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THE SITUATION.

Field Marshal Haig reports that the only recent event of importance on the Western front has been the tremendous activity of British aircraft. After a thick morning mist had cleared on Friday, the air-planes got busy dropping tons of bombs on railway sidings at Courtrai, enemy billets at Roulers and Douai and also on hostile aerodromes. Ten German airplanes were brought down and six others driven down out of control, while only one British machine failed to return. This can be chronicled as the most notable air achievement yet accomplished by the British, for Haig reported that the German planes offered "hard fighting."

The Russians who proposed to arrest the King of Roumania and do a few other things to that country, are finding the ally whom they have so shamelessly betrayed, a hard nut to crack. Serious fighting has taken place between the two forces near Galatz, with the result in favor of the Roumanians.

Affairs in Russia still remain in a condition of confusion worse confounded. Conditions in Petrograd are reported to be more grave than probably at any previous period and opposition to the Bolshevik government is said to be growing to such an extent that 200,000 soldiers have been conscripted in order to protect Lenin and his Ministers. The German Foreign Secretary in a speech before the Reichstag main committee declared that the Bolshevik object was not peace, but the disruption of the Russian nation. A despatch from Harbin, states that Chinese officials have cut off the export of all goods to Russia, thus accentuating the food shortage in that country. The Russian frontier authorities have filed a protest and threaten to suspend the operation of the Chinese Eastern Railway.

Washington hears that U-boats in large numbers have been recalled to German ports in order to be refitted for a big offensive against the vessels now passing between the United States and France, with soldiers, supplies and so on.

In Palestine a half ton of bombs was dropped on enemy camps and depots and another half ton on a Turkish column, two thousand strong, proceeding along the Jerusalem-Nabulus road.

A revolutionary military committee formed in Odessa, proposes to confiscate all bank deposits, and the property of all the rich inhabitants.

A German submarine, after pilaging the Spanish steamer Giralda, of 4,400 tons, sank the vessel. The crew escaped.

THE FOOD CRISIS.

Lord Rhonda, British Food Controller, when addressing an audience of farmers on Saturday made the statement that "in one week in December, submarines destroyed three million pounds of bacon and four million pounds of cheese." These are figures which serve to bring home more fully than anything else what the "U" boat campaign is meaning to Great Britain. Lord Rhonda added that the British people must still further pull in their belts in order to laugh at the Germans.

On all hands it is now commencing to be realized that food is going to prove one of the big factors in connection with the determination of hostilities. On Saturday at Ottawa the war cabinet was in session all day to consider this important subject and it was stated that recent information from Great Britain, France and Italy showed that the position of affairs was becoming increasingly critical. The opinion expressed was that both Canada and the States would have to grow more stuff, rigidly exclude waste and control eating. In these respects the statement is made that Hon. Mr. Crear, Minister of Agriculture, has comprehensive plans in hand for increased production, and that the new Food Controller will give special attention to the limited use of certain foods which Canadians are now largely consuming with all the abandon of the pre-war period.

Hon. Mr. Hanna, during his regime, accomplished much, despite a good deal of criticism. Benefits amounting in the aggregate to many thousands of dollars have been secured to the public by the regulation of the cereal package trade, hotels and restaurants have effected

great savings an increased consumption of fish has helped a lot, and so on, but matters must be carried very much further.

Commencing with to-day in Canada, all mills will commence grinding standard flour, and no white flour will be ground after this date. In the States to-day also the residents will go on a war bread diet, and commencing with Feb. 1st, all sailors on vessels leaving U. S. ports are to be placed on shorter meat and cereal rations.

Every individual must realize that it is up to each one to help in the great cause of producing and saving on behalf of the general cause.

FROM THE STATES

With the barrier that war has set up against immigration to Canada from European countries the prospect of desirable settlers from the United States becomes increasingly important, and it is gratifying to learn that the outlook for the year 1918 is that the tide that started back in good proportions in 1917 will flow in much greater volume this season. While the immigration from the United States to Canada last year was more than double the volume of 1916, the indications are that this year will see a large increase over last. Reports that have reached the agents of the Canadian Pacific Railway so far have been very encouraging, and it is notable that the hostile feeling that developed in some directions against the movement to Canada has disappeared entirely with the growingly close relations that have resulted from the union of the two countries in mutual war aims.

