

## COMING EVENTS

**DUFFERIN RIFLES CHAPTER, I.**  
O. D. E., annual meeting, 8 p. m., at the Armories, Monday, February 5th.

**RESERVE TUESDAY, FEB. 13th,**  
to hear Miss Ada Ward, who has entertained the boys in the trenches, give her cheery talk with black board illustrations, in Wellington Street Church.

**DIAMOND MEDAL CONTEST, A. O. F. Hall, Thursday, Feb. 8th, 8 o'clock.** Exceptionally good program. Net proceeds donated to Patriotic Fund. Admission 25 cents. Come.

**BAZAAR AND TEA—Auspices "Kitchen Club," Saturday afternoon, February 10th, Tea Pot Inn.** Proceeds for widows and orphans of sailors. Needlework, fortune telling, cooking.

**THE WORLD'S DARK NIGHT.** What of the Dawn? is the subject for Sunday at 7 p. m. in C.O.F. Hall, 136 Dalhousie St., by Mr. J. Parkin, of Hamilton. All welcome. Seats free. No collection.

**THE ECHO PLACE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION** will hold an open meeting Thursday, Feb. 8th, in school house, at 8.00 p. m. for reorganization and election of officers.

**BIBLE SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING, Wednesday, February 7th, at 8 p. m. in Zion Presbyterian Church.** Speaker, Ven. Archdeacon Cody, rector of St. Pauls Anglican Church, Toronto. Subject: "The Spirit of the Sword and the Sword of the Spirit." Ministers have kindly consented to give up prayer meeting for that evening, so that all may have an opportunity of hearing Archdeacon Cody. Special collection in aid of the Bible Society. A very liberal offering is asked for. In order to have this meeting clear for Archdeacon Cody a special business meeting of the Bible Society will be held on Monday, February 5th, at 4 p. m., in the Y. M. C. A. parlors for the election of officers and presenting the annual reports, to which the public is invited.

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## Brantford Juniors Tied With Ingersoll 1-1

Best Exhibition of Hockey Staged Here During Winter; Decisive Game Comes on Monday Night

The best exhibition of the winter pastime staged in Brantford this season, easily excelling all the other games yet played, was the hockey match last night at the Alfred Street rink that resulted in a 1-1 tie score between the Brantford and Ingersoll juniors. The play was exciting and fast, from the commencement until the sound of the gong, the keen ice assisting materially toward a speedy contest. A terrific pace was set throughout by the players of both teams, but the staying powers and excellent condition of the local was vastly superior to that of their opponents, a fact that became more evident as the game progressed. The game, hard fought battle was maintained by the green and white and they were only prevented by the narrowest of margins from securing a substantial lead that would be an important factor in the final decision of the series, which will be won on the largest number of goals for the round of two home and home games. To select the star performer of either seven would be difficult, but the work of Stewart in goal for the locals was of an exceptional character while Forrester played his usual brilliant game, notching the only tally that passed through the Ingersoll nets. Carruth and Adams showed greatly improved form, the former having lost all hesitancy in getting into the game, while the speedy skating and general good work of the Brantford rover was also worthy of notice. Hayes, Kelly and Hurley played consistently throughout, making desperate efforts to end the game with a local advantage.

The visitors demonstrated a ready ability in nearly all departments in the game, their combination play in the early stages, outclassing that of their opponents, but as the game progressed they began to show their individual brilliancy, while the Brantford boys improved in this regard, especially in the last period when they repeatedly rushed the length of the ice by means of splendid combination effort, only to be robbed of goals by the narrowest of chances.

Referee Burgoyne was the best in that capacity seen here this winter, allowing little to escape him and at the same time not being rigid enough to slow up the play. In spite of the rapidity of the play and the close checking, the game was remarkably free from accidents although both teams under the excitement were willing to indulge in "rough work" this being particularly true of Wilford who displayed a strong tendency to mix things up, and was warned on two occasions by the referee to cease such tactics. He also suffered several penalties for his unsportsmanlike conduct.

**The First Period**  
This period began with the play situated mostly in the Brantford end, but the locals soon found themselves and broke away carrying the rubber up to the other end where after about thirteen minutes of play a goal was gained by Forrester, who had made a specialty all season of starting things off and who did not fall on this occasion to sustain his record. Ingersoll came right back and after a few moments Hoppe evened up the score and concluded the scoring for the game by beating Stewart on a hard shot. From this time on both teams strained hard for another goal but the period ended 1-1.

