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THE SITUATION.

With characteristic prodigality of life the German command is hurling tremendous masses of men against the British on the Cambrai front, but Haig's men are repelling the assaults with characteristic bravery and tenacity. The enemy still holds the ground some twelve miles or so, which he managed to retake in the first onslaught, but has made no impression on the remaining territory of over forty square miles, which the British occupied in their memorable attack. The struggle which is still proceeding, is described as the fiercest yet recorded in connection with even this sanguinary war and military critics regard the outcome as likely to have an important bearing on the western front operations.

The Huns have lost the last of their colonies. It is officially announced that German East Africa is now completely cleared of the enemy and that the foe has been annihilated except for a small force which has taken refuge in adjoining Portuguese territory. The territory has a coast line of 630 miles and an area of 384,000 square miles.

On the Italian front large enemy forces are shifting on various lines and the latter still hold. It is believed that the Huns are concentrating for an attack on the north.

Berlin asserts that Roumania has opened negotiations for a separate peace.

British Embassy officials in Petrograd are refusing to recognize the Bolshevik Government.

A despatch over the Courier leased wire, via Amsterdam, states that an armistice has been signed between Russia and Germany. If so, the arrangement has been made by a government which Great Britain and the other powers refuse to recognize.

ANOTHER ACCLAMATION

J. E. Porter, the Laurier candidate in the riding of Victoria-Carleton, New Brunswick, has thrown up the sponge, and Hon. Mr. Carvell, the new minister of Public Works has been declared elected by acclamation.

This makes eight Liberal Unionists who get into the House without a contest as compared with one Conservative Unionist.

The record is such as should forever silence the claims of Laurier Liberals, and also some others who persist in the statement that the Union Government is not a genuine thing but only a Tory dodge.

A GRAND ACHIEVEMENT

The Victory Loan has now reached the magnificent total of \$401,000,000, with more returns yet to be chronicled. The number of subscribers reported is 627,373, and many thousands more, who did not find themselves able to give, have also watched and hoped for the success of the campaign with the keenest possible interest.

The effects are going to prove far-reaching, not alone as an earnest of the grim determination of a vast majority of this people to stand by the great cause, but also with reference to the continued welfare of the Dominion.

In Great Britain, the success of the loan had apparently been anticipated, and it is announced that the British Government has instructed the Imperial Munitions Board, Ottawa, to issue without delay to Canadian metal-working plants equipped for the work, contracts in volume covering the steel, forging and machining of 8-pdr. shrapnel, 4.5-inch and 6-inch high explosive shell, which will ensure steady employment both of men and machines for a period extending well into the New Year.

It has been brought home to us in recent months that for the duration of the war at least the wheels of industry in Canada must needs revolve through the power medium of money supplied by her own people. In a word, much business is and has been available for our manufacturing plants—metal-working and otherwise; the procuring of same has, however, been dependent on our bearing its financing on our own shoulders in the shape of credits to the Imperial Government.

Munition-making in Canada has for several months been ebbing, and until quite recently had the appearance of becoming a negligible quantity.

# Election Appeal

As the Union Government candidate in the Riding of Brantford, I desire to give to the Electors a brief outline of my views.

The main issue is the newly enacted Military Service Law and it has my hearty approval, in all its provisions, as the only fair and effective means of getting recruits. As an adjunct of this law I believe in all necessary taxation for the carrying on of the war.

It is unreasonable to let Quebec dominate the war policies of this Dominion. That Province must be made to toe the mark both in men and money.

I believe in liberal pay for the soldiers and their dependents; also a decided increase in the scale of pensions to all the brave men who are entitled to them.

It is my desire to see all First and Second Contingent men get furlough to return home for a rest and family reunion.

The era of large profits on food, fuel and war supplies should be at an end, and will be, so far as my influence goes.

The vigorous prosecution of the war and complete and final victory is the great consideration.

After the war the care of the returned men and placing them in positions, or on the land.

My wish is to serve the people and the great cause.

Your cordial support is solicited.

Sincerely,

W. F. COCKSHUTT.

Realization of such a possibility was little relished by our business interests. Investigation of the position disclosed the fact that financing of munitions orders was the chief obstacle in the way, hence effort was at once directed to satisfactorily overcome the trouble.

