

BELGIAN VILLAGERS DRIVEN FROM HOME BY BOMBARDMENT



COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

Belgian villagers leaving their homes in a small hamlet near the front because the enemy has opened a bombardment and if they stay their lives are in danger. They may on their return find nothing but a pile of debris. When the residents of the hamlet evacuate they carry with them as much of their valuable belongings as possible.

RUSSIAN PRESS STILL ATTACKS GREAT BRITAIN

London, Jan. 8.—There is no indication so far of the manner in which Premier Lloyd-George's declaration of war aims has been received in Russia, or even whether his speech has been published there. The Bolshevik press of Petrograd continues to attack Great Britain and her allies.

The Pravda and the Izvestia published on Sunday an article based on some words of Mr. Lloyd-George, apparently one of his speeches in the house of commons, accusing him of desiring to have the Russians make peace with the Central Powers so as to give the Allies a free hand to negotiate to their own advantage. Other Allied leaders have expressed themselves similarly, the article says it continues.

"The Allies are preparing their public for peace, and think that if Russia was forced to come to terms with the enemy she, and not the Allies, would bear the cost of peace. The greater sacrifices Russia makes, the less the Allies will have to pay. They could reach the same result by joining in the peace negotiations, but in that case it would be apparent that they had betrayed Poland, Lithuania, Courland and Rumania, using Russia as a small change to pay these debts. By forcing Russia to make peace and allow Germany to subjugate the Poles, etc., they can blame Russia and clear themselves in the eyes of their own people. . . . The plan of the Allied imperialists to prepare peace with the German imperialists at the expense of Poland,

URGE NAVIGATION SCHOOLS FOR ALL STATES OF NATION

New York, Jan. 8.—Establishment of state nautical schools similar to those in Massachusetts and New York is urged in a letter which, it was announced here today, the National Marine League of the United States has sent to the governors of 43 states. States unable to establish their own schools, the letter suggests, might provide scholarships for their residents in schools of other state; or provision might be made by two states for a joint school.

MEASLES AT CAMP

Members of Co. F, 39th infantry, at Camp Devens, Mass., have been placed under quarantine owing to an outbreak of measles, the first visitation of the kind at this camp. Most of the members of the company come from Waterbury.

MOLLAN'S SALE

A sale, to sift out extra pairs of women's up-to-date boots, is in progress at Mollan's. A large per cent is deducted from the price, of a variety of boots of first class material, workmanship and style. These boots are in no way inferior. It is imperative that room be made for full lines. The boots included, are at three separate prices; there is never any question as to value; the occasional sales at 102 1/2 Main St., always mean real bargains.

PRESIDENT TO ALLOW \$30,000 FOR FISHERIES

Washington, Jan. 8.—An appropriation of \$30,000 has been turned over to the bureau of fisheries by President Wilson from his emergency defense fund for promoting the use of new fish foods. The appropriation was recommended by Secretary Redfield and Food Administrator Hoover. Secretary Redfield said today that approximately 25,000 tons of new fish foods already have been sold as a result of propaganda by the department of commerce, costing less than \$15,000.

FRENCH PUPILS TO ADOPT U. S. ORPHAN BABES

Paris, Jan. 8.—Children of the public schools of Paris have sent circulars to the schools of America, asking them to subscribe one cent each for the adoption of American war orphans. The movement was started at the Bercy school in Paris, in recognition of the action of American school children in adopting French war orphans.

MAYOR ABSENT

Alderman Robert N. Blakeslee, in the absence of the mayor, presided at the Common Council meeting last night and being prompted along by City Clerk J. A. H. Robinson managed to get through the session without much difficulty.

BRIDGEPORT OLD FOLKS TAKE HEART

They renew their youth with fresh courage and quickened spirit. It is a pleasure to see the way they have come back and in such a short time, too.

They are all loud in praise of Phosphated Iron, the new wonder nerve and blood tonic. As one "old-timer" said, "I could fairly feel it putting the 'Peep' and 'kick' in my run-down, old body. I was worn out, all in and thought I was on my last legs, but a tonic and bracer to put me on my feet and get me going again. 'Believe me, Phosphated Iron is the goods and say, it made a new woman of my wife, too. We will never be without it in our house.' Honest physicians will tell you that Phosphates and Iron are the best tonics and health builders for the aged, nervous and run down. It increases the quantity and quality of blood. It makes thin, poor blood rich, red and new. Rich, red blood pumped through the veins drives out poison and carries health, strength and vigor to every part of the body. If you are run down, all in, lost your nerve, take a brace, get next to yourself and try Phosphated Iron. It really does what it claims. It will not disappoint you, you can't go wrong on this tip. Ask the man or woman who has tried it. Good doctors and druggists prescribe it. To insure physicians and their patients getting the genuine Phosphated Iron it is put up in capsules only. Do not allow dealers to give you pills or tablets. Insist on capsules. Handle Drug Stores and leading druggists everywhere.—Adv.



Sliding along!

