

FOOD CONTROLLER OF CANADA GIVES WARNING

Food Production Should Be Increased at All Cost.

In his letter to the public on the 1st of January, Hon. W. J. Hanna, Canada's Food Controller, says:—

"Authoritative information has reached me that food shortage in Europe is terribly real, and only the sternest resolve on the part of the producers, and equally stern economies on the part of all as consumers, can possibly save the situation.

"France last year had a crop between one-third and one-half that of a normal year. Women did the work of draught animals in a determined effort to make the impoverished soil of France produce every possible ounce of food. They now look to us to make up their deficiency of essential supplies.

"The harvest in Italy was far below normal and will require much larger supplies to feed her people until next harvest.

"It is impossible for the allies to spare many cargo carriers to transport foodstuffs from India, Australia, New Zealand and even the Argentine Republic. This means that the allied nations are practically dependent upon North America to supply them with the food which must be forthcoming if terrible suffering is to be avoided and the fighting efficiency of the armies maintained.

"On December 1, the United States had not a single bushel of wheat for export, after allowance was made for domestic requirements on the basis of normal consumption, and the United States Food Administration is endeavoring to bring about a reduction of 20 per cent in home consumption of wheat and flour. This would release 100,000,000 bushels for export, but the Allies will require nearly five times that amount before the 1918 harvest.

Canada is the only country in the world, practically accessible to the Allies under present conditions of shipping shortage, which has an actual exportable surplus of wheat after allowance for normal home requirements. The surplus today is not more than 110,000,000 bushels. A reduction of 20 per cent in our normal consumption would save an additional 10,000,000 bushels for export. The outlook for production of food stuffs in Europe next year is distinctly unfavorable.

"Such is the situation—grave beyond anything that we thought possible a few months ago. Unless our people are aroused to a realization of what the world shortage means to us, to our soldiers and to our Allies, and of the terrible possibilities which it entails, disaster is inevitable.

"Production, too, must be increased to the greatest possible extent. Present war conditions demand extraordinary efforts, and every man, woman, boy or girl who can produce food has a national duty to do so.

"I am confident that when the people of this country realize that the food situation is of utmost gravity they will willingly adjust themselves to the necessities of the case and make whatever sacrifices may be required. The call which is made upon them is in the name of the Canadian soldiers at the front, the allied armies, and the civilian populations of the allied nations who have already made food sacrifices to an extent little realized by the people of this country."

Here is an appeal made by a man, upon whom rests the great responsibility of assisting in providing food for the allies and the soldiers at the front, who are fighting the battles in mud and blood. It cannot be ignored. At home we are living in luxury and extravagance inclined to idleness and forgetfulness. This must cease. We must save and produce. Our lands must be tilled no matter where it may be, in Canada or the United States. It is our duty to cultivate. Splendid opportunities in the United States are open for further cultivation of lands. Western Canada also offers opportunities in high producing lands at low prices. Decide for yourself where you can do the most good, on land in the United States or in Canada, and get to work quickly.—Advertisement.

Big Phone Service.
More than 70,000 cities and towns in the United States use 1,511,121 telephones. It is estimated that an average of 8,000,000,000 messages are sent over these lines annually.—People's Home Journal.

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will quiet your cough, soothe the inflammation of a sore throat and lungs, stop irritation in the bronchial tubes, insuring a good night's rest, free from coughing and with easy expectoration in the morning. Made and sold in America for fifty-two years. A wonderful prescription, assisting Nature in building up your general health and throwing off the disease. Especially useful in lung trouble, asthma, croup, bronchitis, etc. For sale in all civilized countries.—Adv.

Had Some of the Attributes.
"Does your husband play golf."
"No, he doesn't, but to hear him swear you'd think he did."

There is something within men that responds to the truth.

When Your Eyes Need Care Try Murine Eye Remedy
No matter how long you have had eye trouble, Murine Eye Remedy will cure it. Write for Free Eye Book, MURINE EYE REMEDY CO., CHICAGO

BATTLE IMMINENT ON WEST FRONT

MILITARY ACTIVITY INCREASES FROM SWISS BORDER TO NORTH SEA.

VILLAGES IN REAR SUFFERERS

Allies Take Hacks at German Lines to Halt Incipient Offensive—Heavy Casualties Believed to Be Inflicted.

With the American Army in France.—The mist has lifted lately from the American sector with the result that there is fairly lively shelling at several points, as well as considerable aerial activity. Several air fights occurred above the trenches and the anti-aircraft guns on both sides were extremely busy.

Villages far behind the lines are chief sufferers.

From the North Sea to the Swiss frontier the military activity daily seems to be growing in intensity and it may be fair to assume that in the not distant future some of the big battles that have been forecast will break.

