

NORFOLK NEWS

FEW IDLERS IN SIMCOE

Citizens All Respond to Appeals For Help—Foreign Labor Not Needed

OTHER SIMCOE NEWS

Simcoe, July 23.—(From Our Own Correspondent).—Few towns can possibly show less idle citizens than Simcoe at the present time. So far Dominion Farmers have been able to get along without foreigners. The pea crop is an exceptionally heavy one, and with more help longer hours could be put in. The daily pick is probably seventy to eighty thousand cans.

Early yesterday morning many went to the country by auto or trolley to pick berries. The local retail price, 25 cents a small basket, obtains not for want of berries. The crop of cultivated and wild berries is abundant, but for want of pickers. The first pick from field-grown cucumbers was reported yesterday. So it is evident that the rush is really on with some of the hay still out, barley and rye ready for the machine and wheat and oats close following.

The situation is being met, and even the pea vines from the factory are being spread out to dry for winter fodder. Acres have been covered with them. At this work, spreading the vines over the ground, one Simcoian, over 70 years of age, and for years considered an invalid, but who signed his registration card for help anywhere he could work, is thus engaged.

The next fortnight should be one for supreme effort, and if the Courier office is closed forenoons, no further explanation will be necessary.

More Victims.
J. C. Howey of Port Dover for speeding, R. Edmonds of Simcoe, and W. Carpenter of Delhi, for failing to have lights lit, will be respondents to informations laid last night before Magistrate Gunton.

Wellington Carpenter was first summoned, but this man was able to show that he had never owned a car.

Prompts Saved a Fine.
When Dr. Crayler sold his car on July 11th to the Bram Motor Co he took care to forward by registered mail to the department next day a report of the sale, as required by statute. On the 14th inst. the car or at least the markers, were spotted for speeding in Preston, and notice to appear came to the doctor.

Evidently Record Keepers Lag.
It is quite evident that the clerks are not abreast with their work at Toronto. Dr. Crayler has forwarded his affidavit regarding the sale and the department will no doubt be requested to look up the revised record. The moral is—Report your sale at once.

Auto Demolishes Buggy.
Simcoe, July 22.—An artist who gave his identification as D. Panken, 21 Arken street, Hamilton, passing south late yesterday afternoon had just passed the corporation limits when he attempted to grab a bunch of peas from a passing load. While doing so the car met a bump into Hek Nichols' horse and buggy must deliver outfit. The horse got some severe scratches on the legs and body. High got a few, too, and the buggy was up against the fence as if it had been the victim of a locomotive at the nearby crossing.

A Peculiar Arrest.
Chas. Mufford of Victoria is having an enforced holiday and his wife and children are wondering where he is. So is J. E. Butler, who has a team standing idle since last Thursday, when two constables came along to the field where Mufford was cutting hay on the farm of W. A. Dawson, a son-in-law of his employer. Though but a short distance from the depot at Victoria, he was taken on eleven miles farther to entrain and returned to Hamilton. The Spectator had a breezy report of a child abductress, a "de-

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serter" and his capture. Now for the facts. Butler enlisted in the 133rd and deserted from Borden Camp, subsequently he gave himself up to Chief Canning at Simcoe and was sent to Brantford to join another unit. He went, was examined, and turned down as medically unfit—is an asthmatic—and he got his discharge papers, or what he understood was discharge papers and button.

He has been employed by Mr. Butler for eight months, working most of the time on the mill property in the heart of Victoria. When the constables called there they were told exactly where to find their man. They found him. He turned the horses loose and returned with them to his home, where he produced his papers. His wife still holds the button—and these were taken by his captors. The party left by auto.

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HOW THE PUBLIC GOT THEIR MAIL TO-DAY.

Hundreds of stenographers and office boys thronged the Toronto General Postoffice on Monday trying to obtain mail and many were disappointed, because the strike was not expected by the officials and there was no system to insure the speedy delivery of letters. In the office boys and other members of the general public thronged the building until the officials were forced to declare that no more mail would be delivered and the crowd dispersed. This photo shows the side entrance of the General Postoffice, where mail was distributed.

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SITUATION TO-DAY

(By The Associated Press).

French and Americans have crossed the Marne over a front of 12 miles between Jaulgonne, seven miles east of Chateau Thierry and Reuil, near where the German line crossed the stream during the days when the German offensive was at its height.

