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THE WAR

Again the war news has been somewhat alarming but once more the situation is clearing and we may still nurse our faith in the Allied armies.

The present drive, although expected, came somewhat in the nature of a surprise. It had not been expected to develop where it did, between Soissons and Rheims. The fact that it began simultaneously here and in the north was regarded as a feint to cover the real drive, either towards the coast cities or towards Amiens and General Foch was evidently better prepared in the northern sector than south. While waiting for the attack to develop he allowed the enemy to make considerable advance in the Soissons-Rheims sector, an advance that possibly the enemy himself had not intended at that particular point. His advance committed him to this sector and he developed it. Seeing its development here General Foch brought up his reserves with the result, according to our yesterday's telegrams that the advance is pretty well checked. That the Allies lost ground and suffered casualties will be admitted. The loss of the ground means little from the military standpoint; the loss of men is deplorable, but there is military satisfaction at least, in knowing that the German losses were very much more severe. The territory covered by the Germans was dearly paid for.

The drive in this sector is evidently aimed at Paris. It is being fought over ground on which the Germans were defeated by forces and equipment very much inferior to those General Foch has at his command today and there is no reason to fear that they will not be defeated at this time although they are numerically stronger on this front than in 1914 and probably have better equipment.

In the course of a review of the situation Henri Bidou the military critic of the Paris Journal comments in part as follows: "The enemy made a violent effort in Picardy and this effort was checked. Losing hope of realization in full on that front where he threw 111 divisions, he attempted in Flanders a fresh effort, which cost him about fifty divisions. If he stopped it there also, it may well be thought that he was unable to exploit it. But these two half successes, indeed as failures, cost him more than 160 divisions out of 190 which he put in line and if we count as two the divisions which came twice into the fight and as three, those which came three times on the line, we see that since the twenty-first of March the enemy spent more than 260 divisions. Appalling figures.

As it is difficult to suppose that any one division is withdrawn under a loss of two thousand men, we come to a loss of five hundred thousand Germans which minimum figure is probably below the real one. As the sequence to this expenditure, not only has the enemy engaged the 1919 class but he is calling all the recruits born in the first half of 1900, some of whom are barely seventeen years old. Such are the real conditions of this desperate fight. It is a duel to the death and every hour which does not bring a decision to Germany, brings her defeat nearer.

THE KICKER

Kicking in humans and animals, is a disease. In some humans and some animals it is inherent and therefore incurable. Most mules are kickers by birth and by inclination and the others have contracted the disease through environment. This is true of the humans as well. Some of them, like the mule, were born so; others have acquired the habit. In either case, inherent or acquired, in the human or in the mule, it is a despicable habit, hard on the mule—human or beast—and hard on those within reach.

Nobody loves the kicker. His hand or his heel is against every man and every man's hand is against him. Often he accomplishes his purpose by kicking. The political kicker, he who kicks himself from one side of the political fence to the other, often succeeds in kicking himself into some coveted political position. He never makes an efficient official and ultimately either kicks himself out or is kicked out.

The kicker is not only of no use to the community, he is a nuisance and a hindrance. He is opposed, on general principles, to things as they are; he objects to improvements; modern ideas are to him as the proverbial red rag to the bull. In school

or church or state his activities are clogs on the wheel.

It is characteristic of the horse and the mule afflicted with the disorder that the more attention paid them and the more they are doctored the worse they will kick. This is also true of the human kicker. It is no use trying to reform him. Let him have his kick out and pay no attention to him. Let him be ignored entirely as a factor in the community and let the community go on with its work. The kicker will eventually kick himself out of a job.

THE SUBMARINE MENACE

When one looks back over the volume of unfulfilled predictions in the past four eventful years the conclusion is inevitable that prophesizing in war times is a very uncertain speculation.

Every announcement in the British House of Commons that the U-Boat has been mastered is almost invariably followed by an increase in U-boat sinkings. Nevertheless authoritative figures assure us that the proportion of ships launched is steadily increasing over the number destroyed by the submarine.

Last week the French Minister of Marine told the Army and Navy Committee of the French Senate that in April the British and United States shipyards alone turned out 40,000 tons more shipping than the enemy was able to sink. But in addition to the increase in shipping there is an increase also in the sinking of German submarine boats. This increase has been steady, and while April showed the best results to that time, the increase for May has far surpassed it. And the new giant U-boats promise to be even better marks than the older and smaller types, a British submarine sinking one last week with a well-aimed torpedo. With the shipbuilders building more ships than the U-boats can destroy, and the navy sinking more U-boats than the Germans can build, a new era has evidently arrived in the naval war and it has become all the more necessary for Germany to score a decisive win upon land. But at the same time it is clear that even a striking victory upon land would not end the war. While the Allies control the sea it will be impossible for Germany to end the war in a way satisfactory to herself, and the longer the war lasts the more complete will be the control of the sea, not by the Allied warships alone, but by the Allied merchantmen, and this latter means the financial ruin of Germany. It was an evil day for Germany when she decided to become a pirate, and it will be a long, long while before the sailors of the world will forget the men who, without mercy, sank unarmed men.

