Evening Telegram

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C. T. JAMES, - - - - - - Editor

WEDNESDAY, April 17, 1918.

A Newfoundland Victory Loan.

With the opening of the Legislature but a week away, and with much work awaiting consideration, it is hoped that our law makers during the session, be it long or short, will not fritter away their time, nor devote their collective wisdom to the passage of useless acts, calculated only to lumber the already super-ponderous Statutes. There is legislation of paramount importance to be enacted and no minute can be wasted in windy eloquence or a discussion of matters of a trivial nature. "Why Smith left home" or "Who raised the price of fat" are not questions to be answered to the shutting out of measures of national moment, and for many reasons the country is anxious for a brief and business-like session, with a "win the war" policy clear cut and emphatic. Without a doubt one of the first acts of the Government will be to arrange for a loan of another large sum of money, and it is on this point that the people should be educated to a sense of the necessity of raising such a loan within our own borders. There is no scarcity of money. The deposits in the Savings Banks prove this, and we shall be false to ourselves, false to our principles, false to our citizenship in the Grand and Glorious British Empire, if we fail to lend to our country in the present crisis. We have confidence in our people and that confidence warrants us in the belief that it is only necessary for the Minister of Finance to put a Newfoundland Victory Loan on the local market, to have it over-subscribed. The United States is on its third Liberty Loan; the United Kingdom is continuing to sell National Bonds to the people; the Victory Loan of Canada last year was over-subscribed by more than double. Australia and New Zealand have their own methods of raising money for the carrying on of the war, amongst their populations, and to-day's news dispatch informs us that £38,000,000 has been subscribed already in the land of the Kangaroo. Shall Newfoundland hesitate when asked to come forward? She has given her young lives and is continuing to give them in this fight for justice and freedom. Will she be reluctant to hand over the monies in the same cause? As was stated in this paper a few days ago, the sum of ten dollars per head of population would raise a Victory Loan of two million, five hundred thousand dollars, and we can do better than that if need be. Is it not worth trying? A telegraphed message from Grand Falls not long since, endorsed the issuing by our Government of a Victory Loan, and there is every indication that Grand Falls is the barometer of outport opinion in this respect. At the same time it would be an incentive if every important town and settlement in this Dominion, backed up the proposal. It would show how the popular sentiment regarded it and would have the effect of showing the Government that it need have no fear in throwing Bonds on the local market. Selective Conscription and a Newfoundland Victory Loan. That is the battle cry of Newfoundland to-day—Men and Money. The nation that lengthens its weapons, shortens its boundaries. Why lengthen our financial weapons by going outside the Dominion to borrow money? Keep it at home; keep it within our own boundaries and show a solid unbroken front, to our Empire's enemies and an unshaken determination to see this Loan through to victory at all costs. What value will you set on your money with the Hun thundering at the gates? What value will your freedom possess with the arch-enemy in control of your country? What value will you set on your lives should the Black Eagle triumph over the Lion? Of what value your rights as free born citizens of that Empire on whose lands the sun never sets, if there is imposed upon you the kultur of the Hun? Think it over, and then put up your men and put up your money in order that the world may be made safe for democracy. **THE VICTORY LOAN, LIKE SELECTIVE CONSCRIPTION, MUST COME!**

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES GAR. GET IN COWS.

Hon. J. A. Robinson's Lecture.

Dr. J. A. Robinson made a very earnest appeal for more men in his address "Thoughts for the Times" before St. Andrew's Men's Guild at the Presbyterian Hall last night. The learned Doctor in part said: We want men for the regiment; men to relieve those now in the firing line and who cannot obtain furlough because the eligibles at home are not playing their part. In a very forceful manner he laid before the large number present the true facts as regards the food situation, and showed that by our afternoon teas, banquets and feasts we are traitors to our fighting men. Our luxuries are paid for, he said, it must be remembered, by the sufferings of the gallant seamen, and all space in shipping to-day is needed for the carrying of foodstuffs—the necessities—NOT AUTOS, chocolates or fancy bonnets. The number of producers is decreasing while that of consumers is steadily increasing. Our paramount duty to-day is to assist the fighting forces and we are in a good position to do so. How are we fulfilling our obligations? It is not enough that some are doing their bit. All must do their best. As we sow to-day, we will reap to-morrow, and if we add to the sufferings of those in the Homeland and of our own gallant boys, through ignorance or neglect, we prove treacherous to them and foes to the nation and our Allies. The question of duty rests with each one individually. How have you stood the test? What are you doing?