The American, British and French armies have been taking hacks at the German line, either by fairly strong patrol attacks or by bombardments, while in turn the Teutons have been giving considerable attention on various sectors to their enemies.

Heavy casualties are believed to have been inflicted on the Teutons and considerable damage was done by the 75s on the German trenches, due to the accuracy of the aim of the American gunners.

The Germans have not yet been able to reoccupy the trenches and dugouts battered by recent American fire and have been forced to build another line of trenches at that particular point.

DINING CARS TO BE RATIONED

Food Administration Puts Into Effect Allowance Similar to That in England.

Washington.—A two-ounce bread ration was ordered by the food administration for customers of hotels, restaurants and dining cars. This allowance is about that now observed in England.

Telegrams to the food administration's hotel representatives in every state designated the new ration. Not more than two ounces of wheat bread may be served to any person at any one meal, except that when rolls or bread made from corn, oatmeal or bran are served and when only one kind other than wheat bread is ordered a portion may consist of four ounces. Rolls may not weigh more than one ounce each.

Public eating places are now licensed under the new bread regulations and the bread ration rule is issued under this authority. Hotel representatives have been instructed to see that immediate observance is given in hotels for Monday and Wednesday as wheatless days, Tuesday as meatless day, Saturday as porkless day, and that there is one wheatless meal and one meatless meal every day.

HAS VESSELS FOR TROOPS

Secretary Daniels Asserts Baker Was Right About 500,000 Men in France by Spring.

Washington.—"When Secretary Baker said we would have 500,000 men in France by early spring he was right," was the statement authorized by Secretary Daniels. The navy, he added, is assured of transport facilities to carry them across.

Daniels made this statement when informed that Secretary Baker's forecast of the number of men to be sent abroad had been challenged in the senate by Senator Hitchcock. Daniels would not say whether the navy department's outlook for ships was such as to warrant the expectation of having 1,000,000 more men in France by the end of 1918. It is betraying no secret, however, to say that troops have for some time been going across the Atlantic in increasing numbers.

Secretary Baker declined to comment in any way on Senator Hitchcock's speech charging him with misrepresentation.

City Referendum on Jitney.

Little Rock, Ark.—After wrangling over the ordinance permitting jitneys to operate on the streets of Little Rock the city council adopted a resolution to submit the question to the voters of the city between this date and March 5.

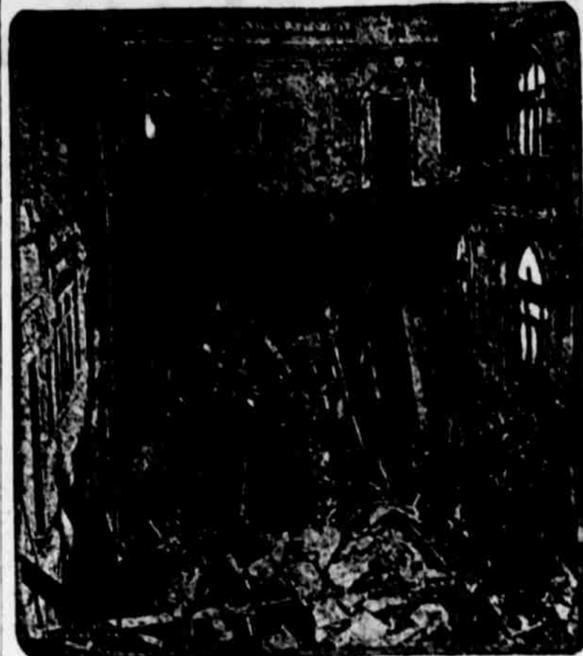
Borrow a Wife.

Greensburg, Pa.—Louis Hope is in jail here because he "borrowed" a wife and baby to evade the selective draft law. Investigation of statements in his questionnaire revealed he was single. Hope was born in Austria but was naturalized.

Flying Cadet Burned to Death.

Houston, Tex.—Wyles B. Bradley of Mount Vernon, N. Y., flying cadet at Ellington Field, was burned to death when his plane fell 30 feet, the gasoline tank exploding.

KREMLIN WRECKED BY THE BOLSHEVIKI



This remarkable photograph is the first to arrive in the United States showing the damage inflicted upon one of the buildings of the famous Kremlin in Moscow by the bolsheviki.

BOLDO DENIES U. S. PLOTS PLAN DAYLIGHT SAVING BILL

INSISTS WORK HERE WAS IN INTEREST OF ENTENTE. CONGRESS EXPECTED TO PASS MEASURE SOON.

Former Premier of France Brought From Prison to Testify Against Accusation.

Paris.—The defense in the court-martial trial of Bolo Pasha on the charge of treason insisted that the defendant's activities in the United States and Switzerland were entirely in the interest of the entente powers.