**The Second Period**  
was merely a continued repetition of the latter stages of its predecessor, being featured by rushes and close checking by both defenses that showed up very strongly, with some advantage for the locals. The green and white also forced through with greater facility than the boys from

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the "cheese" town, but lost several chances through delaying their shots until in too close proximity to the Ingersoll nets. A directly opposite course was adopted by the visitors, who frequently indulged in long shots from centre ice, but to no avail. The period ended with neither team having scored, the tally remaining 1-1.

**The Final Period**  
found the Ingersoll boys rushing up Wilford from the defence in an effort to bolster up the forward line. The home boys retaliated by moving up Kelly and Hayes at intervals to relieve Hurley, and with some success. The play was about evenly divided all the players striving desperately to secure a lead. The hopes of local fans flew high when Carruth knocked the rubber through the posts, but the goal was not allowed, being scored by a second after the bell had sounded for an off side. During the closing stages, the play slackened a trifle, but not to any marked extent, this being due to an increasing number of scrimmages in the centre ice. The period ended without further scoring.

The score was no indication of the relative merits of the two teams, for although the early stages of the contest were closely and evenly contested a superiority was displayed by the green and white in the succeeding periods. The game in Ingersoll on Monday night will decide which team is to contest for higher honors, and although Brantford will be playing on strange ice with no lead, a victory is confidently anticipated by Manager Gould and his seven stalwarts, who will likely appear with no change in the personnel of the team. The players are, on their showing thus far in the season, give promise of bringing the highest honors obtained in the hockey arena to Brantford in many years, and are the dearest of the heartiest support of the local fans on Monday night when they journey to "Cheeseville" for the decisive encounter of the year, and it is expected that a large number of enthusiasts will accompany the team.

**The Line Up.**  
Ingersoll  
Stewart Goal  
Hayes Defence  
Kelly defence  
Hurley centre  
Adams rover  
Carruth left wing  
Forrester right wing  
Referee, Stanley Burgoyne, Toronto.

## United States and Germany Break

Continued from page one.  
**What It Means.**  
Washington, Feb. 3.—Breaking off diplomatic relations with Germany does not mean war, but it may lead to war. It is an act of protest and characterized in the usage of nations as a "measure short of war." The danger that war may follow is accentuated by the diplomatic history of the world. Modern times show no instance of a diplomatic break between two first class powers that has not been followed by hostilities.

The rights of Germans in the United States and of Americans in Germany are practically unaffected by the severance of diplomatic relations. No treaties are terminated or suspended, but remain in full force and effect unless either government later decides to denounce them, which under international practice generally calls for a notice of one year.

German consuls in the United States and American consuls in Germany holding their places by virtue of treaties continue to perform their usual functions, but they no longer work under supervision of diplomatic officers.

There should be no sequestration or confiscation of private property, either in the United States or Germany, although it may be taken for use under certain circumstances.

The ninety-five or more German merchant ships tied up in American ports since the beginning of the war may be used by the United States, but the German owners ultimately must be compensated. Only in case of war is there possibility of their being absolutely confiscated and even then such action is doubtful for the United States in the world court of nations, has been the leading exponent of the inviolability of private property.

Mails will continue to move under the Geneva convention and other existing special conventions. There should be no restriction upon the free movement of travellers between the two countries, other than the fixed policy of the United States to issue no passports to Americans wishing to visit the war zone, unless they have pressing business there. In fact, so far as individuals are concerned, the status remains practically unchanged by a break in diplomatic relations. On the conduct of Americans in Germany and the conduct of Germans and German sympathizers in the United States depends the attitude of the respective governments regarding them.

# TO WIN THE WAR

## SCHOOL CHILDREN VOLUNTEER!

Every public and separate school room in Brantford was visited during the week, and the children promise to spread the news that

## 400 Men Are Needed for the 215th

IN ADDITION THERE WILL BE HELD

## 2 MASS MEETINGS SUNDAY

3 P. M.

## Pte. S. L. LANDERS

EDITOR LABOR NEWS, HAMILTON

Will speak at the Brant to men only on "WHY TRADE UNIONISTS SHOULD FAVOR THE CANADA MILITIA ACT OR EVEN COMPULSORY SERVICE TO WIN THE WAR"

8:30 P. M.