Rev. Gordon Dickie, M.A., in proposing a vote of thanks to the learned lecturer, said all must realize their obligations so clearly put by Dr. Robinson. We must be ready, not only to strike, but to suffer; to make sacrifices as true soldiers of Christ. We must do our best, not merely our bit, and it's our duty to God to do our very highest. The motion was seconded by Mr. A. Robertson, who pointed out the need for optimism and of holding steadfast. The vote was accorded by acclamation and tendered by Mr. B. M. Mitchell, Chairman of the Guild. Mr. Carl Trapnell rendered a solo previous to the address. The singing of the National Anthem and Benediction by Rev. Gordon Dickie closed the meeting.

Capt. Ronald Ayre M.C.

With reference to the award of the Military Cross conferred upon Second Lieut. (now Captain) Ronald Ayre, as announced on October 27th, 1917, the "London Gazette" of March 18th last contains the following statement of services for which the decoration was conferred:

"T|Sec. Lt. R. H. Ayre, Gen. List and R.F.C.—During a period of five "months he took part in many suc-"cessful bombing raids. On one occa-"sion he bombed an enemy airship-"shed, and on another occasion bomb-"ed a railway station from a height "of 500 feet. He derailed part of a "train, and then engaged the occu-"pants with machine gun fire. He "displayed the greatest gallantry and "determination."

Capt. Ayre is at present in Canada, acting as Instructor. He hopes to return home for a brief furlough in the near future. He is a son of Mr. C. P. Ayre.

Lieut. Leonard Edens.

Mr. T. J. Edens has received the following letter from Major Dixon, of the 29th Squadron, R.F.C., in reference to his son, missing since March 18th:

March 19th, 1918.
29th Squadron, R.F.C.,
B. E. F.

Mr. T. J. Edens,
39 Queen's Road, St. John's, Nfld.

Dear Sir,—It is with the deepest regret that I write to inform you that your son went out on patrol yesterday and did not return. A big fight took place about 10 miles over the enemy lines at about 11.45 a.m. yesterday. Each member of the patrol was busy fighting on his own account, and it was impossible to ascertain what happened to your son. None of our machines were actually seen to go down out of control, so that there is a good possibility your son has been made prisoner. All the fellows here are dreadfully upset about losing your son, as he was not only a wonderful pilot, but courageous and reliable to a degree. All join with me in offering you our deepest sympathy, and sincerely trust that in the near future you will indeed hear he has been made prisoner.

I remain, yours sincerely,
C. H. DIXON, Major, R.F.C.

At the Casino.

The "Black Flag" was again presented at the Casino last night before a large audience, among those present being His Lordship Bishop Power, of St. George's. The acting was perfect and every one of the performers carried out their roles in a most effective manner. Before the last act Mr. P. F. Moore appeared before the curtain and announced that there would be a repetition of the "Black Flag" to-night, and that on the 25th (Thursday), "Myles Aroon" will be played for the benefit of "The Soldiers' Recruiting Campaign." The "Soldiers" are in need of funds to carry out their organized campaign and it is hoped the people of St. John's will fill the Casino on Thursday, 25th, and again show the soldiers they are with them as they have so continuously shown on other occasions.

From the Westward.

In order to show the sentiment in favor of Selective Conscription in Burin District, a letter recently received says: "It is high time for this country to awaken out of its sleep and come out straight for a form of compulsory service. . . . If the Government intend to try another volunteer movement, they may as well save their money and their breath. Voluntary enlistment is dead."

S.U.F. G. L. SESSION.—The Grand Lodge, S.U.F., left by train yesterday for Heart's Content, where they are holding their annual session. Quite a number of delegates from the various Lodges in the outports are also attending the session.

A Note of Warning.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—Once again I beg to trespass upon the columns of your popular paper to say a word in favor of Selective Conscription. This city has certainly made history during the past fortnight, thanks to the returned soldiers, whose efforts to save us from dishonour have been ably seconded by the intelligent citizens of St. John's. The demonstration which took place last Friday, and the eloquent appeals made by Sergt. Mitchell and his comrades in arms are being felt all over the country. Let us hope it will last. But it should be a warning to those second rate politicians who have been trying to make us believe that the country was not willing to do its part in the defence of the Empire, and to whose door can be laid the whole responsibility of the breakdown in recruiting, to remain in future in the background.

The man who lacks courage these days, whether it be physical or moral, has no business to force himself into any position of public responsibility. The public will not stand for it any longer. That certain parties were prepared to sacrifice even the lives of the boys at the front in their anxiety to hold on the spoils of office was only too apparent by their public conduct and criminal negligence of their duties.