Figures furnished show that during the past year the colonization and development branch of the Canadian Pacific brought over 1,545 families, who settled on the agricultural sections of the three prairie provinces, a number more than double the record for 1916. Needless to say, the great majority of these came from the United States. At an average of five persons to a family the population was increased by over 7,500. But more important far to Canada and the world at the present time was the fact that some 330,000 acres were taken up by these new citizens, and the probable and almost certain result for 1918 will be that more than 6,000,000 bushels of wheat will be added to the production of the Canadian West, \$12,000,000 created in wealth, and food provided for one million people. From another point of view it is estimated that each family of the type that Canada receives from the United States brings over on the average \$3,000, so that the total from this group alone would exceed \$4,500,000.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Make up your mind to eat less and do more for the cause.

The Hohenzollern outfit are fighting mad because Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister, communicated his speech on peace to President Wilson. Nobody in Austria is supposed to even sneeze without first getting Hun permission.

Anyone capable of giving warm glances these days should be at a premium.

The German Chancellor, when he recently said that Great Britain must abandon Gibraltar and other such points in order to guarantee freedom of the seas, failed to mention also that London must be made a German port. Probably this was an oversight.

The British Labor party in voting to stand with Lloyd George's war Ministry, demonstrated once more that the members are thoroughly sound on the determination that Prussian militarism must be crushed.

CITY AGAIN

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wated pipes have been reported frozen during the past few days, the cases being in the East ward streets, particularly Wellington, Nelson and Clatham streets, appear to be the worst of the lot.

Soldiers Undaunted
The C.O.R. men are parading this morning as usual, in spite of the inclement weather.

HEATLESS

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"moonshine" was rapidly increasing in "bone dry" states, and whiskey was being sold illegally to soldiers in southern training camps.

The commissioner also wrote commissioners for prohibition states asking their co-operation, and letters of instructions went forward to internal revenue collectors. The campaign already has resulted in arrests in many states, but the commissioner points out the records show the main effort to keep moonshine in check continues to come under federal destruction. In this connection the destroying of all stills and 697 distilleries in North Carolina and 121 stills and 206 distilleries in South Carolina.

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lined by federal agents during 1917 is cited. Evidence gathered by federal agents shows that raw corn liquor has been sold about army camps at \$8 to \$12 a quart.

OLDER GIRLS' CONFERENCE

Crowned with the highest measure of success, the second annual Older Girls' conference was held in Colborne Street Church Saturday and Sunday, attended by a total of over four hundred girls and young women. The conference opened Saturday afternoon, with prayer by Mrs. (Rev.) D. E. Martin, and greetings from Colborne street church, which were extended by Mrs. (Rev.) Logan and Miss Beatrice Lambert. The response upon behalf of the visitors was made by Miss Jessie Edmondson, Miss Adams, president, who occupied the chair, gave an address upon the subject "What the Older Girls' Conference Stands For," and then presented to Wesley Sunday School the program for the year, increase in its organization work during the past year. The new officers were then introduced they being Miss Stella Adams, president, Miss Morris Vice-president, Miss Edna Such secretary and Miss Jean Millard treasurer. Miss Adams, the new president, then took the chair, and Miss L. Dantley of Hamilton gave an address, "Lady's Fair." A debate, "Organization vs. Un-organization in a Teen Age Class," was won by the affirmative, Miss Jessie Allen and Grace McIntosh. The negative was taken by Florence Taylor and Nellie Cooper.

Miss Marion Arnold of Toronto, gave an address "Divisional Organization as Worked Out in the Toronto Sunday Schools." Sectional conferences followed, the teachers and workers led by Miss Mabel Taggart of Toronto, the organized classes by Miss Alice May of Toronto, and the members of unorganized classes by Miss Nellie Houlding. The conference then adjourned, and enjoyed a delightful banquet in the basement of the church at six o'clock, the meal being livened by toasts and conference songs and yells. The evening conference took the form of a service for the graduating classes, when eighteen diplomas were presented by Miss Howden, after the valedictory address had been delivered by Miss Essie Edwards. Mrs. D. Danby led in prayer, and Mrs. Mary Foster Bryner addressed the gathering upon "Making Good." Miss Helen Fuller contributed a violin solo, and the report of the Older Girls' Camp Conference on Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, was submitted by Miss Blanche Tresham, president of the Hamilton council.

