

NEWS TOPICS OF WEEK

Important Events Which Have Occurred During the Week.

The Busy World's Happenings Carefully Compiled and Put Into Handy and Attractive Shape for the Readers of Our Paper — A Solid Hour's Enjoyment.

TUESDAY.

Admiral Dewey, hero of Manila Bay, is reported to be dying.

Another island in the Aegean Sea has been occupied by the Allies.

All returned soldiers at Saul's Ste. Marie have been placed in permanent employment.

Australia advanced \$60,000,000 to her farmers for wheat requisitioned by Great Britain.

Militia commanders in the Toronto Military District will hold a conference to discuss recruiting.

London manufacturers suffering from coal shortage are proposing to get natural gas piped into the city.

A. E. Nease, principal of Port Dalhousie Public School, has been appointed to a Customs position there.

Amalgamation of civic offices under the City Clerk is proposed in a resolution submitted to Stratford Council.

Western mine operators claim that compliance with the mine workers' demand would mean the closing of some mines.

Mr. A. C. Flumerfelt of Vancouver suggested to the Toronto Canadian Club a plan to put returned soldiers on the land.

In the West Simcoe by-election for the Ontario Legislature W. T. Allan (Conservative) defeated Isaac Scott (Liberal) by 631 majority.

Kitchener police force will probably be reduced from eight to five men as a result of lessened disorderliness and crime since prohibition.

Reciprocity in motor licenses is bringing money into Canada, according to reports made to the annual meeting of the Ontario Motor League.

WEDNESDAY.

Italian ships are commencing to trade with South America.

Sir Max Aitken is ill and the doctors are afraid of pneumonia.

The London Times Red Cross Fund has passed the £6,000,000 mark.

General von Hindenburg is reported ill, suffering from a severe chill.

The British are advancing towards Jerusalem and may seize the Holy City.

Men on the British farms have been called upon to join the colors forthwith.

Fire did damage to the extent of \$15,000 in the village of Athens in Leeds County.

Admiral Dewey, once a popular hero in the United States, died at the age of 80 years.

The Deutschland, the German mercantile submarine, has left Bremen on another trip to America.

William De Morgan, the British novelist who wrote "Joseph Vance" and "Alice for Short," is dead.

Captain C. W. Baker, a Toronto officer, died in England from injuries received when his horse fell on him.

Rev. John MacDougall, a pioneer Western Methodist missionary, died in Calgary after four weeks' illness.

A German submarine has just returned to port with four captives of merchantmen which it torpedoed as prisoners.

The Toronto Local Council of Women stated that 30,000 Canadian women have gone to England since war broke out.

The libel suit of Controller Foster of Toronto against the World ended abruptly when the newspaper consented to pay \$1,000.

Four Austrians were caught trying to escape from Canada at Niagara Falls, and were fined for attempting to break parole.

L. Schilling, of Waterloo Township, was fined \$20 by a Kitchener magistrate for offering stale eggs for sale on the local market.

Dr. Herbert Bruce of Toronto, whose sensational report on the Canadian military hospitals in England caused so much criticism, has been asked by the Imperial authorities to supervise work in British surgical hospitals in France.

THURSDAY.

A British firm was awarded big U. S. naval shell contracts.

An Austrian ship was torpedoed in the Adriatic by an Italian submarine.

William Davidson was reappointed Secretary of Stratford Public School Board for the thirtieth time.

German artillery activity on the western Russian front was suppressed by the Czar's guns.

Greater care is to be taken with a view to preventing "unfits" getting into the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

The total recruits in Canada since the outbreak of war now number 387,409, there having been 2,536 enlisted in the first half of this month.

A deputation of physicians presented to the Commission of Conservation at Ottawa startling facts and statistics regarding prevalence of syphilis.

Eight persons have asked the Oxford Returned Soldiers' Association for the privilege of adopting the six-year-old daughter of Private Walter Norton, overseas, whose wife died Tuesday.

Members of the Weston Council told railway officials the people of Weston would be willing to put up with fewer passenger trains in order that munitions and freight might be moved without undue delay.

The Danish West Indies, passed under the sovereignty of the United States. Negotiations continued for over half a century came to a conclusion with the exchange of ratifications of the treaty of cession by Secretary Lansing and Danish Minister Brun.

