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RUSSIA REVEALS

Increasing Evidence of Waning Power of Bolsheviki Huns Violate Principle of Armistice With Russia

Germany Moves Troops From the East Front for Service Elsewhere, Regardless of Her Promise to Russia--Hindenburg Awaiting Reinforcements

By Courier Leased Wire.
London, Dec. 26.—The Russo-German peace negotiations, which were to have been resumed on Monday after a postponement to give the Germans time to formulate their reply on the Russian terms, were again delayed for one day, an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Petrograd reports. The despatch also says the Germans have asked for a further postponement until January 22.

While their guns bombarded the western front the Germans are taking troops from the eastern front for use elsewhere despite the provision of the Russo-German armistice prohibiting such action. The artillery activity in France has been moderate over most of the front and more violent on the right bank of the Meuse, northeast of Verdun, the scene of the German attack nearly two years ago.

German infantry has not been active and it is probable that Field Marshal von Hindenburg is waiting for more reinforcements before making his heralded attacks. Russian advices telling of the German withdrawals in the east add that some of the troops are being taken to the Roumanian front. Roumania is not taking part in the peace negotiations and the Ukraine, which lies beyond Moldavia and Bessarabia is opposed to the Bolsheviki.

South of Juvincourt, in the Rheims sector of Champagne, the French have carried out a raid into the German lines and brought back prisoners.

On the British portion of the front there have been raids in addition to the artillery duel, but no large operations are yet indicated.

On the northern Italian front, the Austro-German tactics appear to be to strike alternately at vital points on either side of the Brenna. Checked at Monte Asolone last week. The enemy has struck toward the Frezno valley west of the river. After two days of bitter fighting the Italians have regained possession of lost positions on the Col. Del Rosso west of the river and have attacked the Austro-German positions on Monte Asolone east of the river. Berlin claims the capture of 9,000 prisoners in the gaining of the Col. Del Rosso which later was lost to the Italians.

Leon Trotsky, the Bolsheviki foreign minister, has protested to the Germans against the transference of troops from the eastern front, but also ordered Russian factories to stop the manufacture of munitions. He did not indicate whether his government would take any other step against German violation of the armistice.

Peace negotiations at Brest-Litovsk apparently are making little progress. The Germans have delayed their answer to the Bolsheviki terms and it is reported that the conference will be transferred to Stockholm shortly. In the meantime the majority party in the Constituent Assembly, the Social Revolutionists has convoked the assembly to meet January 2, despite Bolsheviki disapproval.

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WEATHER BULLETIN
Toronto, Dec. 26.—The weather has become much colder in Ontario and Quebec and continues decidedly cold in the western provinces. Forecasts. Fair and cold. Thursday.—Easterly winds with snow.

HAIG'S MESSAGE
By Courier Leased Wire.
London, Dec. 26.—Field Marshal Haig, according to the official announcement sent Christmas messages to the various allied commanders. The following message went to General Peshing, commander of the American Expeditionary Forces:
"From all ranks of the British armies in France I send our best wishes for a happy Christmas and the new year to our comrades of the American Expeditionary Forces. We are proud to think that the new year will see Americans and British fighting in France for the defence of civilization."

COCKSHUTT CO.
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Building and Stock, Office and Store Room, Destroyed by Fire
DAMAGE OVER \$10,000
Blaze Swept Business Section of City on Christmas Day

By Courier Leased Wire.
Edmonton, Dec. 26.—A fire which broke out yesterday morning in the heart of the downtown business section destroyed the building and stock of the Cockshutt Flour Company, Ltd., including the office and stock room, the building and stock of the Moses Lyons Estate, dealers in provisions, hunters and traders supplies and the building adjoining the stock of J. A. Werner hardware, was greatly damaged by water. The loss of the Cockshutt Company is \$10,000. Lyons loss is \$18,000. Werner's loss is about \$5,000 on stock, caused by water, which is covered by insurance.

Col. Harry Cockshutt, M.P., president of the Cockshutt Flour Company, this morning received a telegram informing him of the fire, but giving no further details. The plant destroyed is the district branch headquarters of the district for Edmonton and that vicinity.

MEXICAN BANDITS
KILL STAGE DRIVER
U. S. Troops in Pursuit of Outlaws Who Raided Border Town

By Courier Leased Wire.
El Paso, Tex. Dec. 26.—Mickey Welch, an American, driver of a mail stage, was hanged and his throat cut yesterday by Mexicans who crossed the line, raided the border town, Candelaria, and held up the mail stage. After killing the driver the raiders looted the mail-sacks. Two Mexican passengers on the mail stage were reported to have been shot.

Such is the message to the Dominion from its fighting men in France, while to the fighting men themselves, the corps commander has sent the following message:
"The corps commander has taken this opportunity of sending you a message of appreciation for your splendid work which has been carried to such successful conclusion by every unit in the corps and also to a full recognition of the sacrifices that have been made, the difficulties overcome, the hardships endured and the high standard of discipline maintained. Your actions have made the name of our home land one to be revered, respected and honored now and throughout the years to come."

BOLSHEVIKI POWER AND INFLUENCE WANE DAILY

Increasing Evidence That Maximalist Rule is Failing--Defection From Soldiers and Workmen's Growing

By Courier Leased Wire
London, Dec. 26.—There have been occasional assertions in recent Petrograd dispatches that the influence and power of the Bolsheviki was waning, but never with such unanimity as in special dispatches dated from the Russian capital Sunday and printed to-day. Nearly all make the point in one form or other that defection from the Workmen's and Soldiers' organization is growing constantly. Among the causes alleged are general lack of authority, the increase in drunkenness, the reluctance of the population to work and the scarcity of food stuffs. The main desire of the soldiers is said to be to return home. The correspondents cite instances of Bolsheviki troops refusing to march, declining to attack the Ukrainians, and permitting the Cossacks to disarm them without resistance. Fighting, it is said, is the last thing they are willing to do.

In an intercepted letter wherein General Alexieff, former commander in chief, begged Paul Milukoff, the Constitutional Democratic leader, to interest himself in obtaining 30,000 roubles to assist starving families of imprisoned officers.

It is reported from Brest-Litovsk by way of Petrograd that Finland has appealed to Germany to recognize its independence, and that the Germans expressed their willingness to do so. Leon Trotsky, the Bolsheviki foreign minister, is said to have shown his irritation because the Finns applied directly to the Germans instead of through the Bolsheviki commissariat. A Stockholm dispatch to The Post records the arrival there of a Finnish delegation to ask Sweden's recognition of the independence of the Finns. According to the same correspondent, another conditions prevail in parts of Finland. The Swedish consul at Helsinki has sent an urgent appeal to the government, to protect Sweden at Bors. Bandits are said to be running wild in Uleaborg and various other districts. The Stockholm dispatch reports an agreement between the Finnish senate and the Baltic fleet, committee under which Finland virtually will buy its independence for 50,000,000 roubles.

Spreed Protaganda
Petrograd, Dec. 25.—The Bolsheviki Government has decided to send special representatives to all countries, belligerent as well as neutral to further propaganda of internationalism. Two million roubles have been appropriated for this purpose.

An American Red Cross train left Petrograd to-day for Roumania with the approval of the Bolsheviki. It carried all its original supplies except automobiles.

To Convoke Assembly.
London, Dec. 25.—The Social Revolutionary majority in the Constituent Assembly has decided to convoke that body on June 22, according to Petrograd despatch of The Times. Although the Bolsheviki Government has said that it was determined to prevent the meeting of the assembly independent of its sanction, the Social Revolutionists are reported to have secured the approval of M. Borovskiy, the Bolsheviki representative in Stockholm in a despatch to The Morning Post from the Swedish capital.

STRENGTH THAT WILL INSPIRE TO VICTORY

(By W. A. Willison, Canadian Press Correspondent in Flanders.)
Canadian Army Headquarters, Dec. 26.—"I wish comrades and friends in support in Canada, this Christmas message is from the Canadian corps from every division, brigade, battalion and man. It is my deeply sincere wish for your future happiness; and for our early re-union. We feel to-day such strength and magnanimity that it will inspire each of us to greater deeds and will surely lead us to the goal of victory, peace and home."
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MILD WINTER IN ITALIAN MOUNTAINS

Green Slopes and Summits, and Little Snow, For Holiday Season

WEATHER FAVORABLE Comparative Warmth Conducive to Important Military Operations

By Courier Leased Wire
Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Dec. 26.—(By the Associated Press)—The entire mountain region, where heavy fighting has been going on in recent days, is having the unusual experience of a holiday season with green slopes and summits, and little or no snow. One of the generals on the front said that every foot of snow was worth divisions in obstructing the enemy.

"This is one of the mildest winters we have ever had," said the major in charge of the weather branch of the high command, "and from a military standpoint the weather conditions are of the highest importance, both for our troops and, particularly in their effect on the enemy's transportation of supplies and troops."

Taking the report furnished by the high command to-day on the weather at all vital points, a major pointed out the extreme variation in the mountains, plains and valleys. Here at headquarters the report showed two degrees above zero centigrade (35.6 Fahrenheit) and no snow, while the same report showed 15 degrees below zero centigrade (5 degrees Fahrenheit) and seven feet of snow in Orlier Alps.

