

Which? Put Yourself for a Moment in the Place of the Kaiser. Which Would You Regard as the More Favorable to Hohenzollern Success--the Manifesto of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, or that of the Union Government of Canada?

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Tonight, when the hour of 8 o'clock is reached, The Guardian's Automobile Christmas Prize Campaign will have become history, so far as labor of the candidates are concerned.

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REGULATIONS TO GOVERN CLOSE

First--Candidates should bring votes and subscription remittances to the Campaign department, or send them in by their representatives, in order to make sure that they will be received by 8 p. m., Saturday evening.

Second--All subscriptions sent in by out-of-town candidates must be accompanied by cash, drafts, money-order, or check. All checks over \$15.00 must be certified.

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For Vote Standing See Inside Pages

Hero Worship

A rather embarrassing case of hero-worship occurred in a London country school the other day. The embarrassment was all on the side of the hero, as will be seen. He is a teacher, who has been to the war for two years, and has come back to his desk, having lost an arm and a leg in the service of his country. The boys in the whole school are devoted to him, and his class simply has for-

gotten what indiscipline means. The other day the teacher--say his name was Taylor--was talking to his boys about the war, and he asked them who was the greatest British military figure who, in their opinion, stood out head and shoulders from all others in this conflict. And the answer was a unanimous shout of "Mr. Taylor." Whereupon the ordinary lesson was hastily resumed, Mr. Taylor having got quite hot, and murmured, "Not quite."

GEN. SMUTS OF SOUTH AFRICA



Lieut. Gen. Jan C. Smuts.

Sketched by Pte. J. Maxwell Murphy, now at the Front

HINDENBURG SCOFFS AT ALLIES' COUNCIL

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 7.—General von Ludendorff, right hand man of Field Marshal von Hindenburg, is quoted by a correspondent of the Vienna Neue Presse as making the prediction recently at German headquarters that the war will not end in a draw but be decided in favor of the Central Powers.

The correspondent says the Vienna despatch, secured this expression from von Ludendorff in conversation with him during a visit to headquarters where he also talked with von Hindenburg.

"It appears the Russians are the first to be inclined for peace," General von Ludendorff said. "I will not say that I regard the Bolshevik manifestation as a peace offer," he continued. "There must be a secure government for this purpose, one which possesses power to enforce internally and externally the results of the negotiations with us. Of course we can conclude an armistice with Russia at any time as soon as we have the assurance that it will be maintained. A general armistice, however, will be difficult to achieve."

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Not a Piece of Luck.

General von Ludendorff considered the Russian revolution not a mere piece of luck for the Central Powers, but a natural result of the war operations.

"Modern war," said the General, "is a war of people, not of armies and a war ends now when an enemy people is defeated. There are no decisive battles, as in former wars. The battles merely have an indirect influence on the whole national system, inducing decay and collapse."

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Elastic Defence.

Regarding the situation on the western front, Field Marshal von Hindenburg said the successful employment of the German policy of elastic defence continued and that when occasionally sections of morasses or smoke-blackened debris were left to their opponents for the purpose of saving human material it was of no importance. Occasional local rebuffs must be taken into account as an inevitable consequence of carrying through great offensives at the expense of the supreme war council of the allies, the Field Marshal said with a smile.

"Such institutions are, always a sign of incapacity and helplessness. When they are at their wits end a war council is established."

General von Ludendorff said that for Germany there was no question as to Alsace-Lorraine. He thought a decisive blow against France perhaps would yet succeed, although nowadays, when national strength and national strength a single blow could hardly decide the war. The General said, however, that it was not to be doubted a single moment who would be victor.

THRILLING EXPERIENCES AT CAMBRAI FIGHT

THE BRITISH FRONT, December 7.—Correspondents can recall no previous time when army engineers have undergone such varied and thrilling experiences as on Friday. The latest reports say that several Americans who were actually captured by the Germans escaped after a few hours and made their way back to the British lines. In the first rush of the Germans into Gouzeaucourt many engineers were caught between the opposing lines as the British surged forward to meet the shock. It was a tense situation for them. There was no escape from the rapidly narrowing zone between the two armies. The Germans already were firing their rifles steadily and the engineers knew that the British would also open up with a heavy fire. But even in the stress of the moment, the British officers sized up the situation and, before starting to shoot, signalled to their allies to lie flat on the ground. The engineers dropped where they stood, and in another instant a steady stream of rifle and machine gun bullets was whizzing over their heads. The British pushed forward far enough to enable the engineers to join their ranks, and thus saved them. But these engineers and others, repaid the

score, for they took their place in the fighting and battled like tigers. The fame of the exploit of the engineers spread rapidly through the army and the correspondent has heard them talked about on every side, their magnificent service having been received with the deepest appreciation everywhere.