THE BANKS IN THE WAR

That Canadian banks have a record in contribution to Canada's armies, of which they may well be proud, is shown by figures recently received by local bank managers. These statistics show that Canadian banks have contributed not far short of ten full battalions for service overseas, that is, over 10,000 men. At the beginning of the war 17,674 men and 1,609 women were employed in Canadian banks. By January 15, 1918 the number of men had been reduced by 3,454 and the number of women had been increased by 5,160. The total enlistments up to the middle of January from the bank staffs was 7,741. Under the decision of the Central Appeal Judge, in March last, 820 additional banking men were called to the colors, and since January 15, 300 voluntarily enlisted, and 1,200 have been called by recent amendment to the Military Service Act.

These figures show that more than half of the men in the banks of Canada are in military service, and the number that remain are being reduced steadily. Thousands of women have been employed to take the places of the men, but while all of the local banks report that the women are doing splendidly, they have not the experience of the men that they replace. It is for this reason that the Canadian Bankers' Association issues an appeal to the public to co-operate with the banks so that banking business may be transacted as efficiently as possible under the exceptionally difficult conditions. An announcement of a change in banking hours is made and the public will be urged to do their banking early in the day, and avoid drawing unnecessary cheques.

NOTES

Charles M. Schwab, Director-General of Shipping in the United States, told a Detroit audience the other day that "the kaiser is due for the damndest licking any one ever got." We're not sure about the language, but the idea is right.

HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

Their Excellencies the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, Lady Blanche, and Lady Dorothy Cavendish, accompanied by Colonel Harold Henderson, good wishes to their new home. Captain Ridley, and Captain Clive, have left on a tour of Ontario and will not return to Ottawa for several weeks.

Prince Arthur of Connaught has arrived at New York on a British cruiser at the head of a British Mission. He is en route to Japan to present a Field Marshal's baton to the Emperor. Lord Reading, British Ambassador to the United States is among the distinguished visitors in Canada this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gane, are expected in the city tonight to spend the summer months. There is probably no girl in all England who works harder for the war than the King's daughter, Princess Mary, who has just passed her 21st birthday. When the war broke out, the princess at once laid aside her studies and her pleasures and dedicated herself wholeheartedly to the great work of alleviating its sorrows. And for three years and a half she has never wavered or flagged in her self-appointed task. In company with her parents—at times alone—she pays daily visits to hospitals, canteens, food kitchens and munition works, carrying smiles and cheering words to workers and patients. She attends bazaars and war-relief entertainments, and has made several journeys for the purpose of distributing relief to raid sufferers. And withal, she has found time to attend a course of lectures on ambulance work and to qualify as a V. A. D.

Mrs. J. A. Messervy has gone up to Toronto on a visit. She will be accompanied home by her daughter Miss Grace.

Quite a number of Charlottetown ladies have offered their assistance in the work of registering the women power of Canada on registration day which takes place this month.

Madame T. Chase Casgrain of Montreal, has been awarded a diploma of honor and the gold medal of the Agriculturists' Society of France, in recognition of her work among the Canadian Daughters of the Empire. Madame Casgrain, who has just returned from a trip to the Pacific Coast, will proceed to France in June, following the annual meeting of the Daughters in Toronto this week.

In order to show appreciation to the boys now in Barracks here training for overseas, the different churches are preparing to entertain them quite extensively so that their stay may be pleasant and that they will meet the young people of the city. Many of the boys are entire strangers here. All the churches will take a week about holding, first a social and concert in the Y. M. C. A., followed by invitations to the soldiers from private homes. This work which has been inaugurated in London is working most satisfactorily and no doubt the Charlottetown ladies will also make it a success. Any family willing to have the soldier boys visit them in the evenings can do so, as committees have been appointed in the various churches to receive the names. St. James church has the opening week which will start with a social and musical in the Y. M. C. A. next Tuesday evening.

An important conference was held in Toronto on Monday last for the consideration of the needs of invalided returned soldiers. There was a large attendance of Medical men and officers of the Canadian Army Medical Corps present, included among the number being Dr. Garrison of the Dalton Sanatorium.

Miss Dorothy Simpson, the young daughter of Canon and Mrs. Simpson is making a good recovery from her operation for appendicitis in the P.E. I. Hospital.

Lieut. Colonel Hamilton Grey and Mrs. Grey are now in Bermuda enjoying a holiday.

The Reverend Dr. J. Abbott Smith who is to take charge of the parishes of Georgetown and Cherry Valley for the summer months is one of the leading clergy of the Diocese of Montreal. He is a Professor of Theology in the Montreal Diocesan College, Clerical Secretary of the Provincial Synod of Canada. One of the Board of Examiners for granting Degrees in Divinity and a member of the Prayer Book Revision Committee. Georgetown is fortunate in securing his services.

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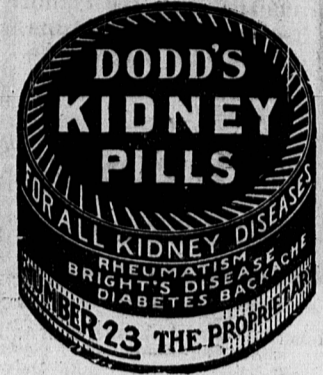
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