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MANY PEACE RUMORS.

The Only Plentiful Thing Now in
Switzerland.

About the only thing that Switzerland has too much of is peace rumors. Travelers who come from Germany, France, Austria, and Italy say those countries, too, are full of talk about the conferences that are supposed to be going on constantly there between "personifications" of the Entente and the Central Powers. An American who because of his prominence must be nameless sums up the actual situation when he points out that the presence of notables from belligerent countries must not be regarded as significant because while they may journey to Switzerland to "feel out" the sentiment of the other side, they are not often genuine peace envoys.

Any proposition which any government is willing to advance, or to accept, can be stated by any agent whose presence is not even noted and who is without authority to do more than deliver or listen to a proposal. No one has been compromised, particularly no one has exhibited "signs of weakness" by advancing "terms." That such tentative "feelers" have been put out repeatedly seems beyond doubt, but it is not these that have caused the ever-recurring peace rumors to circulate, but rather the presence from time to time of national characters from either side. The facts seem to indicate that, if peace negotiations actually are going on, they are privately conducted, for their respective governments, by unpretentious and more or less unofficial persons.

One American asserts that he has acted as a "peace emissary" for the Entente, and in this capacity met a German of inconspicuous station, who, the American was given to believe, was prepared to make a peace proposal. The two met, the German explained that he understood he was to receive, rather than submit, a peace plan. Convinced that there had been a misunderstanding, neither would or could "talk business," and so they shook hands and left.

Mathias Erzberger, the German Centrist deputy one-time "uncrowned king behind the Prussian throne," is quoted as having said he had had an interview with an English "peace agent." But it is believed here that Erzberger's fellow conferee was one of the unofficial kind.

Something like three years of this diet of peace rumors has left the majority of Swiss pessimistic. Mention peace and the average Swiss shakes his head sadly. Roll a few big imposing names from your tongue and he becomes positively gloomy, for he is like the child who has once been burned by the fire—and has learned the utter futility of setting any store by the presence of various big characters from all nations who, at one time or another, have been here—or have been said to be here. That secret, unofficial peace discussions between representatives of both sides who are not bound and have no authority have taken place, and perhaps are taking place is generally believed.

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AROUND HOME

WALLACETOWN

Miss Gertrude Dromgole, nurse-in-training at Kingston Hospital, is spending a month at her home.

The Farmers' Club met in the town hall on Thursday evening.

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. W. H. McFarlane on Tuesday afternoon.

Clifford Baker, of London, spent the week-end at his home here.

The Red Cross Committee met on Friday afternoon and packed two boxes, one to Toronto, containing 29 pairs of socks and one to Hyman Hall, London, containing 37 pairs of socks, 25 trench towels, 5 grey flannel shirts and 4 suits pyjamas and a parcel of old cotton.

The Red Cross secretary received from Frank L. Smith \$7.30, proceeds of entertainment in S. S. 1.

Letters acknowledging Christmas boxes have been received from the following: Pte. A. Martin, Pte. A. Page, Sergt. C. Elliott, Lieut. D. Gow, Pte. Cammings, Pte. Marwood McIntyre, Pte. W. Dillmuth, Pte. Roy Lyons.

CRINAN

The financial statement for the Crinan cheese factory for 1917 shows that during the season, which was the 46th that the factory had been in operation, 600,250 pounds of milk was received.

The output was 52,937 pounds, or 26 tons, 937 pounds. This was a much smaller output than in 1916, but the season was shorter on account of the dry weather being very injurious to the pasture lands of the district. The average yield for the season was 11.34 and the average price paid patrons was \$1.66 per cwt. of milk.

The factory this year paid the patrons in cash \$8,645.27 and in local cheese \$1,187.67. During the season of 1918 the proprietor, G. T. Markham, will continue making cheese, prices for making being \$2.00 per cwt. of cheese for the months of June, July, August and September. The following are the officers for the coming year: Salesman, G. T. Markham; secretary-treasurer, J. A. Matheson; auditor, Duncan McEachern.

LAWRENCE

The regular meeting of the Patriotic League was held in the hall Wednesday with a fairly good attendance. Mrs. Murray, secretary, reported 34 pairs of socks and a day shirt as being sent to the McKay rooms for the January shipment. Five dollars was sent to the Prisoners of War Fund, and a letter was read acknowledging same. Roll call was responded by the paying of the monthly fee. One new member was added to the roll. There will not be any meeting on Jan. 23.