The decision to place further large British shell orders in Canada, coming as it does in the wake of the distribution of \$7,000,000 worth or more of 75 and 155-millimetre shells by the American Government, the placing of a huge contract for fabricated steel for United States ship construction, and the receipt of a contract by a Toronto firm to supply airplane engines to the Imperial Government, it may be said that at no period in Canadian industrial history—peace or war time—has the business outlook in the metal trades been so promising.

Every subscriber to the Victory Loan will rejoice over the outcome, and should bear well in mind the fact that they should still further justify their faith and their determination by earnest support of the Union Government.

By their splendid response, they have helped the boys at the front, and the continuance of supplies from here.

It is now up to them to help see that Quebec does not have the handling of that money, and that their resolve is not thwarted by having the brave men on the firing line abandoned.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

You are voting for the soldiers this election or against them and that is all there is to it.

Back up the Victory Loan by backing up the boys.

An American writer to the city yesterday made the comment that if Canada failed in its support of the boys at the front then Uncle Sam would not be apt to duplicate war orders already here or send others contemplated. He added, however, that over the line they

knew that the Dominion would rise to a plain duty.  
 A vote for Cockshutt is a vote for the men in the trenches.

Kitchener has at last apologized to Sir Robert Borden, as head of the Union Government, for the treatment recently accorded him and the cause in that city. Don't by your vote on December 17th put yourself in a position where apologies will not count.

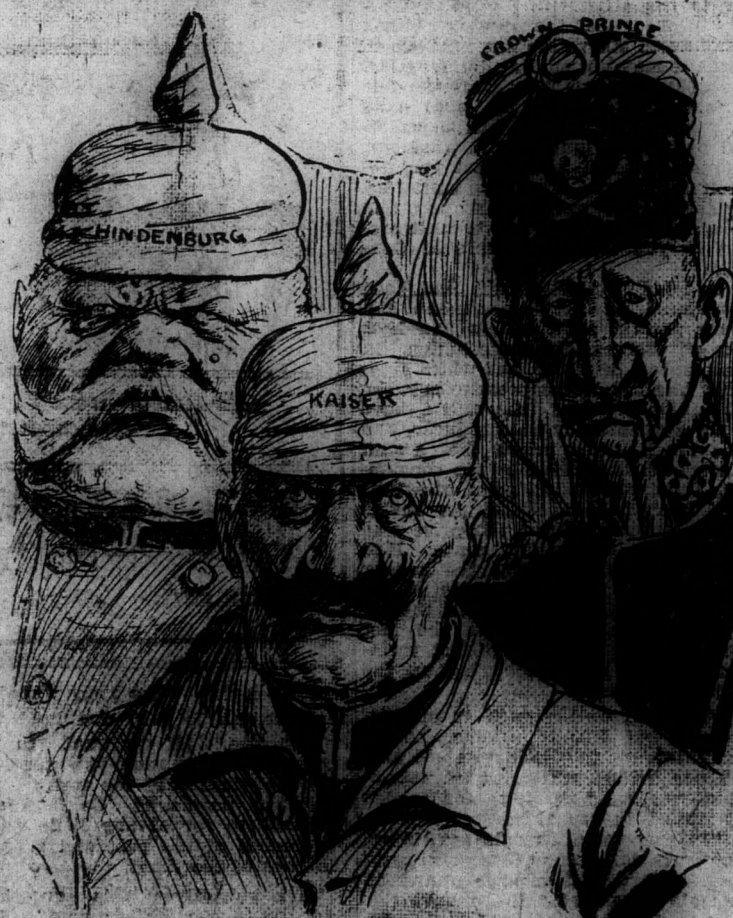
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ing the Conscription debate. What will be the next falsehood against him?

Mr. Cockshutt's election appeal is characterized by the proper tone at this solemn period. There are no personalities or innuendos, but a clear-cut statement as to what he believes are the essentials in this time of crisis.

The boys at the front are busy. Vote for Cockshutt and help keep the munition factories busy to help them.

BEAR IN MIND!



Every vote against "Union Government" is a vote for us.

VOTE WITH THE BOYS.

