

GRANT DEMANDS

Dartmouth, N. S., Feb. 1.—Officers of the Rhode Island Textile Council stated today that the Hanes Company at Valley Falls, employing 300 operatives, and the Pennsylvania Textile Company of this city, employing 500, had granted the demand for a 10 per cent wage increase.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mr. John J. Flood and family wish to express their sincere thanks to Drs. Ferris and Johnson, the nurses and attendants of the St. John County Hospital, for extreme kindness to Mrs. Flood, (Mrs. Harrison), during her late illness, also to kind friends for attention, flowers, etc.

THE STANDARD, ST. JOHN, N. B., MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1919.

GERMANY MAINTAINING FIFTY DIVISIONS THOROUGHLY EQUIPPED

Commission Under Direction of Winston Churchill Will Investigate Immediately and Report Back to Supreme War Council.

By Arthur S. Draper.

(Special Cable to The N. Y. Tribune and The St. John Standard.)

Paris, Jan. 21.—According to the latest American estimate, Germany is now maintaining an army of from fifty to sixty divisions, or approximately a half million men under arms, contrasting with the number of 7,500,000 of Germany's pre-war footing. These figures, as well as Germany's munitions supply and output, will be thoroughly investigated by an inter-allied commission consisting of Winston Churchill, Admiral Louchet, Field Marshal Poch, General Bliss and General Diaz. Their investigation will start immediately and their report is expected in a few weeks. When the armistice terms were arranged, the Allied leaders expected they would have to deal with a stable Germany and the old German military machine. The events of the last three months have shown that both calculations were wrong. The German government is far from stable and after the plundering of the final days of the war, the military machine is creating in all its parts. The Allies do not want to maintain any more troops than is absolutely necessary to guarantee their safety, and to ensure them of their strength, sufficient to enforce order. The commission must investigate the question of German moral and military organization, and make disposition of troops accordingly. The quicker this is done the sooner will the respective statesmen be in position to tackle the great reconstruction problems in their own countries, where industrial unrest is a big problem. The British and French leaders—especially the former—consider this a highly important factor and Premier Lloyd George is keenly anxious to hasten the demobilization of the British army. Winston Churchill's experience as minister of munitions makes him an extremely valuable member of the commission. Naturally, American opinion leans toward rapid demobilization—some consider it too rapid—because American responsibility in the international situation will extend over a considerable period. Under the League of Nations scheme, toward which the French attitude has changed profoundly during the recent weeks, great labor and economic questions are being considered. British spokesmen have become vigorous advocates of the policy, which they believe will strengthen the British Empire even though they are forced to make material concessions in obtaining its adoption. The British want American co-operation above any territorial plan they might dream of at the war. In fact, all European Allies feel they must work to keep American influence strong on this side. The growth of French support of the League of Nations has been rapid in the last fortnight and now it is no longer a question whether there will be a League of Nations, but what plan for the league will be evolved by the conference. Apparently, the various schemes are fundamentally alike and a satisfactory agreement is expected sooner than had been anticipated. With the mushroom growth of a group of new independent states the desire for fresh international regulations is strikingly apparent in Europe and the atmosphere is one of optimism.

There is suitable for the successful development of a league of nations. Thus there is a profound interest regarding the decisions the conference will reach on control of international ports, waterways and railways. The Czechoslovaks are less interested whether the Panama Canal or the Syrian ports are under international control than they are in whether they must maintain a separate railway system. No people are studying this feature of the problem of the peace conference closer than the British, who have interests involved in all parts of the world. Labor is following the developments in this field with special interest because it reasons that its power will increase proportionately to the rapidity with which ports, railways and rivers are internationalized. The labor leaders have the ear of the conference and are exerting much influence upon the situation.

It is probable that as soon as the inter-allied commission reports on the German military situation—perhaps even earlier—the blockade will partly or wholly be lifted. All reports have shown that it is necessary to lift the blockade and break down the food walls of Central Europe. Much of the present unrest and growth of Bolshevism is due, the experts say, to the unevenness of food distribution. Some sections not only have sufficient food for self support, but are in a position to export to sections that are extremely short. Constantinople is reported to be in a frightful economic state, while sections of Bulgaria have more food than necessary. Those who opposed the raising of the blockade based their objection on the ground that the Allies were not sufficiently informed as to the state of the German armies and the German munitions supply. Certainly, the next fortnight will bring forth important decisions affecting the economic position of Europe and any economic decisions are bound to influence the political situation.

