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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.

The total British casualties last week were 9,097.

Three German aeroplanes were winged by French aviators.

A cargo of French war trophies reached New York for the Entente Bazaar.

One member of the Crocker Land expedition has reached Copenhagen from Greenland.

The Metagama brought a large number of invalided soldiers and others to Quebec.

City Engineer Macullum of Hamilton has resigned, to accept the post of Commissioner of Works at Ottawa.

London's tax rate is fixed at 32.65 mills, exclusive of local improvement taxes—the highest in the city's history.

Clarence Bedford, 1 Boothroyd avenue, Toronto, fell from the sixth storey of a shoe factory and was not killed.

The War Office has cabled to the Minister of Militia asking for fifty mining engineers from Canada to enlist for special services.

Thomas Duckworth of Grand Valley, who was recently sentenced to death, was yesterday given another reprieve, when a new trial was ordered.

A company of bank clerks has been authorized to be raised by Lieut.-Col. Scobell in the 3rd Military District for the 235th (Northumberland) Battalion.

Jonathan Sissons, prominent in public life in Simcoe County for many years, and widely known as a lecturer on agricultural subjects, died at Barrie.

Orilla ratepayers overwhelmingly defeated by-laws for the handing over of the town's electric power franchise and equity in a dam on the Severn to the Provincial Hydro Commission.

WEDNESDAY.

Three more Teuton planes were brought down by French aviators.

A general food board has been authorized by the German Government.

The genera's compulsion bill was given final adoption by the House of Lords.

The residents on Berlin street in Guelph are anxious to change the name of it.

Brigadier-General Logie has gone to Camp Borden to arrange for the reception of troops.

Geo. Brown, Postmaster at Shakespeare for more than half a century, died in his 87th year.

Jack Murray, aged 3, 507 Adelaide street west, Toronto, was killed by an automobile yesterday.

Premier Asquith in the House of Commons to-day announced that the office of Viceroy of Ireland has been abolished.

Thomas Murray, Principal of Owen Sound Collegiate Institute, died somewhat suddenly of nervous exhaustion followed by bronchitis.

The first of a series of conventions throughout Ontario in the interests of "preparedness" for prohibition was held for Essex county at Windsor.

A provision agreement for the amalgamation of the Cunard and the Commonwealth and Dominion Steamship Lines was officially announced last night.

Major George Kay of Stratford, who went overseas with the 34th Battalion, has been appointed manager of the Claims and Pensions Board of the Canadian Expeditionary Forces.

THURSDAY.

The Italian ship Orealla has been sunk off Barcelona, according to L.L.D's.

Greetings to Canada on Empire Day were cabled by Sir Douglas Haig and General Joffre.

It was stated yesterday that Prince von Buelow might become German Envoy at Washington.

Mr. R. J. Score, one of Toronto's leading business men and church workers, died, aged 74.

Great Britain will not allow the general export of dyestuffs from Germany to the United States.

The fourteenth annual convention of the Labor Educational Association of Ontario was held at Berlin.

King's and regimental colors were presented by Lady Eaton to the 109th Battalion of Victoria and Haliburton at Lindsay.

Captain J. R. White, son of General Sir George White, was sentenced to prison under the defence of the Realm Act, for complicity in the Irish rising.

A hailstorm about 6.30 last evening did considerable damage to windows in Montreal smashing about a thousand electric light bulbs in Dominion Park.

A motor truck was presented to the 116th Battalion at Port Perry, the gift of an Oshawa firm, also money donations from Whitty and Port Perry high and public schools.

Four men are known to have perished in a fire in the lower levels of the Yellow Jacket mine near Virginia City, Nevada. Two bodies have been recovered. The fire started Tuesday night.

Gladys and Cassie Casselman, daughters of Clinton Casselman of North Williamsburg, were instantly killed yesterday when their father's horse became unmanageable and dashed into a train on the G. T. R. near Morrisburg.

FRIDAY.

Two Canadian soldiers, freed by Germany, have arrived in Britain. It was rumored in Washington

that Secretary of State Lansing might resign.

An Austrian aeroplane and a gunboat were destroyed by an Italian submarine.

True bills were returned in London against Sir Roger Casement and Bailey, his accomplice.

The first year's operations of the Sault Ste. Marie municipal electric light department produced a surplus of \$22,900, and the Council will lower the rates.

Evangelist Belanger of Quebec, aged 62, was swept from a roof by a tornado, and it is believed fatally injured. Many thousands of dollars' damage was done by the tornado.

Private Charles Harris, 11th Battalion, was sentenced at Guelph to nine months in the Ontario Reformatory for assault and attempted highway robbery of a Garafra farmer.

The wife, two of the children, and an adopted daughter of Joseph Charley, an Indian, on the Mission Reserve at Fort William, were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home.

Public opinion in Greece has been greatly excited by the news that Teuton submarines have torpedoed the Greek steamships Adamantios Korais and Anastasios Coroneos and the Greek ship Istros.

Private N. L. Budyke of the 214th Battalion, "Saskatchewan Wild Cats," ran amuck at Saskatoon, terrorizing the citizens by firing several shots, then went into a barn and shot himself through the heart.

