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## The Business of War.

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our financial position, and get ready for the big financing of 1921.

have enough wages or salary to be ! able to provide for himself in his the east is in great need, and when age and for his family after his death, mone yto finish is not available, also or else the nation should recognize the difficulties named above. I would that inadequate salaries are paid and propose to lay a single track along Howard street from Sherbourne street Enemy Expects Reimbursement old age pensions should be provided, and connect with the rails laid on the as in Germany, Britain and else-

Nothing embitters the whole wage-arning class more than the hauntearning class more than the haunting fear of a pauperized old age and a poverty-stricken family to be left at this time being no use at all, and to ference declared today that the conbehind while the well-to-do escape state that it is open for foot traffic is, ference with the Germans on the legal this grinding anxiety. For years the to say the least, "pretty mean," as who salaries of average men have never kept pace with the cost of living. The labor bureau publishes its

with some fluctuations. But wages and salaries do not follow these bridge over the ravine were taken ascents and fluctuations. If we had from this source. Why not take the an automatic wage increase scale to correspond with the index of living cost we might abolish the labor CANADIANS MEDALLED problem.

As it is the average man faces an unending struggle with food, fuel, rent, clothing and taxes. There is no margin, or if he has an insurance policy it is an added worry lest his payments lapse. People who have had allowances and pensions out of the war are setting other people wondering why there should not be allowances and pensions out of peace.

# Food and Fuel.

Mr. Elros M. Molloy, commissioner of the Saskatchewan Bureau of Labor. has reported that the recommendations which were being considered at Ottawa regarding farm labor shortage would, when adopted, amply cover all requirements. These recommendations include the mobilization of all males from 20 to 34 years of age not needed for military service, including foreigners of all ationalities not liable under the M. Act. A suggestion that federal abor exchanges and clearing houses be established, one at Ottawa and one at Winnipeg, has also been considered. If anything is being done It should be done quickly.

It is believed in the west that the government will take over full control of the employment business,

Sergt. M. N. Jordan, single-handed, attacked the crew of a trench morabolishing all private agencies, and in other ways assist in the utmost possible organization of the labor forces, that must get into action if a famine is to be avoided. Food and fuel are the biggest domestic questions in sight. The war rests upon them as an arch on its piers.

attacked the crew of a trench mortar and 12 prisoners. Later, when no officers were left, he organized a bombing party and so inspired the men that all the enemy who entered the trench were killed.

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# Other People's Opinions

Bloor Street Viaduct.

when this immensely costly and splenaid undertaking will be ready for use has been repeatedly asked by numer ous deputations of citizens, also in the council chamber. It has seemed no satisfactory answer has ever been given or any definite assurance when it will be ready for its purpose. Before election last fall it was understood by a large number of people who possibly had not opportunity of knowing the exact state of affairs that it would be oushed to completion and cars would be running to connect up with the Danforth road system. After a cam-All the governments are finding of men laying a temporary road from it that war is a business, and that out that war is a business, and that it cannot be run as a side show like the head of Parliament street to the Bloor street section, also laying tracks on the bridge, there seemed to the orthogy and the base lines of communication of the base lines of communica ained during the period of expanion prior to the war."

For years The World begged the period of expanding prior to the war.

With contractors nave all gone, smoke is often seen issuing from these chimneys, indicating life, and the rustle of blue prints heard, showing that in this protected zone calculations are still being made that will eventually bring the end nearer, we hope.

sion prior to the way."

For years The World begged the city council to strike adequate tax rates, but economical aldermen, watch dogs of the treasury and others less concerned about proper financing than securing votes, cut down the tax rate and saddled the city with debt and with postponed construction and improvements. Interest and sinking fund run to \$45,250.000, or well on to a half of the tax rate.

Had we paid as we went along our tax rate now need not have been more than, nor as much as, 20 mills, it may take 28 ½ mills or more this, year to cover our liabilities, but we shall pay as we go, and strengthen our financial position, and get ready

Pensions and Payrolls.

