



"Shady lanes and babbling brooks."—From the "Cleveland Plain Dealer."

TRY TO DIVIDE BELGIAN PEOPLE

Germans Look to Time When War is Over

RACE AGAINST RACE

Three Million Walloons Speak French and Two Million Flemish Speak Combination of German and Dutch

Gen. Von Bisping, military governor of Belgium, is already making plans calculated to help his country long after the German occupation of Belgium is a thing of the past. He is doing his little best to divide the Belgians upon the lines of race and language, and to assure one part of them that Germany is their friend, and that their real enemy is not the invader, but that section of their fellow citizens that speaks a different tongue. If Canada were occupied and the invader were to encourage the real enemies were the "Orangeists" of the province of Ontario, the game in Belgium which is being played by von Bisping would be duplicated. The war has introduced Belgium to the world as a united and heroic nation, we are apt to forget that before it began there was a serious cleavage, and that Belgium is, in fact, a nation composed of two different races, one language being spoken in one part of the country and another language elsewhere, and that the minority was strongly combating the majority.

Walloon v. Flemings. Everywhere the language of diplomacy is French, except in the communications between Britain and the United States, or between Germany and Austria, and in Belgium the prevailing language is French. It is spoken by those Belgian subjects who are classed generally as Walloons, some 8,000,000 of them, while the Flemings, to the number of 2,000,000 speak a combination of Dutch and German. Before the war there was trouble in Belgium between these two factions, and von Bisping has sided with the Flemings. He has called upon German universities to prove that the Flemings are really a Teutonic race instead of being Celtic as they had supposed, and has represented to them that Germany is their friend, and the German invasion an act of kindness to free them from the yoke of their Walloon oppressors. He has ordered the German officers in Belgium to acquaint themselves with the Flemish patois and this tongue is used for official communications, while the French, the language of the majority has been sternly suppressed.

Belgium in Federal Union. Writing on this subject Es-Attache says in the Pittsburgh Dispatch: "Now, while Governor General von Bisping's elaborate and costly propaganda has failed to reconquer the Flemings to German rule, it cannot be denied that his manoeuvres have had the result of reviving the former so-called Flemish People's Party and the promulgation anew of its platform. The latter demands that on the evacuation of Belgium by the Germans the kingdom should be reconstructed as a federal union of two entirely distinct states, the one Flemish and the other Walloon, under the sceptre of King Albert. The platform provides for complete autonomy for each of the two states on the lines of Austria and Hungary before the present war. The foreign policy of the kingdom, the customs, the army and navy, the currency, the railways, postal, telegraph and telephone services and the national finances are all to be dealt with by the federal government. All other matters are to be regarded as state affairs, and Flemish is to be the official language of Flanders and French that of the Walloon portion of the dual kingdom.

Looking to Evacuation. The leaders of the Flemish People's Party repudiate any sympathy or friendship for the Germans, insisting that they want to be neither German nor French and in reply to the arguments that the discussion of such racial questions is lacking in patriotism while the German invader occupies the land and while 300,000 Walloons and Flemings are fighting side by side in the trenches for their common country, namely, Belgium, they contend that peace may come quickly and even unexpectedly, that Belgium must not emerge from the war as she was before the war, and that, therefore, no time must be lost in preparing for the struggle for their rights. That the Belgians, from their gallant monarch downwards, look for an evacuation of their country by the Germans at a far earlier date than is dreamt of here is shown by the fact that King Albert and his government has appointed by decree a Royal Commission, under the presidency of H. Carton de Wiart, Belgian minister of justice, to consider and compare measures which may be urgently required on the withdrawal of the Germans from Belgian territory and to arrange for a re-assembling of the Belgian parliament at Brussels.

