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THE SITUATION.
 Thus far the reports with reference to the fifth German offensive are of a most reassuring nature. Some military observers seem to think that the present movement is simply a feint to cover the launching of a still larger operation but sufficient unto the day is effort there and the Teutons in this instance have not even recorded the usual initial success attending previous drives. The Allied lines still remain intact and the advance of the foe at any point is not of an appreciable nature. He has had very heavy casualties and many of his troops taken prisoners. Whether or no there will be subsequent developments on other fronts there can be no question that the present fighting marks the commencement of a supreme effort on the part of the foe and the outcome of this writing cannot be such as to afford the Allied High Command and their staff much encouragement. The Americans for the first time under a desperate test have acquitted themselves splendidly and their value to the other Allies has been abundantly established.

PEN PICTURE OF LLOYD GEORGE

Celtic fire and Celtic gloom are phrases taken for granted as applying equally to predominating characteristics of many leading highland, Welsh or Irish personalities in modern history. Gloom in the Celtic sense may be slightly misinterpreted as implying depression, and the observer of that pre-eminently Celtic leader of the hour, David Lloyd George, may search in vain for signs of that sort of gloom about the British Premier. There is no need to search for the fire. Of that Celtic quality Lloyd George has whole volcanses available and to spare.

To discover amidst the white heat of his being any shadow of ineffective gloom would be hard but there is in the Celtic idiom a great use of word "gloom" in the phrase "He gloomed upon his foes." There is this only Celtic gloom of which David Lloyd George is in these tremendous days capable. Here is how Charles T. King has pictured that quality of gloom in the Premier, whom he describes in an article in the London Express as "A Man Who Thrives on Crises."
 "The occasion described by when Lloyd George faced the most present of his crises and defeated the machinations of who would have overthrown his regime;
 "Sometimes," says Mr. King, "he looked a rather frail delicate-faced figure. Then, instead of the pleasing countenance, there would come the picture Mr. Augustus John gave us—the picture we thought such a grotesque ugly heavy-visaged Lloyd George. When he leaped across at Mr. Asquith's bench, and jammed his jaws together, there was a heavy Augustus John underjaw, the almost malignant expression, the indignant gaze from beneath knit eyebrows—the face of a hard fighter."
 "That is the most terrible kind of Celtic gloom for an enemy to face. It bodes ill for the opponent of less formidable calibre. Lloyd George may have experienced the Celtic gloom that means misery of soul, but he has changed it every time into that threatening darkness of countenance that means fight and makes for victory."
 "Charles T. King begins his account of Lloyd George in his latest essays with a glimpse of the sunshine of the man. There is fire behind all sunshine, and there is sunshine wherever you find Celtic fire. Lightly King describes Lloyd George as:
 "A man of medium height, silvery hair, eyes that in turn dart shafts of hot light and beam sunny happiness, a champion of peace, yet resolute for war, stood up yesterday in the House of Commons to his latest 'crisis'.
 "Mr. Lloyd George thrives on 'crises'. I have seen him open his despatch box morning after morning at 4 a. m., after twelve hours of hot controversy, over a party measure and toss his hair of tortured clauses into it with a gay smile. One day I saw him a little batch of cuttings fall of abuse of himself, and he first chuckled with enjoyment and then lay back and laughed merrily.
 "The psychology of David Lloyd George, Prime Minister is such that almost any moment in his life is a 'psychological' moment. He was so much in one of his mastering moments in his speech of an hour and

HEAVY SENTENCE FOR BOLSHEVIK

Felix Conosevitch, the Self-Styled 'Peaceable Revolutionist,' Fined \$500.