Pensions promise to be a vexed question in civic politics, as well as elsewhere. There should be a clear understanding thruout the nation that this is one of the things that must be dealt with in the reconstruction that we are constantly told is to follow the war. Either a man should be a clear this point is reached it just means the making up of the road to the first section of bridge where the rails are already laid, the wood block pavement also. And we might state the wood blocks which were stacked up at the head of Parliament state the wood blocks which were stacked up at the head of Parliament state the wood blocks which were stacked up at the head of Parliament state the wood blocks which were stacked up at the head of Parliament state the wood block good fuel and were going so fast they had to be laid or risk losing them all, or possibly our fuel controller would have commandered them and they might have been more needed.

There is but one solution at this time,

There is but one solution at this time bridge, and if required a temporary return single track might be laid on the edge of the ravine and wood trestle

would care to walk from Danforth avenue to Sherbourne street?

commissioner has repealtedly said it was impossible to get rails for index of the cost of living regularly on Davenport road that are spiked to and it has been steadily going up, the ties pending litigation between parties objecting to this line. I believe the rails that were laid on the first Engineer.

# FOR VALOROUS DEEDS

toon, Commanding It Single-Handed Four Days.

London, Jan. 27.—Official particulars are available of the deeds for which several Canadians were reawarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal.

Sergt. C. E. Routley received a ba to the medal for reorganizing a pla-toon after the officer became a casualty. He continued in command for four days, altho he was twice wounded. Routley received the medal in

November, 1916.
The medal was awarded Corp. Bailie for taking the command of a pla-toon and capturing a machine gun nd using it against the enemy.

Battery Sergt.-Major E. C. Brich,
Itho wounded, extinguished an ammunition truck set on fire thru an

munition truck set on fire thru an enemy bombardment. He also carried a wounded man to safety.

Corp. Brown, 116199, cleared a trench, killing many of the enemy, tho wounded himself in 30 places.

Pte. C. P. Debow picked up a bomb and threw it clear of a trench, saving several lives. He repelled several ing several lives. He repelled several attacks at close quarters. Pte. C. L. Hickman captured nine men single-handed, and took command of two

guns after the sergeants became cas

# **CANADA'S WORK** IN THE RED CROSS

Editor World: The question as to London Bank Managers Pay a Visit to Forward Area.

# IS HIGHLY EXTOLLED

Officers Enthusiastic Over Society's Activities at Passchendaele.

By W. A. Willison. Canadian Headquarters in France Jan. 27.—After five days spent at Ca-

recommend the extension of such activities and the closest possible cooperation with the C.A.M.C., to provide all the comforts which tend to ameliorate the condition of wounded

roadway being above this bridge level it means either removing the bridge, which will be objected to, no doubt, by the public using same, or on the other hand a new bridge built over Clentand a new

of Own Subjects for Losses Thru War Laws.

This with little outlay and for a war leasure would give us the use of this chairman Joffe of the Russian delegaphases of peace showed the Germans Russian program of "no contribution

"At first," said M. Joffe, "the Ger mans indicated a willingness to be reasonable, but clearer definitions of their position showed they expect Russia to reimburse German citizens for losses which they had suffered as the result of laws passed by Russia, but are unwilling to pay Russian peasants for goods commandeered by the Ger-

"The Germans argued that all con tributions exacted from occupied cities and territories as well as all requisitions were for supporting order and Sergt. Routley Reorganized Pla- and airplane damages were not in-

are continuing their reign of terror in various places.

The "Red Guard" has proclaimed a civil war in Viborg, and has received the promise of Russian aid.

The Socialist leaders now are disassociating themselves from the "Red Guard," for whose existence they were at least in part responsible. Its members are composed mainly of Finnish women, who were employed in fortification and other war work by the Russians for three years and became unpossible to control after having received high wages for an amount of work that was so small that it was a standing joke in Finland.

