

THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE WORLD OF FINANCE

POTATOES HIGH IN NEW ENGLAND

Cities Pay From One Quarter to One Half a Cent a Pound More Than Other Large Centres East of Chicago.

Boston, Feb. 22.—New England cities are paying from one-quarter to one-half cent a pound more for potatoes than other large cities east of Chicago, reports of the United States bureau of markets here showed Wednesday. Grocers and provision dealers were selling potatoes on a small margin at 3½ cents a pound, the bureau reported, but small supplies coming into the local market prevented any reduction in the price.

TORONTO RAILWAY CO. BACKS DOWN

Decides to Pay Amount Towards Bridge Construction When City Issues Writ.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—The Toronto Railway Company has backed down in connection with its payment towards the construction of the Don Bridge. Just as the city was issuing the writ of execution which would have sent the sheriff to collect \$80,000 and costs, the company's solicitor notified the city that they would pay the \$80,000 and interest under protest.

BRITISH REPULSE RAIDING PARTY

Enemy Active in Neighborhood of St. Quentin and Arras, Cambrai Road, Near Lens, and Ypres.

London, Feb. 21.—The official report from Field Marshal Haig's headquarters tonight reads: "A raiding party which attacked one of our posts south of Arras early this morning was repulsed. On other parts of our front a number of prisoners were brought in by patrols. The enemy showed considerable activity during the day in the neighborhood of St. Quentin and Arras, the Cambrai road, south and west of Lens, south of Arras and east of Ypres."

Paris, Feb. 21.—The war office announcement tonight reads: "There was quite spirited artillery activity on both sides along the whole front, especially in the regions of Pinon, Vauxillon, Malmaison, Pontavert, Guencourt, and the Butte Dumesnil. "Yesterday our pilots brought down three German aeroplanes and forced two others to land in their own lines seriously damaged and on fire. "Eastern theatre, Feb. 20: There was slight activity owing to the snow and mist."

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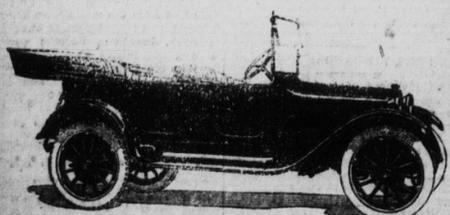
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SLUMP IN CALL PRODUCTION

Bituminous Product in United States Shows Falling Off of 5,000,000 Tons.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Bituminous coal production in January was at the lowest rates since Sept., 1916. In making public the figures today the Geological Survey blames the slump entirely on rail and congestion. The January output was 42,727,000 tons, an average 1,543,000 tons daily. "In the face of a need greater than ever before," said the survey's statement, "the country entered the second month of the year some 5,000,000 tons behind the mark set in January, 1917."

BUSINESS MEN ARE TO BLAME

Mayor Hughes of Kingston, Ont., Declares They Did Not Heed Warning and Now Coal Supply is Short.

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 22.—Mayor Hughes, fuel commissioner, Nickie, and the local coal dealers, have issued a notice to the effect that there is not available sufficient fuel to meet the city's normal consumption until the close of winter. The notice points out that there is no guarantee of further supply and urges the greatest economy in the use of coal. The signatories state that notices become necessary owing to the unwillingness of many affected to comply voluntarily with the fuel commissioners' requests for shortening business hours.

SASKATCHEWAN FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE

School Trustees Adopt Resolutions by Overwhelming Vote.

Saskatoon, Sask., Feb. 21.—The monster convention of school trustees of Saskatchewan today adopted, by an overwhelming majority, a series of resolutions bearing upon the use of English only as the language of instruction in the public schools of the province. An amendment to one of them seeking to exempt the French language was not seconded. From the tone of the conference it was seen readily that the English-speaking element had gathered to assert the national sentiment. They clearly represented the vast majority of those present and whatever the strength or potency of the foreign-speaking element, it was neither tested by exact vote or statement.

Quebec, Feb. 21.—The civic finance committee decided tonight to settle accounts for damages caused last summer to the residence of Hon. Albert Saviens and "L'Evenement" building, during the anti-conscription riots. Mr. Saviens' account was for \$325, while that of L'Evenement amounted to \$255. The city had already settled for the damages to the Quebec Chronicle building.

MARKET HOLIDAY

The stock exchange of New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago were closed yesterday, Washington's birthday.



(British and Colonial Press). J. A. P. Descaresses, Lachine Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Lachine, Que.

GOV. WHITMAN STILL BELIEVES IN REVOLUTION

New York's Chief Executive at Washington Birthday Banquet in Undiplomatic Address Endeavors to Ad a Good Fellow With His German Constituents—Knocks the South Unnecessarily.

Peoria, Ill., Feb. 22.—That the ideals which brought victory to the American colonies in the war of the revolution and which stamped out slavery in the Civil War, are again at stake not only in this country, but throughout the world, was the theme of an address by Charles S. Whitman, governor of New York, at the Washington banquet of the Creve Coeur Club here tonight. Speaking of the present war, he said, in part: "This is not a war on the German people, nor is Germany merely making war on the people of other lands. This is a combat between ideals of government. Belgium, broken but unquarred; England, struggling as she has never struggled before; the sons of France, singing as they bleed and smiling as they die, are just as truly fighting for an ideal as were the ragged continental at Saratoga or at Yorktown or the men whose bloody feet left their impress in the snow at Valley Forge.