A musicale will be given at the home of W. J. Evans Friday evening, Jan. 25. Program and lunch will be provided. Proceeds to go to Patriotic League.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. McLachlin and daughters, Margaret and Helen, have returned to New York after spending a couple of weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Donald McLellan.

H. L. Kestle is spending a week with friends at Exeter.

Mrs. Louis Biddle is on the sick list.

IONA STATION

The ladies of the Iona Station Patriotic Club have been faithful this year in deeds of sympathy and sacrifice for the alleviation of the sufferings of our boys at the front.

The following is the report of the club's work for the year ending Dec. 31, 1917. Total amount raised \$926.99. Sent to Prisoners' War Fund, \$57.50; Sanatorium, \$48; Queen Mary's Needlework Guild, \$60; McKay House, cash \$25 for material, \$5 for yam powder, \$16 Belgium relief, and box of dainties, \$12.60. Bought Christmas gifts for our soldier's children, a pair of shoes and stockings each, \$24.25. Gave Lance Corporal Smith, purse, \$42.25.

Shipped the following goods: 135 flannel shirts, 817 pairs socks, 61 pairs pyjamas, 225 towels, 103 handkerchiefs, 18 yam suits, besides wash cloths, trench caps and a beautiful autograph quilt. In behalf of our noble boys in France we wish to thank all who all who so kindly worked and contributed to our success.

Mrs. Daniel E. Brown, Secretary.

Mrs. J. B. McKellar, President.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Silcox, of Bridgeburg, Sask., are visiting friends in this vicinity.

Mr. Trembley, of Comber, has been working as night operator at the M. C. R. station.

There was no service in the Baptist church on Sunday as a result of the storm.

Alvin Widdfield is seriously ill with blood poisoning.

The next regular meeting of the Patriotic Club will be held at the home of the Misses McPhail on Tuesday, Feb. 5, and will take the form of a tea. The yearly fee will also be taken at this meeting. Let all the ladies make an effort to attend.

COYNE'S CORNERS

At the annual meeting of the Farmers' Club the treasurer, A. D. McKillop, presented his report showing the business done during the year which totalled \$15,000. The principal articles purchased were flour, feed, posts and groceries. The officers for the ensuing year are: President, P. C. Cameron; vice-president, Charles Gibson; recording secretary, A. D. McKillop; executive committee, J. Cairns, T. Curtis, F. Ford and J. C. Cameron; auditors, W. H. Ford and Wm. Braddon; program committee, D. Ashmore, Norman Ford and D. Ford; room committee, W. McKillop and J. R. Cameron. The secretary reported a car of midwintering the way. Several orders were taken for seed corn, wire fence and barb wire.

Lachlan C. McIntyre, who died recently in West Williams, was one of the early pioneers of Western Ontario. He was one of those who came into what was then known as "Canada West" when the district was but a wild. He was born in Scotland at Borish, in Uist, and was a Roman Catholic in religion. He was a county magistrate and had also farmed for many years. In the election of 1867 he ran for Parliament as an Independent Liberal, but was defeated. He was of a poetic turn of mind and composed many songs in Gaelic. In 1889 he was appointed to a Government post at Hamilton, where he lived until he retired in 1906. He was 94 years of age last September.

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Illness in German Army.

The health statistics of the German army and navy, as published in the German medical journal, show that the percentage of illness among both soldiers and sailors is steadily decreasing. In the army, the number of cases of illness is now about twenty per cent. lower than in the first year of war. For the navy, very complete reports are published, indicating that the number of cases of illness per thousand men is about 25 per cent. lower than in peace time.

Diseases of the organs of nutrition furnish more patients in the naval hospitals than any other single cause, but it is stated that the number even of these cases shows a steady improvement, falling from 78 per 1,000 men in peace times to 56. Tuberculosis shows a slight increase, but other diseases of the respiratory organs have decreased very largely. Nervous disease has almost disappeared; scarlet fever shows a slight increase.

Bomb-Throwers.

The bomb-dropping mechanism of a zeppelin captured by the British was described in a recent number of the London Sphere. There are sixty bomb-droppers for conical bombs. The bombs are slung in traps, and there is a strap around the neck. The latter has a releasing hook, and when the hook is operated the small end first drops down and the base slides out of its straps. The bomb then rights itself and drops base downward. The bombs are slung in one or two lines along the under side of the mail hull. The releasing hook is operated by an electro-magnet, and there is a small switchboard in the cabin for controlling the release. Each bomb has a separate switch. The bombs can be released by hand levers also in case the electric means fail. Each bomb has a safety device and is not "alive" until it has dropped several hundred feet.—Flying.