# COLLECTOR FOR MONTREAL

Alderman Weldon Appointed to Customs Department in That City.

# **CANADIAN** CASUALTIES

Accidentally killed, Lieut. H. P. Free-

A. Pelusio, Cranford, N.J.; Ireland

Gassed-1096292, H. W. Allen, 14 Clar-nce square, Toronto; H. C. Cade, Avon,

III—S. Wilcox, England; F. J. Mahoney, Ottawa; W. K. Munro, Scotland; A. Char-man, Peterboro; G. G. S. Tarling, Fort William; W. R. Taylor, Scotland.

RAILWAY TROOPS

Wounded—E. A. Troutt, Odén, El.; J. W. Nugent, Deux Rivieres, Ont.; 2497475, P. S. White, 213 Sherbourne street, Toronto; D. Dolman, Wilts, England; W. B. Borrowman, St. Catharines; H. L. Bridgewater, Dog Lake, Ont. Gassed—S. Toens, St. Johns, Nfld.; A. Smith, Colinville, Ont. III-J. R. MacDonald, Condor, Alta,

FORESTRY. HI-H. Glover, England; A. McGowan,

ENGINEERS. Died-W. M. O'Connor, England.

CAVALRY. Wounded-C. G. Hamilton, Winnipeg. ARTILLERY.

CYCLISTS. Wounded-M. Barnes, St. John, N.B. EMPLOYMENT COMPANY.

Wounded-477462, A. Jerritt, 1157 TRENCH MORTAR BATTERY.

Wounded—A. Duncan, Victoria, B.C. Gassed—W. Douglas, Scotland; R. E.

MEDICAL SERVICES. Wounded—E. W. Taylor, Montreal; G. Christle, Montreal. III—J. W. Johnson, Kenora, Ont. MOUNTED RIFLES.

Prisoner (repatriated)—A. F. Borden, lingsport, N.S.; T. Henderson, Fife,

Sask.

Wounded—T. Brown, Brockton, Mass.;
J. McLuckie, Scotland; L. Shattilla, Wishart, Sask.; S. Maynard, England; G. McLaughhin, Montreal; M. E. Hoare, Halfax, N.S.; C. D. Gaynor, Greenridge, Man. INFANTRY. Killed in action—R. Stanlake, Winnipeg; W. N. Scribner, Sandy Lake, Man.; Wm. Gollan, Neuchatel, Alta.; Q. W. Harri-

Nesbitt, Man. son, Nesbitt, Man.
Died of wounds—C. M. Brewis, South
Vanceuver, B. C.
Died—A. P. Gordon, Ireland; G. F.
Shoughrow, Brockton, Mass.; J. J. Nunn, and territories as well as all requisitions were for supporting order and consequently should not be refunded. The German members said the Russian plan for creating an international fund to indemnify individuals for losses was impracticable, and they also declared that submarine, zeppelin and airplane damages were not indemnifable."

FINN AFFAIRS CHAOTIC OWING TO RED GUARDS

Railway Traffic Stops to Prevent Movement of Anarchist Soldiers,

Stockholm, Jan. 27.—The Finnish "White Guard," which recently was organized by the government, has taken full charge of the border control at Torneo, which the Russians heretofore had refused to surrender. Travelers across the border no longer are being searched. The situation in Finland remains critical. Railway traffic has been stopped to prevent the movement of the "Red Guard" has proclaimed acivil war in Viborg, and has received the promise of Russian aid.