AT THE GRAND OPERA HOUSE, Capt. (Chaplain) McKegney and Pte. S. L. Landers will speak on—

## "Why We Need More Men"

## An Advertisement to the Men of Brantford

By The 257th Battalion

### THE 257th Railway Construction Battalion does not intend to beg, badger or bulldoze men to join the Corps.

THIS Battalion wants men—wants them fast—and knows it will get them as quick as the men know what the 257th is going to do.

Railroads are the need of the hour in France—needed for moving troops—needed to bring up munitions—needed to keep up the supply of food for the men in the trenches—needed to beat out any possible move of the enemy.

So great is the need that France has made a special call upon Canada to build them as rapidly as it is possible to lay them—the railway companies of Canada, in turn, have been asked to lend steel rails, engines, switches, and operating crews, so as to get the roads into operation with the least possible delay—and practical railroad builders in Canada have been called upon to organize battalions to go to France right away to construct these emergency lines of track.

This is a special job to Canada—given because the Canadians have proved to be the fastest, most efficient railroad builders at the front.

These are the facts. This is why the 257th is being organized. It is answering a hurry-up call. It will go to France as a unit. It will not be held in Canada or in England one minute longer than is absolutely necessary.

To go to France without delay is the desire of hundreds of men, who object to long waits before getting across.

That is one reason why the 257th got one full company the first week it started recruiting.

Another reason is that the physical test is not so severe. Thousands of men in Eastern Canada want to go to France to do their bit who have been stopped because they couldn't read a 10 point D

at a hundred paces, or for some other minor cause. Eyes slightly off color, or a hammer toe, or a stiff finger joint, or any of the less important disabilities won't keep men out of the 257th.

This battalion can take men who are in good general condition who are able to do a good day's work. If you are that kind of a man, you are one man we want.

Think it over. Talk it over at home. You want to go. We take that for granted.

It is a case of making up your mind to act. That is what we ask you to do—act!

If you delay, you won't go with this battalion, because it's going to be recruited in a hurry. If you hold back, you'll stay at home. Get in quick and you'll be in France, in the midst of the biggest happenings in the world's history, before spring.

Again we say—think it over. The man who has built a piece of railroad in Canada has the satisfaction in later years of pointing to it and saying: "I helped to build that line." He can take a justifiable pride in it as one achievement he actually helped in. That is nothing to the satisfaction the men of the 257th Battalion will have, when, in the years following the war, they can point to a stretch of railroad in France, and say:—"There is a piece of road I helped to build during the Great War—it formed part of

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Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, B. Mr. Speaker, I desire to make observations upon the speech of the Throne, which is now before the House, but before doing so I must assume I may be allowed to say a few words in regard to the gentlemen with regard to the order of the mover and second the Address, and to our distinguished Governor General. I will take up the time of the House in that regard.

The War  
After another year of war ourselves confronted with a situation perhaps as serious as we have confronted this Empire in times. I do not desire either a pessimist or an optimist. I shall not regard the progress of the war as the supreme question before this country, just a year ago, and the winning war should be the first of Canadian citizens. The war are out to win the war are that ought to be esteemed for the sake, and any Government that leaves anything undone could be done to win the war, not commend itself to the people of Canada, or of the Empire, viewing the operations of a year we find that comparative progress has been made. That we have made progress has been made more in the west than in the east. The progress of the war is staggering, simply astounding have not heard any gentleman has spoken so far attempt the House how many the qualities have been. We have the Dominion casualties at about 70,000, but the casualties of the two great contending powers have not been mentioned. I know. I made a rough estimate a few weeks ago and tried to be servative in my figures. I that up to that time the casualties on both sides amounted to one and a half millions. That is an astounding number, and afraid that I had over-estimated. A few days later, however, Von Hindenburg, who has heard of considerably dark war, gave an interview to the press in which he stated that the Allies alone amount to ten million casualties. My statement, I began to think been fairly conservative in the figure at 16,500,000. casualties on the German side are all published in amounts of 4,000,000 at the end of the year, according to the lists. The French casualties reported, and therefore very well tell what the situation are. The Russian casualties run into several millions, 6,000,000 to 8,000,000; for be remembered that Russia is almost entirely alone, 1,000 miles of battle front, assistance of only a small Roumania. The recent Roumania into the war has brought that advantage to lies that we perhaps at first ed, and I very much regret entry into the war should be signaled by such severe as they sustained almost immediately and which they apparent continued to sustain up to ent time. Evidently they prepared for the encounter was their adviser, and why tered before they were revealed later on, and I

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