On Sunday morning the centre seats of the church were reserved for the girls, and the Rev. C. P. Logan spoke upon "Strength and Beauty." In the afternoon a mass meeting was held for all girls of conference age, at which the principal speaker was Dr. Harriet Stratton-Elles, principal of Moulton College, Toronto, who spoke upon "Consecration to the Master's Service." Mrs. Fenton B. McIntyre presided, and Miss Jean McLennan sang a very pleasing solo. The conference was then formally declared closed by Miss Adams, the new president.

Laid at Rest

The funeral of the late Mrs. Jane Jones of Onondaga took place Friday afternoon at Pleasant Ridge cemetery, a large number of friends and relatives being in attendance. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Mills. The pall bearers were Messrs. Edwards, Painter, Miller, Walker, Churchill and Davis.

The death occurred on Saturday of Edward R. Martin, 288 Nelson street, aged 62 years. The deceased is survived by a widow, four sons, Thomas, Frank, Edwood and Edward, and two daughters, Mrs. Wm. Henrich and Mrs. Reg. Nash, all of this city. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon to Mount Hope cemetery.

PARIS Y. W. TALENT TEA A SUCCESS

Monthly Meeting of North Brant Women's Institute —Other Paris News

(From our own Correspondent)
Paris, Jan. 28.—On Saturday afternoon a very successful tea and home-made cooking sale was held in the Young Women's Christian Association building, by the members of the board. The president, Mrs. T. Bonner and vice-president, Mrs. A. Howell received the guests, while Miss N. Young was at the door. After a social chat, the guests were then shown to the tea room by Mrs. Dunn. This room made a pleasing appearance with its decorations of pink and white carnations and dainty baskets tied with pink tulle on the tables. Here Mrs. J. Harold and Mrs. (Dr.) Duntun poured tea, while a bevy of young ladies—the Misses A. Woods, Miller, M. Woods, McKenzie, Billo, Sandback, Bowers and G. Woods, looked after the wants of all. Mrs. Hilborn and Mrs. M. Deans had charge of the teasets. A number of musical selections were given during the afternoon by Mr. Louis D. Thompson, and solos by Miss C. Stewart, Mr. Gorrie, duet, Miss S. Rogers and Mr. Wm. Hurst. The home-made cooking booth was in charge of Mrs. T. S. Davidson, Mrs. Emmerson and Miss M. Tate, while the Misses Knill and Featherstone looked after the white elephant table. A very nice sum was realized which will be devoted towards the upkeep of the "Y. W."

The monthly meeting of the North Brant Women's Institute was held at the residence of Miss M. Scott, of South Dumfries, on Friday afternoon. Mrs. Emerson was in the chair, and the meeting opened by all singing the "Maple Leaf Forever." The roll call was answered by quotations from Canadian authors, after which the following business was transacted: That the secretary be instructed to write a letter to Mrs. A. W. C. conveying to her the sympathy of the society in the death of her mother, Mrs. T. Truss, who had recently passed away in Toronto. On Tuesday evening, February 27th, the Canadian members will hold a progressive euchre at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Guthrie, South Dumfries. The program for the afternoon, an excellent program was given, which was very much enjoyed; those assisting were: Duet by Mrs. P. McQueen and Miss E. Evans; reading, Mrs. Anthony Bean; solo, Mrs. H. Evans; reading, Miss O'Neill; current events, Mrs. J. Barker. A social hour was then spent, and dainty refreshments were then served by the country ladies. A hearty vote of thanks was extended to the hostess, Miss Scott, for the enjoyable afternoon given. The Paris members were conveyed by sleighs to the home of Miss Scott, all thoroughly enjoying the ride.