The Government has stated that compulsory military service, if introduced, would apply only to British subjects resident in Canada, and

would not likely disturb men working in essential industries, such as munition factories, steel plants, and coal mines.

FRIDAY.

Earl of Elgin, former Viceroy of India, died in England.

A meeting of temperance workers endorsed Hon. W. D. M. McPherson in North-West Toronto.

The Berliner Journal, published in Kitchener, has changed its name to The Ontario Journal.

A plan for temporary diversion of Niagara River water for power was authorized at Washington.

William Livingstone of Detroit was again chosen President of the Lake Carriers' Association.

Mr. Arthur Hewitt, retiring President of the Toronto Board of Trade, delivered a notable address.

Lieut.-Colonel John Stanfield, M. P., has resigned his position as Chief Conservative Whip in the Commons.

Two young children of John Luki, a Galician, were burned to death at Winnipeg in their parents' absence.

James Vanstone, a pioneer of Stratford and a veteran fireman and Oddfellow, died at the age of seventy.

The Western Counties Electric Co. has sold its equipment in Brantford Township to the Hydro-electric Commission.

At a meeting in St. George's Hall, Toronto, resolutions were passed urging the enforcement of the Militia Act.

Mr. N. W. Rowell, K.C., M.P.P., Liberal leader in Ontario, spoke on Britain's part in the war before the Empire Club, Toronto.

The Times Sydney cable says that Premier Hughes suggests he may attend the conference in London if party unity is attained.

Hon. E. N. Rhodes, former Deputy Speaker, was unanimously chosen Speaker of the House of Commons at its first session.

Lord Alastair Innes-Kerr, after a three-weeks' effort in Vancouver, has secured about seventy-five recruits for the British aerial service.

Mr. Miles Vokes, the new chairman of the Board of Education, complained that there were too many hobby-riders on the Board of Education in Toronto.

School teachers and inspectors are urged by the Department of Education to encourage children throughout the Province to make back-gardens profitable.

Word has been received that Col. (Dr.) J. S. Stewart, M.P.P. for Leithbridge, commanding an artillery brigade at the front, has received the Distinguished Service Order.

SATURDAY.

During 1916 the Russians captured 428,770 prisoners.

The formal opening of the Dominion Parliament took place.

Street recruiting is to be resumed in the Toronto Military District.

Hundreds of Americans are begging to be transported from Syria.

A munitions guard at Kingsland, N.J., was killed by a surviving shell.

The opening of the Duma has been delayed owing to Ministerial troubles.

Noah Dunn was burned to death in his shack beside the Trent River, near McKenzie's Island.

Boys of the Mimico Industrial School cooked and served the annual banquet to friends of the institution.

University students, male and female, are to be asked to sign cards similar to those issued for National Service.

A large number of officers and men returned from Flanders and the Somme arrived at St. John yesterday morning.

Nearly three million dollars has been raised by the Toronto and York Patriotic Fund Association at a cost of about \$24,000.

Joseph E. Houtby of Louth Township, died from blood-poisoning resulting from using a shaving brush made of badger's hair.

Owing to a snowstorm at Buffalo Thursday the G. T. R. was obliged to commandeer several cars of coal to operate their trains.

Mr. Oliver Wilcox, M.P. for South Essex, has given notice of an amendment to the Criminal Code to stop the menace of increasing numbers of race tracks in Canada.

Premier W. H. Hearst and Sir Edmund Walker, addressing Patriotic Fund captains, declared that nobody should question the right of a soldier's wife to go to the movies or buy a new hat.

MONDAY.

The Italian army has scored another victory over Tripolitan rebels.

British workers in Kitchener have organized to promote feeling of loyalty in that city.

Colonel A. M. Hay, a well known Canadian mining man, died at Halcyon on Saturday.

An endeavor is being made in London, Eng., to have embargo on Canadian cattle removed.

Fire swept the principal business block of Strathroy on Saturday, doing over \$60,000 damage.

The Government of Holland has decided to introduce cards regulating the distribution of bread.

Hamilton gave a total of \$650,000 to the Patriotic Fund, being \$50,000 more than was raised last year.

