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THE WAR SITUATION

"It is men we need now."

These are the words of Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour, British minister of foreign affairs, addressed yesterday to a labor delegation from the United States.

Who that reads the grim story of the fight on the British front can doubt the truth of Mr. Balfour's words? Sir Douglas Haig's men are outnumbered. They hold the line unbroken, but they have been compelled by the weight of the German attack to yield ground from time to time. More men are needed.

Doubtless this is the chief reason for the secret session of the Canadian parliament tomorrow. Even if the enemy definitely checked in the battle now raging, the Allied losses must have been heavy, and there will be heavy fighting for months to come. It is therefore the duty of Canada to provide more men as well as food, and delay at so critical a time is exceedingly dangerous. If the Allies hold the line there is all the more reason for strengthening their forces so that they may the sooner be able to resume the offensive and drive the enemy out of France and Belgium. This will be no easy task.

Today's news from the front encourages the belief that the German drive against the British lines has failed to accomplish the desired results. There is again talk of an Allied army of manoeuvre, but if there is such an army, and when or where it will strike, the public is not informed. If we were certain of its existence we would breathe more freely. After a week of terrific fighting the enemy has failed to break the British lines, and if now a great fresh army could be hurled against him at a vulnerable point the whole situation would be changed for the better. There is of course the possibility of a third great effort by the Germans to reach the channel ports, but despite the capture of Bailleul, which is announced today, the Allies are not disheartened.

ONTARIO'S HEALTH LAWS

The province of Ontario regards the matter of public health as of so much importance in any appeal made for new settlers that in a publication designed for circulation overseas space is taken for a summary of the work done by the provincial board of health. In view of the discussion on the subject of a health department for New Brunswick it will be of general interest to learn what Ontario is doing. Here is the summary as set forth in the overseas edition of the Toronto News, a large publication in magazine form setting forth the advantages of all the provinces as a field for new settlers and the development of great natural resources:

"The bureau of child welfare supplies advice and literature upon the care, nursing, feeding and clothing of babies. Any mother who is in difficulty about the care of her child will, upon application, be given prompt and reliable information upon any question concerning the health and care of her baby."

"The board, upon request, will investigate the causes of any outbreak of communicable disease with the object of preventing its spread."

"There are seven health districts in the province. Each one is under the supervision of a specially trained medical officer. In addition, the unorganized portions of the province are under close inspection by a special sanitary officer, whose particular duty is the maintenance of sanitary conditions in the lumber camps, the mines, and in railway construction camps."

"The public and private water supplies of the province and the various municipal sewage works are under the control of the board. Because of the fact that all water and sewage works must be approved by the board before they are established, there is most efficient control of the proper construction and cost of these important public utilities, the latter of which reached the aggregate of over \$4,000,000 in 1918."

"In Toronto, Kingston and London the board maintains fully equipped public health laboratories where samples of water, sewage, milk, meat, etc., are examined, and where diagnostic reports on diphtheria, tuberculosis, typhoid and paratyphoid fevers, and venereal diseases, are issued to the medical practitioners of the province. Facilities are also provided for the prevention of the spread of such diseases as anthrax and rabies from the lower animals to man. There is no charge for these services."

"The following vaccines, serums, etc., are supplied through local boards of health, medical officers and hospitals free of charge, viz: diphtheria and tetanus antitoxins, smallpox, typhoid and paratyphoid and pertussis (whooping-cough) vaccines, anti-meningitis serum, silver nitrate for the prevention of babies' sore eyes, and Pasteur preventive treatment for rabies. The board, recognizing the great opportunities for preventing typhoid fever in the Canadian army, has supplied free of cost practically all the vaccine used for this purpose. The department of militia and defence has thus been relieved of an expense of \$150,000 to \$200,000."

"There is a practical laboratory where various devices and schemes introduced

for the purification of water and disposal of sewage are tested, and where research work in sewage, water and other health utilities is carried on. This plant is said by competent observers to excel any experimental plant of the kind in America. By an arrangement with the University of Toronto, students of that institution are given a course of sanitary engineering in this laboratory.

"Public health education, the most valuable and permanent feature of any public health department, is well developed in Ontario. People find it just as easy, indeed much easier, to live under good health conditions as under bad ones. It is important that they should be taught how to do so. The board has leaflets and pamphlets upon a large variety of public health topics which will be cheerfully sent for the asking. A public health exhibit and cinematograph demonstration of health subjects are shown at various large fairs and during the winter months in towns all over the province. A feature of the recent Toronto fair was a baby clinic where the babies were examined and their mothers given advice by specialists in child diseases."

