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## For Boys A Bath Robe, a Suit, a Reefer, a Top Coat, a Sweater Coat, Rain

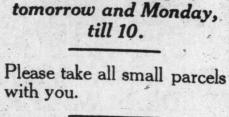
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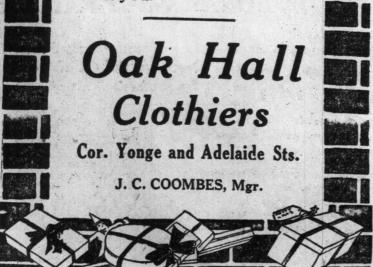
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## THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

allies.

The new German peace offensive, long whether they want to fight or not, also orecast, has begun. The kaiser has forms one of the reasons for the German forecast, has begun. The kalser has opened his latest political attack on the peace offer. Germany has used her peace ables with a specious list of terms sent offers and peace professions so often to out thru a neutral channel. A study of further her military ends as to make it the program as published is sufficient to as much utter folly to parley with her as convince the reader that Germany does it is to parley with a common criminal. merely a division in the ranks of the allies. The harsher clauses concern

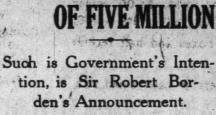
In support of their peace offensive, the The harsher clauses concern Germans are still manifesting a certain Great Britain more than the rest of the liveliness in France. They are making France comes next. Germany their latest attacks in Lorraine. The proposes that Britain should pay an in- French have just repulsed a powerful demnity to Germany for the lost African colonies, and that this indemnity should go to Belgium, Serbia, Rumania and northern France in compensation for the wrongs that Germany has committed and falsely has blamed Britain for being the

French have just repulsed a powerful assault north of Reillons. It is pretty certain, however, that the enemy will not launch a serious offensive in this region, because he would have to enter France thru the Belfort gap. These so-called gaps are merely contrivances to serve as traps for an invader. The French, taking advantage of the wintry weather, may be forming a concentration of troops in French Lorraine as a threat against the upper Rhine. In order to secure them-selves against this menace the Germans have to make a counter-concentration in Bavaria. This fact, perhaps, illumines the report of Swiss travelers that Ger-many is massing large forces of men and large supplies of war material near the border of Switzerland. The German attacks in Lorraine and Alsace merely display the nervousness of the German and an uncasiness about the real strength of the French defences. Much that is hidden concerning the German motives in now offering peace will come out in the near future. The enemy has shown a weakness in consenting to have his projects of freedom of the seas, disarmament and commerce submitted to the peace conference. This may be the bait to the German offer. These subjects do not appeal to the allies for discussion with an unbeaten foe. As

for discussion with an unbeaten foe. As for disarmament, it is not so splendid as it seems. As the world knows, Great Britain depends on naval supremacy for her existence. A reduction in the naval defence would be fraught with great peril to the seafety of the British Em-pire, if an unscrupulous power like Ger-many suddenly launched an immense submarine ettack with submarines con-structed secretly. It has moreover been found a comparatively easy task to raise a large army after the beginning of a war, as Britain did, and this makes con-scription in time of peace of minor im-portance: Naval power, however, is a different matter. It requires many years to build a fiest and to train the crews. Great Britain could not improvise a navy after the beginning of a great war as she has improvised an army.

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**VOTE FOR HALIFAX** 

Ottawa, Dec. 21.-The government has decided to wote \$5,000,000 for the relief of the Halifax sufferers. This includes the appropriation of \$1,000,-000 already made. Announcement of the government's intention was contained in a statement issued by Sin Robert Borden tonight, which reads: "Including the million dollars already appropriated for immediate aid to those who have suffered from the recent appalling disaster at Halifax, the government intends to make a total contribution of five million dollars. As the calamity was the result of conditions arising out of the war it is felt that a special duty rests upon

the government to afford immediate aid in this large measure. "The minister of railways, the minister of public works, the minister of

naval service and the minister of mili tia and defence will visit Halifax immediately after Christmas and will confer with the provincial govern-ment, the civic authorities of Halifax and Dartmouth and the relief commit tees for the purpose of agreeing upor arrangements as to the expenditure and distribution of amount thus ap propriated. It is possible that a com mission may be appointed for th