Ten persons were killed and twenty injured by an explosion in a munitions plant in Spandau, Prussia.

Wm. Fraser, who conducted the Fraser House, St. Thomas, for many years, died at the age of 85 years.

The funeral of Admiral Dewey took place in Washington on Saturday with the highest national honors.

The Duke of Athol, one of the biggest landowners in Scotland, possessing \$200,000 acres, died at the age of 76.

Colonel William C. Macdonald, brigadier of the 1st Brigade at Exhibition Camp, was killed by a shunting train in Toronto Union Station.

Amedee Bollee, the inventor, known in France as "the father of automobilism" is dead in Paris. He built a car operated by steam in 1873.

Lieut.-Colonel R. A. Robertson, chief recruiting officer of Hamilton, stated that a meeting had been called by the military authorities to consider the advisability of enforcing the compulsory service clause of the Militia Act.

SEVEN NEW SENATORS

Half the Vacancies in the Upper House Are Filled.

Four of the Men Come From Ontario and Three From the Maritime Provinces—The Services of Gideon D. Robertson of Welland in Labor Dispute Are Recognized.

OTTAWA, Jan. 22.—Seven of the 14 vacant Senatorships were filled by the Government on Saturday, four in Ontario and three in the Maritime Provinces. The new members of the Upper Chamber are Messrs. Harry W. Richardson, of Kingston; Gideon D. Robertson, of Welland; Mr. George Lynch-Staunton, of Hamilton; Colonel Frederic Nicholls, of Toronto; Mr. Charles E. Tanner, leader of the Conservative Opposition in Nova Scotia; Mr. Adam B. Crosby, of Halifax, and Dr. F. J. Bourque, of Richibucto, who is New Brunswick's representative.

The remaining vacancies will probably be filled in the course of the next two weeks. Saturday's list includes no members of Parliament, but it is expected that some of the Senators will be promoted to the Upper House when the rest of the Senatorships are filled. In connection with the appointment of Mr. Robertson, of Welland, who was a prominent figure in the settlement of the dispute between the Canadian Pacific Railway and its telegraphers recently, the statement is made that it is an earnest of what may be expected to be done for labor in later Senatorial appointments.

Colonel Frederic Nicholls, of Toronto, one of the Ontario group of new Senators, is a man of great and varied business experience, who has for years taken a deep interest as well in all public questions. Mr. Harry Richardson, also a well known business man and has been specially associated with the export trade in grain.

Mr. Geo. Lynch-Staunton is a prominent member of the Ontario Bar, and is well known throughout Ontario as a public speaker. Mr. Gideon Robertson is a prominent member of the order of Railway Telegraphers. Recently his good offices were placed at the service of both parties in a serious dispute between the C.P.R. and its telegraphers, both parties to the controversy afterwards assuring the Government that Mr. Robertson's services in this regard were exceedingly valuable and aided greatly in the settlement which was eventually reached.

Mr. Charles E. Tanner has had a long experience in public life and was for more than ten years leader of the Conservative party in Nova Scotia. Mr. A. B. Crosby, although at present of Halifax, was a native and former resident of Cape Breton and it is understood will shortly resume his residence in that section which he now represents in the Senate. He is a former member of the Commons.

Money for Soldier's Widow.

TORONTO, Jan. 22.—Controller Thomas Foster, who recently won his libel action against The Toronto World and was awarded \$1,000 damages, decided to give the money to Mrs. Phoebe Lancaster, of 242 Atlas avenue, Fairbank, the widow of Private Lancaster, who was killed in action at the front. At the time Private Lancaster enlisted he and his wife were residing at 224 Vaughan road, just outside the city limits, his name was included in the list of soldiers which the city insured with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, but when it was discovered he was a non-resident, the policy was canceled. It was not until after the death of Private Lancaster that his widow learned that he was not insured. Lancaster had told his wife that if anything happened to him she would receive \$1,000 from the city, consequently she was bitterly disappointed when told he was not insured and that she had no claim on the city. Later Mrs. Lancaster entered an action against the city, and the Metropolitan Life to recover the money, but the case was dismissed. Mr. Justice Kelly, who heard the case last month, ruled against her claim.