Even after the great public meeting in the Casino Theatre, the heckling which Dr. Lloyd received at the hands of an indignant public was said to be caused by half a dozen soldiers who were scattered about among the audience. They know better now. These parties will be dealt with after the more pressing needs of the hour have been attended to, viz: getting men to fill the gaps in the Regiment.

But the public should be warned to keep an eye on the politicians. Certain rumours are in circulation as to the means they intend using after the House opens to provide recruits. The public should insist on a bill being introduced that will leave no loophole for discrimination, or that will not equally touch all classes of eligible men alike. A hint to the wise is sufficient.

Before closing I would say that if anyone in Newfoundland deserves recognition for keeping the honor of Newfoundland from being trailed in the mire, that man is Sergt. Mitchell, and we hope His Excellency the Governor will not overlook it. If Sergt. Mitchel were a politician instead of a loyal soldier he would stand a splendid chance of being knighted for his unselfish devotion to duty and the energy he displayed in rallying his countrymen to send help to the brave lads over in the trenches. But "wait and see."

Yours truly,
CITIZEN.

St. John's, April 16th, 1918.

Going Back Again.

The mere thought of knowing that the Royal Nfld. Regiment might at any moment be wiped out of existence without any reserves to take its place, has caused ex-Private James Adams, an honorably discharged soldier of the C.E.F., and an old C.L.B. boy, to again offer for active service. Private Adams left Canada with the 1st Division, and has been in several engagements. He was badly wounded in the battle of Vimy Ridge, which resulted in his honorable discharge.

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Governor's Reply.

(Code Telegram to Secretary of State. Sent April 16th, 1918.)

Your telegram of 9th April.—Imperial Government may rest assured that every effort is being made by Newfoundland to send men necessary to supply ranks of Regiment. Besides special action by Ministers there has been remarkable wave of enthusiasm created by returned soldiers in St. John's and I am satisfied that there is fixed determination to maintain at full strength the Regiment of which all are unquestionably and rightly proud.

HARRIS.

Gen. Foch's Hand Seen in the Dismissal of General Gough.

ALLEGED BAD GENERALSHIP MEANT CUTTING UP OF FIFTH ARMY—BREAK DUE TO FAULTY TACTICS.

Washington, D.C., April 6.—The appointment of Sir Henry Rawlinson to succeed Sir Hubert Gough in command of the British Fifth Army brought to Washington the first intimation of what actually happened in the great battle which has been raging in France for the last fortnight. The removal of a general from command while the battle is on is bitter discipline, and there is no mistaking what it signifies. The Fifth Army, under General Gough, occupying the British right wing, the junction with the French, was cut to pieces.

The replacing of Gough means that it was not the mere weight of guns which the Germans were able to mass against the Allies, though this was appalling, that explained the destruction or capture of the Fifth Army. German military correspondents during the first two or three days of the great offensive kept repeating charges of bad British Generalship in accounting for the German triumph. And now comes the appointment of a new army commander to lend confirmation to the German stories.

GOUGH'S ALLEGED FAILURE.

Details of Gough's failure have not been allowed to leak out, but when reference is made to what happened, and to the time when the Germans were rejoicing over the failure of British generalship, it is apparent that the break through Gough must have taken place on the second and third days of the German drive. On the first day, the British resisted the storm of shell effectively, and the French have been successful throughout in standing off German assaults. It was the cutting to pieces of Gough's army that made possible the large captures of men and guns and other material by the Germans. It was also this breach that enabled the Germans to cross the Somme line and seize the strong defensive positions in the neighbourhood of Peronne as if nothing stood in their way.

GRAVEST MOMENT OF BATTLE

That was the gravest moment in the entire battle. The French had to take over part of the British line and a large section of the available reserves had to be thrown into action to strengthen the line and stem the tide of German advance. This accounts for the fact that there has not been a counter-offensive, this and the circumstances to which Haig alluded in a despatch after the destruction of the Fifth Army, when he reported great loss of war materials, including tanks.

HAND OF FOCH SEEN.

In the sharp disciplining of Gough and the appointment of Sir Henry Rawlinson is seen the hand of Foch, the new Allied generalissimo. General Rawlinson has been associated with Foch in the inter-Allied War Council, and there is every reason to believe that he was selected for that council by Foch, just as there is reason to believe that his predecessor General Sir Henry Wilson, now chief of the British Imporial staff, was also selected by him.