Further east in the Adamello Alps which are the next highest to the Orlier, there is about three feet of snow as compared with nine feet last year.

Around Lake Garda, the condition is much milder. Monte Pasubio, where the Austrians made their big drive last year, now has four feet of snow, as against 12 feet last winter. But all these snow covered points are in the activity military region for the present.

The entire area of the present fighting in the Brenna valley is free from snow and the weather is very mild. This is the valley where the Austrian route brings supplies and troops from Trent to the Asiago and Brenta fronts. Between the Brenna and the Piave River, which is the principal region of the fighting, the Monte Grappa, which usually has four to six feet of snow, now has only from ten to twelve inches on the northern slopes and six on the southern slopes. The temperature is from five to 12 degrees below zero centigrade (23 to 10.4 degrees Fahrenheit). Montebelluna, Forcia and Sforzo where the heaviest fighting has occurred in the last few days have only a few inches. It varies from three to five inches and seldom, lately, over six inches. In the foothills there is no snow and the temperature is always above freezing.

The reports show similar mild conditions in the Carso and the Julian ranges, to the east, through which the Austrians maintain their communications with the invaded regions of eastern Venetia. The mildness of communication leading to Gorizia, Udine and Venetia.

These unusual weather conditions are proving an important factor in the campaign for white severe cold and heavy snows would hold the enemy in their grip, the present mild and almost snowless season permits operations to proceed.

King Visited Troops.
Rome, Dec. 26.—King Victor Emmanuel spent Christmas with his troops and the Christmas spirit only served to give strength to the Italian arms in the tremendous struggle which they are successfully maintaining against the Austro-German forces. The King celebrated three midnight masses in Pauline chapel. Thousands of messages from all over the world bearing words of good cheer were received by the court.

KILLED BY EXPRESS.
By Courier Leased Wire.
Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 26.—Fred Tassell, of Thorold, was instantly killed at the Grand Trunk station here early this morning when he walked behind a train into the path of a westbound express. Tassell was employed by the Ontario Paper Company. His mother resides at Niagara Falls, Ontario.

NEWS OF NORFOLK

Pretty Christmas Wedding In Simcoe, Eatwell-O'Connor

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(From our own correspondent) Simcoe, Dec. 26.—A very pretty Christmas wedding took place at the home of Mrs. A. O'Connor, 1410 St. Street North, when her daughter Miss Ora May was wedded to Van George Eatwell, son of Mr. George Eatwell of the Nelson's Dock staff.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. B. Farney, at 2 o'clock. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Stella Bell and Mr. Gordon Charles Morris of Port Dover, a veteran of the Great War, was groomsman. The happy couple went north on the 5.17 train, amid showers of the conventional confetti.

Grace Church Notices

Christmas Services

The Nativity of our Lord, or the Birth-day of CHRIST, commonly called.

CHRISTMAS DAY TUESDAY Almighty God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin; Grant that we, being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption, and grace, may daily by thy Holy Spirit, who dwelleth in us, have the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion. 10 a.m.—Morning Prayer.

SAINT STEPHEN WEDNESDAY Grant, O Lord, that in all our sufferings here, upon earth, for the testimony of thy Holy Spirit, who dwelleth in us, we may steadfastly look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory that shall be revealed, and, being filled with the Holy Spirit, may learn to love and bless our persecutors by the example of thy first Martyr Saint Stephen, who prayed for his murderers to stand, O blessed Jesus, who standest at the right hand of God, to succour all those that suffer for thee, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen. 10.30 a.m.—Morning Prayer. 8 p.m.—Intercessions for Soldiers.

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST THURSDAY

Merciful Lord, we beseech thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon thy Church, that it being enlightened by the doctrine of thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist Saint John, may so walk in the light of thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. 10.30 a.m.—Morning Prayer. THE INNOCENT HOLY FRIDAY.

O Almighty God, who out of the months of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and modest infants to glorify thee by their death; Mercifully kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith even unto death, we may glorify thy Holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. 10.30 a.m.—Morning Prayer. 5 p.m.—Intercessions for Soldiers.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT

Little ones with mothers on Thursday from four to six p.m. Senior School—Friday, from six to half past nine o'clock.

RAIDED AND FINED

As the result of a police raid on the premises occupied by Steven Turkas, residing at 50 King St. on Monday night at 11 o'clock, a fine of \$200 and costs was imposed by Magistrate Livingston in the police court this morning. The charge was breach of the O. T. A. having liquor in an unauthorized place.

CITY COUNCIL

Ald. S. A. Jones has secured a requisition signed by the necessary nine members of the city council, calling for a meeting of the City Council to-morrow night, when the plumbing and gas-fitting by-law will be dealt with. Ald. Jones will introduce a motion to abolish the fee of five cents charged for all coal orders made at the municipal depot. The question of Municipal purchase of the Dechant and Parkhill roads may also come up.

SKATING RINK

In response to inquiries whether Terrace Hill was to have one of the public skating rinks to be established by the city, Ald. M. Maguire, chairman of the board of works, stated today that Greenwood Park, the playground north of Greenwood Cemetery on West street, is to be converted into a rink.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE HELD

Brantford Had Holiday Celebration Unique in the Province of Ontario

For the first time in Ontario, a community Christmas tree was held, on the shore adjacent to the Armouries here on Christmas eve. A huge Christmas tree, brilliantly lighted with hundreds of electric bulbs was the centre of attraction while music was provided by the Salvation Army band and the massed choirs of the city. The innovation was a decided success and was most effective perhaps as emphasizing the Christmas spirit. Thousand of citizens gathered around the tree and taxed the tree to capacity. The programme, which was entirely musical was carried thru most efficiently and the results were encouraging for another such event. The programme: Salvation Army band (Capt. Osborne), "Joy to the World, the Lord is Come," Mohawk children's choir (Dr. Andrews), Brant Avenue Methodist (Mr. Higgins) and Park Baptist (Mr. Thurlow), "Good Christian Men Rejoice," Zion Presbyterian (Mr. Wright), "Silent Night," Holy Night, St. Ann's Roman Catholic (Miss Dake), St. Mary's Roman Catholic (Miss Skelly), "Adeste Fideles," God-bone Street Methodist (Mr. G. C. White), Calvary Baptist (Mr. Simpson), "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem," St. Andrew's Presbyterian (Mr. Millard), Alexandra Presbyterian (Mrs. Cromar), Bethel Methodist (Mrs. Peacock Hill), St. John's Anglican (Rev. Mr. Jenkinson), "The First Noel," First Baptist (Mr. Schofield), Peaceful Night school (Mr. F. W. Ham), St. Andrew's Frank Leeming; Immanuel Baptist, Wesley Methodist (Miss McCombe); Wellington street Methodist (Mr. Thos. Darwin), Kingsway Presbyterian Congregational church (Mrs. L. Sanderson), "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night," Salvation Army band (Capt. Osborne), "On Come All Ye Faithful"; St. James Anglican (Rev. Mr. Soutly), "Carol Sweetly Carol"; Sydenham Street Methodist; Shenton Baptist (Rev. Mr. Smythe), "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"; Salvation Army choir (Capt. Osborne), "Well Sing Auld Reekie"; St. Andrew's Presbyterian (Mrs. Peacock Hill), "We'll Never Let the Old Flag Fall"; God Save the King.

TOBACCO A NECESSITY Tobacco is a necessary not a luxury, declares a Resolution, British Lord's Committee, in a statement published. "We must have tobacco," it says, "to believe in the loss would be a national misfortune. It means the loss of the manual labourer to him who works with his brain. Men would eat a great deal more if they had not had money to hold their pipes. It is a source of the great discomfort. Some seem to 'ration' tobacco, but it is foreseen by the newspapers.

AT THE GAOL Christmas cheer prevailed at the gaol on Christmas day. The prisoners dined sumptuously on roast pork and beans, vegetables, and disposed of good substantial meals. The gaol was a most comfortable place, and all the comforts of home.

LITTLE AFFECT HERE

The order-in-council, passed recently prohibiting the marketing of bonds, debentures, and other securities without the approval of the Dominion Minister of Finance in order to preserve the Canadian money market for the flotation of future war loans, will not seriously affect Brantford. To date all debentures issued here met with a ready response and have been disposed of, while, so far as is known, no big public works, entailing heavy expenditures are contemplated for the near future. The city since the outbreak of the war has adhered strictly to a policy of retrenchment and it is likely that this program will be continued. "The order-in-council" states that it is necessary that the City Council, before authorizing upon any expenditure, or entering upon any project, should first apply for the approval of the Dominion Minister of Finance, stated City Treasurer, A. K. Bunnell, this morning. His approval as to necessity of the work must be secured. This will apply to local improvements, including sidewalks, sewers and lighting.

TOO MUCH EXCITE

Three drunks, evidently excited to desperation by the recent prohibition measures enacted by the Union Government, were arrested on Monday and detained in the gaol. One of the drunks was a man named John Smith, who was arrested at eleven o'clock last night. One was fined \$10 and costs, another remanded until Friday and the third dismissed.