Reports from the Old Land are to the effect that the soldiers there have overwhelmingly voted in favor of conscription, and the same story will without any doubt, come from the trenches.

They know the need, and surely a vast majority of the residents of Canada will decide to vote with them instead of against them.

The latter is just what every ballot will mean which is not cast for out and out win the war candidates.

Can any man, or woman, afford to give such a vote and retain their self respect?

Can they justify their consciences by walking into the booth and marking the paper in opposition to what the brave soldiers desire? Think it over.

MR. COCKSHUTT AT SCOTLAND.

Mr. W. F. Cockshutt had a splendid meeting at Scotland last night, and he and other speakers presented the paramount issues of the election in capital style.

Mr. Cockshutt made an especially strong point when he drew a forcible comparison between the Militia Act, passed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and the Military Service Act. Under the former, men were to be summoned to service between the ages of 18 and 60, and their names would be taken blindly from a ballot box without any regard as to whether or no they were engaged on necessary war work.

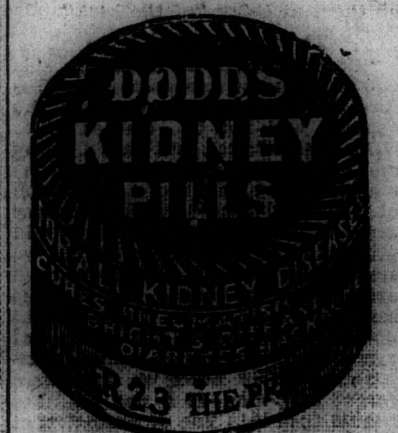
The Military Act, in every essential, is far and away ahead of the enactment which Sir Wilfrid had placed on the Statute books.

SIX DAYS' BICYCLE RACE

By Courier Leased Wire.

New York, Dec. 4.—Pedalling nearly 100 miles behind the record for the thirty-second hour, twelve teams in the six day bicycle race in Madison Square Garden had covered 606 miles and nine laps at 8 a.m. to-day. Madonna and Bello were one lap behind. The best distance for this hour is 705 miles and one lap, made by Lawson and Root at Chicago in 1915.

Notwithstanding this failure to maintain the speed shown by leaders in former contests here there was no sign to-day of waning of public interest owing to the exciting point sprints frequently taking place during both day and night sessions.



## The Royal Loan & Savings Co.

### Dividend No. 106

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND OF TWO PER CENT, on the paid up Capital Stock of the Company (being at the rate of eight per cent per annum) has been declared for the three months ending December 31st, 1917 and that the same will be payable at the office of the Company on and after January 2nd, next. The transfer books will be closed from December 20th to December 31st, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors.

W. G. HELLIKER,  
 Manager.

Brantford, Nov. 30th, 1917.

All supporters, both men and women, of the Union Government, resident in Sub-Divisions 7 and 8, Brantford, are requested to attend an organization meeting on Tuesday, 4th December, at 8 p.m., at 38 Dundas Street.

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## LOCAL

STORY HOUR.  
 "The Mill on George Eliot, was this afternoon's Public Library.

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 "I am quite well your paper," is a note from W. D. Hayman to The Courier.

FOOT AMPUTATE.  
 Mr. Geo. Cross has received a letter from his youngest son, Pte. W. D. Hayman, who was wounded on his foot amputated.

WEDDING BELLS.  
 At the home of Echo Place, on Saturday, at 4 p.m., Mr. of Hamilton and Treble of Brantford marriage by Rev. Wesley Church. Will reside in Hamilton.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.  
 The regular meeting of the Epworth League last evening with committees in charge of the Epworth League, and Dr. Gane address. Mr. A. J. the chair.

WOOD ON SALE.  
 Under the short being experienced, verting to the time was the chief fuel loads of wood are for sale on the bygone days.

ASSESSOR ILL.  
 Township assessor C. A. Campbell Hospital with a pneumonia. Mr. territory lies on the Grand River took after a strenuous ceiling taxes, and be in a serious condition.

MOTHER INQUIR.  
 An inquiry regarding James McShane dressed to "the Brantford, by Mrs. Hook, Crosshouse, land. Private member of the 84th the mother wishes listed in Brantford again-on-the-Lake action on March 1st.



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