\*\*MOUNTED RIFLES.\*\*

\*\*Died—A. P. Gordon, Ireland; G. F. Shoughrow, Brockton, Mass.; J. J. Nunn, Strathroy, Ont. Strathroy, Ont. Erstoyre repatriated—W. H. Adair, Ireland; J. Slattery, unknown; L. E. Vinneau, Bathurst, N. B. Wounded and missing—W. S. Braithwaite, Lefalves Corners, Ont. Wounded—V. Rozuvadoski, Russia; C. M. Tandy, England; T. Birrs, Ville St. Pierre, Que,; S. M. Ward, Peterboro; J. Ward, Paris, Ont.; S. W. Walch, Lambeth, Ont.; E. F., Martindele, England; W. J. Center, Innisfail, Alta.; G. R. Griffiths, Winnippeg; G. C. Colvin, Komoka, Ont.; V. E. Stephenson, Richdale, Alta.; A. J. Chatfield, England; W. J. Walton, Stone-wall, Man.; A. Travnick, Flat Lake, Alta.; S. C. Hopkins, Vancouver. Gassed—L. Kelly, Painted Post, N. Y.; W. Holly, Kennedy, Sask.

\*\*MOUNTED RIFLES.\*\*

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Wounded—J. W. Lintern, England; G. S. Pettigrew, Toledo, Ohio; C. Morrell, North Field, N. B.; Lieut, C. L. Nicholson, Chapleau, Ont.; M. Beaton, Hirschel, Sask.; D. MacLeod, Scotland; H. M. Bevis, Ituna, Sask.; A. Cormack, Rossburn, Man.

MEDICAL SERVICES. III-W. S. Neale, England. ARMY SERVICE CORPS. 11:-C. Way, Chazy, New York, PIONEERS.

Wounded-A. Hodgson, Parry Sound. FORESTRY CORPS. Wounded-L. Lambert, France.

ARTILLERY. Died-V. G. Bennett, Montreal. Wounded-G. C. McKay, Darnley, P.

# THE DOOMED COON TREE



# **RUSSIAN SAILORS** TO ELECT OFFICERS

the central committee and the committees of commanding personnel. Dismissed sailors will be retired or

passed to the reserve. III-S. O. Huber, Berrien Springs, Mich.; Peter, Gibson, Scotland.

ENGINEERS. Killed in action-A. E. Stevens, Van Wounded-J. Dall, Brooklyn, N. Y. III-J. B. Bayne, Fergus, Ont.

RAILWAY TROOPS. Died-J. Broadway, Peterboro. Ont Wounded-1081312 W. Martin, 284 Royce venue, Toronto.

MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

Wounded-681584 J. J. Egan, 31 Holmes-ale Crescent. Toronto. Gassed-174592 P. W. Hutton, Hamilton,

Members of the women's relief the Spanish steamer Giralda yester-day a German submarine sank the women's will hereafter salute all men vessel, which was of 4400 tons. The

# AS BLACK AS PAINTED American Officer Saw Babies Impaled on Bayonets in Belgium.

GERMAN ATROCITIES

quite spirited in the region to the east of the road between St. Hilaire and St. Souplet, where our artillery carried out efficacious fires of \*de-

Big Chicago Meat Packers

Washington, Jan. 27 .- Adjustment of the industrial dispute between the big meat packers and their employes was effected today when an agreement was reached for an open shop during the war and debermination of the wages and hours' questions referred to an administrator appointed by the secretary of labor.

SPANISH STEAMER SUNK.

Madrid, June 27.—After pillaging crew was saved

# **UNREST CONTINUES** TO UPSET AUSTRIA

Universal Suffrage Will Obtain in Choosing of Commanders.

Petrograd, Jan. 28.—Provision for the election by universal suffrage of the election by

## Odessa Revolutionists Plan To Confiscate Bank Deposits

London, Jan. 26.—A revolutionary military committee which has been formed in Odessa proposes the confiscation of bank deposits and the property of all the richer inhabitants for the benefit of the unemployed, according to a Petrograd despatch to Reuter's Limited. The revolutionary committee is composed of Maximalists belonging to the army and the navy and the ranks of the workmen.

Chinese Officials at Harbin Stop Food Exports to Russia

Harbin, Manchuria, Jan. 26.—The Chinese officials here have cut off all exports of goods to Russia, thus accentuating the food shortage in that country. The Russian frontier authorities have filed a protest, threatening to suspend the operation of the Chinese eastern railway.



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