G. T. R. EARNINGS

Grand Trunk Railway earnings for December 19 to 21 were \$1,366,105 in 1916 and \$1,164,822.

CHRISTMAS WAS QUIET

Holiday Passed off Un-eventfully in City—Numerous Attractions

Christmas in Brantford was quiet, and in spite of the many absentees from Brantford and Brant County homes, it is safe to say that it passed pleasantly. The day was observed with quietness and there were no boisterous celebrations. The weatherman after promising unsuitable conditions for two days prior to the Christmas eve, and the result was a noticeable drop in the temperature that was greatly appreciated yesterday. In many respects this Christmas was the best that Brantforders have enjoyed. The merchants practically without exception, report a better year than ever before, and while the rush of holiday shopping was heavy as in other years, citizens began to realize the proximity of Christmas, earlier in the year than formerly and guided their purchases accordingly. Saturday morning money was especially tight shopping days. On Christmas eve the streets were crowded until a late hour with shoppers, buying, from, store to store, making minute purchases, and then hastening home to the children. Under ideal weather conditions, frosty, with a keen crispness in the air, and a heavy snowfall, the day was a joyous one. The day was a joyous one. The day was a joyous one. The day was a joyous one.

The theatres proved a great source of entertainment yesterday, and all the playhouses were taxed to capacity in both the afternoon and evening. The rapid advance in temperature on Christmas eve, was a pleasant surprise, and a possible opportunity was taken advantage of by the citizens in the afternoon. The day was a joyous one. The day was a joyous one. The day was a joyous one.

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OLIVER HAS CLOSE RUN By Courier Leased Wire Edmonton, Dec. 26.—Additional returns received by The Bulletin in West Edmonton constituency at 103 with 11 polls to hear from.

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GREEKS FOR U. S. ARMY
Washington, Dec. 26.—Greece wants her citizens in the United States to enlist in the American army. Not only will she suspend punishments which ordinarily would follow enlistment of Greeks with a foreign power, but she will reward them for supporting the American arms. This is the substance of a note from the Greek Government delivered here today to the State Department.

COAL BUREAU IN FULL SWING

Two hundred and sixty-one orders were filled at the municipal coal depot in the city hall on Monday, and the rush continued unabated today. The orders issued were, for the most part, limited to one quarter of a ton, and the reserves on hand are quite sufficient to carry the city over the shortage for the present at least.

The depot is located on the third storey of the city hall, in the anteroom adjacent to the council chamber, and while not as convenient as might be desired, is the only office available in the civic heirloom, and relieves the committee of additional expense that would be incurred by renting an office in the business section.

The supply is meted out to applicants in proportion as the city itself is supplied. On Monday night, one car load arrived here, while yesterday another consignment of two car loads was received, and thus far nobody has been turned down. Rich and poor are treated on a basis of equality, and only enough is given each citizen for a short period of time.

"The more I see of it, the better I am satisfied that it will work out satisfactorily," said Ald. J. S. Dowling this morning. "It was the best available solution of an awkward situation. We have received no serious objections to the system from the public, and this feature is also highly pleasing."

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Paint Immortal Glory of Canada

By Courier Leased Wire
London, Dec. 26.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—Five Canadian artists will have a share in the work of painting pictures of Canada's war record at the front, viz: Lieuts. A. Y. Jackson, C. H. Barlaud and G. Russell and Messrs. J. Kerr and Lawson. A wide and representative selection of British artists have been made as the following details show:

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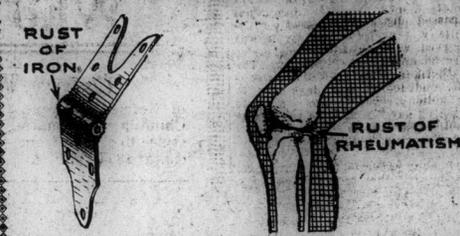
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DRINK HOT WATER AND RID JOINTS OF RHEUMATIC RUST

Why rheumatism and lumbago sufferers should drink phosphated hot water each morning before breakfast



Just as coal, when it burns, leaves behind a certain amount of incalculable material in the form of ashes, so the food and drink taken day after day leaves in the alimentary canal a certain amount of indigestible material, which if not completely eliminated each day, becomes food for the millions of bacteria which infest the bowels. From this mass of left-over waste material, toxins and ptomaine-like poisons, called uric acid, is formed and then sucked into the blood where it continues to circulate, collecting grain by grain in the joints of the body much like rust collects on the hinge as shown above.

Men and women who suffer from lumbago, rheumatism or sore, stiff, aching joints should begin drinking phosphated hot water, not as a means to magic relief from pain, but to prevent more uric acid forming in the system. Before eating breakfast each morning, drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it.

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Potatoes, basket	0.65
Potatoes, bag	2.50
Turnips, bushel	0.40
Meats	
Bacon, back trim	0.48
Bacon, back	0.45
Beef, boiling, lb.	0.15
Beef heart, each	0.25
Beef, roast, lb.	0.16
Beef, hinds	0.17
Chickens, dressed	0.75
Ducks	1.50
Geese	3.00
Chickens, live	0.35
Dry salt pork, lb.	0.18
Fresh Pork carcass	0.21
Fresh pork	0.25
Hogs, live	0.17
Beef kidneys, lb.	0.45
Pork kidneys	0.30
Lamb	0.20
Sausages, beef	0.20
Sausages, pork	0.28
Smoked shoulder, lb.	0.35
Veal, lb.	0.25
Veal, carcass	0.25
Fish	
Halibut, steak, lb.	0.20
Kippered herring, pr.	0.10
Salmon trout, lb.	0.20
Salmon, sea	0.25
Mixed fish	0.10
Herring, fresh	0.10
Whitefish, lb.	0.20
Haddock	0.15
Filet	0.20

GERMAN OFFICIAL

By Courier Leased Wire
Berlin, Dec. 26.—(via London)—There was increased artillery fighting yesterday southeast of Ypres on the Belgian front, and near Moeuvres and Marcoling, on the Cambrai front, it was officially announced today by the German war office. French detachments reconnoitering south of Juvincourt were repulsed after hand-to-hand fighting. The statement reads:

"Western theatre: The artillery activity was limited to destructive fire which at times increased in intensity, southeast of Ypres and in the neighborhood of Moeuvres and Marcoling. Reconnaissances by French detachments south of Juvincourt broke down under our fire and in hand-to-hand fighting. The firing which had increased for some times on the east bank of the Meuse (Verdun region) was discontinued yesterday.

"Eastern theatre: There was nothing new. Macedonia: There was nothing important to report."

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

ANOTHER FOR RAILWAY

It is reported that Ex-Alderman Arthur O. Secord may possibly be a candidate for Street Railway Commissioner on January 7th.

IN ALDERMANIC FIELD.

The name of Jos. J. Hurley is mentioned as a probable Aldermanic candidate for Ward three.

PASTOR HONORED

Rev. W. E. Bowyer has been pastor of Calvary Baptist Church for 7 years, and on Christmas Sunday commenced his eighth year under auspicious circumstances. Among Christmas gifts and expressions of appreciation was sent a basket of beautiful sweet roses, with the words, "Hoping you have many more of these happy anniversaries, with season's greetings from a number of members of Calvary church."

LIABLE TO BE DRAFTED

Canadians unmarried, between the ages of 20 to 34 years, who left Canada for the United States since 1914 are liable to be drafted under the Canadian Military Service Act, and will face arrest as deserters if they attempt to visit friends in the Dominion during the Christmas holidays.

SAILORS' RELIEF

The following subscriptions have been received for the British Sailors' Relief Funds: Miss M. Wyatt, \$1.00; Miss Stove, \$1.00; Messrs. Scarfe Co., \$50.00; Mr. Allan Edwards, \$20.00; Miss Squire, \$3.00; Mr. C. L. Gamble, \$5.00.

MAGAZINE SUSPENDS

The publication of The Ladies' World, a monthly magazine of New York, with a circulation of 600,000 copies, will be suspended with the January 1918 issue, for the duration of the war. It is understood that increased cost of paper and other materials is among the reasons which led to the decision to suspend the magazine.

G.W.V.A. CHRISTMAS TREE

The Great War Veterans' Association acknowledge the following contribution for their Christmas tree on December 28th: S. C. Jaques, \$1; The Westlan Girls, \$6.75; 215th Battalion Ladies' Auxiliary, \$2.50; Anonymous, \$1.25; A. Friend, \$1; Morgan Harris, \$1; Mrs. Livingstone, \$20; Mr. Gatecliff, \$1; Expositor, \$15; C. Eustace, 50c; Geo. Pate, \$1; P. W. Pate, 50c; Mrs. Moore, basket of apples; Bon Marche, oranges; Major Frank Hicks, \$5.



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GIFTS TO EMPLOYEES

According to their usual custom, the Brantford Glue Company presented the married men in their employ with a fine turkey, and the single men with a box of cigars each, and the young ladies a box of chocolates each.

