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 Jan. 29.—(By Mail)—A group of recognized clubs for the city. Nearly half of clubs which were in existence at the war have had their doors, but the number of clubs has nearly doubled.
BENCH RATONS.
 Leased Wire.
 Jan. 29.—A broad rating of day per person was adopted by a vote of 355 to 92. Perpetration by Socialists that the quantity is insufficient, Victor Moret, provincial organizer, explained the present bread cards were issued through the efforts of cultural commissioners the action would be increased.



RELIEF WORK.
 was formerly chairman of Scotia Telephone Co., work of relief and habilitax is now under his averting much overlap

GIVE UP FLANDERS WHEN FORCED TO

Germany Will Never be Willing to Surrender Military Occupation

RETAIN U-BOAT BASES Von Tirpitz Has No Sympathy With League of Nations

WORLD OF TWO CAMPS Continental Europe on the One Hand, Britain and America on the Other

London, Jan. 29.—Admiral von Tirpitz, in an interview with the Berlin correspondent of the Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant, demands the military occupation of Belgium and submarine bases in that country. The correspondent's first question concerned the attitude of von Tirpitz toward the future of Belgium. From his answer, says the correspondent, it appeared that he had no special interest in the Walloon part of that country. With regard to Flanders, however, he said: "We desire, in the first place, that England shall in future no longer be able to use that country for carrying out predatory surprises. Further, we wish to free the Flemish people from painful suppression by French elements. You Dutch are not strong enough to give the Flemish support. That can only be done by strong Germany."

"Do you propose a solution of the question in the form of the annexation of Flanders?" asked the correspondent.

"By no means. We do not wish to rob any nation in Europe of its independence."

"Do you regard as necessary for your object only military occupation and submarine bases?"

To this von Tirpitz answered, "Yes, but that does not imply any aggressive attitude toward England. We only desire a position which would be sufficient to cause the Anglo-American world to cease from a renewal of its attacks."

The correspondent then enquired whether Antwerp would not then have to form a part of the maritime basis, and what was the attitude of Gemany regarding the Scheldt question. To this von Tirpitz replied, "That is all to remain as it is. None of the existing rights of the Netherlands must be touched."

World Policy of Future.
 Equally interesting were the statement of Germany's aims in relation to Belgium are thought to be due to pressure by Austria, as already stated. There is no expectation that his revelation of policy will advance the cause of peace. Here is still a belief here that Germany's talk of peace is strategic, and must be taken in connection with her preparations for a big offensive on the west, which she wishes to convince German people and the army has been forced on her by the obstinate attitude of the Entente and the United States.

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The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular of passage or attended by a sensation of scalding, stop eating meat and get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast and in a few days your kidneys will act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate the kidneys, also to neutralize the acids in urine so that it no longer causes irritation, thus ending bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everyone should take now and then to keep the kidneys clean and active and the blood pure, thereby avoiding serious kidney complications.

views of von Tirpitz on the world policy of the future. Not for him, evidently is a league of nations. What he pictures is a world divided into opposing camps, comprising continental Europe, on the one hand, England and America on the other.

Since Belgium remains the test of sincerity of the Central Powers and since it is known that Germany still intends to retain part of Belgium, including Antwerp, there is no expectation that a peace can be evolved out of Hertling's and Ceraini's proposals.

That can be taken as expressing the view held in authoritative circles here as to the present peace prospects. It is not doubted that Austria is anxious for peace owing to her internal condition, but such anxiety cannot fructify so long as she remains bound to Germany's plans of annexation, and especially to Germany's schemes to destroy the integrity of Belgium.

Premier Lloyd George probably will speak in the House of Commons on the war and peace situation when he returns from the Paris allied conference, but it is not expected that he will have much that is new to say.

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CHANGES COMING IN THE MILITIA DEPT.
Younger Brother of Premier Among Those to be Superannuated

By Courier Leased Wire.
 Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 29.—Several changes in the headquarters staff of the Militia department have, it is understood, been authorized by an order-in-council and will shortly be announced officially. Among these is the appointment of Col. Langton of Toronto, to succeed J. W. Borden, who has been superannuated as paymaster-general. It is understood also that Brigadier-General J. L. Biggar, director of supplies and transport, will shortly succeed Major-General H. Smith as judge advocate-general, the latter remaining on the staff as an assistant accountant in the paymaster-general's branch will, it is stated, be promoted to chief accountant.

Col. J. G. Langton started life as a private in the Queen's Own Rifles in 1886. He was noted as an organizer having originated and administered, in succession, the first regimental marching arrangements at Niagara Camp, the first bicycle corps in Toronto, and the first Canadian army service company in the Toronto military district. As an army service corps officer he was in charge of the transportation arrangements for the tercentenary celebration in Quebec and his work in connection with the mobilization of the first Canadian division at Valcartier Camp made him famous at the beginning of the present war. In February 1915, he was appointed deputy inspector general of the Dominion forces and it was stated of him at that time he had saved the country millions in war expenditures.

