agnes Brown, 286 Kadow street. The young man went overseas with the first C.O.R. draft from this city, and was later transferred to the 116th Battalion.

Pte. N. R. Smith  
Word was received by Mrs. H. Smith, 302 Colborne street, that her youngest son, Norman Russell, was reported to be dangerously wounded. Before enlisting he was employed at R. and J. Welsh grocery store. He enlisted in the 125th Battalion, and was transferred to the 4th.

Pte. A. Taylor  
Mrs. May Taylor, of Bridge St., received telegram announcing that her husband, Pte. Albert Taylor has been admitted to hospital with a gunshot wound in his right foot. He was with the 215th, and has been in France since February 6th.

Pte. H. Fennell  
Word was received in the city on Monday last by Mrs. Fennell that her son, Pte. H. Fennell, was admitted to the general hospital at Hallert, France, suffering from gunshot wound in the right arm. He was with the 125th Battalion, but was later drafted to the 78th Battalion.

REICHSSTAG POSTPONED  
By Courier Leased Wire  
Basel, Switzerland, Oct. 16.—Advices from Berlin say that the pres-

## Notice to the Public!

Owing to so many of our men being sick, our service will be considerably interrupted.

If any of our customers are missed our store at 326 Colborne street, will be open. You had better send for your supply and make sure of getting it, as we cannot promise delivery under present circumstances.

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dent of the Reichstag has postponed the sitting of the Reichstag, which was to have begun to-day, reserving to himself the right to summon the legislative body at a later date. According to Berlin despatches received here, the German Socialists have decided, in view of the general political situation, not to oppose Prince Max. of Baden, retaining his post of Imperial Chancellor.

PREMIER INAUGURATED.  
By Courier Leased Wire  
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