NOMINATION DAY

Monday, December 31st has been designated by the city and town council as nomination day when candidates for the various civic offices will be nominated. The city hall and Court House respectively are the two buildings at which the nominations will be held. The elections will take place one week later, on January 7.

COAL FOR TOWNSHIP

Reeve A. J. McCann and Deputy Reeve James A. Seace of the township of Brantford are representing the interests of their constituents in the distribution of coal from the civic coal depot, and are taking steps to ensure that residents of the township will not be neglected during the coal shortage.

CHRISTMAS RUSH

The Christmas rush of parcels at the Post Office still continues. To-day a large number of parcels and mail matter arrived to be distributed. There was one delivery made yesterday, in the morning and the incoming mail from yesterday and this morning was delivered by the mail carriers to-day.

ON HIS FINGERS

Says the Guelph Mercury: "The Mayor of Brantford ran as the Liberal candidate, and is alleged to have stated that Mr. Cocksbut, the Unionist, was threatening a cut-off of Patriotic money if he were not elected. The Mayor has been asked to retract or prove his words, but he has got up on his hind legs and refuses to do either. If Brantford's mayor would learn to talk on his fingers he might save himself a heap of trouble and other folks a lot of annoyance."

FINAL APPEAL COURT

Crowds of applicants for exemption thronged the corridors at the Court House this morning, for hearings before the two courts of appeal that were sitting. The Honorable Mr. Justice Hodges, of the Appellate division, supreme court of Ontario, arrived shortly before eleven o'clock and commenced his sitting at which the appeals from the decisions of His Honor Judge Hardy were heard as well as appeals from the decisions of the tribunal of which Judge Hardy was chairman. An effort is being made to have the appeals from the court of appeal heard up before the 3rd when the draftees will be summoned to the colors.

EMPLOYEES REMEMBERED

On Christmas Eve all the married men employed by the Ham & Nott Co. Limited, were cheered by the usual cash remembrance from the Company. One hundred married men participated in the bonus, which was given on the percentage basis, so that the men receiving the largest wages get the smallest bonus, the amounts to each varying from \$2 to \$33. In addition to the cash bonus the employees completed their tenth year of continuous association with the Company and were presented with gold watches, these were: Geo. Markle, T. Symon, F. Hubert, W. J. Craig, John Hurlburt, R. Wiles J. Legacy and G. Nash.

CHANGING KITCHENER

Guelph is behind Brantford in seeking a new name for the city of Kitchener. The following resolution was passed at the last meeting of the Guelph city council. And whereas the members of the Municipal Council of the city of Guelph are of the opinion that it is an insult to the late Lord Kitchener to longer allow his name to be connected with a community exhibiting such marked disloyalty. Therefore be it resolved that the Municipal Council of the city of Guelph respectfully petition the Ontario Legislature to enact such legislation as may be necessary to change the name of Kitchener and that the Railway and Manufacturers committee endeavor to have factories which contemplate leaving Kitchener locate in Guelph.

BY ACCLAMATION

The members of the Separate School Board are returned to office for 1918 by acclamation. The nominations were held in St. Basil's school at noon to-day, but no new trustees were proposed.

KITH AND KIN

The Terrace Hill Kith and Kin met on Thursday afternoon, in a room at the home of Mrs. Richeson Sydenham street. The meeting opened with singing of the National Anthem. Mrs. Greig, vice-President in the chair. The usual business was gone through proved quite satisfactory to all present. Work to be done in the future was discussed and altogether a pleasant afternoon was spent.

SHORTAGE OF CARS

During this year the Canadian Pacific Railway Company has built over ten thousand box cars, in addition to many ordered from outside. The business of the railroads has increased so enormously since the government undertook to supply Great Britain with foodstuffs and munitions there is a considerable scarcity of cars, though the situation is being ameliorated through the efforts of the Canadian Railway War Board.

INVITED TO G. W. V. A. TREE

Invitations have been issued by the G. W. V. A. for the Christmas tree entertainment to be given in the Armories on Friday night, for the children whose fathers are overseas with the colors. (Subscriptions from the citizens have been generous and those in charge see nothing but good-cast. Officers of the Soldiers' Aid Commission have been invited to attend.

READY FOR VISITORS

Threats have been made in Kitchener that the city council of that municipality will visit Brantford's governing body, and demand an apology for the action taken at the last city council meeting when a resolution was passed calling upon the provincial authorities to change the name of the former Brantford and present that city from assuming the name of any British hero. While the proposed visit to this fair city may not be productive of results some consolation is being offered this morning by one of the Aldermen, who discussing such a possibility said: "Well, when they come down here, they may be assured of a better reception than they give some people in their city."

WANT RE-TRIAL

Although Friday, January the 3rd, the date determined upon by the Honorable Mr. Justice Maclean for the hearing of Carmen Calleja, the Maltese, is quickly approaching, no definite word has been received from Toronto by A. H. Boddy, counsel for the convicted man, as to the possibility of a new trial. A hearing was given Mr. T. C. Robinette at Toronto on Monday who made application for another hearing of the case, but as yet Mr. Boddy has not been informed of the result. He is optimistic however, and anticipates another opportunity for his client to be proved innocent. "The defence in the present trial was strong, being successful, will be strengthened by T. C. Robinette of Toronto, one of the cleverest criminal lawyers in the Dominion.

BRANTFORD CLERGYMAN

The Rev. John A. MacSpoeper, a Brantfordite, officiated at the wedding of Mary W. Taft, daughter of William C. Taft, to Russell Todd of New Brunswick, which took place at Wiloughby, Quebec, on Monday, December 22. The Rev. Mr. MacSpoeper is a Brantford boy, born and raised here, his father having been connected with the G.T.R. and for many years resident of Terrace Hill where the family became known to many. Mr. MacSpoeper is now pastor of one of the leading Presbyterian churches of the city of Baltimore.

MEXICAN RELEASED

Montreal, Dec. 26.—George Casaus, son of a former Mexican ambassador to the United States, who was taken into custody by the alien enemy department officials, a day ago on the suspicion of being a spy and on a charge of wearing a uniform of the Royal Flying Corps without authority, has been sent back to New York. There was no evidence found in his effects that he was acting as a spy, although it is said, he was connected with the Villa forces.

News Notes

Mrs. Amos Hughes was fatally injured by a train while crossing railway tracks near Napanee.

A Christmas tree entertainment marked the opening of the new gymnasium at St. Mary's, Ont.

Another shipload of Canadian wounded arrived at an American port.

The dead from the street car smash at Knoxville, Pa., total eighteen.

President Wilson defended Mr. Hoover against mistreatment by the sugar probers.

A vigorous campaign is in progress in Indiana to encourage the substitution of wood for coal as fuel.

Mr. R. A. Coghill, business manager, for the Southam Press of Montreal is a holiday visitor with his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Coghill.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunt of Thorold, are holiday visitors at the home of Mr. W. D. Coghill.

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SEE WINDOWS

116-118 Colborne



The British Sailors' Relief Fund Committee

is appealing to the Patriotic public to support this worthy object.

The following letter from a subscriber puts the case concisely and pointedly:

"We appreciate the fact that we would not be able to do business except for the wonderful work of the British Navy and Marine, and take this opportunity of showing in a small way our appreciation."

Subscriptions may be left with THE EXPOSITOR THE COURIER, or MR. C. COOK, Treasurer.

Obituary

Stanley Pendlebury Stanley, Everett Pendlebury, youngest son of Mrs. M. Pendlebury passed away yesterday after a short illness, aged 33 years, at the family residence, 16 Oak street. Besides his mother, he leaves to mourn his loss one brother, Hamlet, of Toronto. The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon to Greenwood cemetery.

W. Peel The death occurred on Christmas morning at the residence of his son, B. Peel, 157 Terrace Hill street, of Mr. William Peel, a resident of Paris. Deceased, who was seventy-one years of age, had been a valued employee of the Penman Mills for over forty years, but had been illing for some time. He was a native of Yorkshire, England, and a charter member of the Sons of England, Paris. He leaves to mourn his great loss a sorrowing widow and three children, Mrs. N. Hedley, 157 Terrace Hill street, Brook Peel and Pte. David Peel of the 215th. He was a sterling man, one who faithfully fulfilled all the obligations of a true citizen.

Elias Messecar A very sudden death occurred in Waterloo on Sunday evening, when Elias Messecar of Fairview Farm, succumbed to heart failure. The deceased had been to the city to market the day previous, and was apparently enjoying his usual good health, but was stricken suddenly Sunday night and passed away. The deceased was fifty-nine years of age, and leaves to mourn his loss a wife and one son, his mother, Mrs. Messecar, 65 Sheridan street, five sisters, Mrs. Frank M. Smith, and Mrs. A. F. Wicks of this city, Mrs. Davis of Beaton, Mrs. Geo. Mars of Burford, Miss Nora at home, and two brothers, John and David of Waterloo. The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon from the late home of the deceased to Greenwood cemetery.

