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THE SITUATION

The last twenty-four hours have recorded still more victories for the Allies. French troops have entered St. Quentin, and the enemy are leaving Cambrai in flames before they get out of there. The fighting at this point is stated to be of an intensity never paralleled even in this war, and the Canadians are in the thick of the smashing attacks. The continued success of British and Belgian troops is commencing to threaten the German submarine bases. Major General Maurice in his review pays high tribute to the strategy of Foch. In answer to the question as to why the general attacks now in progress on the front by the Allies could not have been launched earlier, he points out that the plan was to force the enemy to exhaust himself to such an extent that he would be forced to draw upon his reserves when telling blows could be struck without the enemy having anything much in hand. Incidentally he remarks that although the Americans have done splendidly, they have not of themselves been sufficient to turn the balance—Foch's plans backed magnificently by the British, under Haig, have turned the trick. And speaking of our neighbors do not let any of us for one moment forget the vital service which they have rendered financially and with munitions.

Following the defection of Bulgaria, the Germans are making frantic efforts to hold Turkey in line. To this end they are endeavoring to maintain communications over the Orient railway with Constantinople, and 250,000 troops have arrived at Sofia. One thing is certain, and this is that she is being kept too busy elsewhere to spare many men for the purpose of helping the Moslems to hold out.

Sir Douglas Haig reports that during September, the British took 66,200 prisoners, 1,500 of them officers, also 700 guns and thousands of machine guns. For the months of August and September together, the total is 123,618 prisoners, 2,703 of them officers and about 1,400 big guns.

THE Y. M. C. A. MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

Without any doubt George Williams builded much better than he could have anticipated when in 1844 he laid the foundation of the present Young Men's Christian Association. He was in the dry goods business at the time, and he had persuaded some of his fellow workers to gather together in a little room each week for prayer and Bible reading. He was only twenty-three years of age at the time, and when he formulated the idea of an organization for the purpose of reaching young men generally, the plan was eagerly accepted by his associates. Later it was decided to get out after the boys also, and no one can compute the tremendous and far-reaching effects of the work. Man is rightfully said to be largely a creature of his environment, and this is most emphatically true of the youth of the land. Boys are essentially imitative, and there is usually only the one outcome when their surrounding and associates are of a rough and sometimes immoral nature. The Y. M. stands for high ideals, healthy recreation and beneficial companionship, and to its agency can be traced countless lives of true and honorable and God-fearing citizenship. The outcome of such endeavor not alone affects and builds up individual character, but in addition contributes to such a magnificent fruitage as that made manifest in connection with Y.M.C.A. work during the present war.

There could be no better investment on behalf of any lad than identification with this great and healthy institution, and the campaign now being waged in Brantford in this regard should serve to yield most abundant results.

MAIL DELIVERY FOR WOODSTOCK.

Woodstock, Oct. 1.—The first stage in the city mail delivery was inaugurated to-day, when the seven postmen paraded to the post office, looking quite natty in new suits of blue with red trimmings. There they were taken in charge by Mr. Drew, of Toronto, who will coach them for a few days. The postmen will go over their routes to-day to familiarize themselves with the territory they will have to cover in a day or two, when the actual delivery commences.

Pursel's are clearing a large range of furniture at auction Friday, Oct. 4.

NOT, THE WAY

From the Food Control Department at Ottawa, the following statement was recently issued:

"The Canada Food Board has seized and forced the sale of 392,800 pounds of creamery butter stored by the Dominion Fish and Fruit Company, Limited, of Quebec. The Dominion Fish and Fruit Company, Limited, without permission and in spite of remonstrance from the Canada Food Board, held a greater quantity of butter than was reasonably necessary to supply its own Canadian requirements, based on last year's sales to the ordinary trade."

And what was the penalty for this violation? Let a further section of the report make answer:

"Under the waste order, the Canada Food Board seized 392,800 pounds of the 632,800 pounds the company had in its possession, and gave it the option of having the excess butter confiscated or sold to the Dairy Produce Commission for shipment to Great Britain and her Allies. The company chose the latter alternative, and the butter is now on its way to Britain."

It will be noticed that there was nothing slow and lingering about that punishment. Instead the offenders were offered the terrible alternative of selling what they unlawfully got together on a good cash basis, and strange to say, accepted it with probably a Sam Weller wink.

This sort of procedure is not of the brand which will receive public approval. Firms which hoard food in excessive quantities should be severely penalized, and if the Food Board is not alive to its duties in such respect, then the sooner the curtain is rung down on the farce the better.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

At a meeting of the barbers in London, Ontario, it was decided to charge fifty cents for a hair cut and twenty-five cents for a shave. At that rate the residents of the Forest City are likely to pretty soon look like a lot of Bolsheviki.

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Premier Clemenceau of France celebrated his 78th birthday by a visit to the firing line. Here's hoping that he will be able, with regard to the ending of the war in 1919, to have many a tete a tete at Eighty.

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The German vice Chancellor Von Payer has cashed in.

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The Spanish "Flu" has made its appearance on this continent. As for the Kaiser—he is up a flue of another character.

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At last accounts the Hindenburg line was taut—taught by the Allies that it wasn't strong enough to hold.