Mr. W. Borden, the retiring paymaster-general, who will be superannuated is a younger brother of Sir Robert Borden.

Soldiers Kill Time Making New Worlds

Veterans Confined to Bed Fashion Everything From Nymphs to Fighters

The wounded heroes in the Canadian military convalescent hospitals have found new worlds to conquer. They have invaded the movies and stolen away the picture stars, even raided Broadway and Leicester Square for the stage beauties as patrons for a new race in the making under their noble fingers. Shut away from the world of fit folks they are making a world of their own, a Utopia after a soldier's heart worked out in plasticine.

Fashioned from the soft clay medium and enlivened by imagination the idols and loves of every wounded warrior are gathered together on his bedside table. Plasticine has put ennui to route and the vocational instructors of the Military Hospitals Commission who have found many a panacea for a problem with men of the world of fit folks they are making a world of their own, a Utopia after a soldier's heart worked out in plasticine.

Every man after his own heart. If his fancy runs to movie queens he finds his star in the clay, a willing captive amenable to all his whims, as willing to dance in the night when the pain is bad as grace his dinner tray. If to-morrow he follows after a new love yesterday's sweetheart is demolished by the pressure of his thumb and becomes merely "making." There are varying degrees of artistic ability to be found among the men, and as many degrees of faithfulness. Some lads have preserved every model they ever made, while others scray their subjects like careless gods each night and start anew on another set in the morning.

They model prize-fighters as well as nymphs, lean hunger-worn peasants, little children, and generals. They reproduce their home folks, the family pets, the nurses, V. A. D's and each other. Sometimes they are clever enough to strike a remarkable resemblance but most often they do not. It does not bother them or detract from their enjoyment. Imagination fills the breach.

Clever Caricature
 Caricature is the forte of one man little suspected of a sense of humor. He caricatures the follies of everyone from the M.O. to himself and draws a laugh from every man in the ward even on the darkest days. Again real artists have been discovered who did things worth while. Their work has been handed from bed to bed in admiration and prized more highly often by the men who declare themselves "dubs" at the art than by the "sculptor" himself. Plasticine is not an expensive



EMPEROR CHARLES AND THE EMPRESS OF AUSTRIA
 Austrian throne is reported to be threatened by a revolution.

SIDE TALKS

RUTH WATSON CAMERON
THE CHARM OF CHILDHOOD.

A woman friend of mine was bewailing the other day the fact that her little girl was terribly shy. "She is so bright when she is alone with me and when strangers come in she is so shy she seems really stupid," she said.

I could readily understand how it must exasperate her not to have her friends know how bright her daughter is, but I should think she would be so thankful that her child was shy instead of forward that she would bear the other cross with calmness.

(Except that nobody ever is thankful for that sort of thing.)

Why is it that everyone joins in resenting and often in disliking a forward child?

We Cannot Tolerate Assurance In A Child.

No matter how bright, how amusing, how pretty, a child is, if it is forward and self assured we are not charmed by it as we usually are by childhood.

Last summer I had an opportunity to observe a child of this kind. She was a very bright child, full of vitality and life, and rather pretentious. She was also kind hearted and good, and she said amusing things. She would have been an unusually delightful child if she hadn't been so totally devoid of any trace of shyness.

She Rebounded From The Hardest Snub.

She was always perfectly self-possessed, perfectly at home, she never seemed to question whether she were wanted anywhere but calmly joined any group which she saw on the beach and gave them the benefit of her opinion on whatever they were discussing. She had not the slightest fear of strangers, she rebounded cheerfully from the hardest snub.

In a way she was a most likeable child and yet she wasn't generally liked.

Shyness in a child is like the perfume of a flower.

A perfectly self-possessed child is like some big flaunting flower utterly lacking in perfume; a tulip or a dahlia.

It Is Exasperating

I do pity the mother of embarrassingly shy children who hide their heads in their mother's skirts and become dumb before visitors. I once knew a little boy who for years had the trick of screwing his eyes tight shut when outsiders (even his aunts and uncles) came in. Mothers of such children with similar tricks will be glad to know that he has grown up into a young man just self-possessed enough and just shy enough to be charming.

On the whole shyness is a fault that children are far more apt to recover from than its opposite. Shyness usually wears off where forwardness usually wears on.

Material. It can be used indefinitely because it does not harden. It is often regrettable for work well worthy of preservation is being turned out in many hospitals. Plasticine is in use in the bed-side wards of Montreal, Toronto, and western centres of convalescence established by the Military Hospitals Commission.

