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**ELIMINATE WHITE BREAD**

Canada and the United States probably will be able to provide for the Allies' requirements of cereals other than wheat, during the next twelve months.

The Allied peoples themselves have been economizing with wheat and wheat flour. As Lord Northcliffe said in Montreal, "There is no such thing as white bread in the Old Country, from the King's table downwards." Other cereals are being used, but they can not be used alone for bread. The Allies must add wheat flour to make the war bread now in universal use in European countries. Except in Italy, where the people normally consume much corn, there are few corn mills in Europe. Cornmeal, not being a durable commodity, can not be shipped across the ocean in great quantities.

The Allies must have a wheat flour basis for their war loaf. Unless the people of Canada and the United States are willing to substitute other cereals for part of the wheat flour which they normally consume, they will be denying even war bread to many thousands of people. Substitution of at least one pound of other cereals for one pound of wheat flour weekly, per person, would save a very large quantity of wheat for export. It would still be far short of meeting the normal consumption requirements of the Allies, but it would save the situation.

**FIRST WOMAN DIPLOMAT.**

Figured in Negotiations for Exchange of Prisoners.

The first woman diplomatist to sit at a table of diplomatic negotiation, according to The London Daily Mail, is Mrs. Darley Livingstone, who was one of the six British official representatives at the Anglo-German Conference at The Hague recently, to deal with questions on prisoners of war.

Mrs. Livingstone is the wife of a British officer, and has been a member and secretary of the Government Committee on the Treatment by the enemy of British prisoners since it was formed two years ago.

In the early days of the war Mrs. Livingstone used to do all the interviewing of the sick and wounded prisoners who were returned periodically and although the work is now done largely by a large staff of volunteers, she still makes it a point of personally interviewing all escaped prisoners of war.

Mrs. Livingstone talking about her visit to The Hague, said:

"People did seem surprised to find a woman among the British representatives. I am sure I don't know why, because there is really nothing that women are not doing in England to-day, is there? I had no means of telling what the German representatives thought, because, of course, we didn't talk to each other—not socially, I mean. Indeed, it would be quite impossible to give you an adequate idea of the extreme formality of the proceedings.

"I was there merely to assist Sir Robert Younger, our chairman, with information, which as secretary of the committee, I naturally have at command. It was a real hard work all the time, and both parties were concerned solely with the welfare of the prisoners. Questions concerning them were the only ones discussed, and I think the agreements concluded will be found to be very satisfactory."

**Wheat Storage in Australia.**

The Prime Minister of Australia stated on May 25, 1917, that one of the most important matters discussed that day by the Premier's conference, held in Melbourne, was the erection of storage accommodations for handling wheat, reports Commercial Attache Kennedy from Melbourne. He stated that at the end of January, 1918, there would probably be about 6,000,000 tons of wheat in Australia over and above the amount required for local consumption, this amount including what remains from the 1916-17 wheat.

The Premier's conference appointed a wheat-storage commission, comprising one Minister and one expert representing the Commonwealth and one Minister and one expert from each of the four wheat-growing States, to formulate a scheme for the erection of silos suited to the present and future requirements of the Commonwealth.

The problem of storing Australia's wheat is being constantly discussed, both officially and unofficially. The British Government has bought 112,000,000 bushels of Australian wheat of the 1915-16 and 1916-17 crops for four shillings and nine pence per bushel f.o.b. Australian port. One of the conditions of the sale is that if the whole of the wheat is not delivered by December 31, 1917, the British Wheat Commission will pay the additional charges for storing it in Australia after that date. As the greater part of the wheat has not been shipped, and the next harvest will begin to come in by the end of the year, it is apparent that the storage situation is acute.

In Australia to-day are approximately 40,000,000 bushels of wheat of the 1915-16 crop and 136,000,000 bushels of the 1916-17 crop.

**Leeds**

October 10

Born, on September 17, to Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, a son.

Miss Leita Gamble has gone to Ottawa to attend the Normal School.

Mr. Tom Wills left this morning for Kingston to start a medical course at Queen's University.

Silo filling is the order of the day. Yesterday was observed at the Olivet Sunday School as Rally Day.

There has not been service in St. John's church for the past two Sundays, the Rector, Rev. W. H. Smith of Lyndhurst, aking his annual vacation.

A large number from here attended the memorial service yesterday morning in the Elgin Methodist church for the late Pte. Jamie Edgers, whose parents reside here. Our sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

Miss Jennie Galoway has returned home from visiting Ottawa friends.

Miss Ella Smith, of Lyndhurst, spent the week-end at Mr. Miner Sweet's.

Misses Blanche and Marjorie DeLong are on the sick list.

Mr. Will Sweet has purchased a new Overland car.

Mr. Allan Sweet is visiting friends in Watertown, N.Y.

Mr. George Morris and family of Buffalo, N.Y., spent Sunday at Albert Brown's. They made the trip by auto. Mrs. Gordon Rappell accompanied them home for a visit.

The Sweets Corners School Fair which was held in September proved a success. Our school won the shield for this year.

Mrs. James Gordon, of Athens, spent a few days last week at Will Scott's.

Mr. John Scott, of North Bay, visited relatives here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kirkland spent Sunday at Sand Bay.