On the western flank of the German salient, the Allies have taken Oulchy-le-Chateau, a mile north of the Ourcq, and just west of Nanteuil-Notre-Dame, a dominating point in the German line of communications. They have also captured the town of Buzancy, seven miles south of Soissons, which brings them up to a ravine that stands between them and the heights to the eastward of Soissons.

On the front between Rheims and the Marne the British have taken Petticamp Wood, near Marfaux, where they took the place formerly held by the Italian forces.

These successes by the Allies come in official London advices. It shows that in spite of the fact that only artillery duels were reported from the French War Office in its day's statement, the Allies are making important progress all around the salient in which the Germans were caught by the terrific attack of the Allies on Thursday morning.

A lull along the line might have been expected at this time because of the short respite of German reserves brought up by the enemy and the necessity of bringing up heavy artillery and supplies. It appears however, that the momentum of the Allies has been spent and that they are forging ahead along virtually the entire front of the battle.

At 5 o'clock this morning the French launched an attack along a four-mile front in the Montdidier sector. In three hours they advanced a mile. London hints that the attack was over a wider front than that announced in the dispatches. This new onslaught directed against a front which has been comparatively quiet since the German offensive began in June.

The French are not content with the work they have done in the southern half of the salient along the line north of Montdidier, in the Somme sector last night and occupied the villages of Mally-Raineville, Sanvillers and Aubillers, which are west of the Aisne River and immediately to the south of the French successes early in the month when they captured valuable positions over a three-mile front south of Castel.

The new attack was over a front of about two and three-quarter miles and the occupation of Aubillers shows that there apparently was a penetration of German positions to a depth of a mile and a quarter. Prisoners numbering 350 were taken.

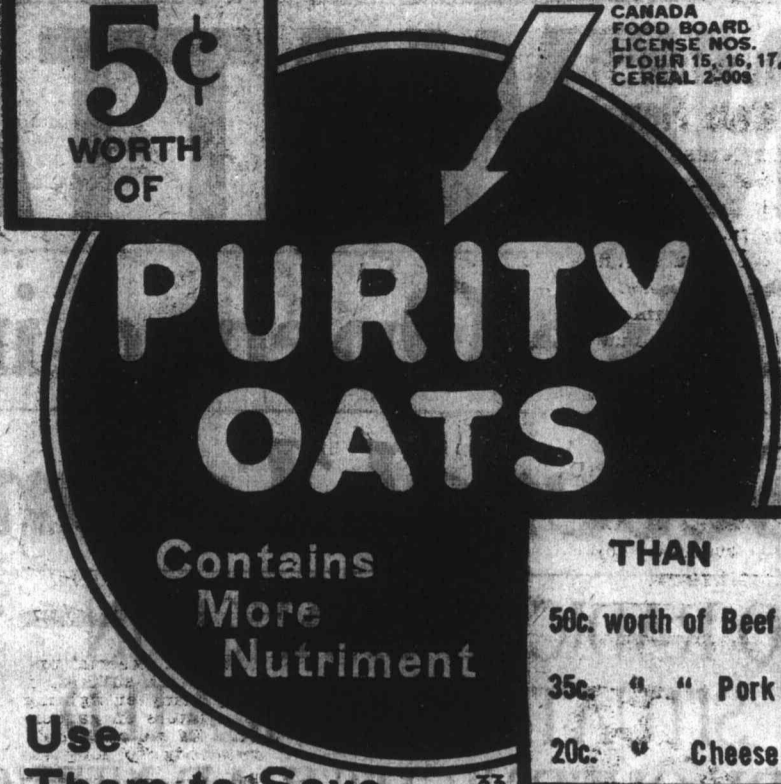
Each other in bravery and pressed the enemy without respite. Although the Germans have been considerably reinforced, the Allies made important progress.

"Thus, while the enemy has given way in the centre, it is seen that he is making desperate efforts to hold on the two flanks of the front from Soissons to the Ourcq and from the Marne to Rheims. General von Boehm is in a very precarious situation in the pocket by reason of General Foch's strategy and the irresistible power behind it, attested by the brilliant success of our armies."

"Never, it may be said, did our high command display greater confidence from our people than in these days of great hopes."

FIGHTING BITTER.
London, July 23.—(Via Reuters' Ottawa agency).—The fiercest fighting between the French and British headquarters last evening reports that the fighting around Montdidier de Rheims is exceedingly bitter. Highland and north country troops were sent into battle yesterday and were heavily engaged to-day progressing further despite the masses of German reinforcements. They captured Saint-Nymph and Reuil. Between the Aisne and the Marne our progress was more rapid. North of the Ourcq we crossed the Soissons-Thierry road at several points but the Germans defending the heights were most obstinate. South of the Ourcq where the enemy had been driven back to the south by the French who crossed the stream the rate of retreat was still more rapid.