Further reorganization is expected, for the failures of British generalship, both in the recent battle and at Cambrai, are too serious to be passed over.

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Casualty List.

(Received April 16th, 1918.)

At Wandsworth.

Captain Robert H. Tait, M.C., Duckworth Street. G.S.W. left leg.

2224—Private Samuel Dawe, 170 Water St. West. G.S.W. right hand.

At 990th Field Ambulance, France.

2024—Private George Poole, Kirby's Cove, Burin. Previously reported wounded, March 23rd.

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APRIL 23RD.,
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JACK HOGAN, New Gower Street.
E. MURPHY, Alexander Street.
J. L. BUTLER, Franklin Ave.
R. A. HARVEY, Patrick Street.
GEORGE WALSH, Lime Street.
HAYDEN BUCKLEY, Queen's Road.
D. AMUNSON, Casey Street.
L. EDWARDS, Duckworth Street.
J. A. KING, Springdale Street.
C. MOORE, Goodview Street.
C. G. PRETTY, Monroe Street.
R. W. PERRY, Hamilton Street.
SAMPSON BRUSHETT, Water Street.
W. DUFFETT, Spencer Street.
PHIL EMBERLY, Wood's Street.
W. LUSCOMBE, Brazil Square.
S. ROSE, Coronation Street.
B. W. MARTIN, Ordnance Street.
W. J. ROBINSON, Rennie's Mill Road.
M. EBBS, Goodview Street.
P. DUNPHY, Burke's Square.
P. WALSH, Lime Street.
R. WOODS, Flower Hill.
ARCH DOYLE, Torbay Road.
HECTOR PARSONS, Lime Street.
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REVIEW OF RECENT FIGHTING.

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, April 16. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—The enemy is continuing his forcing tactics, and is employing large masses of fresh troops. Since the opening of the Western offensive, the enemy has thrown in one hundred and twenty divisions, of which many have been used two and even three times. Since the fall of Bailleul, the Germans have been fighting up to Kemmelsberg. Up to the present, however, he has only advanced a few hundred yards. The enemy, this morning, renewed his assaults on Wytschaete, employing fresh troops. To-day's news is not so good as one could wish, but the following viewpoint is suggested: We are confronted by enormous concentrations of men and guns, and the purpose of the enemy has been revealed as an operation attempting to separate the Anglo-French armies by rushing on the former. General Foch, in closest agreement with General Haig, is aiming not only at resisting the enemy, but at counter attacks which shall defeat the Germans. Therefore within certain limits the sound policy is to allow the Germans to spend their surplus power as lavishly as possible, in order to reach the stage of equality or even inferiority. On the other hand, General Foch is endeavoring to avoid the enemy obtaining any great tactical advantages, simultaneously placing a definite price on certain places as worth so much and no more. In defending thus, when the price of defending Bailleul was paid, Bailleul was evacuated. It must be remembered that General Von Ludendorff has laid down all his cards, while General Foch has not yet shown his hand. I know that General Foch's disposition inspires a degree of confidence, which the situation in Flanders seemingly does not justify, and we may rest assured that our supreme command is watching the enemy, and the map, with intense vigilance, while the enemy proposes to frustrate our plan by forcing changes by weight of numbers. So far, the incomparable steadfastness of our soldiers has deprived the enemy of the fruits of his schemes. The latest report is that the enemy has carried Wytschaete and established himself in Spankbreckmolen. Therefore, although we are upon the slopes of Messines Ridge, the greater part of which is in the enemy's hands, the enemy is attacking hard in the direction of Meteran, and the situation there is obscure. From LaBassee to Robeck, the Germans are vigorously shelling our lines. At Boyelle and south towards Arras, the enemy gained a footing in our trench system, but a counter attack drove him out.

MAN POWER BILL IMPERATIVE.

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, April 16. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—Premier Lloyd George announced in the House of Commons to-night, that the man-power bill is imperative, because the Germans had just called up a further half million men.

GERMANS EMPLOYING OLD AGE AND YOUTH.

LONDON, To-Day.

Telegraphing from British Headquarters in France last night, Reuter's correspondent says: The enemy has not yet been brought to a standstill in the Flanders battle. Their occupati... leul sho... and will... palling ... the Briti... ever, ev... defence ... emy's fa... jective i... repeated... emy's pr... mel on ... three m... to-day n... when re... across th... ing are ... the Ger... 17th divi... vision w... rible gru... tire upo... prisoner... reluctant... nificent ... chine gu... reduced ... half stre... years of ... with a d... portion ... of over ... lads of 1...

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