

NORFOLK NEWS

HOSPITAL BOARD APPEALS FOR AID

Urgent Call to Women of Simcoe for Nursing Help Issued

OTHER SIMCOE NEWS

Simcoe, Oct. 30.—From Our Own Correspondent.—The following appeal over the signature of the chairman of the Hospital Board was displayed yesterday:

"Women of Simcoe: The staff of the Emergency Hospital is overworked. We must have help. If you have a soul, help us."

The situation is this—since the inception of the hospital there has been very little change in the personnel of the help. Perhaps a dozen or fifteen young ladies have kept the work going. Scores of other women have been doing outside work that has counted for a great deal. For to sum it all up, it is not the "flu" but lack of proper care after the disease is contracted, that is to be feared. The hospital board knows this, and that is why the board desires that the utmost attention be given to people in their own homes.

Chairman Crabbe with others is appealed at the indifference of some. "If you have a soul," he says.

Nourishing vegetable soup donated by Dominion Canners was taken again yesterday to more than fifty homes where there was no one to make a nourishing meal. The service does the double work of lessening the domestic labor and providing a dish for those who are well and those who are ill. Ted Richards drove the car and his mother and Miss Haddock made the calls. Miss Haddock desires to volunteer for hospital work to-day, probably now at work. Some one else is required for the soup auto.

Yesterday Rev. A. B. Farney and Rev. H. C. Newcombe got an occasional lift by auto. It was generally a lady that one noticed at the wheel. These two men, Mr. H. S. McPherson and Mrs. McIvor, might be called the "outside intelligence department." If any one knows of a man with a car who, though possibly a little shy about getting into "flu" atmosphere, yet might be pressed into service to drive any of our quartette a little assistance about town, kindly let him know that there is an opening for him.

Board of Health in Session.—The Board of Health had a two-hour session last night at the conclusion of which there was nothing

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to hand out. The board will meet again later in the week. It is hoped that the public will be asked to desist from attending funerals we learned that in the opinion of the board this matter is taking care of itself. The clergy, women and friends advise brevity and simplicity in the funeral arrangements and this generally obtained.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Horning left the hospital yesterday warmly tucked up in Mr. Halliday's car. Again and again Mr. Halliday has left his business to transfer patients to and from the hospital. Martha Bros. have been equally helpful. C. A. Austin's car is often in the service. All this about the hospital, a score of others have helped about town. The "flu" has broken every barrier of creed and cast, if it has strengthened the line of demarcation between the indifferent and the "different," shall we say.

There were two patients admitted to the hospital yesterday.

Mrs. Carter, senior, is so ill on the farm that her little grandchildren require temporarily a home somewhere. Two or three of their aunts are also victims. Mrs. D. Broughton, one of these, is in the hospital.

Last night Mr. Broughton and Howard Stegmuller were both reported to be in a very serious condition; the latter rather somewhat before midnight.

Victim of "flu."—Yesterday the balance was slightly against the relief force. Besides the two early morning deaths reported in yesterday's issue, Mrs. Roy Leflar died at the hospital about 3.30 p.m. Deceased had nursed her husband and children to health and worn out by faithful ministering to her family, became herself a victim. When the situation of the family was learned the woman was hurried to the hospital, whether even then any townsfolk took an interest in the remainder of the family we have not learned, but heart-rending accounts pour in, and we are pleased to say there are some signs of hope for more general concern. The family in health that has not yet given assistance to the distressed should be hard to find. But is it?

Victory Loan Makes Second Round.—One hundred and thirty thousand of the first issue of the Victory Loan was sold last night. This is \$9000 above the average required day by day in order to reach the objective. Landed From England.—Mr. Darling had advice yesterday that his son has landed at an Atlantic port homeward bound from England.

Off For Los Angeles.—Mrs. John Goodland and daughter, Mrs. Louise Campbell, and Master Max Goodland left yesterday for Los Angeles. Miss Campbell had interests there previously and Mrs. Goodland spent last winter there, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Alma, who remained. The family have a wide circle of friends and relatives in Dover, Woodhouse and Simcoe who unite in wishing them health and prosperity under the

THOUSANDS PLEDGED TO SUPPORT VICTORY LOAN

A part of the vast audience addressed by the leaders of the Canadian nation in Queen's Park, Toronto, Sunday afternoon, when Premier Sir Robert Borden declared the \$500,000,000 Victory Loan Campaign open to the citizens of all walks of life. Spanish influenza could not prevent the citizens of Toronto

ST. BERNARD DOGS ECONOMY VICTIMS

All But Six at Famous Monastery Killed to Save Meat Supply

Paris, Oct. 30.—All but six of the famous St. Bernard dogs kept by the monks of that ancient monastery in the Alps have been killed. Shortage of meat caused by the war led to this massacre.