Bolo Pasha was specifically charged with having received German money in the United States from Adolph Favenated, former head of a New York banking house, but now interned in a United States detention camp, to influence French paper and to further the pacifist movement in the United States. He was also charged with having been in connivance with espionage work in Switzerland.

Will Produce Caillaux. Former Premier Caillaux, the prosecution promised, would be brought from his cell to court to testify, though Mme. Caillaux, who is supposed to know of the intrigues of the spy clique, was too ill to appear.

One of the defendants in the case, Filippo Cavalline, is under arrest in Italy.

In his own behalf Bolo Pasha testified that the \$500,000 he received from the khedive of Egypt through Cavalline was in payment of an old debt.

Want Khedive's Testimony. Bolo's counsel demanded that the khedive, Favenated and other witnesses be produced in court.

The state's counsel replied that these witnesses could only appear in the role of accusers and, since it was claimed that they had enough evidence, this was not considered necessary.

In the course of the examination the defendant dramatically exclaimed: "I am ready to die but I am no traitor."

STREET CAR STRIKE SERIOUS

Rioting in St. Louis and Men Insist on Recognition of Union Before Resuming Work.

St. Louis.—Four riots, a number of smaller disturbances and two battles between the police and striking street car men, together with at least 30 arrests and several instances of slight injuries due to fighting, marked the course of the strike of 3,000 car men in St. Louis. In addition, several cars were stoned, the power wire on the Wellston line was cut and air tanks on the cars were emptied many times.

Under the conditions car service was virtually suspended throughout the city. The company admits that fewer than 60 cars are in operation out of a normal 1,100.

Alfred de Rothschild, Banker, Dies.

London.—Alfred Charles de Rothschild of the banking family of that name is dead. He was born in 1842, the second son of Baron Lionel de Rothschild. At one time he was a director of the Bank of England.

Runaway Freight Kills Three Men.

Pottsville, Pa.—Three tramen were killed, one probably fatally injured and five others slightly hurt as a result of the running away of a freight train. The train plunged into another freight train.

Captured American Dies.

Ottawa, Ont.—The following names of Americans appear in the casualty list: Reported died through German sources: J. A. Murphy, Ridgeway, Pa. Presumed to have died: W. Albert, Wildrose, N. D.

Army Camp Town Votes Dry.

Ayer, Mass.—By an overwhelming majority the citizens of this town, influenced by the fact that the Seventy-sixth division of the national army is here, voted against the sale of intoxicating liquors.

NEXT WAR LOAN TO COME IN APRIL

McADOO PLANS TO RAISE SUM BEFORE ISSUING NEW SECURITIES.

NEW DRIVE NOW UNDER WAY

Loans From Banks Solicited and Individual Subscribers Must Make Up Deficiency—Will Bear 4 Per Cent Interest.

Washington.—Three billion dollars will be raised in advance of the third Liberty loan, which probably will be launched in April, by sale of certificates of indebtedness under a plan looking to systematic investment by every bank in these short-term securities.

A comparative scheme for preparing the way for the third loan, announced by Secretary McAdoo, provides for the issuance of \$500,000,000 or more of these certificates every two weeks until the total reaches \$3,000,000,000 by the middle of March. Every national bank, state bank and trust company is asked to set aside each week about 1 per cent of its gross resources for investment in the certificates.

Will Bear 4 Per Cent Interest.

The first of the \$500,000,000 certificate issues under this plan was announced. They will bear 4 per cent, the same rate as other recent issues, and will be dated Feb 5 to mature on May 5. Subscription books are to close Feb 15. The certificates of this and other future issues will be received eventually in payment of Liberty loan receipts.

The secretary's plan calls for the loan by banks, big and little, of the three-billion aggregate of certificate issues before the real Liberty loan campaign starts. By this means that sum would be guaranteed in the Liberty loan drive. The difference between that sum and the total of the Liberty loan would have to come largely from individual private subscribers.

LARGE MOVEMENT OF TROOPS

War Secretary Cautious in Testifying Before Senate Military Affairs Committee.

Washington.—America had many more men in France Jan. 1 than the original schedule called for.

This was the statement of Secretary of War Baker when he again took the stand for cross-examination before the senate military affairs committee.

Mr. Baker was extremely cautious in his answers to the bombardment of questions. The hearing was marked by much fencing and wrangling.

NORWAY BETWEEN TWO FIRES

Fears War With Germany if She Accedes to Demands Made by the United States.

Christiania, Norway.—Norway is unwilling to comply with America's proposals for cessation of trading with Germany, but wishes to retain her commercial relations with the United States.