Mrs. W. G. Earle has returned home from Brockville. Her daughter, Mrs. Will Somerville, has recovered enough to be taken home from the Brockville General Hospital.

Mrs. Edward Wills accompanied by Mrs. Alfred Jacob, of Morton, spent a few days last week at Athens and Glen Elbe Plum Hollow.

Silo filling in this section is nearly finished.

Mrs. Hawse and Miss Ina have returned home from a pleasant visit at Mrs. E. Dowden's.

The Red Cross Monthly meeting was held on Saturday.

The School Fair on Saturday last was largely attended.

Miss Irene Lillie is gaining nicely from her attack of appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Wite and family spent Sunday here guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Gifford.

Word has been received here that Pte. Moron Barber is gaining nicely in an English hospital.

**Greenbush**

October 8.—Miss May Wilson of Parkhill, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kerr last week.

Captain Andrew Ducolon of Alexandria Bay, N.Y., has purchased the farm owned and occupied by Henry Patterson.

Mr. Harry Carter has returned from his trip to Alberta quite satisfied to remain in Leeds County.

Rally Day was observed in our Sunday School on September 30.

Rev. Dr. Meyers, of Lyn, conducted service in the Methodist church on the 7th.

Mr. Donald Smith is home from New York for a few days owing to the serious illness of his mother.

Born, October 2, to Mr. and Mrs. Ethan A. Gifford, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tinkers of Monkland, Ont., are visiting Mrs. Simeon Loverin.

Miss Myrtle and Mr. Arnold Loverein motored to Carleton Place on Sunday.

Mr. David Wilson of Buffalo, N.Y., visited his sister, Mrs. Forsythe last week.

Mrs. Joseph Mullen of Madrid, N. Y., visited relatives and friends here last week.

**DELAY VERY ILL-ADVISED**

Promptness in Response is Essential Under the Military Service Act.

Ottawa, October 16.—"Procrastination is the thief of time." This is especially true with regard to individual duties under the system by which the Military Service Act is now being enforced.

Indeed the provisions of the Act as operated are such that procrastination may be the thief of important privileges, since a limited time only can be allowed for applications for exemption to be taken up by the Exemption Boards.

Canadians are advised to take such action as may be dictated by their circumstances as soon as possible. Reports for service or claims of exemption from military service should be made immediately. The machin-

ery instituted under the Act will work more smoothly if all those concerned come forward without delay. In this case, promptness is a patriotic duty as well as being in the highest interest of the individual concerned

**Charleston**

Oct. 1.—Mr. and Mrs. Haskins, Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery and Mr. and Mrs. Boisset of Lambertville, N.J., are guests at R. Foster's.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mulvena, Athens, and Mr. and Mrs. Wiltse, Lyndhurst, were Sunday visitors at Mrs. Mulvena's.

R. N. Dowsley has sold his island home, Mont Eagle, to L. M. Davison, Kemptville.

Mrs. E. Webster, ill for a few days is recovering.

Silo filling is the order of the day among the farmers.

The assault case heard at Delta on Saturday evening drew a crowd from this section.

Mrs. H. E. King was informed on Sunday that her brother, Sapper Ernest Boulton, had been killed in action.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. King, Mr. Geo. King and Mr. and Mrs. J. King motored to Lillies on Sunday evening.

October 15.—C. J. Banta and party returned to New York after spending the summer at the lake. Mr. Banta was accompanied by Clarence Mulvena, who will spend the winter with him in Florida.

Mr. J. H. Shaw has returned to New York after a stay of four weeks.

R. A. Montgomery has also taken his departure.

Miss Irene Wood has returned home from St. Vincent de Paul Hospital where she underwent an operation for appendicitis.

The farmers are still filling silos and much threshing remains to be done.

Mr. and Mrs. E. King and Mr. George King went to Lyn on Sunday to be present at the memorial service of the late Sapper Ernest Boulton who was killed in action on September 18. Sapper Boulton was a brother of Mrs. King.

The young men between the ages of 20 and 34 are going to Kingston in groups for their medical examination. There are not many groups however, but the country around here is mildly excited.

Mrs. B. Green, Jr., has returned from Saskatchewan and is staying with her sister, Mrs. J. Webster, who has been ill.

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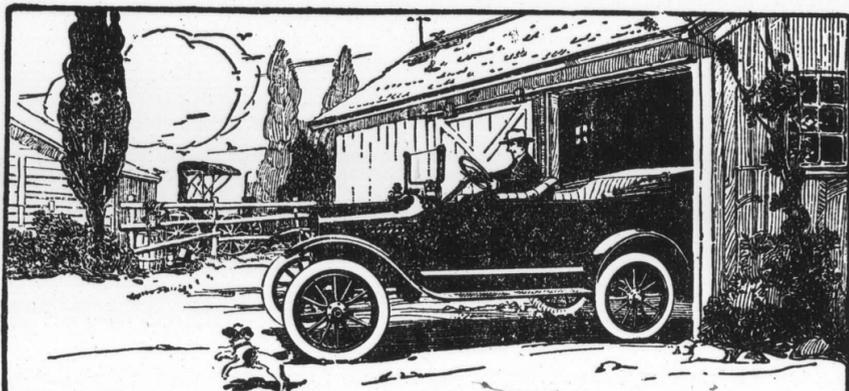
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