"That the Belgians will ever forget the war I do not believe, but the Germans have always been of a sanguine character and imagine that when the scars of battle have disappeared and time has assuaged if not obliterated the memory, and when the Flemings have finally succeeded in winning complete home rule, the Flemings may remember the support and encouragement tendered to them in the matter by Germany and may lean towards her in a political, and what is far more important in Teutonic eyes, in an economic sense."

Discounts Lasting Hatred. Von Bisping, like other Germans, calculates that the passions aroused by the war will be short-lived, and that when the struggle is over the nations engaged in it will return freely to the quarrels and differences that occupied them a couple of years ago. In that event even should Germany be driven out of Belgium, as he must naturally expect, he will have sown seeds that will ripen into a pro-German feeling on the part of nearly half of the Belgian population. His hope is that the Flemings will remember that Germany was the friend that took their part against the Walloons, and that they will have a natural affection for Germany which may manifest itself both politically and economically. It is more likely that the war will blot from remembrance the problems that abounded after-people before it came, and will obliterate former quarrels, the common ground upon which Flemings and Walloons will meet in the future will be a hatred and a horror of Germany and all her works.

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

STARS TONIGHT IN METRO PLAY AT IMPERIAL

Little Miles Minter, the youngest star in the world, who scored such a marvelous success in the Metro feature picture, "Emmy of Stork's Nest," will be seen at the Imperial tonight and tomorrow in "Barbara Frietchie," a big five-act photo drama produced by the Populists and Players for the Metro programme. This stirring and picturesque feature is adapted from the famous poem of the same name by John Greenleaf Whittier and the play by Clyde Fitch. In her remarkable career as a stage and screen star, Miss Minter never had a role better suited for her beauty and charm. She will be remembered by millions of theatre-goers who saw her as trapped by her wonderful performance as a child star in "The Littlest Rebel," an exceptionally strong cast appears in support of Miss Minter, including Mrs. Thomas W. Wiffen, the veteran actress, who will make her screen debut in this picture, Guy Coombs, William A. Moore, Anne Q. Nilson, Franke Fraunholz, and Wallace Scott. Siberian travel series and Universal Animated Weekly also.

"AN ALIEN" ON SATURDAY AT OPERA HOUSE; JUST ONE DAY

Everybody in St. John interested in motion pictures, and those who are not, should be interested in the announcement that the Opera House management has been able to secure a return engagement of that best of all photo dramas, "An Alien," with George Beban, the picture that made such a big hit last May. It will be shown here on Saturday of this week, one day only, and you should make it a point to be sure to see it, as it will probably never come to St. John again.

"An Alien" is undoubtedly the best dramatic story ever put upon the screen. At any rate, when it was seen at the Astor Theatre, in New York, where it played a long and successful engagement, the press and the leading critics all agreed that it carried the most dramatic and heart-rending story ever produced in motion pictures. The engagement is for Saturday only— one performance in the afternoon at 2-15—two shows in the evening at 7 and 9 o'clock. Usual little price.

SEEK TO IDENTIFY BODY FOUND IN HARBOR

The body of the man who was washed up the harbor this morning was taken to Messrs. Brennan's undertaking parlor where a close examination was made of the clothing in an effort to find some clue which would lead to identity. Mr. Brennan discovered the name Hall, printed in indelible ink and alongside of this the figure 8. The shirt was marked Ruthland and was size 17.

Men visited the rooms this afternoon in an effort to identify the body as that of a man named Anderson who was drowned in Courtney Bay last winter, but they were unable to do so. As there was no man named Hall who was known here, as far as is known the mystery of the unfortunate man is remains and may never be solved.

A former resident of Woodstock, who is in the city, said he thought the body might be that of Allen Carr who fell through the ice last winter near Woodstock and had never been recovered.

NOTICES OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS, 50c.

BIRTHS VANDERBECK—To Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Vanderbeck of 501 Guilford street, west St. John, a son. BONNELL—At Victoria, B. C., on August 5, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Bonnell, a daughter. HANLEY—On August 15, to Mr. and Mrs. William T. Hanley, 280 Prince William street—a son. WRIGHT—On the 11th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wright, 186 King street east—a daughter.