At the monthly meeting of the Paris Musical Club, held in the auditorium of the Central School, the following excellent program was rendered: Mozart (1755-1791), piano duet, "Minuet," Miss Ruth Qua and Mrs. Adeney; Beethoven (1770-1827), piano solo, "Sonata Pathetique," Miss Thompson; Purcell (1670-1728), vocal solo, "Passing By," Mr. E. V. Kinsey; Padri Martini (1760-1791), trio, "Les Deux Moutons," Mrs. Adeney, Mrs. Bonner, Marcus Adeney; paper by Miss Wilson; Calceott (17th Century), vocal solo, "Friend of the Brave," Mr. H. Hill; Haydn (1732-1809), piano duet, "Minuet," Mrs. Adeney and Miss Blake; Buononcini (1640-1678), cello solo, "Sonata," Marcus Adeney; Parcell (17th Century), vocal solo, "I Attempted Love Sickness to Fly," Miss G. Stewart-Jones; Torrelli (1660-1708), concerto for two violins and piano, Miss England, Mrs. Adeney and Mrs. Forner; God Save the King.

Mrs. Crawford, Paris Station, has left for Hamilton, owing to the death of her little grand-daughter, Eunice Elizabeth Wrecks, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wrecks, formerly of this town.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Burns and daughter of the late Mr. Burns, who have been visiting relatives in town for the past two months, left for the West to-day.

Mr. George Buchanan of Hamilton block on Saturday, January 26th, after which the degree of the Red Cross and Sepulchre was also emphasized on Saturday.

Knights of Malta Instal Officers

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The St. Elmo Commandery of the Knights of St. John and Malta held the annual installation of officers in the lodge rooms in the Commercial block on Saturday, January 26th, after which the degree of the Red Cross and Sepulchre was emphasized by the Grand Master and a team from Toronto, ably assisted by members of the local Commandery. Twenty candidates were initiated into the mysteries of the degree. Refreshments were then served at the banquet hall. Past Commander Em. Sir Knight I. Harvey Belmont officiated as toast-master. Speeches were given by the Very Eminent Grand Master Thos. Jenkins, Most Eminent Sir Knight John Owan, and other Sir Knights from Toronto. A very profitable time was spent. The following officers were installed:

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WINTER WEATHER

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ced to St. John the Baptist, and in the year 1118 was reorganized on a military basis to defend the banner of the Cross against the persecution of the Turks. Later on they became so weakened by the power of the Saracens that they were compelled to migrate to Cyprus, Rhodes, and finally to the Island of Malta, where they became famous and prosperous. Years later they were betrayed and the great Napoleon expelled them from that island. This scattered their ranks to many parts. The order in Cross stands for.

Scotland preserved valuable estates, which were vested in Sir James Sandilands, who sat in the then Scottish Parliament as Lord St. John, the ancestor of the present Lord Torphichen, Calder House, near Edinburgh, and has continued to this day in the British Isles. Canada, to the United States, where it is still carrying on its work of benevolence as a fraternal, beneficial and insurance society, and as such should appeal to military men and others who know well what the Red

LOCAL

MOVE COLORED TROOP
A plan is understood to transfer soldiers in Military District London, who along with district would make a detour reinforcements for the construction Battalion.

FOR RED CROSS.
The Women's Patriotic Society has received donations for the Red Cross of Grace church \$5, Men matches \$38.25.

ARE DIRECTORS.
At the twenty-first annual meeting of the stockholders of the Guarantee Limited, in Toronto last night, Harris and Joseph Ruddy were elected directors.

HELD PARTY.
An enjoyable party was held last night at the home of Selby, 93 Grand street, where guests spent a merry evening in games and music, the serving of a dainty lunch.

CHILDREN'S SHELTER.
Through oversight the donations to the clothing of the Children's Shelter from the last report published, \$5; collected by M. Whitaker; Miss Scam Mrs. W. Brown, \$1; Tw 60c.

APPEARS FOR SENTENCE.
E. L. Hanselman, chiropractor, was recently found guilty of fraud and deceit in connection with the manufacture of shell gold, Shapley and Muir, will appear before Chief Justice on the non-jury of the Supreme Court in H day for sentence.

C.O.R. APPOINTMENTS.

Lieut. Charles Daw has been appointed to the C.E.F., to be a recruiting officer for the Battalion, 1st C.O.R. Lieut. Williamson, 10th Regiment, the 17th Battalion, has been appointed to the 2nd Depot 1st C.O.R. Lieut. R. Cooke and Lieut. G. E. have been appointed to the Depot Battalion, 2nd C.O.R. E. F. Hinch becomes a member of the Railway Construction



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