PARIS, December 7.—The Havas correspondent at the British front, describing the formidable German attacks before Cambrai on Friday, in which he asserts eleven or possibly twelve, enemy divisions tried to engage the vigor of the counter-attack, of the vigor of the counter-attack, says:

"The courageous conduct of a number of American soldiers attracted much attention. They were pioneers and specialists engaged in construction work on railroads. When the enemy appeared Friday morning they exchanged their shovels for rifles and cartridges and fought alongside the Tommies. Several fell gloriously with arms in their hands facing the foe. No man who saw them at work but praises glowingly the coolness, discipline and courage of these improvised fighters."

NEW YEAR MESSAGES

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The Christmas number of the organ of the Overseas Club contains New Year messages from prominent soldiers and statesmen. Gen. Haig sends good wishes on behalf of the army in France. Lord Derby—"The fourth winter of the war finds the army unimpaired in strength, and of the highest morale, while signs are evident that the reverse is the case with our enemies. He is confident that this is the last winter before peace."

Lord Milner—"The Mother Country and her children are one today in the common hour of danger. A new bond forged in the fires of peril and sacrifice. Who will venture to affirm that such a bond will ever be broken?" General Bird Wood, commanding the Australians: "The end is not yet. We are at the point when the greatest demand is made upon our fortitude and resource. It is natural that, after three years of devastating war, some should cry 'Let us call it a draw,' but there cannot be a draw with a nation that has banded chivalry from its creed."

TELEGRAPHY ATTRACTS DISABLED VETERANS

Many Disabled Railroad Men Turn To Telegraphy As New Occupation After War.

Telegraphy is a popular course for soldiers who have returned from the front unable to pursue heavy work requiring great bodily strength of the full equipment of members, and in all the vocational training centres established by the Military Hospitals Commission for the re-education of such men, have large classes under instruction. The boys learn railway telegraphy in all its phases, including a thorough grounding in train rules and traffic orders. Many of them were former railroad employees and much of their experience is valuable in the new work. These former employees are waiting in many cases to take them on as soon as they have fitted themselves for the work, while others will go into commercial telegraphy. All are required to brush up on element-

ary and commercial subjects. In the Central "Y" in Toronto, the class includes more than a score of men who are under the instruction of Mr. W. Young, an expert with long experience as a despatcher for the C. P. R. Four men have been lately turned out competent to take good positions.

Plucky Englishman.

One of these was a plucky young Englishman who came to Canada to make his fortune before the war. Farm labor was not productive of this commodity and the fall of 1914 found him in the same financial status as he had experienced in England. The call to arms turned ambition into new channels and he spent long months in the trenches with the 20th Battalion grappling with the Huns. Three times he went back to Blighty wounded and finally was invalided home to Canada. During his convalescence he took the course in telegraphy and today holds an important position in Parry Sound, nearer to fortune than ever before.

JAPAN TO TAKE LARGER PART IN WAR

TOKIO, December 7.—Japan is anxious to hear the supreme war council and the inter-allied conference decided as to Nippon's further part in the war.

The Russian Bolshevik armistice plans today brought about a renewal of discussions springing from sending troops to the western front. It was believed here that the Paris and Versailles conferences formally considered such additions to the allies' fighting forces. Japanese officialdom was frankly eager to learn that decisions had been reached by these meetings. Apparently no report has been received from Japan's envoys. That the Empire will participate much more largely in the war from now on was regarded as certain by the public.

PREPARE FOAL FARMS

MONTREAL, Dec. 7.—Trainer H. Ross Bedwell, of the J. K. L. Ross stable, was in Montreal yesterday and paid a visit to the farm at Vercheres to overlook the work being carried on here for the reception of the brood mares, which will be shipped to Canada to foal next spring. The foals will be eligible for the events for Canadian bred horses, as well as the King's Plate, the Provincial Nursery, which is an event for two-year-olds bred in the Province of Quebec. Trainer Bedwell had little to say regarding the intention of the local owner. He had a most successful season with the string and won many events in Maryland during the fall meetings. It is hardly likely that Bedwell will have anything to do with the farm at Vercheres, the management of which will likely fall to D. A. O'Meara, who at one time figured prominently among the Canadian owners.

M.H.C. VOCATIONAL TRAINING ELASTIC.

Commercial Clay Modelling One of Many Odd Courses Offered Special Cases.

Commercial clay modelling supplementary to the doctor's art, will provide a future for some of the convalescent soldiers under the Military Hospitals Commission Command who must be educated in new trades to maintain themselves.

The variety of occupations from which men came to the army may be made an indicator as to how elastic the training provided by the vocational classes of the Military Hospitals Commission must be if it is to meet the demands of the maimed men.

Cast in Many Molds.

Not every man can be made a machinist, even though the demand were infinitely greater than the supply. All past education and experience cannot be scrapped. To satisfy the needs of the men, the courses must afford them an opportunity to follow a new occupation in some way related to their old work or inherent ability. The individual as well as the labor market must be taken into consideration. The Commission endeavors to give a man an opportunity to pursue any course in which it seems he has a reasonable chance of making himself independent. The result has been a great variety of odd vocations of which clay modelling is only one.

