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No matter what goes wrong, c'est la guerre.

Tobolsk spells isolation for one crowned head.

Complete reciprocity with Canada after the war is our prediction.

Bears stop train—newspaper heading. Can it be another Wall street hold up?

The Italians are hurrying as if they wanted to accomplish much before the snow flies.

That Stockholm Socialist congress, like the Olympic games, should be postponed till after the war.

The American troops in France have taken their first trench—in practice battle against the French.

Conditions on the several fronts have been anything but peaceful since the premature peace proposal of Pope Benedict.

Old prohibition keeps pace with the army in increased size and strength. Down in Maine whiskey has reached the price of \$5 a quart.

The German offer of autonomy to Alsace-Lorraine is only another of the many things Germany has promised in her mad desire to get all she can herself.

One vaguely wonders now and then how much of its grip on business the federal government is ever going to relax.—Boston Transcript.

And the wonder will continue to grow.

The fifty-first encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in Boston this week has raised the spirit of more than one youth who has been debating with himself the right and wrong of the present international struggle.

The New England soldiers are only getting a very small taste of the many discomforts of war. The present shifting of men from unit to unit in order to make the American regiment conform in size to that of the French and British.

Twenty-four years in one pastorate is the record of Rev. Henry H. Shaw of Marlboro, due probably, to the fact that Rev. Mr. Shaw is of sturdy Vermont stock, he having been born in Barnet in 1837.

Maryland has commenced a task that might well be undertaken in every state of the union. Monday the circuit clerks of the counties and the cities threw open their books to list idlers. Every man between the ages of 18 and 50 years is required to register if he is without definite employment and a federal agency is to furnish jobs for all registered. Not only will the state be capitalizing its non-producers but it will be doing the nation a war-time service by helping to maintain its fighting forces.

Dr. Wardell Styles of the public health service has discovered marked evidences of hookworm among recruits at a government reservation and urges prompt discharge or treatment of those men affected. Forty-seven out of 75 recruits were found to be infected by the hookworm parasites upon investigation. It is pointed out that there is grave danger of a widespread epidemic of the disease if even mild cases are imported into France. Here is another thing Uncle Sam's doctors must add to the long list of ailments of one sort or another that must be kept out of the army.

The words of Russian Ambassador Boris A. Bakhmetief, delivered in Boston yesterday upon the occasion of the arrival of the Russian war mission, should be read by everyone, for they are highly reassuring. The ambassador described Kerensky as merely the moving spirit of the new government, declaring that he was not alone but the center of a powerful co-operative group having the confidence of the whole people. Bakhmetief points to the lack of such serious bloodshed as attended the French revolution as a sign that Russia has profited by the experiences of the past, and says that things have gone quicker and altogether better in Russia. He also predicts occasional bloodshed and temporary reverses for the new republic, but nothing that will serve to set up again the old-time anarchy. Speaking of Russia's part in the war, he declares Russia has no thought of separate peace but that she is fighting for the fundamental principles of her democracy, and would that the world were better by it. Poland is to be united and independent, said the ambassador, and a constitutional convention will also decide on the relation of Russia and Finland.

Murmurs are heard from Fort Ethan Allen, the indistinct grumbling of the men who were not taken with the 1st Vermont. Some of these men are disgruntled because they feel that they are to be transferred to non-com jobs in the new national army and like a good many other people they cannot help consider-

ing such a transfer as degrading. The sooner they overcome this feeling the better. The national army promises to be an organization that may well show up the regulars and the National Guard before the war comes to a close. Both of these organizations, while well versed in army tactics, have a great many things to learn all over. It will be noted that the regulars in France are not being shoved into the front line with any great alacrity but are undergoing as stiff a course of instruction in the methods of modern trench warfare as though they were raw recruits. And many phases of this new instruction are directly opposed to the manner of doing things already learned by these regulars. Bayonet drill is a conspicuous example. With the national army these things will not have to be learned over but will be acquired properly from the start. As everyone knows, it is easier to learn a thing from the start than to unlearn and begin all over.

Not all Germans in this country are as outspoken as Captain Hugo Frerichs of San Pedro, Cal. His, too, is the tolerant sort of declaration, as the following excerpt from a letter of his to Henry Howard, director of recruiting for the United States shipping board, well shows. Frerichs writes:

"I grew up on the big Atlantic liners which are interned in New York and vicinity, and know every rivet, wrinkle and behavior of these boats. Therefore it is needless to say that I was a German; but I shall do my duty to this country and fight German aristocracy and liberate human beings from blue-blooded rulers put on thrones by birthright. "If you need my services as master, I am willing to do my duty to my country—the U. S. A.—but if you can't trust me to perform the duties of master for reasons which I will understand (my German origin), I may be useful to show American masters how to handle those ships to the best advantage, as I grew up with them."