Alfred Noyes, the English poet, who has been on a tour in this country, is preparing to return to England to attempt to join the army. He says that if he is rejected he will serve as an ambulance driver.

Matthew Lownds and his wife were found dead under a carriage in the outskirts of Halifax, where the road winds along a cliff, and the body of Sidney French, a dredgeman, was found in the dock at the new ocean terminals.

SATURDAY.

More admissions were made in Germany of a serious shortage of food.

The League to Enforce Peace held its first meeting in Washington yesterday.

Marion McCabe, 6 years, 194 Rus-holme road, Toronto, was fatally scalded yesterday.

James Brennan, 12 years of age, was killed by a train while crossing the track at Cornwall.

Mr. Lloyd George has held conferences with John Redmond and Sir Edward Carson on the Irish situation.

A young child of Joseph O'Connor, Brantford, was fatally burned when his clothes caught fire from a gas stove.

Mrs. Orton Warner died at Guelph, five days after her sister, Mrs. Holmes. Both were married a little more than a year ago.

Optium valued at \$5,000 worth of opium smuggled into Montreal from Liverpool on a liner was seized by the Montreal police.

Seventeen Canadians for the British motor boat patrol service have been sent to England, and another party is leaving shortly.

Hon. R. H. Brand has been appointed by the Minister of Munitions as representative in London of the Imperial Munitions Board.

Heavy rains have caused high water in Rainy Lake and Rainy River, and consequent floods are threatening serious damage at Fort Frances.

Chas. McArthur, a lineman for the Hydro Construction Co., was instantly killed in Amherstburg by being crushed by an electric light pole falling on him.

Private W. J. Dean of Hawley, Ont., died at Brantford General Hospital of internal injuries received at Festubert when he was buried by sandbags blown up by a German shell.

MONDAY.

Dr. A. W. Waite was found guilty in New York of murder in the first degree.

A Socialist was appointed for the first time to hold an imperial office in Germany.

Three allied steamers were reported during the week-end as having been sunk.

Sarah Olsky, aged 4, 104 Denison avenue, Toronto, was killed by an automobile.

Judson Gordon Brown, aged 18, was drowned in the lake off Balmy Beach, Toronto.

Lieut. Bayne, of the 93rd Battalion, was drowned while canoeing in the river at Ekerbore.

W. A. Hamilton, postmaster at Collingwood for thirty years, is being retired, and succeeded by D. L. Darroch.

Many prize chickens were destroyed in a \$30,000 fire in the outbuildings of Mr. F. B. Robins' estate at York Mills, near Toronto.

George Clements of Moose Jaw, while trying to rescue two others overcome by sewer gas, was himself overcome, and died; the others will recover.

General Joseph Gallieni, French ex-Minister of War, died of kidney trouble in Paris yesterday. He was formerly the commander of the defences at Paris.

Lightning destroyed a large part of the stock in Lemon Bros.' produce warehouse at Owen Sound, and did considerable damage in the Kincardine district and elsewhere.

One hundred and twelve suggested new names will be submitted to the committee of 99 Berlin citizens on Monday evening, to select half a dozen to be voted on by the electors.

George Barche, an inmate of the Brantford House of Refuge, was struck by a train, and died in five minutes. His wife and son had been killed in the same way at different times.

Pte. Thomas Kerr, aged 46, and unmarried, a South African war veteran, and an old member of the 46th Regiment, Port Hope, committed suicide while military police were waiting to place him under arrest for absence from the 136th Battalion.

POSTAGE STAMPS

Study Their Backs and You May Come Across a Prize.

TWO CLASSES OF MARKINGS.

One of These is Accidental and the Other is Intentional, but Either Adds to the Interest of the Specimen—A Curious Nicaraguan Issue.

It really is interesting to study the things which may be found upon the backs of stamps. One might group these into two classes—accidental and intentional. In the first class would come "double printings" and "offsets." In this instance by double printings we refer to those stamps which were accidentally printed upon both sides of the paper. These are very rare. By offset we mean where too much ink was used or the sheets laid upon each other while too wet, so that the color from the face of one sheet came off on the back of the one next to it.

These double impressions and offsets are found in the surcharging of stamps as well as in the original printings. Offsets are comparatively common and vary very much in intensity of color and completeness of design. In the early stamps of Great Britain the color of the stamp has changed the gum, or perhaps the paper, to a beautiful blue, and, as there was little or no color on the portrait in the design, this head appears in white upon a blue background on the back of the stamp. This is called an "ivory head" and is very interesting.

Before we take up the matter of what is intentionally placed on the backs of stamps we might say that the paper upon which such stamps are printed usually shows best from the back. It may, of course, be either thin or thick, white or colored partially or completely through. It may have silk threads here and there like the United States revenues first issues on silk paper or silk all through like the later issue (1873) revenues, or it may be "granite" paper, like certain stamps of Austria, Switzerland and Japan. Again, there may be embedded in the paper silk threads running the whole length of the sheet, as in certain issues of Bavaria, Wurtemberg and especially Switzerland, where threads of many colors may be found.