The following official announcement was made: "Norway cannot break commercial relations with one belligerent without imperiling its neutrality. There is no doubt that the United States and the allies will understand Norway's difficult situation. We justly claim we should not do without bread and are thus confronted with the alternative of complete distress or an agreement that might endanger our neutrality and possibly expose the country to war."

FRAUD CHARGED TO PACKERS

Said to Have Combined to Defeat Ends of Justice—Safes to Be Broken Open.

Chicago.—Combination of the five big packers to defraud the United States government in furnishing supplies for the army and navy is charged in a federal search and seizure warrant under which federal trade commission investigators began probing documents found in the vaults of Swift & Co.'s attorneys.

Wilson & Co., Swift & Co., Armour & Co., Morris & Co. and Cudahy & Co. are named as guilty of collusive bidding on government contracts. Swift & Co. are charged with a felony in storing foods, limiting the supply and affecting the price. Making of false entries is also charged.

Commission agents called for lock smiths to open the doors of a small safe found in the vaults of Henry Veeder, Swift's attorney, which is believed to hold important documents.

Lost Diamonds Found.

Washington.—Diamonds valued at \$8,000 were fished out of a sewer near a street corner where they had been hidden. They had disappeared while in transit from Detroit to Baltimore.

Fourteenth Child Born.

Washburn, Wis.—Boy, page Col Roosevelt! Mr. and Mrs. Charles Plaisance, who live near here, are the parents of a baby boy whose arrival has increased the number of their children to 14. There are nine boys and five girls.

NEURALGIA

Eight Sons in War. Pilot Rock, Ore., is proud of the Belts family. There are eight boys. Three of them are in France with Pershing, three are in the navy helping Uncle Sam hunt submarines, and two are in the Aviation corps. Mrs. Henry Belts is the mother.

"Cold in the Head"

In an acute attack of Nasal Catarrh, People who are subject to frequent "colds in the head" will find that the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will build up the system, cleanse the blood and render them less liable to colds. Repeated attacks of Acute Catarrh may lead to Chronic Catarrh. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is taken internally and acts through the blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. ALL Druggists Sell. Testimonials Free. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will not cure F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Woman—"Cannot you find something to do?" Tramp—"Lady, I'm as incompetent as a crowned head, honest."

Dodd's Kidney Pills Benefit Mother and Son

This letter from Mrs. L. D. Bohrer, of Cabot, Mo., should convince all who suffer from kidney or bladder trouble that Dodd's Kidney Pills and only Dodd's are what they should use for immediate relief. "For nine years I suffered with heart disease and bladder inflammation. At times I was tired, nervous and irritable and became really exhausted. "I secured no relief until I took Dodd's Kidney Pills. After taking two boxes of these pills my health was so much improved that I bought four more boxes. I am still feeling fine and am working hard every day as usual. My bladder trouble has been cured and my kidneys are all right. I took a few of these pills and says they have cured him, and thinks they are the best. I am going to send out several boxes if I don't want to be without them in the house." "Who persons like Mrs. Bohrer, except a substitute for the old, genuine Dodd's Kidney Pills, their remedial qualities are too well known to thousands of users who have saved themselves from the ravages of kidney troubles by the timely use of this famous old remedy."

Sir Joshua, Perhaps. Mrs. Newrich—Me and John have had our portraits painted by four American artists, and not one of them is satisfactory. After the war we intend to go abroad and see what the old masters can do.—Boston Evening Transcript.

Could Cause Headache and Get Kidney Trouble. LITTLE'S ANKER-PINKETTES require the same. There is only one. "Beano" quality. B. W. S. O. V. V. signature on box. 10c.

Unthought of. "Was Van Goutro's death unexpected?" "Oh, quite! Dolly had refused him only the day before."

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR.

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 1/2 oz. of glycerine. Any druggist can get this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and make it soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off. Adv.

Indefinite. "Do you believe in the power of mind over matter?" "What matter?" "Oh, never mind what matter!"

Watch Your Skin Improve.

On rising and retiring gently smear the face with Cuticura Ointment. Wash off Ointment in five minutes with Cuticura Soap and hot water. For free sample address "Cuticura, Dept. X, Boston." At druggists and by mail, Soap 25, Ointment 25 and 50.—Adv.

On the Suwanee.

"Could you swim a mile on a bet, Pat?" "I could—if the bet was a fence rail."—Chicago Daily News.

COVETED BY ALL

but possessed by few—a beautiful head of hair. If yours is streaked with gray, or is harsh and stiff, you can restore it to its former beauty and luster by using "La Creole" Hair Dressing. Price \$1.00.—Adv.

His Limit. "Does your son do you proud, Mr. Charles Cashit?" "No; he just does me."

The goodness of some natures cooes so impressively as the gum on a peach tree.