Such an offer should be well investigated, as it doubtless will be by Director Henry Howard. Frerichs holds an unlimited masters' license, any ocean, and is well acquainted with European and United States seaports. Naturally his offer is open to suspicion in these times but it has the proper ring to it, something too often lacking in the statements of so many of his countrymen resident in the United States.

WILLIAMSTOWN

In giving a very enjoyable concert last Saturday evening, the band was fortunate in having the assistance of Messrs. Gilbertson and Estabrook of Barre and Messrs. McDermont, Goodheart and Thayer of Randolph.

Frank Downs and family went to Bakerville last Sunday, where Mrs. Downs and the children will remain for a few days as the guests of her mother, Mrs. Morse. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tripp and Mr. and Mrs. Adna B. Downs also made the trip, returning the same day.

The village schoolhouse is being re-enchanted this summer by Frank Godfrey, Henry Poole and Leslie Savery. The shingles removed were originally laid when the house was built in 1893.

Supt. C. R. Beeman is in Binghamton, N. Y., the home of his parents. Mr. Beeman was accompanied by his wife and daughter, Elizabeth, and by Mrs. Beeman's sister, Miss Mary Payne, of Chicago.

A very interesting community service was held last Sunday evening, which was addressed by Rev. Fraser Metzger of Randolph, whose remarks were based in part on his experience as a member of the committee of public safety, and he emphasized the need of a clear vision, wide sympathy and high ideals, to guide the action of men in the present crisis of the world's history. He was listened to with close attention. Several familiar hymns were sung at the beginning of the service, also a duet by James H. Walbridge and Richard Jeffords.

Miss Rachel Bruce, R. N., of Burlington, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Bruce.

Miss Lucy Abbott, who was with her brother, James Abbott, in Washington, D. C., last winter, is the guest of Mrs. Laura Walker.

A lot of household goods, the property of Alven M. Smith, Walter E. Granger and others, is to be sold at auction at the town hall next Saturday at 1 o'clock. Hiram S. Drury will act as auctioneer.

Miss Mildred Greason, who has been visiting relatives in Marshfield for some ten days past, is expected to return home to-day.

Mrs. Otto Edson had the misfortune to sprain her knee several days ago, obliging her to use crutches for a time. She is now better of her injury.

Mrs. Diantha Sanders, who has been in Bristol for several days on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Hoyt, has returned to her home.

Mrs. George Marr returned last week from Thetford Mines, P. Q., where she had been for several weeks with relatives.

WAITSFIELD

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Tucker went Monday to Lincoln.

Miss Cleora O. Morse of Portland, Me., called in town Saturday to see her cousin, Rev. W. A. Remele.

Miss Grace Reed Joslyn of New York City is spending a few weeks at her home here.

Miss Josie Trask had a party Friday evening at her home in East Warren, at which Julia and Charles Neill, Margaret Marshall, Schuyler Berry and Clarence Tucker were present.

Mrs. Joseph H. Wallace and daughter, Jean, who have been at G. W. Wallis', returned Monday to their home in New Boohelle, N. Y.

Mrs. Nettie Martin is visiting Mrs. Hartshorn in Montpelier.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Joslyn and Miss Jessica Joslyn were in Montpelier Sunday to see their son, Harry, at Heaton hospital.

D. H. Skinner was in Montpelier Monday.

Mrs. P. R. Joslyn spent Monday in Montpelier.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

"WHAT WE HAVE WE HOLD."

Corporal Thompson Writes Another Letter to The Times While He is Mending in England.

Editor Times: Just a short letter to The Times to let you know that every little is going Jake over here, in the meantime. Well, I have just got back from a baseball game, and it was a very fast game, too. We have some very fast games here lately, as there are a lot of the boys are old timers at the game, and they can play it, too, after all the hardships they have gone through. We have also formed a league here in this camp and all the teams have a full outfit.

It reminds me of old times up at the Goddard campus or at the Rangers' field on Berlin street. Gee! I wish it was, as I could do with a walk up the main stem or a snake around the horn, now, as it looks good to me from the road. Believe me, one may get fed up of little Barre, but I am sure it will do me when I get back. When that is, I don't know, but I hope it won't be long.

Well, the boys from the U. S. A. want to bring their baseball outfits with them when they come over, and then we can have some great old games between the United States and Canadians here in England, if they have the luck to land in Blighty before going to the land of Hell. Or, even in France, they can have a few games if they get shoulder to shoulder with another in the line. Well, there is a game at Lords this afternoon in the smoke (better known as London) between two good teams, Canada vs. U. S. A. Each team represents its country, so I hope the U. S. boys show them a thing or two.