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AMERICAN HARDWARE STORES

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STRATFORD

(Special to The Farmer)

Stratford, Jan. 8.—The people of Stratford living on the outskirts of the town have been without mail for the past week. This is, however, not due to any fault of Stratford's postmaster, William B. Bristol. Many complaints have been received, and much gossip is being heard about the supposed negligence of the local post office.

Francis Moore, who has been the rural letter carrier ever since Benjamin Smith resigned to become a patrolman nearly three months ago, is very ill at his home, Nichols avenue suffering from a cold. He will be confined to his home for a few weeks. The rural delivery district of Stratford embraces a territory of 23 miles and it is the duty of the rural letter carrier to at least reach all the boxes once a day. The territory extends from Putney to Lordship Meadows. Of late many of the town's roads have been impassable and it is impossible during such extreme zero weather that has just left us to cover any such district.

Postmaster Bristol has been endeavoring for the last few days to procure a man to act as a temporary mail carrier until Moore's return but up to the present writing has been unsuccessful.

Water Main Burst

One thousand pupils of the Center and Stratford High school were forced to take an extended vacation yesterday and today as the result of the four-inch water main freezing on Saturday night and the water pipes in the school bursting. The entire lower floor was flooded. A score of plumbers were at work yesterday making repairs and patching up the bursted pipes. Supt. C. Claire Thompson of the public schools said today that the school would be closed until further notice. The damage done will be in the neighborhood of \$500.

Okenuck Installation

The annual installation of officers of the Okenuck tribe of Red Men took place Monday evening at the wigwam, Church street. District Deputy O'Hara of Milford and the degree team of the Ansatawaw tribe of Milford officiated. An entertainment and supper followed the installation ceremonies at which about 100 were present despite the inclement weather. The following officers elected a week ago were installed: Sachem, William Hart, senior sagamore, Howard Dillon; junior sagamore, Wesley Morrison; prophet, Arthur Dennison; chief of records, Herbert Doolittle; collector of wampum, Andrew Eaton; keeper of wampum, Everett L. Beardsley; trustee for three years, John O'Brien, chief of music Harry Baldwin. The other trustees who will serve with Mr. O'Brien are George Fairchild and George Spall.

High School Five Defeated

In a one-sided contest, the Alumni quintet of the Stratford High school defeated the Varsity school five Saturday evening at Tuttle's auditorium by the score of 43 to 17. Risberg started for the Alumni and Follett and Carpenter for the losers. The lineup of both teams was as follows:

- ALUMNI: S. H. S. Clinton Left Forward Wilson Hale Right Forward Carpenter Hiseberg Center Taylor Richardson Left Guard Follett Wheeler Right Guard Graham Goals from the floor: Alumni, Clinton 7, Hale 3, Risberg 8, Wheeler 2; S. H. S., Wilson 3, Carpenter 4. Fouls: Alumni: Clinton 2, Hale 1; S. H. S., Wilson 2, Taylor 1.

In the preliminary game, the Stratford High school girls' team defeated the second team by the score of 24 to 16. Both games were poorly attended, about 50 persons being present.

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church will be held Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Sarah Smith, Main street.

Ill With Tonsillitis

Mary Howland, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. DeRuyter Howland is ill at her home East Broadway and Main street with tonsillitis.

Personals

Mr. Edward P. Bullard and son, Edward have left to spend the winter in Florida.

Court Cases

Frank Detasco of Stratford was arraigned before Deputy Judge Frank E. Blakeman in the Stratford town court Saturday evening charged with hunting game without a license. He was assessed \$22.

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TIN PAN ALLEY FACES SHORTAGE OF AGATE WARE

Thirty Per Cent. of Tin Ware Production for Army and Navy Use.

Some idea of the enormous demands which the war is making on the country's "peace" industries may be gained from the fact that of the total output of the American enameled, galvanized and tin ware utensils, more than one-fourth is now being diverted to military hospital and camp uses. A particularly heavy demand for enameled ware in the hospitals is noted.

This observation is made from a canvass of some of the larger manufacturers of kitchen and other household wares, who employ thousands of men and women workers and whose output totals more than \$30,000,000 a year.

Securing the raw materials necessary to keep the enameled ware industry at highest efficiency is the principal concern of the makers. They point out the obvious fact that it is more economical, for instance, to keep a plant at work with 1,000 employees than 100, and that scarcity of materials is practically the only barrier to maximum operation in the future.

Government requisitions for enameled, galvanized and tin ware utensils in almost every branch of army life are being received in increasing numbers. The variety of demands which the early days of the war have made upon this single industry gives some idea of the complexity of war preparedness work. A principal service of the wares seems to be the maintenance of sanitation in the food supply and general living conditions. Dust pans, navy buckets, used for individual laundry and bathing tubs on land and sea; fry pans, ash cans, measures and dish pans are only a few of the items needed in large quantities. It is said to be a frequent occurrence for these makers to estimate on such requisitions as 200,000 pie plates, 20,000 dish pans, or 30,000 measures. Manufacturers predict that the present rate of twenty-five to thirty per cent. of their business for distinct war uses will continue for many months to come.