The St. Bernard Pass is of historical renown. It connects the valleys of the Rhone and the Dora Baites. It was traversed by Roman legions thousands of years ago. In medieval times the pass served the armies of conquerors and the hands of mercenaries. Napoleon crossed the Alps at this point in 1800.

The great monastery was built in the middle of the 16th century. It was maintained for the relief of travelers who were surprised by snowstorms while crossing the pass. The St. Bernard dogs were used to find the frozen victims of the storms in the snow-drifts. They were specially trained for this work, and carried the first aid to the injured in a little basket attached to their collars. These dogs rescued thousands of human beings, many of whom were of historical prominence. And for the first time in the history of this famous monastery the dogs had to be slaughtered for want of food.

Human Food First Interest.—At other times a report of this sort would create profound interest in Paris, but at the present the human race is thinking of its own necessities and cares less about dog heroes living more than 8,100 feet above the surface of the sea.

Today the people of France are restricted in the consumption of meat, bread or any other article of food in the making of which dough or flour is used and sugar. There are three meatless days and to prevent anyone buying meat in advance the rule restricts purchases of 200 grams of meat on a day preceding a meatless day.

The sale of meat is prohibited on Wednesday, Thursdays and Fridays. In hotels and restaurants no guest is entitled to more than 100 grams of meat as part of a meal Tuesdays. This restriction is aimed at hoarding. Even slaughter houses are entirely closed on the meatless days. Thus the attempt is made to prevent as far as possible any violation of the rule.

Of course any attempt at enforcing restrictions of this sort in the provinces would be needless. French peasants eat little meat, once or twice a week at the most, if at all. The average Englishman consumes much more meat. England had three meatless days a week, applied to restaurants and similar dining-rooms, beginning in the summer of 1917. However, these meatless days were abolished, the order taking effect May 27 this year. In place of the former restriction a meat card was issued. This card entitles the holder to a certain amount of meat, which he may buy four specified days of the week. Englishmen are consuming about double the amount of meat each by the same number of Frenchmen at present.

French frugality in meat is the more remarkable as it is accompanied by a similar and much more drastic restriction in the consumption of bread. "A Frenchman," according to a peace time wit, "is a gentleman in his manners and orders an extra portion of bread." Bread has been the staff of life for the French people.

Still, France is in a "better" position than other countries. Bread is very scarce and costly in Belgium. In Antwerp one has to pay 20 francs for a pound of meat and 30 francs for a pound of bacon. In Meuse, near Antwerp, a butcher paid 2,625 francs for a two-year-old steer. Cows are sold for 5,000 and goats for 500 francs.

Swiss Regulations Strict.—At Val de Travers, Switzerland,

A LETTER

Here is a letter just written to a Canadian boy in khaki "over there"—written by one who loves him and we all love some boy—all the boys—in khaki. "I have a sort of a feeling now that I have a part in that steaming cup of coffee which awaits for you in the trench. That rifle that you fire I helped to make. For the clothes which will keep you warm these cold winter months I helped to pay for the ship which is to bring you home victorious—and God grant that may be soon—I helped to provide. For Canada's 1518 Victory Loan is on. I am buying all the Bonds I can. I have bought more than, only a little while ago, I thought I possible could buy. I feel that, in doing so, I am helping you just a little more than I thought I should be able to. Won't that letter gladden the heart of its recipient? Isn't it a fine letter to read? Isn't it a fine letter to send? Well, let it be YOUR letter—your next letter overseas."

TO COURIER READERS.

The worst of the "flu" epidemic is now over, but conditions are still far from normal. When every business is getting affected, The Courier has been unable to escape, and a large number of employees of this paper are still ill. Consequently, delays, omissions and other errors are more frequent than under normal circumstances, and the indulgence of the public is craved. Those who have not received their paper regularly—due in most cases to the illness of route boys—will confer a great favor on the establishment by calling at the office.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

FISH! Canada's National FISH DAY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31st EAT MORE FISH IT SAVES MONEY. Three years ago the Canadian Fisheries Association decided to start a National Fish Day, and they chose the last day of October. The idea is to make known, not so much in a commercial way, as a matter of National Ambition. If Everybody will eat Fish instead of meat on this day, Canada will be able to export 3,000,000 pounds of meat to the Allies. Be loyal and do your bit. There are a dozen classes of fish on the market now, and we will have a full supply on Thursday.