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It is a rum old day when the sun won't give some kind of a peek a boo for the Burford fair.

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The All Highest is exceedingly anxious to hang on to Turkey in order to stave off as long as possible the Crow diet which he sees awaiting him in the offing.

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.

The Humble Only Are Happy—"A Choir Leader" asks, "Are geniuses generally happy? The little experience I have had with the very rare class called geniuses would lead me to answer this question in the negative. Men with phenomenal ability in music, in sculpture, in poetry, in oratory, in painting and as inventors have rarely been men of a philosophic temperament or contented with their lot. Ability is much like riches, the more one has the more one wants. Such men are generally praised or lauded by the community and this tends to make them unhappy for it is feeding on the wind, the more you eat the hungrier you are.

"Have Courage, My Boy"—A boy who has failed in one of his school examinations is in despair and asks if I do not think he ought to quit school and go to work. This failure may be the blessing of your life for it should teach you to be more conscientious in your work. Many a boy who has failed in passing his examinations has become eminent, while on the other hand a great many who stood at the head of the classes in school have been practical failures. But stick to school by all means.

BLAZE IN ALBERT COLLEGE.

Belleville, Oct. 1.—Albert College in this city narrowly escaped destruction by fire this morning when a blaze was discovered in an unused room on the top flat. The timely arrival of the city fire brigade prevented the spread of the flames.

PRESENTATION TO PASTOR.

Belleville, Oct. 1.—Rev. A. M. Hubly, who has been for 14 years rector of Emmanuel Church in this city, was last evening presented with an address and club bag on the eve of his leaving this city to reside in Toronto.

LIEUT. J. MAC SHELDON
Toronto Dental Corps Hockey Team's star defence player, who left for Siberia Monday night.

MORE INFLUENZA.

Sherbrooke, Oct. 1.—There are over 600 cases of Spanish influenza in the city and so far six deaths from the disease have been reported. The Protestant schools were ordered closed to-day and the authorities are discussing the advisability of closing the moving picture theatres.

THAMESVILLE DENTIST DEAD.

Chatham, Oct. 1.—After an illness of some duration from heart trouble, the death occurred at his home at Thamesville this morning of Dr. Currie, a well known dentist of that town. Interment will be made Friday at Glencoe where deceased formerly lived.

You are sure of Bargains at Pursel's auction on Friday, Oct. 4.

To The Editor of The Courier

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Dear Sir,—I wish to thank the council for their kind remarks of appreciation in connection with our annual report of the assessment, also the press for their editorials in reference to the same report. It is very encouraging to know that our work is satisfactory. The ratepayers of the city also deserve a good amount of credit for their kind consideration and treatment they have accorded us during this present season, notwithstanding the greatly increased assessment placed on them. They have invariably made but little complaint. We have endeavored to equalize the assessments so as each individual ratepayer will bear their just share of the taxation placed on them. It is anything but pleasant to have to be continually increasing their assessments from year to year, however this is unavoidable, as we must do our duty and carry out the Assessment Act as it exists. A great many people think that we only have the power to assess their property at two-thirds its value. This is not the case, as the statutes are quite clear on this point that we have to assess all property at its actual value, basing our valuation between a willing seller and a willing purchaser. However, as there is no fixed value on any property, all that the assessor can do is try and arrive at a fair equitable assessment, so as to have Jones assessed the same as Brown. Some ratepayers have an idea that if they paint, decorate or reshingle their property that we increase their assessment. To this, I can say candidly that there has never been one dollar added to their assessment on this account, as we realize that it takes certain improvements every year to keep them up. We want to encourage improvements, and not discourage them. So kindly get this notion out of your heads, and go on and make your repairs, such as I have mentioned.

I wish again to thank all citizens for their kind remarks and assistance, as it is quite encouraging. I might say that we do not expect to get as large an increase every year as we have this year; however I believe in a high assessment and a lower rate.

Yours very respectfully,
A. G. LUDLOW,
Assessment Commissioner.
Oct. 2, 1918.

Be sure and go to Pursel's clearing auction sale, Friday, Oct. 4 for furniture.

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THREE FRENCH

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At the same time three battalions of the enemy's 22nd division made a frontal attack. Our troops fell back on the railway. Later in the day we re-established posts in Tilloy. In these operations the enemy was served by a greater number of machine guns than have yet been concentrated on the Canadian front. Our losses were correspondingly heavy and particularly regrettable were the casualties among the tried regimental officers.

An eastern British Columbia battalion had its colonel wounded and its two majors and adjutant killed. A central Ontario battalion lost all its officers, but the commander and one other. The majority of the casualties are more or less light wounds from machine guns.

The enemy showed the utmost resolution in his counter-attacks but could not dislodge us from the railway on our left. The first division remained quiet during the day. They yesterday advanced up to the railway station at Abancourt, but owing to the intense machine gun fire from the heights on either flank fell back to their original lines.

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Colored Winter Coats, made from velour, beavercloth, cheviot and tweeds. Colors are navy, brown, grey, green, taupe, egg plant and tweeds. The velours are trimmed with plush collars, deep tabs on pockets and cuffs, plush buttons. Others are trimmed with self materials, body and sleeves lined. These are excellent values at $25.00

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