"If we want to win the war, all must be alike, rich and poor—if anyone has a house, it should be taken, if it will do good to the general public." So said Felix Conosevitch, I. W. Socialist, Bolsheviki, self acknowledged "peaceable revolutionist," when he was arraigned in the Police Court this morning, charged with spreading false reports and circulating harmful propaganda, in the form of a pamphlet, advocating a four hour working day. Conosevitch will pay a fine of \$500.00 or spend a year in jail.
 "The four hour day," declared the defendant, in the course of an eloquent harangue, "is for the general welfare, and not for any privileged class. Now the property belongs to the privileged classes. What do we do in the name of the revolution? I am a British subject, and what I do is for the good of all." Conosevitch is Russian by birth, but has been naturalized and has resided in this city for some years. He was employed by the water works, and was a member of the Communist Party. He was arrested on the 10th inst. by the police, and was taken to the Police Court on the 15th inst. He was arraigned on the 16th inst. and was defended by Mr. J. F. Smith, Sunday school superintendent. Mr. H. A. Chrysler, chairman of the picnic committee, the program was carried out without a hitch. Supper followed, and the homecoming party marked the end of a perfect day.

FIRST BAPTIST S. S. HELD PICNIC

Ideal Weather Favored Excursion to Port Dover Yesterday

It was a merry party of picnickers, several hundred strong, who fared forth yesterday on the annual excursion of the First Baptist Sunday School to Port Dover, and an equally merry gathering who wended their way homeward at a late hour in the evening, after a memorable day by the water. The conditions for the excursion could not have been more ideal, and in view of the fact that the trip had once been postponed, the attendance was all that could be expected. Splendid accommodations were furnished the travellers by the L. E. and N. Railway, and the tourney to Port was in safety. Here the afternoon was spent in divers fashion, by a trip on the water, by others in the sports which were conducted in the park. Under the able guidance of Mr. J. F. Smith, Sunday school superintendent, Mr. H. A. Chrysler, chairman of the picnic committee, the program was carried out without a hitch. Supper followed, and the homecoming party marked the end of a perfect day.

COMMAND OF RIVER FRONT

Is Held by the Americans—Took Large Number of Prisoners

By Courier Leased Wire
 London, July 15.—(Via Reuters' Ottawa Agency)—A despatch from American headquarters states that last evening the Americans commanded the river front so that the Germans plan there were completely upset. A famous German division on the left of the American positions repeatedly attacked, but all enemy assaults occurred under the American fire and not a single soldier crossed.
 Prisoners taken by the Americans at the river bend, during the counter-attack now total between 1,000 and 1,500, including a complete enemy brigade staff. The fighting which is continuing, is of the fiercest nature.
 The German objective in the morning was a distance of 15 kilometres, but they were still far away from their objectives two hours after the time they had fixed for reaching it. The Americans organized an attack, while the open fighting was in progress. The Germans retired in headlong fashion at first, but soon many broke into a run and within three hours the enemy had been driven across the river.
 The American machine gunners contributed very effectively in defeating the enemy plans.

EXTRACTS FROM A MEMORANDUM

Issued to Austro-Hungarian Company Commanders

By Courier Leased Wire
 London, July 16.—(Via Reuters' Ottawa Agency)—A British despatch from headquarters contains the following extracts from a memorandum circulated amongst the Austro-Hungarian company commanders, which throws an interesting light on the recent offensive. Economic conditions forced the Austro-Hungarians to use Italian uniforms and equipment.
 "Our offensive will help effectively to finish the war if we drive back our hereditary enemy and penetrate deeply into his territory. We, without the help of our German brothers, must reckon our own strength only. Our artillery forces will break down the enemy resistance.
 "Our own country is very short of foodstuffs and we must therefore line long as possible on the country. Feeding horses corn is strictly forbidden, because after July there will be no further supply of bread and flour from the rear. Any uniforms and clothing found should be appropriated for our personal use, and may be worn after the removal of the Italian badges.
 "We are in great need of uniforms, underclothing, boots, etc., and ammunition must not be thrown away by the men in order to let them load themselves with booty. Let every man know that the present offensive, together with that of the Germans is the most violent, but perhaps the decisive blow against the Italians."
 "With one brother killed, another with a leg shot off, a third in the Royal Air Service, and yet another eligible for military duty when he is reinstated, it is not surprising that North Vancouver, was exempted

War-Time Cookery

FREE

Send name and address for new "War-time Cookery" This book contains recipes chosen by the judges as the best and most practical recipes submitted in our recent cash prize competition. It is intended to assist in the conservation of food and to effect savings in home cooking and baking.