SHORTHORN PRIDE REPEATS TRIUMPH

GUELPH, Dec. 7.—Rosa Hope XXI, owned by J. J. Elliott, of this city, renewed yesterday the triumph won at the Canadian National Exhibition at Toronto when she was Junior and Grand Champion in female Shorthorns. This afternoon she was declared winner in the "best steer or heifer" class of Shorthorns at the Ontario Winter Fair.

Another outstanding feature in the Shorthorn judging was when John Gardhouse and Son, Weston, Ont., took first and second places in three Shorthorns, set of one sire. All three declared winners in the "best steer or heifer" class of Shorthorns at the Ontario Winter Fair. The Gardhouses were again first in Shorthorn breeders' herd of bull calf, two yearling heifers and two heifer calves, and in this case, too, the winners were sired by Lavender Sultan.

Holstein Wins Dairy Test.

In the dairy test, the championship went to a cow classed on a grade, because of neglect to register her ancestry, but which is really a pure bred Holstein. This was Lily, owned by Earl Grier, Woodstock.

The champion cow gave 21.91 lbs. of milk in three days, testing 4.3 per cent fat, while Lady Jane gave 250.6 lbs., testing 3.45 per cent, and was awarded 282,725 points against 304,425 for the championship winner. The highest percentage of butterfat was given by Jersey, Queen Great, owned by James Baggs & Sons, Edgeley, testing 5.5 per cent, and Edgeley Dairy Queen, owned by the same, 5.4 per cent.

"MATTY" DECIDES TO CUT EXPENSES

NEW YORK, December 7.—Christopher Mathewson is the first major league manager to use the pruning knife. The leader of the Reds, anticipating a cut in expenses, has released Pitchers Ring and Reuther also the Cuban utility player Cuelo. Ring goes to the Chattanooga club of the Southern Association. It is probable that Reuther and Cuelo will join the same club in the spring. Matty will carry no more than seven pitchers next year—Toney, Schneider, Regan, Bressler, Gerner and two others whom he hopes to secure in trades this winter. Ring once pitched for the Yankees. Reuther was obtained from the Cubs last summer, and Cuelo joined the Reds in the spring.

WESTERN VETERANS PASS CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS

Majority Trained in Vocational Training Classes Of M.H.C. For The Test.

Twenty-two returned soldiers in the West qualified in the examinations in the vocational training classes of the Military Hospitals Commission during their convalescence, and passed most creditably with high standings.

Men from Vancouver, Edmonton, Calgary, Frank, Saskatoon and Moose Jaw, were included in the entrants, and were coached for their work in the classes of training centers for the returned soldiers in those districts.

The number of returned men placed in government service has now passed the 4,000 mark, and letters from men who have been successful there, express the warmest appreciation.

DYNAMITERS WILL BE MAIN WITNESSER

DETROIT, Dec. 7.—Two convicts from the Canadian prison are to be the principal witnesses for the Government at the trial which begins in the Federal Court here today of Albert Kalschmidt and several others on charges of conspiring to dynamite numerous Canadian factories and bridges. They are Chas. Respa and Wm. Leffler, convicted of dynamiting the plant of the Peabody Ocellulose Company, Limited, at Waterville, Ont., in June, 1915. Respa, under sentence of life imprisonment and Leffler sentenced for ten years, were brought here from Kingston penitentiary. According to the Canadian authorities Leffler in a confession charged that Kalschmidt, who had lived in Detroit for a number of years was the instigator of a far-reaching dynamite conspiracy. Respa's father, Frank Respa, 70 years old, is one of these to be tried with Kalschmidt. The others are Maria Schmidt and Mrs. Ida Neef, respectively, Kalschmidt's daughter and his sister, and their husbands, Carl Schmidt and Fritz A. Neef.

ROBINSON IS SECOND RIDER

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—W. Crump heads the list of winning jockeys this season. He began at New Orleans meeting last January and rode a few races at the Saratoga meeting last summer. Most of his riding was done on the western tracks, however. Next on the list of winning riders is Frank Robinson. Lawrence Lyke is third on the list.

M. H. C. PHYSICIAN RESTORES SIGHT

One-Eyed Soldier Who Blinded Himself with Awl Sees Again. Pte. G. Taylor, the plucky young one-eyed soldier who so unfortunately pierced his good eye with an awl a few weeks ago, and as a result became totally blind, has been restored in the Queen's Military Convalescent Hospital at Kingston, and is able to see again. The plight of the young man excited great sympathy. He tried to enlist in an infantry battalion, but was turned down because he had only one eye. Determined to serve, his country he sought a place in the railway construction corps and was accepted. Illness necessitated his being sent home from this service and the accident happened while he was endeavoring to mend his army boots. Careful nursing and the attention of the eye specialist at the Military Hospital saved his sight.

FACE SIMILAR PROBLEMS

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The Pall Mall Gazette says editorially: "Nobody can say that public opinion in Great Britain is prone to officious interference with the affairs of the Dominions by the Canadian election has raised issues as wide as the Empire itself. Canada is now faced in the same situation that compelled assent to conscription in Britain. We do not entertain any doubts as to what the popular will has from the first hour of hostilities realized the significance of German victory to itself, to the Empire and to humanity."