MARRIAGES TEAHAN-BROWN—On the 15th inst., at Public Landing, by the Rev. Fr. Carleton, Mary M. Brown, daughter of Michael Brown, to Everett J. Teahan, of Moncton.

DEATHS WALKER—In this city, on the 15th inst., Isabelle, wife of John W. Walker, leaving her husband, one son and two sisters to mourn. Funeral Thursday at 2:30 o'clock from her late residence, 14 Harding street. RILEY—Entered into rest on August 16, at 141 McMillen street, Harry Riley, in his forty-first year, leaving a wife and five children. (Nova Scotia papers please copy.) Notice of funeral later.

IN MEMORIAM PAREER—In loving memory of our mother, Eleanor Parker, who died Aug. 16, 1916. THE FAMILY.

LOCAL NEWS

WATCH TOMORROW'S PAPER

Full particulars of Gilbert's introductory sale will be announced. Read carefully. Very little for us to say. You will do the talking when you see the shoes that we are talking about—Wiesel's Cash Stores, Union street. Great harvesting bargains at our Harvesting Sale at Bassen's, 14-16-18 Charlotte street. J. Glick, the ladies' tailor, 106 King street, has a reputation for good work. Men's hip rubber boots, \$3.75—Monahan's, 139 Union street, west end. THE CENTRAL GARAGE. Most up-to-date in St. John. 107 1/2 at 60 Waterloo street. Now catering to the public. Open all day, all night. Phone Main 2486. Expert repair work. (Gasoline and all accessories. s. n. a. Father Morrissey's. Father Morrissey's Remedy for Rheumatism and all Kidney troubles, purely vegetable. No Cure—No Pay. All drug stores. Price 50c.

MUNICIPALITIES UNION IN SESSION AT BORDER

St. Stephen, N. B., Aug. 16.—The Union of the N. B. Municipalities held its first session here this morning in the Masonic hall with President Potts of St. John in the chair and H. G. Cooper as secretary. There were about forty members present. The gathering was ably addressed by the president. A paper prepared by Mr. Otty, on the work of the Public Utilities Commission, was an account of its value and lack of time, ordered taken up tomorrow morning. This afternoon and evening, on invitation of Mayor Parker Grimmer, the members of the union will be the guests of the town council and board of trade at an excursion by automobiles through this district and to a shore dinner, then a Belgian relief concert in the Bijou this evening.

BRITISH SAILORS' RELIEF FUND

Halfpenny subscriptions to the British Sailors' Relief Fund now amount to \$7,700, not including the proposed subscription of \$300 by the city. The Halifax mark aimed at is \$10,000 and the committee meets this week to arrange ways and means of making up the balance. END INQUIRY TONIGHT. Coroner W. F. Roberts will conclude the inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of James McNeill, a young man who met his death at the General Public Hospital, this evening in the court. Dr. Roberts will address the jury after which they will retire for a finding. The verdict will be awaited with much interest.

Flowers For K. P. Memorial Day

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INCREASED PAY FOR MEN OF BANGOR STREET RAILWAY

Bangor, Aug. 16.—The Bangor Railway & Electric Co. announces a general increase in the wages of conductors, motormen and car barn employees of the company, following a conference with a committee of employees. All the men mentioned are to receive two cents an hour increase in pay, effective August 15. This follows an advance in wages made on January 1, of this year, when one cent an hour additional was given. Manager Graham said that the company is granting higher wages to 414 employees from broad motives, recognizing that the cost of living is increasing. The gross receipts of the company, as shown by the public reports, are not so high as they were two years ago, and the profits are less, but it was felt by the management that as in the past, all possible should be done for the welfare of the men, and the increase was granted. Under the new scale of wages, men will receive 23 1/2 cents an hour during the first two years of their employment with the company; 24 1/2 cents an hour the third year and 25 1/2 cents an hour the fourth year and thereafter. All employees who have been with the company at least eleven years and reached the age of sixty-five, are entitled to a pension; at seventy years they must accept a pension. The company loans money to those of its employees who may be in need of ready cash, at low rates of interest. The company also maintains a life insurance policy for all employees without cost to them. The sum of \$300 is paid to the beneficiaries of employees who die in the employ of the company after having been in the service one year. The company is paying \$40 a month to dependents of its married men who are with the militia on the Mexican border.

