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THE WAR SITUATION

ing was by the Germans when they cap-Allies. Hence it is believed in Washington that the war must continue for the coming fall.

There is no news of importance from shoe business is played out. Let us the western front. The Germans con- have more of the news. tinue to attack with great obstinacy

Winnipeg because Liberalism is so vealed Germany in such a light strongly in the ascendant in all the people are now disposed to believe any charge, however, dreadful, made against provinces will have a much larger representation in the next parliament. But influence will continue to grow with the growth of the west, and this is an adit demands more than the mere con-

west-men who see far beyond the proview is national and imperial, and such and fuel-saving must be added to foodmatters as the perennial dispute be- saving as a national necessity. tween Ontario and Quebec only concerns them as it may effect the unity French element, a foreign element, a distribution.

What steps will be taken this fall some time in connection with this year's traffic? operations, and especially with the question of conserving and satisfactorily distributing this year's production; but later on the matter of next year's work later on the matter of next year's work why not economize on some of the big salaries, paid the government and given later on the matter of next year's work must be taken up. Of course it is not a question for the agricultural department alone, but for agricultural socie- With a general election in the near ties, municipal and city councils and individual farmers. The widest co-opera- were never quite so much at sea as at nization is desirable. There was com- waiting. plaint this year that the agitation began too late for effective preparation, and we There is a getting together in the all know how difficult it was to get west. This should arouse fresh interfertilizer and some kinds of seed. There est in maritime union as an eastern de-

A . Washington despatch says that age planted in the spring. In the neigh-American officers, while they do not borhood of cities, towns and villages doubt for a moment that the western much preparatory work could be done front can be held against all German at- in the fall, and with this year's experi-British and French have wrested from and vegetables under the direction of the Germans any key position of such experts there should be a great deal importance that it can be used next more done along these lines by indiyear to hurl the enemy back toward the vidual housewives next year. There will be next year the same demand for cer-It is further contended by these American observers that the greatest strategic advantage gained in recent fight- stitute foods locally in order to make the quantity for export larger. Moreover, it is in the interest of individual and family economy to encourage garit more difficult to roll up their flank dening and the canning of vegetables ductor western situation more difficult for the

Meanwhile an American army of South Wales that the British govern-800,000 national guardsmen is being mo- ment should take the public more into bilized, and will be sent overseas as its confidence regarding war news is that men of the new army to be raised tirely unnecessary censorship of news.

"Exactly! He doesn't seem to realize by selective draft will be ready for ser- We have suffered from it in Canada. It that it should be said only once." come, and perhaps for nearly a year. battalion took part in a certain movearmies are still retreating in Galicia. As a matter of fact the Germans know adopted stern measures to overcome the is a quite unnecessary application of forces of reaction within the country, German methods. The people of Canand has issued an almost pathetic ap- ada today would be a good deal more peal to the army and the people to keen about the war but for the senserally and save Russia from a counter- less censorship. We may be quite sure revolution that would restore the old the people of the United States will regime. The death penalty has been insist upon knowing a good deal more restored, the reactionary press will be about the movements of their troops muzzled, and a determined effort made than the Canadian people have ever to stem the tide of anarchy and of Ger- been able to learn about the work of the Canadian battalions. The gum-

and determination, and the Allies are Ordinarily the statement that Gernot gaining any important ground. The man peddlers in the United States had Roumanian situation is improving and been selling court plaster infected with the Greek parliament has met and is in germs of deadly diseases would be refull accord and co-operation with the ceived with incredulity, but the Ger-Allies. There is no news from the mans have done as bad or worse in Italian and Macedonian fronts. One Belgium and in France. The murder seeks in vain in any quarter for news of women and children and old men. that would warrant the hope of an early the deliberate cutting off of children's ers or starving and beating them, the THE WINNIPEG CONVENTION inoculation of wells with poison, and Eastern Canada is especially interest-over and over again, to say nothing of Winnipeg because Liberalism is so vealed Germany in such a light that

there is another reason. The west is The Toronto Globe announces that it radical. It has its own views in relawill oppose any candidate who favors tion to the tariff, public ownership and other large questions and is determined to make its influence more strongly felt.

On the tariff, public ownership and other large questions and is determined to make its influence more strongly felt. So do many other Liberal newspapers. at Ottawa. Moreover, it knows that this The sentiment in favor of conscription

'The attitude of the convention toward conscription and leadership in The Halifax city council has decided the war must have a powerful influ-to establish a municipal, coal yard. ence upon eastern sentiment, and there- If that is desirable in a province which fore both great parties are deeply in-terested in the outcome of the deliberations. There are big men in the a note of warning to the effect that if vincial boundary, and have a vision of restrictions on the use of all sorts of the greater Canada of the future. Their fuel. The situation is therefore serious

and the development of the Dominion. is not due to a famine in the province Their attitude toward the future con- There were plenty of old potatoes seekbe made clear at the coming convention. weeks ago, and the price went down No doubt there will be sharp divisions to \$1.50 or less per barrel. There is a in the west, for there are various ele- job here for a local food controller, or ments in the population. There is a somebody to deal with the problem of

labor element, and the powerful association of grain growers. They will not all see eye to eye, and the Liberal convention will not speak for all of them. make its declaration one of national go the limit in restoring the order and importance and far-reaching influence. discipline without which will become the prey of anarchy, and of

German hatred and intrigue. scale next year of the policy of increas- in Canada. Since there must be na ed production in the province of New tional economy, why not cut off that Brunswick? Of course the agricultural source of waste of money and man-

department will have its hands full for hood which is represented by the liquor

tion is necessary, and systematic orga- the present time. There is a watchful

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