Merchants Corner

DOES ADVERTISING PAY?—All kinds of advertising put the Eastman Kodak Company on the map solidly. So much so in fact, that the concern has been paying not only dividends annually to shareholders but now appears that the officers of the company are becoming worried over the large volume of earnings and it has decided to distribute to employees the sum of \$1,000,000 in cash. It is said that each employee who has been in its service for five years or longer will get the equivalent of nine week's salary. The amount which it is claimed the Kodak people will distribute isn't so large as the amount Henry Ford said he would distribute among his employees by millions of dollars. However, the employees of the Kodak makers up in Rochester will probably receive what has been promised them—there is a big difference between promises and realities.

CATARRH LEADS TO CONSUMPTION

Catarrh is as much a blood disease as scrofula or rheumatism. It may be relieved, but it cannot be removed by simply local treatment. It causes headache and dizziness, impairs the taste, smell and hearing, affects the voice, deranges the digestion, and breaks down the general health. It weakens the delicate lung tissues and leads to consumption.

Laid at Rest

The funeral of the late Edward Maus took place yesterday afternoon from his late home, Echo Place, to Paris cemetery, the services being conducted by the Rev. A. H. Wallace of Elm Avenue Methodist church. The pallbearers were Messrs. Sullivan, Thos. Holliken, W. G. Heiler, John W. Maus, Roy Maus, William Maus.

Nuptial Notes

Humble-Miskelly

A quiet wedding took place on Wednesday of last week, when George T. Humble and Lillian Miskelly were united in marriage at St. Jude's church, by the pastor, Capt. the Rev. C. E. Jenkins. The bride who was given away by her father, wore ivory colored, crepe-de-chene and veil, and the bridesmaid, her sister, peach crepe-de-chene. Mr. Richard Humble was groomsmen. The newly wedded couple will reside at 251 Nelson Street.

IRON WORKERS THREATEN

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—Unless approximately ten thousand iron workers employed in shops here and in Oakland receive immediately a ten per cent increase in wages, they will strike according to a statement by R. W. Burton, president of the Iron Trades Council, made public to-day. It was said federal intervention was anticipated.

U. S. VESSEL BELIEVED LOST

New York, Dec. 26.—The American steamship Tuscarora, formerly a lake vessel and requisitioned by the United States Shipping Board for Atlantic service, together with her entire crew of 35 men, is believed to have been lost at sea somewhere north of Cape Breton Island, according to advices received in shipping circles to-day from Nova Scotia.

DIED AT SUPPER

Regina, Dec. 26.—During a supper following the performance at the Regina Theatre last night, Harry Gale, a violinist in the orchestra, dropped dead.

PROPERTY LESS VALUABLE

Boston, Dec. 26.—The Grand Forks property has become less important as an operating factor for the Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelter and Power as revealed in the constantly declining copper output from month to month. Last month's yield of less than half a million pounds was the smallest on record, barring the July total of 280,000 pounds.

COMMEMORATE VICTORY

Boston, Dec. 26.—A memorial mass was celebrated in San Marco church to-day in commemoration of the deliverance of Jerusalem from the Turk. The ceremonial took on unusual significance, inasmuch as the Austrians had declared they would be in the piazza of San Marco by the holidays. Instead of this there were fervent demonstrations over the expulsion of the Turks from the Holy City.

FIRE IN ZERO WEATHER

Montreal, Dec. 26.—Fire at an early hour this morning destroyed three stores and four dwellings on Wellington street, between Nickson and Church Avenue, Verdun. With the thermometers at zero the firemen had a hard fight with the flames and a call was sent to Montreal for assistance. The loss is estimated at ten thousand.

NEED OF COAL IS GREAT

Washington, Dec. 26.—War demands for bituminous coal have been greater than mines could meet, although the increase of production this year has been normal. Fuel Administrator Garfield testified to-day at the Senate coal investigation. In an effort to alleviate conditions, he said the fuel administration was laying emphasis on stimulating production rather than regulating price.

The village of Angus, near Camp Borden, narrowly escaped destruction by fire.

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Same Old Crowd of Five in .300 Class in American League Again During 1917

That .300 class of American league batsmen is getting to be an old story. In the National league new names and new faces are continually appearing in the membership list of the Society of Swat, but with the younger league an old guard is holding forth. There are evidences of a new select set, with George Sisler, Happy Felsch and Sam Rich heading the advance, but the old squad continues to hold the fort.

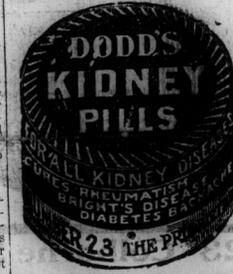
Back in 1906 Tyrus Cobb first flashed his real greatness over the American league circuit and with his entry as a .300 hitter a new class of swate specialists came into the league. Ty mingled with the fading stars of the passing age for two seasons and then Tris Speaker came into the picture to give the Georgian many a chase for honors. The same year that Tris made his appearance as a .300 regular Eddie Collins began to make life miserable for American league pitchers, and a year later Stuffy McInnis joined the ranks in 1911, a year after the Gloucester youngster began to make himself famous with the bat and at first base for the Mackmen.

Five Consistent Hitters.
These five players—Cobb, Speaker, Collins, McInnis and Jackson—compose the old guard of American league sluggers, as contrasted with the younger set that now is beginning to assert itself. Year after year, with lapses decidedly rare, one finds these names listed in the select society of American league hitters. Cobb now has gone through twelve consecutive seasons as a .300 hitter, and in the past nine years the lowest mark he has had for a season was .368 in 1914. A long series of continued successes in leading the league as a batsman was broken in 1916, when Tris Speaker beat out Cobb by 15 percentage points, .386 against .371. Speaker has recently concluded his ninth consecutive season as a member of the .300 class. He started back in 1909 with a mark of .309 and each succeeding year has found the stocky Texan in the lists. Tris did his best work in 1916 with .386 and he dropped back this past season to .352.

Joe Jackson is the only American leaguer who can claim the distinction of having remained in the .300 class for the past seven seasons or longer. In fact, Cobb, Speaker and Jackson are the only major leaguers to enjoy this distinction. Jackson had a close call during the past season and only by a remarkable spurt during the last few games of the campaign was the Chicago slugger able to crowd his way into the charmed circle. He finished with an official batting mark of .304, averaging .309 in his membership string up to seven consecutive years.

Each Missed One Season.
Collins has finished more campaigns in the .300 class than Jackson has, and McInnis has tied Jackson's mark, but each of these players has met with one failure. A post start during the recent campaign cost

Italy feels keenly a shortage of wheat.



TO STAKE ALL ON FINAL GAMBLE

Kaiser's Christmas Speeches Indicate Surrender to the Militarists

A MASK OF COURAGE

While Germany is Perishing With Hunger and Simmering with Revolt

London, Dec. 24.—The Kaiser's two Christmas speeches to the soldiers in the trenches renewing and strengthening the claim of direct alliance with God and announcing that Germany intends to punish with the iron fist and the shining sword her enemies for rejecting Germany's peace terms is the most truculent expression by the Kaiser in many months, putting to rest the rumors which, till the eve of Christmas Day, still persisted in Germany to a no less extent than in Britain that the Kaiser would make a peace move on Christmas. The British interpretation is that the Kaiser is assuming a bold face with the backing of Hindenburg's threat to crush the western allies, and is hoping to gloss over the fearful conditions in Germany, which are rapidly increasing to despair. The privations of the people who are demanding peace and increasingly threatening to revolt before Winter is ended gives the wildest confirmation to statements describing the dire straits of the German civil population. Food and internal economies are so desperate that there is reason to believe that they will determine the duration of the war, regardless of the military situation. The British Government learns that if relief does not reach Germany from the outside the country is incapable of holding out against next harvest and is likely to reach exhaustion much sooner. The popular discontent is intense, and is no longer repressible.

The Kaiser's speeches therefore are regarded merely as a proof that he has finally acquiesced in the plans of the military party to stake everything on a huge military gamble, hoping to break the allies before Germany breaks. Recent detailed information from Germany, which is explicit or tacitly admitted, makes a different conclusion impossible. The German people, sustained for a long time in the hope of supplies of foodstuffs from Russia are now discovering that it is more likely that Russia will become a burden instead of a help to Germany. The only Russian area where hope was derived of food supplies was the Ukraine, whose break with the Ukrainians and determination to join hands with Roumania to continue the struggle, deprive Germany of this hope. The Ukraine is the richest portion of Russia, with a population about equal to that of the United States at the beginning of the American Civil War, and is therefore an important military factor if effectively utilized. For which sound reason it is believed the allies are taking effective steps to the contrary.

The only thing that is plentiful in Germany this Christmas is children's toys. Shiploads of these, manufactured before August, 1914, and intended for the British market have been heretofore unmarketed because the manufacturers hoped for peace and the British market, and are now selling throughout Germany. German children are delighted at receiving miniature battle ships named Drake, Nelson and Trafalgar, and toy trains labelled Scotch Limited and Northern Express.

An earthquake shock of great intensity was recorded at Gonzales Heights observatory, Victoria B.C. Ex-Ald. Henry Greenless of London, Ont., a well-known barometer, was found dead at his home, stricken with heart failure during the night.