Ontario's health laws have been further improved at the recent session of the legislature. The conservation of life is regarded as a matter vital to the welfare of the province. New Brunswick should follow the example of Ontario.

Dr. Rand's illuminating address before the Canadian Clubs last evening brought vividly before his auditors the horrors of the war and also the splendid service performed by the British navy and the armies in France. It is well that we are thus reminded from time to time of the sacrifices that are being made for us, and of our own duty as "the army behind the army." What we do at home will really determine what the men at the front may be able to accomplish.

When the principle of woman suffrage was adopted in the legislature recently, Premier Foster announced that a bill to give it effect would be introduced in due time. This did not satisfy the opposition, and hence the interesting controversy yesterday. The government is not averse to woman suffrage. The women of the province will have the franchise before the next provincial elections are held. The question should not be made a partisan one, in any sense of the word.

Since the British government's Irish programme does not entirely suit either the Nationalist leader nor Sir Edward Carson it may be a fairly good solution of the problem. It is announced that home rule may precede the application of conscription. If a broad measure of home rule is adopted the opposition to conscription should be less pronounced, for Ireland must realize that the winning of the war is the supreme issue.

"Canada is going to reap greater benefits from the victory than will any other country. It will take long for the European countries to readjust themselves, but we will be one of the greatest food producers in the world, and go into export trade on an immense scale," said the Hon. G. Howard Ferguson in Toronto last week.

The Workmen's Compensation Act, which was read a second time in the Alberta Legislature last week, will apply to all the industries and all the businesses in the province, with the exception of railway companies. These have been left out of the scope of the legislation for one year on representations by members of the trainmen's unions.

Toronto Globe: Nearly 100,000 pounds of vegetables and apples have been destroyed in Toronto crematoriums in six days, having spoiled through long keeping by commission merchants. Under a proper system of marketing, these products, for which many people would have paid a reasonable price, would not have been allowed to rot.

The German command lied to the German troops attacking near Giverny, assuring them that the British position was held by a handful of troops. This was done to encourage the German soldiers before they attacked. They were quickly disillusioned when they went up against the wall of British valor.

The adverse decision of the city council in regard to harbor commission is not good business for the port of St. John. The Dominion government is ready to do its part and the city should not hesitate.

Civic candidates should tell us what their attitude is in regard to the demands of the New Brunswick Power Company. That fight is only well begun.

The loss of Bailleul is a serious blow, but the British have re-formed their line and are still unconquered.

U. S. soldiers are being sent into western forests to cut airplane timber delayed by I. W. W. efforts.

LIGHTER VEIN

A Hard Life.

A farmer in Iowa, returning home one evening from a rural banquet, dropped lazily into a chair and addressed his wife as follows:

"I am all tired out. Are the cows all in the barn?"

"Yes, Henry."

"Horses all harnessed and down?" he asked as he produced a cigar with a gilt band round it.

"Yes, Henry."

"Chickens aren't locked up, though, are they?"

"Yes, Henry; long ago."

"Wood chopped for morning?"

"Yes."

"Ducks picked and wagon wheel mended for tomorrow's market?"

"Yes, Henry."

The farmer lighted the cigar, yawned and said:

"Well, then, just hand me the farm paper and draw me a jug of cider. Mary, I'll turn in soon. Farming's beginning to tell on me."—Boston Transcript.

Local Feeling.

"The people of your town applaud me with fine enthusiasm."

"That isn't altogether enthusiasm," said a member of the reception committee. "Some of it's hospitality."—Washington Star.

In the Sanctum.

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His Reply.

"There goes a man I might have married," she said.

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Brother and Sister.

"Mother—And why did you put this frog in sister's bed?"

Son—I tried to find a mud turtle and couldn't.

"John, your smoke will spoil the curtains."

"Well, that's better than having the curtains spoil my smoke."

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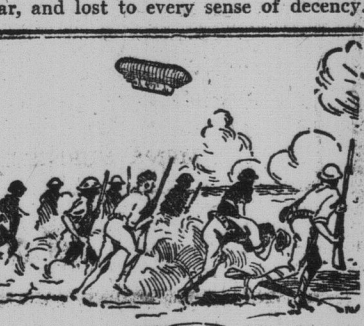
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GERMANY, THE OUTCAST.

(Cartoons Magazine.)