NEWCASTLE

Newcastle, Jan. 30.—A meeting on behalf of the Miramichi Hospital of Newcastle was held in the police magistrate's room here yesterday afternoon. Mayor Troy in the chair. It was largely attended by people from Newcastle, Chatham and Nelson.

Mayor Troy explained that the meeting was called by the recently organized Hospital Aid Association and strongly endorsed their efforts to get more support for the hospital. W. A. Park, collector of customs, was the next speaker. He eulogized the late Mr. Ernest Hutchinson, who founded the hospital, equipped it and paid the insurance three years in advance, leaving the institution entirely free from debt, at a cost of about \$100,000. He emphasized the necessity of taking measures to raise funds for the future as no hospital was self-supporting.

The next speaker was Ald. F. M. Tweedie, of Chatham, who spoke strongly on the same lines. Dr. D. R. Moore of Newcastle strongly supported the claims of the hospital.

D. J. Buckley thought every manufacturer, merchant and other employees in the county would be willing to contribute a certain per cent of the payroll, which aggregated about \$1,000,000 a year. \$10,000 a year could be raised each year, which could be divided equally between the Chatham and Newcastle Hospitals.

Warden G. P. Burchill, of Nelson, R. Corry Clark and Rev. L. H. MacLean also addressed the audience, strongly supporting the movement. The mayor then vacated the chair, which was taken by Mrs. L. H. MacLean of the Hospital Aid Committee. Mrs. MacLean, Mrs. C. J. Morrissey and Mrs. O. Nicholson addressed the meeting and a number of ladies both of Chatham and Newcastle joined the Hospital Aid. Auxiliaries will be formed throughout the county. A number of men joined as honorary members.

E. H. Sinclair and D. J. Buckley of Newcastle, Mac O'Brien of Nelson and W. B. Snowball of Chatham were appointed a committee to wait on the lumbermen and see what can be done by them in the matter of aiding the hospitals.

The officers for Newcastle Parish for 1919 are as follows:

Clerk—Thomas Barnet.

District clerks—Alex. Jessamin, E. McLean.

Constables—Timothy Moineau, Wm. Irving, Robt. Beckwith, Samuel Miller, John Ashford, Frank Johnston, John Creamer, Daniel Creamer, John Fallon, John Russell, John Hay, Jr., John J. Gallish, D. C. Smallwood, David Dalgie, Adam Dickson, Frank Driscoll, Patrick Lloyd, Henry Gray, John Wallace (John's son), H. Broecker, H. B. Cassidy, John Jardine, A. E. Patrie, Geo. Johnston, Thos. Fallon, Clifford Macdonald, Edward Hickey, James Bule.

Weighters of hay and straw—G. G. Stohart, D. W. Stohart.

Revisors of votes—Coms. L. Doyle and J. MacKnight.

Surveyors of dams—John Jones, Peter Swaine.

Hogreeves—Martin Murphy, Chas. Morrison, Isaac Creighton, David Dalgie, Michael McMahon.

Field drivers—Geo. Boyle, Jas. Cassie.

Timber drivers—Thos. Herbert, Chas. Williston, Wm. Condron, Miles Carroll.

Boom masters—John Robinson, John McKenzie.

Surveyors of lumber—Thos. Hickey, Patrick Kane, James Craig, Jeremiah Craig, John Dalton, J. B. Russell, Robert Lingley, J. G. Layton, W. F. Ryan, James Watson, John Matheson, John Robinson, James Ryan, Wm. F. Matters, J. E. T. Lindon, James Lamont, Allan Russell, John Campbell, Thomas Barnett, James Simpson, Albert Siskies, L. Doyle, Patrick Sullivan, Daniel Sullivan, Geo. Dolan, Stafford Russell, James Craig, (John's son), Michael Craig, H. A. Gray, Richard T. Atchison, A. S. Cameron, John Fallon, John M. Wallace, C. E. Pish, Albert F. Smith, Wm. Sullivan, Herbert Sullivan, Clifford Atkinson.

Thos. Boyle, Jr., Alex. Jackson, Chas. Cassidy, Allison Gray, James R. Gulliver, Thomas Daughney, Assessors—C. E. Pish, Wm. Innes, Allan MacLean.