Louis Pearce, a well-known dairy farmer of Concession 6, Norwich township, South Oxford, suddenly dropped dead while chatting with the mail carrier.

Patterns for British, French and Italian submarine chasers were destroyed by a mysterious fire in the G.H. Thatcher Co.'s plant at Albany, N. Y.

Technical students of high standing will not be required to enlist under the U. S. draft, but will have to join the Engineers Reserve.

The Boston and Maine R. R. is again cutting its passenger service in order to economize on fuel.

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PAINT CANADIAN HEROISM

By Courier Leased Wire
London, Dec. 25.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—The story of Canada's glorious deeds in the war, at Ypres and elsewhere, which already have been told in glowing colors by some of the most distinguished artists of the day, British and Canadian. Under the auspices of the Canadian war records office, a war memorial has been inaugurated with Lord Rothermere as chairman and Lord Beaverbrook as a member of the committee. The fund now amounts to about \$75,000, the whole of it has been raised in the United Kingdom and Canada by the propaganda section of the Dominion Government, the object of which is to tell the people of Canada down to the smallest detail what their share has been in the war.

ZBYSZKO CHAMPION

By Courier Leased Wire
Boston, Dec. 25.—Zbyszko, the Polish wrestler, defeated Youssouf Hussane, in a wrestling match announced as for the world's heavyweight title, here last night. Zbyszko won the first fall in one hour and forty minutes. His opponent was unable to continue.

WELTERWEIGHT BOUT

By Courier Leased Wire
Lawrence, Mass., Dec. 25.—Tommy Robson, of Malden, got the decision over Fred Dyer of Australia in a 12 round bout here last night. The men are welterweights.

WINNING PRAYER

By Courier Leased Wire
Edinburgh, Dec. 25.—St. Andrew's University has awarded the first prize of \$500 to Rev. Samuel McComb, of Baltimore, in the first competition under a trust established last year for essays on "Prayer." The competitors are open to the world with essays in any language. There were 1,700 competitors. The other prizes were awarded as follows: Two to England, one to Switzerland and one to India.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Xmas Old Country Football Results

London, Dec. 25.—The football results Monday were:
London Combination—Chelsea 4; Clapton Orient 1; West Ham 2; Crystal Palace 1; Tottenham H. 6; Millwall 0; Fulham 1; Arsenal 1; Brentford 1; Queen's Park 1.
Midland Section—Birmingham 0; Leicester 1; Sheffield U. 1; Sheffield Wed. 0; Hull 1; Grimsby 0.
Yorkshire Section—Sheff. 4; Barnsley 1; Bradford 1; Bradford City 1; Leeds City 3; Huddersfield 0.
Lancashire Section—Burnley 1; Blackpool 1; Preston 2; Blackburn Rovers 0.

New vessels in course of construction for the U. S. navy total \$24, in addition to 350 submarine chasers, which will be in service early in the spring.

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Food from Russia is expected to reach Austria soon.
Christmas in London is sober, but without distress.
China has ordered the Bolsheviks in Harbin to depart.
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I-IT'S FOR THE SAKE OF DEAR CEDRICS FEELINGS, PA!

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WHY—I-IM AFRAID THE DEAR BOY WOULD FEEL BADLY IF HE WERE TO REALIZE THAT HE'D MADE YOU A USELESS XMAS GIFT, AND I HAPPEN TO KNOW—

—THAT HE'S GOING TO GIVE YOU A MUSTACHE-CUP?

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ENEMY MOVES TROOPS FROM RUSSIA AGAINST ITALY

New Divisions Make Latest Attacks on Line of Branta River—Italians Win Back in Sanguinary all Day Engagement Positions, Previously Lost

Rome, Dec. 25.—In a desperate battle, which lasted all day yesterday the Italians fought their way back to the positions from which they were forced the previous day to announce the Plateau under Austro-German attack, according to today's War Office statement.

The text of the statement reads: "On the Asiago Plateau the battle which continued fiercely and sanguinarily the whole day yesterday, diminished in intensity only at night-fall. Our counter-attacks, made several hours before dawn, succeeded in spite of the difficult terrain and the very low temperature in arresting the enemy and carrying the fighting on to the positions from which we had moved the previous day."

"The enemy defended the ground gallied with great stubbornness, countering our attacks and concentrating in fourth of his line a formidable fire from numerous batteries."

"During the vicissitudes of the fierce struggle some batteries and many machine-guns which had been left in the destroyed lines were recovered."

"An enemy column advancing from Perico toward the heights to the west of Monte Costalunga was destroyed by our fire."

"A battalion succeeded in wresting from the enemy and holding for some time the summit of Monte Calbella, while other detachments having ascended the slopes of Col. Del Rosso, engaged the enemy under the summit of the mountain in heavy hand-to-hand fighting."

"During the action hundreds of our guns of all calibres unceasingly bombarded the enemy troops, dispersing concentrations behind the line and stopping the advance of supports. We took a number of prisoners."

The German Story. The capture by the Austro-German forces of Col. Del Rosso and the heights at Monte Perico, the statement reads. "A lively artillery duel continued throughout Monday between Asiago and the Brenta. Enemy counter-attacks against our new-line positions and a thrust at Monte Partica were repulsed. The number of prisoners captured as a result of the engagements around Col. Del Rosso total more than 9,000, including 270 officers."

On the British Front. The first statement by the British War Office dealing with the Italian front, which British troops now occupy a sector, was issued last night. The text reads: "Since a portion of the Italian front was taken over by British troops there has been no change in the situation on the British front. There has been active counter-battery work, and our airmen have given a good account of themselves, but have been hampered by bad weather during the last few days."

"Some snow has fallen and the cold is intense, especially in the mountains. The health and spirits of the troops are excellent."

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FREE PRISONERS OVER 43 YEARS OLD

Agreement Between French and German Governments for Exchange of Captives GO TO SWITZERLAND

Failure of Negotiations for Repatriation of Men Under 40

Paris, Dec. 25.—An official note today announces the reaching of an agreement between the French and German governments for the exchange of prisoners, by which non-commissioned officers and men of 48 years of age or over who have been held in captivity for more than 18 months will be repatriated. Officers in the same category will be interned in Switzerland.

Appreciable improvements are also obtained through the agreement for the men still in captivity as regards letters, parcels, regulation of work, and discipline. The negotiations for the repatriation of prisoners over the age of 40 years or more and having three or more children have failed, says the note, notwithstanding the generous efforts of the Swiss Government.

CLEARING HALIFAX

Halifax, Dec. 26.—A contract for clearing a large section of the area of this city, devastated by the explosion of December 6th has been let by the reconstruction committee to Caviche and Pegano, according to an announcement made at Monday's board of control meeting. The board decided to interview the five cabinet ministers who are coming to Halifax from Ottawa, "to see that the city's interests are protected."

BLAZE IN LUMBER YARD

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 26.—Fire yesterday destroyed the Rice's Point saw-mill and lumber yards of the Alger Smith Lumber Company, causing a loss of \$500,000 in buildings and lumber and cut off street railway communication between Duluth and Superior through destruction of the Duluth end of the Interstate Bridge. The fire broke out in three places at once, according to the watchman, and the police suspect that it was of incendiary origin.

THE REX.

"Somewhere on the Water" is the sparkling, scintillating tabloid musical comedy offering of Leroy Osborne and the Apple Blossom Girls at the Rex this week, and although the Rex has had many such musical attractions of late, the Apple Blossom Girls carry off the laurels for bright, clean, snappy entertainment, while their singing and dancing on a par with the costumes performed with a neatness and effectiveness. June Caprice, noted for her rise in a year from school girl to motion picture star, is featured in the Fox drama "A Child of the Wilds," a simple, fascinating story of the southern states. True Boardman is seen once more in the original role of "Stingaree" in the latest episode of the series of the name. Two picture shows were given last night, and the theatre was filled on both occasions, as well as in the afternoon.

MAIL DELAYED.

Many people throughout Canada doubtless were disappointed yesterday at not receiving expected letters from soldier friends overseas. A despatch reached the Montreal post office yesterday morning stating that a certain vessel which had been expected at an Argentine Atlantic port with 21 sacks of mail from overseas had been delayed and the mail would not arrive until to-day.

Music and Drama

THE GRAND
Patrons of the Grand had an opportunity Christmas night of witnessing one of the finest musical productions which has visited Brantford in many years, in the comic opera, "The Lila Domino," presented by the Metropolitan Opera Company.

"LILAC TIME"
The fight against myths and legends, as Brande says, is one of the most hopeless ever waged by man. Therefore, our deep and sincere appreciation to Jane Cowl, who in writing her play "Lilac Time," has been seen at the Grand Opera House Saturday Dec. 29th matinee and night has approved the imbecile refrain that no one knows what he is best suited to do. She has shown that a woman sometimes does know.

Disatisfied with the parts offered her by her managers, Jane Cowl and her friend Jane Murin, calmly sat down to write a play which would give Miss Cowl the kind of part she wanted to try her luck in. It is quite different from any of those which have brought her fame, but it is one of the most decided artistic triumphs and business successes of her historic career.