Controller Foster knew all the facts of the case and that it was a particularly hard one, hence his decision to give Mrs. Lancaster the money awarded him by the courts.

Neutral Sailors Held.

BERLIN, Jan. 22.—A summary of the German Admiralty's official statement on the detention, as prisoners of war, of neutral sailors aboard armed merchantmen captured by the German naval forces was cabled to the State Department at Washington by Ambassador Gerard Saturday evening. This is the only information yet available regarding this development in naval procedure. German official circles profess to regard the case as affording an opportunity for negotiations looking to the settlement between America and Germany of the status of armed merchantmen.

Since the issuing of the German memorandum on armed merchantmen earlier in the war, German authorities have held that a ship which mounts guns, whether they are intended for defence or offence, loses its status as a private commercial craft and becomes a warship. Sailors taking service on such a ship, these authorities contend, lose their neutral status, just as if they had enlisted in the naval forces of a belligerent. Therefore, these sailors are liable to treatment as prisoners of war.

Oleomargarine Smuggled In.

BROCKVILLE, Jan. 22.—A seizure of oleomargarine has been made by a local Customs officer. It was being brought from Morristown, N. Y., and was detected in the luggage while an examination was being made by the landing officer.

When Women Meet.
"That woman pretended to be glad to see me. What an actress she is!"
"But you were a match for her?"
"Yes. I pretended to be just as glad to see her."—Exchange.

His Turn to Ask.
"Am I the first girl you ever kissed?"
"Am I the first man to whom you ever put that question?"—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.



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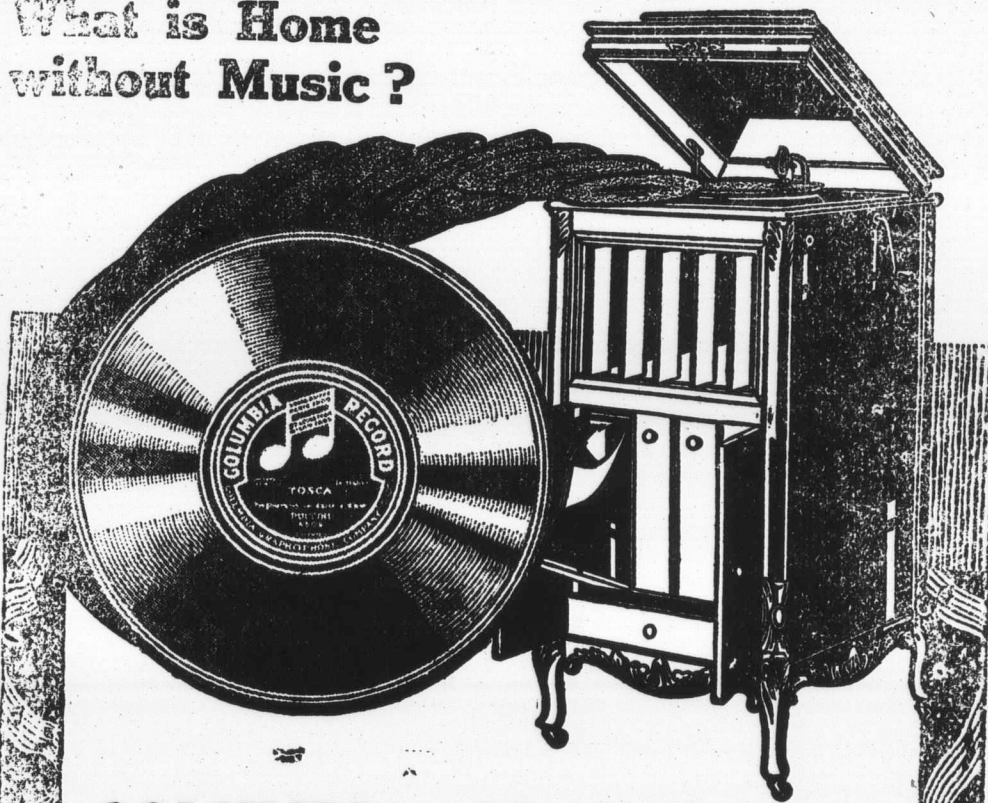
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