Inspectors of fish—T. W. Crocker, Edward Crocker, John Innes.

Collectors of rates—Patrick Keane, No. 1, Alfred Hay, No. 2.

Measures of wood—J. G. Layton, James Craig, W. F. Ryan, Thos. Hickey, Stafford Lindon, John Russell, Jas. Falconer, J. E. T. Lindon, Allan Russell, James Lamont, L. Doyle, T. Barnett, D. Sullivan, M. Craig, H. A. Craig, C. Cassidy.

Permyment—John Kirkpatrick, Allan McGraw, John McDonald, John Creamer, Chas. Hanson.

Fence viewers—Wm. Reid, Andrew Morrell, Frank Johnston.

Pound keeper—David Dalgie.

Scalers of leather—Edward O. Donnell, John Troy.

Measures of stone—C. E. Pish.

Miss Bessie C. P. Crocker has gone to St. John, P. Q., to visit her sister, Mrs. Henry P. Crocker.

Mrs. Mabel Richards, the efficient matron of the Miramichi Hospital for the last two years and one month, has resigned her office and leave on Saturday for Campbellton. After spending two weeks there she will go to Boston for the rest of the winter, intending to return to her former home in Fredericton in the spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Shier, on their return from their honeymoon, are visiting Mrs. Shier's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward O. Donnell, before removing to their new home in the west.

Joseph E. Ander, late manager of the Canadian Gear Works, Ltd., is home for a few days from Montreal, R. E. Adams of Metapedia, P. Q., is Mr. Ander's successor.

Mrs. Henry Allison of Wayerton spent this week with Mrs. Arthur E. Pettit.

Mrs. Margaret Keough of Douglas town visited her sister, Mrs. Doe, of Chatham, this week.

Newcastle, Jan. 31.—A large number of Millerton and Ellenton friends of Pte. Fred Siddall, who came home from overseas a few days ago, after three years of service overseas, presented him with an address and a handsome coat.

Sergt. Thomas McElwee of Wint-

peg, a member of the 26th, visited relatives at Newcastle and Derby Jct., on his way home.

Mr. Paoli of the Royal Bank has been transferred from Moncton to Newcastle.

Rev. W. J. Bate attended a Diocesan Committee meeting at St. John this week.

Mrs. John H. Troy is steadily improving from a very long and tedious illness.

Miss Margaret Murdoch spent the week in Loggieville.

Miss Yvonne Buckley spent the past few days with friends in Woodstock and Fredericton.

Mrs. Thomas M. Makty has returned from the Miramichi Hospital greatly improved in health.

David Dineen is confined to his home as the result of internal injuries received one day this week by falling into the turntable pit at the C. N. R. yard.

Harry Bryerton of Redbank, is laid up as the result of having his foot crushed while working in the woods.

Northumberland County's assessment for Almshouse purposes for 1919 will be:

Chatham \$2,000

Hardwicke 700

Newcastle 700

Blackville 600

Nelson 500

Alnwick 450

North Bek 325

Rogersville 300

South Bek 175

Blissfield 175

Glennel 125

Ludlow 50

Total \$6,050

The assessment for contingencies will be as follows:

Interests on bonds \$5,850

Sinking fund 4,000

Hospitals 3,000

Salvation Army 100

Prisoners' Board and jail supplies and expenses 1,000

Imprison expenses 500

Subsides 2,000

Councillor's mileage 500

Criminal prosecution 400

Registering births, etc. 200

Coal for jail and court house 200

Revision of votes 227

Filling in school lists 60

Stationery and postage 60

Medical attendance and cures 200

Summoning jury 240

Deficit 3,181

Total \$22,595

Other items make up the total assessment to \$34,000.

ALBERT

Albert, Jan. 31.—March weather in January, ideal snow roads and shipping out of Shedopy river among the blessings enjoyed by the citizens of this favored county at this writing.

The steamer Mary Blanche, crude oil boat of the C. T. White Company, ran up from Alma on Friday, ran into the Shedopy river as far as Harvey Bank, where the late Hon. Gaisus Turner in his lifetime carried on a very large shipbuilding, lumbering and mercantile business.