"Lilac Time" is frankly a plan of love. The war is merely the background, the invisible force that juggles with the individuals, sweeps away the petty human emotions as a few drops of some powerful essence change the nature of an entire bowl.

THE BRANT
The Brant theatre district, several houses over the holiday, and offers a fine Christmas feature program. Bilsbury and Robertson, singers of quality, have a light, and pleasingly diverting number, with no small amount of bright and original patter. Mary Pickford is seen in "The Little Princess," Arteratt's dramatic situation of Frances Hodgson Burnett's "Sara Crewe," and Little Mary has never been more winsome in a child role. The lighting and photographic effects more than live up to Arteratt's reputation for artistic production, while a charming Christmas touch, reminiscent of the old fashioned Christmas pantomime is furnished in the telling of the story of "Alibaba," which consumes two reels of the picture. Roy Griffin is at his best in popular songs, while an added attraction is provided in a picture depicting relief work on the scene of the Halifax disaster, and giving a view of that most dreadful holocaust.

ELLMETS.
Ella Hill has gone and got married. She picked Emory Johnson for the happy man. Ella has signed up a new contract with the U and Emory works there, too.

Polly Moran, of the Mack Sennett "contingent," is learning to play the saxophone. "I like this waly music," she explained, when people stopped to commiserate her.

Helen Holmes has adopted a novel brand for her many horses and cattle on her Lund ranch. It is the "two bits" brand and is composed of two horses' bits. She continues to send carloads of stock to the ranch and one day hopes to be a cattle queen instead of a movie one.

George Periolat, the American actor, has a fad. He likes very good writing-paper. This is somewhat of a peculiarity among actor folks; they nearly all use rich notepaper, generally monogrammed.

During the filming of "The Firefly of Tough Luck," a Triangle play, starring Alma Rubens, Charlie Gunn performed the little stunt of lying on his back with a live rattlesnake coiled on his bosom while a careful marksman shot off the reptile's head.

Mary Garden, it has been observed, has lived so long in Paris that she speaks French with greater fluency than English. Frank H. Crane her director in Goldwyn's "Paris" sat up nights with a language phonograph to be able to tell her in French "Not so beautiful" this morning, "Mademoiselle" but the only approach to that speech offered by the phonograph was, "I shall want a boiled egg in the morning."

A firm of produce dealers of Newport News, Va., allowed a consignment of onions and potatoes to rot rather than sell them at a loss. As a consequence their license has been cancelled by the Food Board.

REX THEATRE

Special Holiday Attraction
2 Shows Xmas Night 7 and 9 p.m.
LeRoy Osborne AND THE Apple Blossom Girls
In Tabloid Musical Comedy Somewhere on the Water
JUNE CAPRICE IN A Child of the Wilds
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MACBETH

From our own Cor Miss Blanche Hollis her holidays with her West Lorne. Miss Lillian Tear anisting in Cleveland. Women's Institute n day at which meeting gave an excellent ropvention in Toronto. Mr. Hart is still e the shock he received by a radial car. Mr. and Mrs. For to Hamilton last Wedn a wedding. Mr. and Mrs. McIn in Hamilton last Wed Master Walter Myr again after a severe itis. Mrs. Greas receive week that her son hurt in Toronto. Echo Place school last Monday evening.

I wonder what's wrong with my Tea? My! This certainly IS good Tea
The woman on the left bought some "cheap" tea. You can see she's not pleased. She's sorry now she tried to save a few cents by buying the "cheap" tea.

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Chicago, Dec. 26.—Cattle, recelpt, 13,000; market, strong; beefs, \$7.45 to \$14.40; Western steers, \$6.65 to \$10.30; cows and heifers, \$5.30 to \$11.40; calves, \$8.50 to \$15.50. Hogs, receipts, 26,000; market, slow; light, \$16.15 to \$17.10; mixed, \$13.60 to \$17.25; heavy, \$18.55 to \$17.25; rough, \$15.50 to \$16.70; pigs, \$12 to \$17.25; bulk sales, \$16.80 to \$17.20. Sheep, receipts, 13,000; market, weak; wethers, \$8 to \$13.10; lambs, \$12.60 to \$16.40.

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MACBETH

From our own Cor Miss Blanche Hollis her holidays with her West Lorne. Miss Lillian Tear anisting in Cleveland. Women's Institute n day at which meeting gave an excellent ropvention in Toronto. Mr. Hart is still e the shock he received by a radial car. Mr. and Mrs. For to Hamilton last Wedn a wedding. Mr. and Mrs. McIn in Hamilton last Wed Master Walter Myr again after a severe itis. Mrs. Greas receive week that her son hurt in Toronto. Echo Place school last Monday evening.

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Courier Pattern
An entirely new usual style of kitchen illustrated in No. 846 tion is cut so that it it looks somewhat like chemise dresses. The only low so that the slipped on over the buttons at the front. section is brought in to fit the upper part. The lady's apron cut in three sizes—36 bust measure. The 4 1/2 yards 27 inch or with 37 yards seam. To obtain this cents to the office

BRITISH RAID CITY ON RHINE

Air Reprisals on Germany Have at Last Been Begun in Earnest

BOMBS WERE DROPPED Fires Started in Mannheim and Much Damage Caused

ONE MACHINE MISSING Seven of the Enemy's Planes Were Brought Down by the British

London, Dec. 25.—A British air squadron has successfully bombed the city of Mannheim, the great Rhine commercial centre, and one of the most important bases for the re-arming of the Germans on the western front. Numerous fires were started in this city, a ton of bombs being dropped. The British squadron had numerous combats with German aeroplanes in this expedition, and one of the British machines was forced to make a landing.

The text of the statement reads: "The enemy's machines were very active on Sunday, and five of them were brought down in air fighting, three of them falling in our lines. Two other hostile machines were brought down in our lines by anti-aircraft gunfire. One of these latter was a large twin-engine machine with three occupants, who were made prisoner.

"Our night-flying machines bombed several of the enemy's aerodromes with good effect. "At daylight on Monday one of our squadrons bombed Mannheim on the Rhine with excellent results. A ton of bombs was dropped, and bursts were observed in the large main station in the works and also in the town, where fires were started. Very heavy anti-aircraft gunfire was directed against our aeroplanes when they were over their objective, and one of our machines was damaged and forced to land. Several of the enemy's scouts made repeated attacks upon our formation but were driven off. All of our machines returned except the one aforementioned."

ECHO PLACE NEWS

(From our own Correspondent.) Miss Blanche Holland is spending her holidays with her mother in West Lorne.

Miss Lillian Tear and Mr. Tear are visiting in Cleveland.

Women's Institute met last Thursday at which meeting Mrs. Williams gave an excellent report of the convention in Toronto.

Mr. Hart is still suffering from the shock he received when struck by a radial car.

Mr. and Mrs. Fonger journeyed to Hamilton last Wednesday to attend a wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. McIrvine were guests in Hamilton last Wednesday.

Master Walter Myers is around again after a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Mrs. Gress received word this week that her son had been badly hurt in Toronto.

Echo Place school gave a concert last Monday evening, which was well

CANADIAN SOLDIERS VOTING OVERSEAS



A WOUNDED SOLDIER IN HOSPITAL TAKING THE OATH BEFORE VOTING



attended, proceeds going to the Red Cross. Cainsville school gave their closing concert Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Geo. Smith, Locks Road, is entertaining friends from Brockville during the Christmas holidays.

Rippling Rhymes

I've done my stunt as Santa Claus, with horse-hair whiskers on my jaws, I ran the Christmas tree; and all the Christmas gifts in sight were reminiscent of the fight that's on across the sea. My little girl, Evangeline, drew down a large tin submarine, and never raised a bawl. She said this instrument of crimes was more in keeping with the times than any sawdust doll. The baby drew a cartridge case, and happy smiles lit up his face, where I expected tears; Aunt Sarah got a flashing blade, and said for that she'd prayed and prayed for many weary years. One kid received a bright tin lance, and one a steed that couldn't prance, because its legs were oak; and there were soldiers made of zinc, lieutenants blue and colonels pink, and other warlike folk. There was no sign of peace on earth, oh, not a bogus nickle's worth upon that Christmas tree; my grandsire drew an aeroplane, and said a gift more safe and sane he surely ne'er did see. And even candy stuff was wrought in shape of cannon ball and shot, and bomb and hand grenade; and as I ply my creaking pen I wonder if good will to men must permanently fade.

SIDE TALKS

BY RUTH STANLEY CAMERON ALL PROVERBS AREN'T TRUE

There is the strangest notion current among us that because a point of view has passed into a proverb or a fable, it is necessarily true and right and not to be argued against. I was brought to a sudden and poignant realization of this notion the other day when some question came of asking a friend who had helped us when we were down, to help another friend. "I'd hate to do it," said my worldly wise advisor. "He may not like it." "But he seemed glad to help us," I pointed out. "Yes," said the worldly wise one, "but maybe he thinks that's enough. You know," he finished triumphantly, "the fable of the lame dog and the doctor. You don't want to be a lame dog, do you?"