"I know that there was a Germany in the past that her sons and daughters have had every reason to love—a Germany of poetry and song, and of literature, art, science and of education, of folk song and folk lore and folk love, but that Germany is no more. It has given place to a Germany of the iron heel and the clanking sabre, to a mighty nation dedicated to the proposition that 'might makes right,' that there is no such thing as freedom of thought, freedom of heart, or freedom of life; that its power to slaughter is the final test of a nation's greatness; that slavery is the natural and proper condition of the human race; that he alone may be master who can wield the sword; a Germany, even whose clergy will approve the disregarding of international law, the violation of sacred treaties; a Germany that has transformed even its best born and best trained into plunderers and butchers; a Germany that must go down if righteousness and peace are ever again to prevail on earth."

MINARD'S "KING OF PAIN" LINIMENT

Extract from a letter of a Canadian soldier in France.

To Mrs. E. D. Bamberick: The Rectory, Yarmouth, N.S. Dear Mother:— I am keeping well, have good food and well protected from the weather, but have some difficulty keeping uninvited guests from visiting me. Have you any patriotic druggists that would give something for a gift overseas—if so do you know something that is good for everything? I do—Old MINARD'S Liniment. Your affectionate son, ROB.

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GOVERNMENT AIDS SOLDIERS' PAY DAYS

Minister of Militia Will Attach Adjustment Officer to District Pay Offices.

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—The Minister of Militia announces that with a view to helping returned soldiers and their dependents to obtain prompt adjustment of any difficulties relating to pay and allowances, which may arise owing to the last pay certificate not being in order or from some other reason, it was decided to attach to each district pay office immediately an officer who will be known as pay adjustment officer. This officer will be in charge to speed payments to dependents.

RUSSIA LOSING HER PROVINCES

Independence of Finland Severe Blow—Germany Taking Baltic Districts.

London, Feb. 10.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press).—First Sweden, then France, then Germany and Denmark, have recognized the independence of Finland. Finland until 1809 belonged to Sweden, and men of Swedish blood and speech constitute the bulk of the Finnish aristocracy and middle classes. Sweden wishes to resume, though not in the old form, her ancient intimacy. There is much talk in Stockholm of a Zollverein or customs union of the Scandinavian countries, to embrace Finland. A political struggle is expected in Finland between pro-Swedish elements and the parties which incline rather to sympathize with revolutionary Russia. The pro-Swedish elements will oppose them. Numerically the radicals are stronger and with independence will have a much greater power than ever before. The significance of Finland's territorial loss to Russia is very great in many ways. Geographically, for instance, it may be noted that the Finnish coast runs up to within a few miles of Petrograd. It has always provided the bulk of Russian seamen and pilots, and in any future war would be a formidable base against Petrograd. If, as Germany plans, Lithuania, Courland, Livonia and Esthonia are lost to Russia, then Russia will be left with no exit on the Baltic except a small district around Petrograd. If Poland also is detached, Russia will have lost in a three years' war the entire fruits of three centuries of striving westward.

MONTREAL SALES.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS). Morning. Cedar Bonds—1,000 at 83½. Brazilian—10 at 35½; 25 at 35½. Can Cen PD—20 at 90. Can Cen Com—100 at 58½. Steel Canada Com—100 at 53½. Dom Iron Com—25 at 61. Civic Power—5 at 74½. Smelling—5 at 25. Scotland—25 at 67. No Cotton—100 at 50. Laurentide Power—50 at 50. Brompton—15 at 46. Tram Power—15 at 25½. Pomona's Ltd—1 at 74. Merchants Bank—3 at 167. Afternoon. Can Cement Com—105 at 58½. Civic Power—35 at 74½. Can Cen PD—30 at 57. Cons Smelt Com—45 at 25. Tram Power—25 at 25½. Toronto Ralls—35 at 60.

TORONTO PRODUCE

Montreal, Feb. 22.—Oats—Canadian Western No. 3, 1.11½ to 1.12; extra No. 1 feed, 1.11½ to 1.12. Flour—New standard spring wheat grade, \$11.10 to \$11.20. Millfeed—Bran, 35; shorts, 40; middlings, 40 to 50; molasses, 58 to 60. Hay—No. 2 per ton, car lots, \$17.00. Potatoes—Per bag, car lots, \$2.10 to \$2.15.

TENNESSEE COAL MINES ARE IDLE

Striking Employes in Alabama Decline to Return to Work.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 22.—Despite pleas of organizers and other officials of the United Mine Workers of America that they return to work, pending investigation by the fuel administration of their claims that the terms of the Garfield agreement are not being lived up to by the operators, striking miners here, after taking a vote on the subject, have refused to return to work until their complaints have been considered by government officials. All mines of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company affected by the strike are still idle, while the Republic mines of the Republic Iron and Steel Company are said to be without a full force.

THIS STUDENT IS GIVEN EXEMPTION

Montreal, Feb. 21.—The Military Service Act was passed with a view

of organizing the country and not to divide it," said Mr. Justice Teller today, during the hearing of an exemption appeal in the case of Eliezer LaPorte, a student at the school of higher commercial studies, this city. "The fact that the family has made sacrifices in order to give the draftee his education must be taken into consideration by the court. I will exempt the draftee, despite the fact that similar cases are being heard at present in appeal by Judge Duff, in Ottawa.

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SEED GRAIN—1918

Good seed is scarce—Place your order now with your County Councillor. The Department of Agriculture has ordered wheat and oats through the Seed Branch, Ottawa. The germination is carefully tested. The seed is now stored in the elevators at Quebec, thus avoiding transportation difficulties and guaranteeing delivery. The department requested the co-operation of the County Councils in the distribution. Seed will be forwarded at their order in car lots, thus avoiding local freights and such handling. Wheat will cost about \$3.00 per bushel in bags laid down. The Seed Branch is yet unable to fix the price on oats. Definite prices will be stated in this space immediately they are at hand. New Brunswick is expected to bread herself for the duration of the war. Every farmer should grow some wheat. Agricultural Societies should arrange orders early. Send all orders to the County Councillors immediately.

New Brunswick Department of Agriculture

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