Well, I was just wondering what kind of a sensation I would have to run across some of the old faces once again here or over in whiz bang country (France), better known as "Hell" to the troops. I know what it is to meet a pal from the home town, as I experienced the sensation when I met two other Barre boys, one in camp, Private Duthie, and one in Hastings, Private Beattie, but I don't know what kind of a sensation it will be meeting a bunch of the boys together. I hope to run across some of them, but not in France, as it is too hot there for me. But I expect to be sent back again any time now. Whenever they do, I shall go back with the same heart as I did the last time.

We all said that we wouldn't let the allies' flags fall and we mean to keep them flying forever and ever, and also we have to keep our spirits up. If we let them fall, of course, then the flags will fall. So our motto is, "What we have, we hold," and we are going to hold them both and look for more than we have—Victory.

And I am sure that is the way with the Vermont boys. They may come from a Green Mountain state, but they are not so green as they are cabbage looking, and they are going to show old Fritz that, some of these bright days on the western front, when they send over some

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iron rations for his breakfast with a label on them from Jack's restaurant or the Hole in the Wall. And, believe me, there will be a hole in his wall when the boys from the U. S. A. or God's country, as we call it, open up on old Fritz. Well, I think I had better stop, or you will have to print a special for this. So the very best of luck to the Barre boys in the future, from an old-timer, a Barre boy.

Lance Corporal G. Thomson, Canadian battalion, England.

MORETOWN

A son, Edward James, was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Tanner Saturday, Aug. 18.

Miss Ethel Huntoon of Plainfield was a guest at S. E. Atkins' over Sunday.

Mrs. Laura Mier returned last week from a two months' stay with her daughter, Mrs. George Thompson, in Calais.

James Flynn of Fort Ethan Allen is at home on a week's furlough.

A. J. Neill and family visited relatives in Randolph Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. Howard Haylett of Hartford, Conn., are guests of Dr. James Haylett.

Miss Ruby Clark of Montreal, P. Q., is visiting at the home of W. H. Clark, her uncle.

Miss Mildred Graves of Apponaug, R. I., was a guest at B. S. Ward's several days last week.

Miss Maud Johnson of Montpelier is spending a two weeks' vacation at her home in town.

The large barn on what is known as the Flanagan place on south hill, owned



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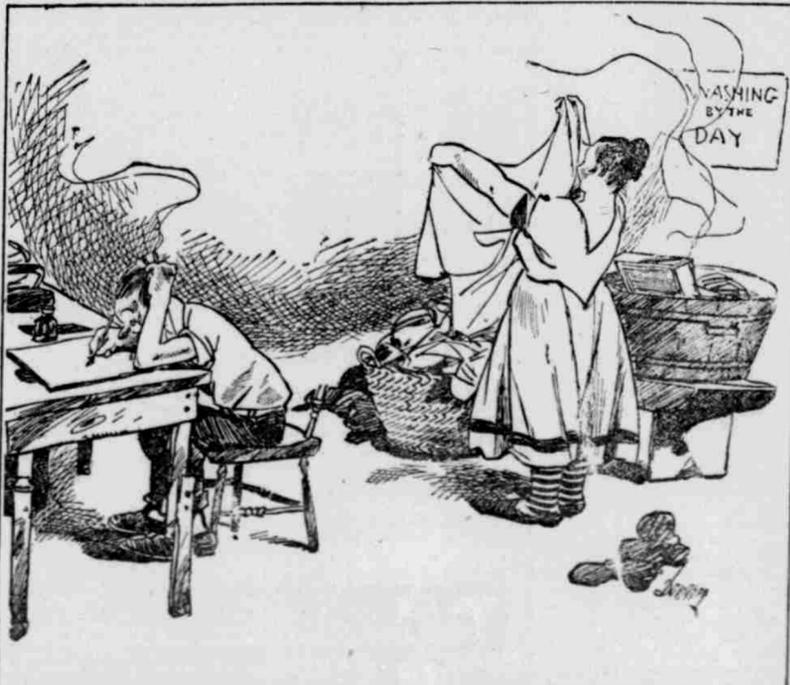
by the Ward Lumber company, was struck by lightning and burned during the severe storm Monday evening. All the stock, with the exception of one calf, was saved. The farm was a modern structure, built only a short time ago. Jesse Shonio of Fayston has moved into F. H. Bulkeley's tenement and is to work for Mr. Bulkeley.

Manners.

How patient is the Peri-od, And oh, how nicely bred. Because it never interrupts Till everything is said. —Christian Intelligencer.

How different the Paren-the-ais, Its rudeness is a crime, It never waits till all is said, But butts in every time. —Boston Transcript.

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—Donahy in Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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