I Let Myself be Squelched. "I suppose not," I said, feeling quite squelched. But afterwards when I fell to thinking it over to myself I began to feel quite differently, and to seethe with answers I might have made him (I believe I have told you of my cousin who declares he is going to write a book to get in the wise and witty answers he thinks of after the opportunity to make them has passed). Who Was the Villain? You are know the fable. The doctor helped the dog with the broken paw, the next day the dog came back with another dog, and the next day with still another. And as I remember the fable, the doctor repented and having helped the first dog, there isn't any definite moral attached but the idea seems to be that one should take all the help one can get but not make a nuisance of oneself by asking it for anyone else. The lame dog is supposed to be the villain of the tale. To my mind the doctor was the villain. He could do one kind act but he balked at doing more. No, to be sure he couldn't give up his practice to fix lame dogs' paws, but he could do as much as he could himself and organize his brother doctors to help with the rest. From what I've seen of doctors, I am sure they would have done it willingly. Shrewdness Is Sometimes Allied To Meanness. I don't see why we should worship proverbs and fables so. They are shrewd, to be sure, but their shrewdness often comes very close to meanness. Stevenson speaks scornfully of "cowardly proverbs."

KING AS ANGLER. Vivid Tale of Fight With a Salmon. An article in a French paper describing King George salmon fishing is too good to be lost. It runs (in translation) "He is an angler of the first force, this King of Britain. Behold him there, as he sits motionless under his umbrella patiently regarding his many-colored boats! How obstinately he contends with the elements! It is a summer day of Britain; that is to say, a day of sleet, and fog, and tempest. But what would you? It is as they love it, those who would follow the sport. Presently the King's boat begins to descend. My! but how he strikes! The hook is implanted in the very bowels of the salmon. The King rises. He spurns aside his foot-stool. He strides strongly and swiftly toward the rear. In good time the salmon comes to approach himself to the bank. Ah! The King has cast aside his rod. He hurls himself flat on the ground on his victim. They splash, and struggle in the icy water. Name of a dog! But it is a brave lad! The gillie, a kind of outdoor domestic, administers the coup de grace with his pistol. The King cries with a very shrill voice: "Hip! Hip! Hurrah!" On these red-letter days his Majesty George dines on a haggis. Like a true Scot, he wears only a kilt.

We need not add, says an English paper, that the description is meant to be most complimentary to the King, in spite of the lively imagination of the writer. Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Good Night Stories

MAMMA'S SNOW MAN STORY Teddy and Larry came into the house cross and ugly. They had made a snow man, but he'd melted as soon as he was finished. "Things generally go wrong with little boys when they won't let their sisters play with them," said mamma kindly, and she told them this story: One day Johnny and Jerry went out to make a snow man. They wouldn't let their sister, Doris, play with them, so she sat on her sled and watched them roll a great big snowball and put a smaller one on top of it. "That's his head!" laughed Doris. "Go on and play with your dolls!" growled Johnny. And then—what do you think—the boys heard a squaky voice sing: "What kind of a man I'd like to know, Even if he's fashioned from the snow." Pray what kind of a man would he be, if he hadn't any eyes to see? The boys thought their sister was making fun of them, and they threw snowball at her. "She'll have us believing the Snow Man is singing," cried Jerry, as he put in two pieces of coal for eyes. But scarcely had they done so when the voice sang: Oh, thank you boys, it's nice to see, And now just take a glance at me;

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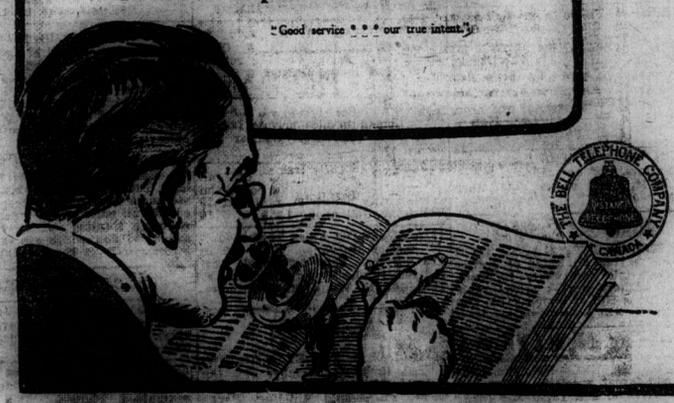
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LOST—Black handbag, containing 50 dollars, and change, between Lorne Bridge and Crompton's. Reward return to Courier. L12

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LOST—Ladies ribbon handbag in Eagle's Place containing two small purses with money. Return to 55 Cayuga St. Reward. L22

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Even Alexander and Killifer Will Not Rejuvenate the Cubs

Though the Chicago club has been greatly strengthened by the addition of its roster of Grover Cleveland Alexander and Bill Killifer, it is not yet of championship calibre, and Cub fans who believe that Mitchell's team will win the pennant in 1918 are likely to be sadly disappointed unless the industrious Charles Weeghman can put over a few more sensational deals. Conceding that Alexander will probably receive more assistance from Jim Vaughn and Phil Douglas than he did from any two pitchers on the staff of the Philadelphia club, the fact that a good pitching staff cannot win a pennant with poor support, and their mates to handicap them has been demonstrated a great many times in the history of baseball. For instance, Tyler, Neft and Barnes all pitched good ball for the Braves this year, but their work was nullified by the loose play behind them.

Weeghman has announced that his quest for high grade players has by no means ended with the purchase of the Philadelphia stars, and it is a matter of record that he is particularly anxious to secure Rogers Hornsby for the Cardinals. Weeghman says that he will pay \$100,000 for the young star, and Branch Rickey, in rebuttal, declares that there isn't a chance in the world of Hornsby being sold to the Cubs or to any other club in the league, and that he is inclined to agree with Rickey. Indeed, if Rickey consented to sell Hornsby for anything except a most fabulous sum he would display poor judgment. Hornsby is the sole asset of the Cardinals, and Hornsby is easily the biggest drawing card on the team, and his sale would antagonize St. Louis fans and cause the rooters of the Cardinals to be very angry.

WHAT Offered for Whittled

Pat Moran, who is still in a daze over the loss of his great pitcher and catcher, nevertheless has the presence of mind to refuse to agree to an offer of a trade broached to him by Wilbert Robinson. According to a reliable report, Robbie offered to trade Zach Wheat for George Whittled, but Pat Moran rightly considered Whittled one of the greatest players in the league, and would not part with him for a good deal.

Wheat is undeniably a fine fielder and a great hitter, but Whittled in all around ability is conceded by shrewd baseball men to be the Indian's superior. George, in addition to his quality as an outfielder, can and does play first base remarkably well, is a consistently good hitter and is a better base runner and smarter ball player than Wheat. Jack Combs once pronounced Whittled to be the best individual player everything considered, in the National League, and Moran is inclined to agree with the veteran pitcher in his judgment of the little Tarheel's class.

POPE HOPES FOR PEACE

Rome, Dec. 25.—Pope Benedict XV., president of the council of the Sacred College for an exchange of Christmas greetings, in answer to an address delivered by Cardinal Vincent Vannutelli, dean of the curia, the Holy Father expressed hope for a brighter future and rejoiced at the liberation of humanity from the scourge of war.

HUSBAND KILLER DEAD

By Courier Leased Wire
Halifax, Dec. 25.—Carmelo Soto Marbut, the Italian woman, who was found guilty of the murder of her husband at Pictou, and who was sentenced to be hanged on January 15 died Christmas Day in the Electric chair. Death was due to rheumatic fever and heart trouble. Her partner in the crime Natalie Nerli, who is also under sentence of death on the same date, has been greatly affected by the death of Carmelo.

A LOGICAL MEASURE

By Courier Leased Wire
Toronto, Dec. 24.—The News, which is one of the two Toronto papers still publishing liquor advertisements, says editorially: "The clause forbidding the shipment of liquors into a province which has prohibitory laws of its own will destroy the big trade carried on from Montreal. Canada is apparently about to become 'bone dry' from coast to coast for the period of the war and one year. So far as we remember, these are the most sweeping liquor laws yet adopted by any country in the world. Dominion prohibition is a logical successor to the Victory Loan and selective draft."

CENSOR FOREIGN MAILS

By Courier Leased Wire
Washington, Dec. 24.—Censorship of foreign mails authorized by the trading with the enemy law, now is in full force under a board on which the post office, war and navy departments, the war trade board and the committee on public information are represented. The board is in close co-operation with the British and French censorships. It will combine with censorship of foreign mails the present censorship of wireless and cables.

TORONTO NOMINATIONS

By Courier Leased Wire
Toronto, Dec. 24.—The nominations for municipal elections took place at noon today. The result that for mayorality there are but two in the field, Mayor Thomas J. Church, who is opposed for the mayorship by chair by Controller R. H. Cameron, Harry Weinberg, the Socialist candidate, decided not to come out and Major Riches, who had been announced as a soldiers' candidate also halted. There are ten out for the four seats on the Board of Control.

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By Courier Leased Wire

Petrograd, Dec. 25.—Foreign minister, told that he and his colleagues resolve to just to all belligerent annexations and in a guarantee that Russia toward the Central Powers.

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