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London, July 22.—(Via Reuters' Ottawa Agency).—Replying to a question in the House of Commons, Right Hon. Bonar Law stated that the Government was fully alive to the necessity of preventing the establishment of a money trust and had very carefully considered bank amalgamations before agreeing to them.

CHEERED NEWS.
Amsterdam, July 23.—London cheers from the Czechs in the lower house of the Austrian Parliament greeted the announcement that the entire cabinet had resigned and been accepted by Emperor Charles, says a Vienna despatch to-day.

REPAIRS DESTROYED.
Amsterdam, July 23.—Repairs which the Germans had made to the Mole at Zebrugge, and the locks there, have again been destroyed by Allied airmen, according to the Telegraf. Two torpedo boats have been sunk in the harbor, it adds, the canal remaining closed. The German observation tower at Liskwight was also hit by the aircraft.

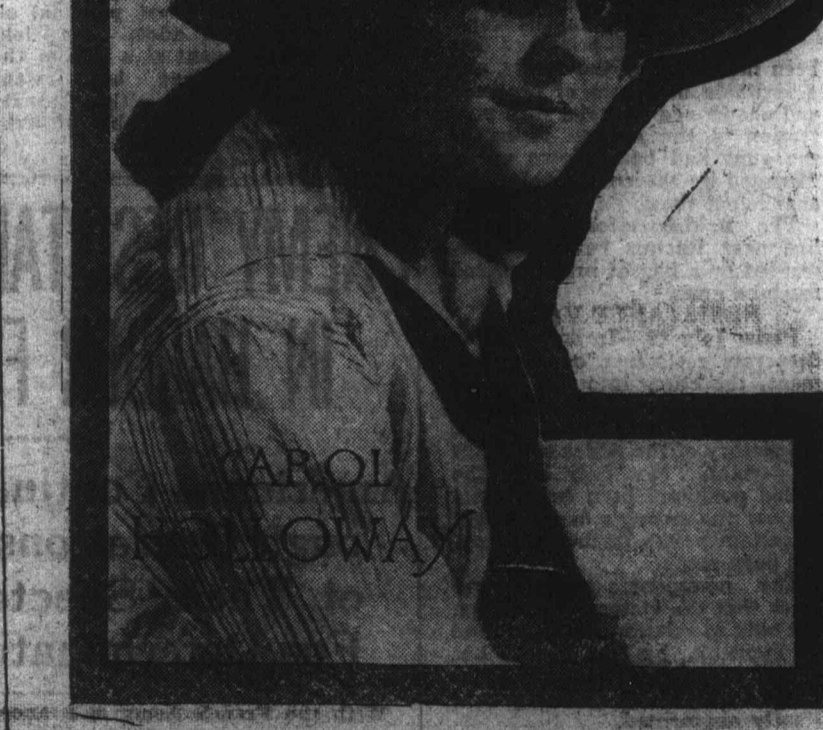
Many casualties among the marines at this naval base, and among the civilians, are reported. Lisswaghe has been partly evacuated, but thousands of men from Heyst, Blackenburgh, Zebrugge and Ghent have been forced to work in the neighborhood, and on the Mole.

FLOUR PRICES FIXED.
Washington, July 23.—Fair prices to govern the sale of flour and milling products at every milling point in the United States have been worked out with a view to stopping all profiteering in such products, it was announced today by the food administration. The prices which generally will govern throughout the crop year of 1918-19 were worked out on a basis price for seaboard points. Local prices represent the freight deductions from the seaboard prices. Jobbers' prices are required to be not more than 25c or 50c a barrel over the delivered cost, and retailers' prices not more than \$1.20 a barrel over his cost price.

RESTRICT NEWSPAPERS.
Washington, July 23.—Restrictions on the reading matter space in daily and Sunday editions, a retail price of two cents or more and the elimination of all waste were recommended to the War Industry Board yesterday by the committee on conservation of newspaper paper appointed by the American Newspaper Publishers' Association. The recommendations were taken under advisement by board officials.

BRITISH MISSION HAILED.
Quito, July 23.—The British mission, headed by Sir Maurice de Bunsen which is visiting the republics of South America, received an enthusiastic reception on its arrival here. Last night a grand ball was given in honor of the mission at the Parliament Place.

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