In considering what is intentionally placed on the backs of stamps we notice first the gum. This can easily be found in many shades—white, yellowish brown, dark brown, pink or rose. Some of the old German states especially have a fondness for pink gum.

The second thing to look for, intentionally placed on the backs of stamps, is something in the nature of a protection against cleaning or counterfeiting. Under this head would come grills or embossings. Excellent illustrations of these are found on our own stamps and again in those of Peru. Watermarks, while not placed on the backs of stamps, show much more plainly there and may be included in one's collection of "backs."

As a protection against counterfeiting, one may call attention to the numerals upon the backs of the early issues of Greece, for there are many errors and varieties to be found in these old Grecian stamps. Mexico protects some of her stamps by printing across the backs a line of blue moire, an irregular arrangement of curved lines. Sweden about 1886 commenced printing on the backs of her postage stamps a small blue picture of a post horn. This practice was continued some years.

As a protection against counterfeiting and also as a means of identifying stolen stamps Spain employs a set of serial numbers. The postoffice department keeps a list of the numbers on the backs of the stamps shipped to every postoffice, so that if one of these is robbed the authorities know and can identify, if found, the stolen stamps by the numbers they bear.

Thirdly, we consider those stamps where the printing on the backs was intentional, but placed there for other reasons than to prevent counterfeiting. In some respects these are the most interesting of all. We wish to call attention to three special instances. Portugal in 1895 issued a series of stamps commemorating the seven hundredth anniversary of the birth of St. Anthony of Padua. There are four designs in the series. But what interests us in this connection is the curious fact that upon the back of each stamp there is printed in tiny blue letters a Latin prayer. This series was also surcharged for use in the Azores.

When we study Nicaragua we are bewildered by the multiplicity of surcharges, especially after 1900. But in 1911 matters came to a very bad pass. There were no more postage stamps, so the government took some revenue stamps, already once surcharged, and upon the backs of these revenue stamps printed a surcharge which made them good for postage. So here are revenue stamps with postage stamps on their backs, or postage stamps with surcharged revenue stamps on their backs. Either way they are very interesting. There were three values—5, 10 and 15 centavos—so made. New Zealand furnishes us another type of interesting backs. Here we find a canny postoffice department coining an honest penny by selling the space upon the backs of its stamps for advertising purposes. The stamps of the issue 1882-91 may be found telling the merits of breakfast foods, patent medicines, soaps, etc. A complete collection would contain a good many varieties. We do not know how many.—St. Nicholas.

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So far this season, A. Taylor & Son have sold five Briscoes, the purchasers being: Claude Wiltse, Athens; Roy Heffernan, Charleston; C. M. Singleton, Soperton; M. J. Johnson, Oak Leaf; F. A. Robertson, Athens.

Other sales by this firm have been: McLaughlin-Buicks to H. Cooper, Soperton, and Mrs. Alice Soper, Soperton; a Chevrolet to H. Stephenson, Athens.

Brockville Casualties

Brockville has contributed quite liberally to the Canadian Expeditionary Force, and out of its contributions there have been 71 casualties. Of this number, 19 have been killed in action or have died from wounds; 2 have died from sickness; 2 are missing; 3 are prisoners of war, 35 have been wounded 2 have been injured; 7 are now in hospital suffering from various causes making a total of 71 casualties. Practically the entire local contingent which left Brockville for Valcartier on the 22nd of August, 1914, have been put out of action.

Death of W. C. Grey

The death occurred at Relean, Sask., of William Coleman Grey, aged 65. Deceased, a native of Kitley, and for many years a resident of this district, was stricken with typhoid fever at his western home and died on Tuesday of this week.

He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Emmeline Knowlton, of Chantry, and four sons and one daughter, namely: Wm. Stanley, Athens; Stearns, Kirgston; Clarence, Halley, and Bell, in the West.

The funeral service will be conducted in the Holiness Movement church, Athens, at 2.30 on Thursday. The remains will be interred in the Athens cemetery.

Another Corps of Foresters Forming.

The success which attended the formation of the 224th Forestry Battalion, raised under Lieut.-Col. Alex. Mac-Dougall, of Ottawa, has led the authorization of the formation of another forestry corps. Lieut. J. W. Hughton, of the firm of Gilmor & Hughton, of this city, is looking after the raising of the battalion here in Ottawa, where recruiting will start as soon as an office can be secured. The commander of the battalion will be Lieut.-Col. J. B. White of Montreal, who is now overseas with the 224th Battalion.

Two Girls Killed on Crossing

Gladys and Cassie Casselman, elder daughters of Clinton Casselman, North Williamsburg, was instantly killed on Wednesday afternoon, when the horse their father was driving became unmanageable and plunged into No. 7 west bound G. T. R. express near Morrisburg. The father, with his three daughters, was on the way to Morrisburg to attend a celebration. Mr. Casselman and his youngest daughter, Olive, received injuries that necessitated their removal to the General Hospital in Brockville, and each is in a critical condition, the father with a fractured hip, and the daughter with a fractured jaw and leg.

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