The steamer was loaded by Mr. Jos. Turner, a cousin of the late Mr. Turner, with pressed hay grown on his very extensive marshes, graded and marked according to the new Act of the General Assembly.

The cargo was despatched to Eatonville, N. S., where the company has large lumbering and other interests, no heavy ice sufficient to seriously interfere with the navigation of the steamer was encountered which is phenomenal for the time of year, the oldest resident has no record to equal it.

A little son was welcomed to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Copp, at New Horton, Harvey, less than a week ago. Mrs. Copp is the only daughter of Captain and Mrs. George Reid, and this little personage has accepted the name of Harris Reid by way of appreciation and in honor of his late uncle, who gave his young and promising life for the defence of his home and country on the blood-stained turf of one of the battle fields in France in 1918.

An interesting letter to the family at home, written on the 22nd day of December last, by Saddler John C. Wilson, a son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Wilson of Albert, is dated at Coln, Germany, and states: That he states in his letter the Christmas last past is his fifth on foreign soil.

occupying comfortable quarters in houses inside the city limits.

They travelled through Belgium.

Young Wilson after learning the shoemaking trade here, also got some considerable knowledge of the saddle trade.

After the declaration of war he volunteered and joined the men of Major Boyd Anderson, Battery No. 8, and went overseas, and as he states in his letter the Christmas last past is his fifth on foreign soil.

The saddler soldier has always been kept busy at his useful vocation, as he served his country at many of the great battlefields.

Ypres was a screaming nightmare; Arras was a veritable charnel chamber, while Mons was a super hell for three long weeks.

C. C. Carmichael, representing the Canadian Oil Company, was at Albert yesterday, a popular agent of a Company well liked here.

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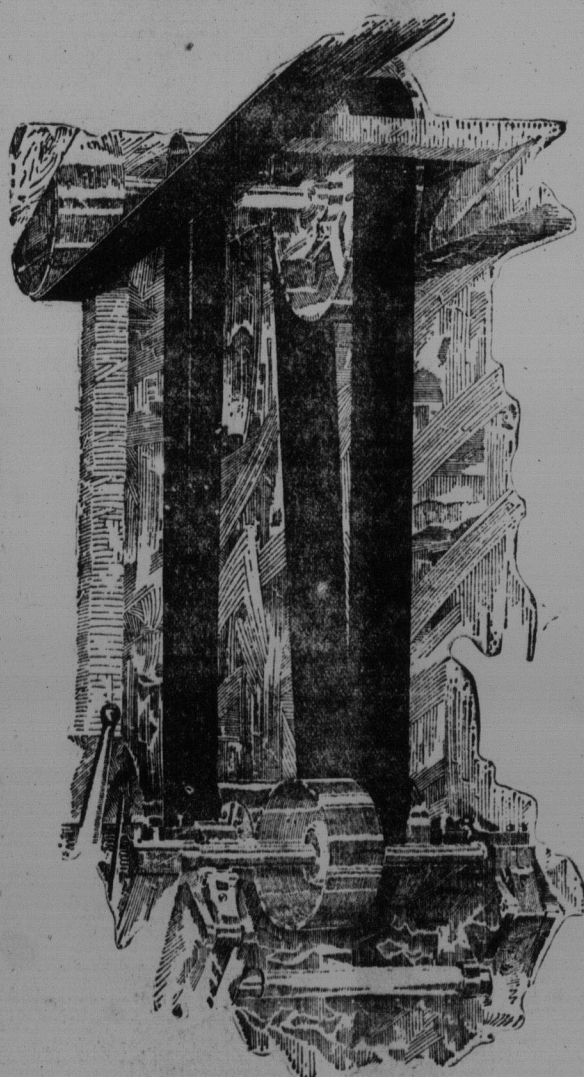
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Note especially the middle belt. This belt runs free until the carriage reaches the end of the track. Then it is brought into service by throwing a heavy idler against the belt.

Heavy belts of other types snapped at this work, but Goodyear Extra Power has given every satisfaction. Mr. C. J. Haley, the Superintendent, writes, mentioning several kinds of high-grade belting that had failed. He goes on to say:—

"We are highly gratified over the success we have attained in the service given by your Extra Power.

"Our special machinery is so constructed that certain belt drives present an annoying problem. We could not get reasonable service from the belting referred to, due to slippage, and the consequent heat and belt destruction.

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