NO LOOPHOLES OR RESERVES IN AUSTRIA'S CAPITULATION

Council of Associated Governments Drafts Conditions of Armistice Which Austria May Have on Application to General Headquarters

London, Oct. 29.—Alliance of the Central Powers with all the dependent grandiose schemes of aggrandisement, are shattered by Austria's appeal to President Wilson for a separate peace. Austria's official note, accepting the President's conditions, are entirely unequivocal, with no loopholes or reserves such as mark the German diplomatic moves toward capitulation.

The Austro-Hungarian Empire is already in a state of dissolution. Its Governments are evidently driven to this step to escape revolution. The Council of the associated Governments in Paris is now engaged, with its military and naval advisers, in drafting the conditions of an armistice, which Austria may have by application to the associated general headquarters in the usual form.

These conditions are already doubtless prepared in outline. It is suggested by some of the conservative newspapers here that no terms should be granted to any enemy until the associated Governments shall have settled upon the conditions of peace, but as that result naturally cannot be arranged for some time, Austria probably will not be denied the opportunity of surrendering and ending the bloodshed so far as she is concerned, in advance of formal agreement by the associated Governments upon all the essentials of the complicated subject.

In addition to the tremendous moral effect upon Germany of the surrender of Austria, the military effect will be considerable, by the withdrawal of eight Austrian divisions from the German fighting front. The most important loss to the German army will be that of the Austrian artillery which has proved of substantial service in the retreat.

Although Germany continues her rearward machine-gun covering operations with intense obstinacy, every military position is declining every day. It is believed here the German Government knows the country cannot go through another winter of war in the face of shortage of food and raw material and of internal political conditions.

EVENING CLASSES

Those desiring to take evening classes at the Collegiate Institute this year will register with Mr. Overholt, the Principal, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings this week, between 7 and 9 o'clock. Classes in shop mathematics and mechanical drawing, machine design, woodwork, automobile engine, arithmetic and English, dressmaking, millinery, shorthand and typewriting, electricity, domestic science, home nursing and art design. Additional classes in sheet metal work, and architectural drawing, if enough enroll. Register at once.

OPERATIONS IN ALBANIA

By Courier Leased Wire. Vienna, Oct. 30.—Concerning operations in Albania and Serbia, Austro-Hungarian headquarters to-night issued this statement: "In Albania our rearward have evacuated Alessio. There has been no change on the Drina front. In Serbia yesterday our troops, who were not in fighting contact with the enemy, reached Palanka."

The Italian war office Tuesday announced that Italian troops had occupied Alessio, a seaport on the Adriatic coast.

THE PRICE OF FORGETFULNESS

Through a sailor discovering a picture of the Kaiser adorning the wall of a New York rooming house, a riot developed which necessitated the calling out of all the police reserves and the wrecking of the premises. Mrs. Amelia Lewis, ten years out of Germany and keeper of the house, declared that she had forgotten that the picture occupied its place of conspicuous distinction.

LEGAL NOTE

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA. The appeal of the German for a transcendence of his case to another court has been denied. Judge Fuch will hear the case and decide the merits of an armistice.

TURNIPS!

We are open to buy a limited quantity of turnips. Apply: Simcoe Canning Company, Simcoe, Ont.

ESSAY COMPETITION THE VICTORY LOAN

School Prizes for Collegiate Institute

- (1) Silver and Bronze Medal—First and Second Prizes for the Upper School. (2) Silver and Bronze Medal—First and Second Prizes for the Middle School. (3) Silver and Bronze Medal—First and Second Prizes for the Lower School.

Subject—"Victory Bonds; Why Canadians Should Buy Them."

All students of the Collegiate Institute will be required to write an essay on the above subject previous to November 18th. Information for the essay will be given by the different teachers of composition. This information is taken from the pamphlet issued by the Central Publicity Committee, entitled: "The Victory Loan and What It Means."

In addition to the above prizes, three Provincial prizes will be given for the best essays in the Province. Three essays will be sent from the local Collegiate Institute to the Central Headquarters.

These prizes consist of a \$25 Dominion War Savings Certificate, and a \$10 Dominion War Savings Certificate. The booklet entitled "The Victory Loan and What It Means," may be secured before the re-opening of school any time this week from the Principal, at 65 Brant Ave.