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PERSONALS

Misses Mae and Helena Harrington are visiting at Grand Falls, the guests of their cousin, Kathleen McCloskey. Mr. and Mrs. Alex McNeil of Halifax announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Minnie, to J. Aldrick Gaudet, son of Samuel Gaudet, of Moncton. Eddie Quinn, of New York, is here on a visit to his sisters, Mrs. John Porter and Miss Annie Quinn. Arthur S. Long of St. John and party returned on Sunday evening, after a two weeks' vacation on the river in Mr. Long's motor boat, "Ronald." While away they visited Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Long, Cole's Island. Mrs. Y. Shea and Miss Margaret Shanley (nurse), of Fall River, Mass., who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Dolan, Haymarket square, have returned home. Miss Margaret Shea will remain a few weeks longer in St. John. Rev. J. Westra Stewart, formerly curate of Trinity, and an old St. John boy, now at Philadelphia, is summing up a minor. Crossman says that he is only 18 years of age. The liquor dealers are Phillip McGuire, Richard Caple and a saloon in Brussels street, licensed under the name of Dacey. The case was still going on at 8 o'clock. A limestone quarry which is about a mile long, picturesque in appearance and dangerous to work in, is located near Rockland, Me. There 800 laborers toil in chasms having perpendicular sides 200 feet high and no way of entrance or egress except by means of the derisks which hoist and lower about a dozen men at a time.

THAT CARLETON CASE

St. John, West, Aug. 16, 1916. To the Editor of the Times: Sir—Under the heading of Quick Work, appears a police report in the Evening Times that a boy having entered the fruit store of Mr. Smith was arrested by two detectives and that the crime was committed yesterday. The report implies that the boys' arrest and conviction were due to the efforts of the police. The facts are that the crime was committed on Monday, the 7th inst., and that Mr. Smith, by the aid of two friends, C. M. Alexander and C. I. Alexander, left for Fredericton last evening to attend horse races.

THREE LIQUOR CASES

Harry Crossman, arrested yesterday as reported elsewhere, laid information this afternoon against three liquor dealers, that he secured liquor from them, he being a minor. Crossman says that he is only 18 years of age. The liquor dealers are Phillip McGuire, Richard Caple and a saloon in Brussels street, licensed under the name of Dacey. The case was still going on at 8 o'clock.

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THE PEAL OF WEDDING BELLS

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PATRIOTIC CAUSES

Miss Walker, treasurer of the Red Cross, has received from Manager McKay of the Opera House the sum of \$86, receipts from the concert of Aug. 2 under the direction of Sergt. Westall and the Field Ambulance Corps. Farm Produce At Fair. Leave your vegetable marketing until Saturday at the fair to be held on the ground of E. P. Baker, South Bay, on Saturday. A special farmers' table has been provided whereon everything in the way of farm produce, from butter to honey, may be had and of the very freshest kind. Donations from the Steins farm and others will make this a feature of the fair. Proceeds go towards buying comforts for the soldiers.

BRITISH LOAN IN UNITED STATES

London, Aug. 16.—The forthcoming loan to be issued in the United States for Great Britain is regarded in banking circles as a preliminary move to protect exchange, which recently has been showing signs of drooping. The amount of the issue is so small, however, that it is understood that a more comprehensive operation, which will include countries allied to Great Britain, may be undertaken in the near future.

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