Montreal, Dec. 20.—It is calculated that 10,000 men will be called from Military District No. 4 to the colors on Jan. 3 next, and Major-General E. W. Wilson, G.O.C., said today that all arrangements had been made locally for the enforce-ment of the Military Service Act before taking over the men and giving them the necessary training at the Guy Street Barracks and Peel Street Barracks. While the application of the Military Service Act lies with the civil authorities, owing to the shortage of policemen in this city, it is understood the military police may apprehend deserters, who, can be tried just the same as if taken Into cus-tody by the civil police. However, mil tary headquarters assumes that all the men called by the act will report for duty on the date in question. purpo "So far as assistance from private sources is concerned, the minister of finance has arranged with the Canadian banks that all their branches thruout Canada will receive contributions, and Sir Thomas White has undertaken. pending further arrange ments, to act as treasurer of the funds thus received."

CARD FROM TRENCHES. The World has received a Christmas card from Major W. L. Baynes-Reed, 75th Battalion, "in the field." The regimental crest adorns the card, and the wording is: "The officers, n.c.o.'s and men of the 75th Canadian Infan-try Battalion (Toronto) in France wish you the compliments of the sea-son."

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ous in its results, dramatic in its revela-tion of the high spirit that enables the Dominion to beacon in dark hours to English-speaking peoples and to give a signal proof at the moment when the lamp of de-motracy had seemed to burn low of the heights to which self-govarnment can rise. Thus the people of Canada have not only done their part, but it is not in men and wome nto climb the dark mountain of self-secrifice unless a trust-ed leader shows the way. Borden has been a real leader of Camada. We may be sure that the uppermost thought in his mind is not of personal triumph or any petty vindicitiveness against defeated opponents, but of the new responsibility that victory has taid upon him and of Camada resolved to any pitch of sacri-fice.

Canada resolved to any pitch of sacri-fice. This is hardly the moment to specu-late on the course which will commend itself to the French Canadians. They have every fight to ask a suspension of judgment while they regain the calm in which they should make the final de-cision. Certainly Borden and his col-leagues have no wish to hurry them, but they and the whole empire will hope, not without anxiety, that French Canada will not set itself against the judgment of the rest of the Dominion. The Manchester Guardian admits that the vote shows a decision of the Cana-dian people that reinforcements are the paramount question of the moment Can-ada has torn up the party system, rooted since the birth of her first parliament. The victory in one respect was only got at a dangerous cost. The English pro-vinces embraced the principle of ranging their French compatitots against them.

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COCHRAN IS OUTPLAYED

Morningstar Ahead in Detroit Billiard

Detroit, Dec. 20.—Ora Morningstar of this city outplayed Welker Cochran of Chicago in two blocks of 18.2. balkins billiards here today, and went into the lead, 1200 to 1184 in the 1800 point match they are-playing. Morningstar featured his afternoon game with a high run of 218, accumulating 397 in twelve inning while Cochran required 18 innings in make bis 300. Cochran had a high ru of 101. Morningstar, taking the ba-in the evening, had only to make bit He did this in twelve innings, and ha a high run of 138. Cochran obtained bi in twelve innings, and made a high ru of 111. The match will end tomorrow.

AMATEURS TURN AT WINNIPEG

Washington, Dec. 20.—A plentiful sup-ply of sugar for the American people during the coming year was predicted to-day by Earl D. Babst, president of the American Sugar Refining Company, testi-fying before the senate investigating committee. Half of the world's sugar crop, outside of the central powers. Mr. Babst said, is produced in the United States, its territories, and cuba, and if properly distributed, this production is more than enough to meet domestic de-mands, as well as supply all that can be shipped to the allies. Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—Playing a gam that was somewhat of a revelation for speed and stamina to 1200 hockey fan the amateurs defeated the professional 11 to 8, in an exhibition patriotic con test here tonight. End to end rushes an fast combination featured the play thru-out. Dick Irwin and Harry Scott we best of the professionals, who held the own until well on in the last period, when the superior condition of the youths tole Walter Small showed a real comehac and/did a lot of useful work for the pro-

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