When peace is signed at last and the various combatants shake hands over it, what is going to be the measure of the forgiveness which the allies extend to Germany? Will it be the Biblical seventy times seven, or will it be a mere lip affair? German commercial aspirations will have to be satisfied. She will seek to regain her old markets and to enter new ones. President Wilson, in his address to Congress, has insisted that every nation at the close of the war shall be unhampered in its endeavor to work out its own destiny. We shall insist upon this principle being applied to Belgium, to Poland, to the Balkan States, and to Russia—so far as the Bolsheviks will permit themselves to be helped. Even Austria will receive a fairly glad hand, while Bulgaria and Turkey will be recognized as having possibilities in the direction of being tamed and made into useful peoples. But in the case of Germany—that is something else again. We can open our markets to her, but markets are of no avail if the people will not buy—and one is not apt to resume relations of any kind with a man who has shown himself to be a second story artist, a murderer, a liar, and lost to every sense of decency.



THE SPRING DRIVE

Our boys are going "Over the top" and into "No man's land" this spring. No one has any doubt of their ability to get there. There will also be a spring drive on this side of the ocean, because March is the year's "blue Monday." It is the most fatal month of the year. March and April is a time when residence usually is at lowest ebb. It is a trying season for the "run-down" man. But medical science steps in, and says, "It need not be so!" We should cultivate love health, a sense of responsibility for the care of our bodies. Do not allow the machinery of the body to clog. Put the stomach and liver in proper condition. Take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, to be had at most drug stores—in tablet or liquid form, tablets fifty cents a vial, composed of native herbs. This puts the stomach and liver in proper condition. You may be plodding along, no spring, no elasticity, no vim, but as soon as you have put the body into its normal physical condition, you will find new vim, vigor and vitality within you. A little "pép," and we laugh and live. Try now. Send Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, N.Y., or branch office, Bridgeburg, Ont., for trial pill. The prime necessity of the food situation as it affects the Allied cause, emphasizing the responsibility resting on this favored land, and invoking the blessing of Almighty God on the human efforts put forth towards production, that they may be blessed by Him who alone gives the increase.

And we do hereby still further urge and request the careful consideration and patriotic co-operation of all our people in the matters herein set forth.

All of which premises, all our loving subjects and all others whom it doth or may in anywise concern, are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

In testimony whereof we have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our Province of New Brunswick to be hereunto affixed.

Witness, His Honor William Pugsley, D. C. L., K. C., One of Our Privy Council for Canada, Lieutenant-Governor of Our Province of New Brunswick, this second day of April, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and in the eighth year of Our Reign.

By Command, ROBERT MURRAY, 4-19 Provincial Secretary-Treasurer.

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A special meeting of the Trades and Labor Council was held last evening for the purpose of discussing the Workmen's Compensation act, the health act, the assessment act and other matters which are to come before the legislature. The president, John Kemp, was in the chair. After listening to a most interesting report from the representatives to the legislature, namely, James Sugrue, J. E. Tighe and John Kemp, the council re-affirmed and endorsed its original action of recommending and requesting the government to give the following bills passage and enactment in their entirety: Workmen's Compensation act, health act, assessment act, motor vehicle act and vocational training act. The matter of the Jordan Sanatorium was considered and after a long discussion it was decided to request the government to make this a free institution.

RECENT DEATHS

The death of Charles L. Tracy, of Fredericton, occurred at his residence there yesterday. He was ninety-four years of age and for many years was a highly respected resident of Tracy Station and one of the best known men in Sunbury county. The deceased is survived by one son, C. L. Tracy, of Fredericton, and one daughter, Mrs. J. H. McLeary, of Tracy Station. After a funeral service at his late residence in Fredericton, the remains will be taken to Tracy Station for burial.

The death of Captain James C. Price, well known in this city, and long in the employ of John E. Moore in the coastal trade, occurred at Somerville (Mass.), yesterday. He had retired only a few years ago. Captain Price was the spare man of the famous Paris crew when they went abroad, and his brother, George, was a regular member of the crew. Captain Price is survived by two sons, Captain George Price, of Vancouver, and Clifford Price, of Boston, and three daughters, Mrs. Curtis Cutler, of Somerville (Mass.); Mrs. Helen Jones, of Revere (Mass.); and Miss Marguerite, at home. The latter will arrive in the city with the body.

General regret will be occasioned by the death of Charles T. Pidgeon, a veteran customs official, who passed away yesterday at his home, 251 City Line, West St. John. For years he had been in the civil service employ at the customs house and he had received a long service medal. He was a familiar figure about the city. He had been ill for some time but nevertheless his death comes as a surprise. Many friends will extend sympathy to the bereaved wife.

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Dated at the City of Saint John, the twenty-seventh day of February, A. D. 1918.

HERBERT E. WARDROPER, Common Clerk