Every aspirant to the great privilege of fighting the nation's battle above the clouds first learns the use of the machine gun—his only weapon—by target practice on the ground. The guns are fitted with compensating sights which in actual air fights allow for the speed of both aeroplanes. Special targets have been devised to test the cadet's aim through these sights. To quicken the eye, every cadet also takes practice in shooting clay pigeons.

The modern scout machines—incidentally swift machines which hover about the lines driving off the prey, eyes of the enemy—carry Vickers' machine guns. These guns are fixed. To aim them the aviator must aim the aeroplane. To train cadets in this unusual method of shooting, a "chair" was invented called the "Rocking Noelle." This device is moved about like the aeroplanes with rudder and "joy stick." If anything, aiming the "Rocking Noelle" is more difficult than the actual aeroplanes.

Aiming at pictures of aeroplanes painted on the ground or at towers



CANADIANS VOTING AT THE FRONT.
 N. C. O.'s and men of Fort Garry House, gather to cast their ballots after the fighting on the Cambrai front. Two men are seen looking at the list of electoral districts in Canada.

69 U.S. VESSELS SUNK IN 12 MONTHS

Loss of Life Was More Than Three Hundred Persons

New York, Jan. 29.—In the twelve months of unrestricted warfare launched against American and allied shipping by Germany one year ago Friday there have been sunk by submarines, mines and raiders 69 American vessels, totalling 171,001 gross tons, according to a careful compilation of records of sinkings which have been made public during the period.

Offsetting this loss of American vessels, most of which were sailing to the United States since February 1, has added to her merchant marine by the seizure of former German and Austrian-owned ships, a total of 107 vessels having a gross tonnage of 856,494, leaving on the credit side of the American ledger in the account with the Central Powers a net gain of 515,425 gross tons. The loss of life caused by the sinking of the 69 American ships was more than 300 persons, however.

The percentage of sinkings of American ships compared with the number of vessels which have sailed through the war zone successfully is small. Records of the Department of Commerce show that for the period beginning with February 1, 1917, and ending on December 1, there were cleared from American ports in the foreign trade ships aggregating 17,738,900 net, or approximately 24,834,450 gross tons. The number of ships making up the total of tons was not made public by the department.

426 Vessels Requisitioned.

Further offsetting the loss of tonnage occasioned by the submarine warfare, the United States Navy and the Shipping Board requisitioned in American shipyards 426 vessels totalling more than 2,000,000 gross tons and contracts have been awarded for 884 ships, a large number of which are now under way and are being rushed to completion. In addition, the Shipping Board on October 15 last placed under Government requisition 393 American vessels of over 2,500 tons dead-weight capacity which were already afloat, and immediately assigned them to the task of carrying supplies for the allies and the American forces abroad.

Included in these requisitioned vessels were 21 ships in the Great Lakes trade and in addition there were commandeered 25 steamers building for foreign account and ready for launching.

Virtually all of these were brought to Atlantic Coast ports and immediately put into service. Almost one-half of them had to be cut in two to get them through the Welland Canal, but the task was accomplished, and the ships rejoined in less than three months from the time the contract was awarded.

Repairing German Ships.

Another difficulty which faced the United States in the task of putting in sea vessels to offset the ravages of the U-boats, was the repairing of the "wilful damage" done to the former German ships by their officers and crews before the ships were seized.

This cost millions of dollars, and in many instances called for the highest engineering skill to make and replace parts of foreign-built engines and boilers removed or broken.

Indicating that the task has been attended by success, the statement was made to-day by a prominent official connected with the Shipping Board, that every seized vessel was now completely repaired and in service. Many of them have made as many as three and four round trips through the war zone.

Three of the former German vessels have been the objects of a successful attack by the submarines. The Actaeson, formerly the Adamsturn, and the Owaco, formerly the Altementa, were sunk, and the Armea was hit by a torpedo, but was saved after being beached.

Several other former German ships have been attacked, but escaped.

The announced sinkings of British ships for the year up to and including the week ending January 23rd, had been 1,033 vessels, of 270 were under that figure. The joint losses of France and Italy vessels weekly.

Probably no soldier on the firing line in France receives a more thorough training in marksmanship and the use of machine guns than the man who soars above the battle line in the swift, far-darting scout aeroplane. His very value as a fighting machine is measured almost entirely by his skill in using the Lewis or Vicker's gun with which his aeroplane is equipped. Consequently, long before a cadet in the Royal Flying Corps has mastered flight, he begins to learn to sight both of these deadly weapons. He studies the mechanism and construction closely knows them so completely that in the moments of combat he will not be at a loss when his gun jams, because he has been taught to adjust it almost automatically in a few seconds.

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