Next After Clemenceau?

France is not yet quite ready to let the left run the war. That is the obvious explanation of a Clemenceau ministry. Before long something will turn up, some equivalent to the Bolo affair, and out he will go. The occasions for the falls of all the French war ministries are different, of course, but the cause is always the same. Questions as to the general management of the war are never far in the background; they are near and pressing. Meanwhile the number of influential socialists who do not hold office is growing and will continue to grow. How long will it be before the socialists are the predominant party in the French Chamber?

Monte Carlo.

There is only one day in the year on which inhabitants of Monte Carlo are allowed to gamble at the Casino tables—the Prince of Monaco's birthday.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce has 1,121 women clerks.

The heavy ice in the St. Clair River has impeded traffic.

THE MARKETS

DUTTON

Wednesday, Jan. 16

Butter, lb. prints, wrapped	38	40
Butter, creamery	41	41
Eggs, per dozen	48	47
Lard, per pound	35	35
Potatoes, per bag	2 50	2 75
Shorts, per ton	48 00	48 50
Bras, per ton	35 00	35 00
Corn Chop, per ton	55 00	55 00
Feed flour, per ton	55 00	55 00
Honey, in comb	22	26
Honey, strained	18	20
Flour, Matchless, per cwt.	5 80	5 80
Flour, Prairie, per cwt.	6 50	6 50
Apples, per peck	40	50
Tomatoes, per pound	05	05
Cabbage, per dozen	05	05
Celery, per bunch	7 00	9 00
Onions, per bag	2 25	2 25
Pumpkins, each	10	15
Squash, each	16	15
Chicken, per lb., dressed	23	25
Duck, per lb.	20	22
Turkey, per pound	28	30
Goose, per pound	20	23

GRAIN

Fall Wheat standard	2 05	2 10
Oats	1 00	1 00
Barley	60	65
Peas	95	1 00
Beans	3 00	7 00
Timothy seed, per bush	7 00	9 00
Clover seed	2 52	4 10
Alfalfa, per bush	6 00	8 00
Hay per ton	10 00	12 00

Hog Market

The quotation for live hogs in the local market is \$18.00.

THE RIGHT HOUSE

JANUARY

STOCK-TAKING SALE

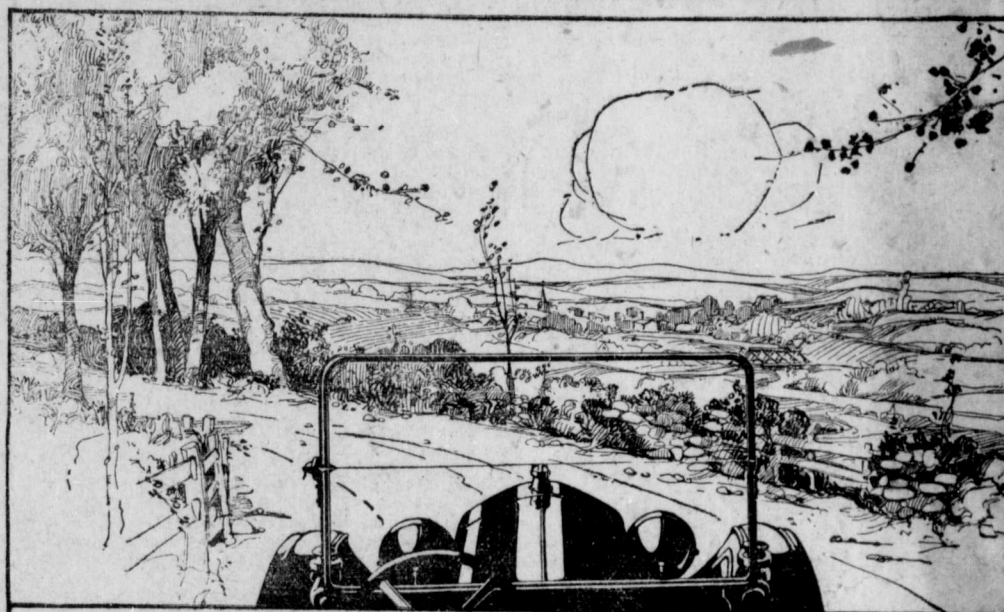
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