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 TORONTO, CANADA

WILL NOT ORDER PURIFICATION OF GAS

The Woodstock Sentinel-Review of July 9th says:
 A letter received from the chairman of the Municipal and Railway Board in reply to a recent request sent to that board from the Council, to have the members come to this city and look into the possibility of the purification of gas, reads as follows:
 "Legislative Building, Toronto, June 26th, 1918.
 "I have your letter of the 25th June inst., relative to natural gas and the providing of a purifier for the gas used in the city of Woodstock. I fear it will not be practicable for the board, to take this matter up at present and give you a hearing at Woodstock.
 "I am advised by a competent expert that if there is any leakage of gas into the houses threatening health it is due to the inadequate appliances and defective plumbing. The board is very anxious that the company has attempted to purify the gas at Woodstock, but has not appliances large enough to pass the gas through rapidly so as to meet peak load demands.
 "It seems to the board unwise at this time to force upon the company any large expenditures for plant when it is within the power of the user, by remedying his own plant, to prevent the possibility of discomfort and danger due to the sulphur dioxide hydrogen in the gas.
 "Just now the great consideration is fuel of some kind and the board is cutting off the consumption of millions of cubic feet per annum in order that there may be gas left for the domestic consumers and it finds the problem of an equitable distribution a very difficult one indeed.
 "In view of these conditions the board will be unable to take the matter to which you refer, up at the present time.
 "Yours truly,
 "D. A. McCallum,
 "Chairman."
 From the above it will seem that the Railway Board are more

Water Works Notice

Hours for Sprinkling Lawns

WATER WORKS BY-LAW NO. 1. CLAUSE 18, relating to the Sprinkling of Lawns and Gardens.
 No person or persons shall be allowed to sprinkle or use in any manner whatsoever, the water supplied by the Board of Water Commissioners, upon Lawns, Gardens, Yards or Grounds of any description, except between the hours of six and eight o'clock, on the 1st day of August, and including 5,000 square feet, on any day, on the 1st day of August, and any person wishing to use the water on their Lawns or Gardens in the morning in place of the evening may do so between the hours of six and eight o'clock, by giving notice to that effect in writing to the Secretary.
 It must, however, be clearly understood that the water cannot be used on Lawns or Grounds both morning and evening.
 FRID. W. ERANK, Secretary.
 Water Commissioners' Office, Brantford, July 9, 1918.

Your Problems Solved.

Dr. Linscott in this column will help you solve your heart, marital, religious, financial and every other anxious care that perplexes you. If a personal answer is required, send a five cent stamp. No names will be published; if you prefer, sign your initials only, or use a pseudonym.
 Helen—You want to know why so many people are in poverty. Doubtless our economic system, the war, and human greed have made the way to prosperity harder than it should be, yet the chief cause of poverty is and ever will be lack of clear, deep and fruitful thinking and right action. Poverty is mostly a mental disease.
 Orthodoxy—You write in an unreasonable way. You say your pastor is a good man, but that he preaches doctrine contrary to the standards of your church. If he is a good man, that is, a true Christian, his doctrine cannot but be essentially correct. Like hegeles like, and Jesus said, "by their fruits ye shall know them." The new philosophy of pragmatism measures every doctrine with the question, "does it work?" Is its aim benevolent, and does it accomplish its purpose? If the question is answered in the affirmative all other tests of its truth are abandoned. I doubt if there are any educated Christian ministers who preach all the doctrines of their denomination. Theology has proved to be an evolution. Listen to your pastor prayerfully. Follow his example, and you cannot help being a true Christian. You will then be in an unprejudiced state of mind to judge of his doctrine.
 BATTLE CONTINUES
 Bulletin, Paris, July 15.—The text of the war office statement reads: "The battle continued during the afternoon, evening and night, with redoubled violence. Between Chatou, Thury and Rheims the enemy, accentuating his efforts to enlarge his advantage, launched furious attacks. The combats were particularly ferocious south of the Marne and in the region of Chatillon. "French and American troops resisted the enemy magnificently and repulsed his attacks many times, with the utmost bravery."
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Margaret Garrett's Husband

By JANE PHELPS

CHAPTER XVII
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