BRITISH BEGIN SALVAGE SCHEME

London, Jan. 8.—A huge scheme of salvage which is expected to save Great Britain \$500,000,000 a year, is about to be put into operation under a board of 12 army experts, for the purpose of collecting and bringing back from France the whole of the war material that has been lying there unused or half used, and re-making it for the army. In this fashion enormous quantities of copper, steel, and various commodities, which otherwise would need to be brought from the United States, will be made available, costing a large saving in tonnage.

There are dumps in France so extensive that it will take a thousand men weeks to remove them. The task will be undertaken systematically and spread over a period long enough to avoid any strain on labor at the front.

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EARL READING IS APPOINTED TO AMBASSADORSHIP

Washington, Jan. 8.—Combination of the three separate functions that have been exercised by as many different agencies, diplomatic, financial and war supply, is the purpose of the appointment of Earl Reading as British ambassador in Washington to succeed Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, as the situation is understood by government officials here.

Some confusion has followed the independent operations of the Northcliffe war mission, the technical military and naval attaches' bureau and the diplomatic bureaus of the embassy proper. It has been found difficult for these separate commissions and agencies to transact their business with the state department, the war and navy departments and the treasury department here without overlapping and confusion.

PEACE DELEGATE GROUPS MEET AT BREST-LITOVSK

London, Jan. 8.—The Russian peace delegation, including Foreign Minister Trotsky, reached Brest-Litovsk on Monday for the reopening of negotiations that afternoon, according to a Berlin dispatch to Copenhagen.

AMSTERDAM, JAN. 8.—Count Adam Tarnowski Von Tarnow, according to a dispatch to the Berlin Tageblatt, has been appointed an Austrian delegate to the peace conference in Brest-Litovsk. The count was named ambassador to the United States last spring, but was never officially received by the American government.

"MAY WE DEFEAT AMERICANS," SAYS KING OF BAVARIA

Amsterdam, Jan. 8.—King Ludwig of Bavaria is quoted in a Munich dispatch as having said yesterday, at a reception on his birthday, that the terms of Germany's enemies were exorbitant. "Not an inch of German territory will be given up," he declared. "We must try to safeguard our frontiers." Asserting that the Bavarians, like the other Germans, were victorious everywhere, the king added: "May we succeed also in defeating our latest enemies, the Americans."

KENTUCKY SALOONS MEET TO VOTE ON LIQUOR MEASURE

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 8.—Faced with the necessity of making a decision which probably will decide for many years the state's future course toward prohibition, the Kentucky legislature convened in biennial session here today.

Most of the new members, among whom are all the members of the house of representatives and one half the membership of the senate, were nominated and elected on a pledge to submit to the voters of the state a prohibition amendment to the state constitution.

FUNERAL BOUQUET AND DESIGNS JOHN RECK & SON

STEPNEY

Mr. and Mrs. Boughton Noble are receiving congratulations over the birth of a daughter last week.

Mrs. Edson Hayes is quite ill at her home. Dr. George Smith is in attendance.

In spite of the cold weather a large representation of the local firemen attended the smoker given on Thursday evening.

Misses Ella Beyer and Marjorie Conners, who have been occupying part of Miss M. E. Seely's house, moved on Monday to M. E. Hawley's house.

Miss Jennie Seawright is caring for Mrs. Banks Goodsell, who continues quite ill.

Miss Grace Frederick has spent a few days with her mother in New Haven.

On Saturday evening a farewell party was given to Miss Ella Beyer, who leaves this week for her home in Sherman. The affair was a complete surprise to Miss Beyer and games were the chief diversion of the evening. Sandwiches, cake and coffee were served at the close of the evening.

Mrs. Charles Sherman of New Haven is spending some time at the home of her mother.

Several persons in this vicinity have been unfortunate enough to lose a portion of their potatoes and other vegetables stored in their cellars during the prolonged cold spell of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gilbert of Newtown, have spent a few days at the home of Milton B. Hawley.

Mrs. Roy Turner has been confined to the house for a few days with a slight attack of the grippe.

GLOVE FACTORY BURNED

Gloversville, N. Y., Jan. 8.—The Ray Hubbell Co. glove factory in Northville, N. Y., was destroyed early today by a fire that originated in the boiler room, with a loss of \$30,000. Three hundred employes were thrown out of work.

MILLIONS USE IT TO STOP A COLD

"Pape's Cold Compound" ends severe colds or grippe in few hours. Relief comes instantly. A dose taken every two hours until three doses are taken will end grippe misery and break up a severe cold either in the head, chest, body or limbs. It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages in the head, stops nasty discharge or nose running, relieves sick headaches, dullness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness. Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffing! Ease your throbbing head! Nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Pape's Cold Compound," which costs only a few cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, causes no inconvenience. Be sure you get the genuine.—Adv.

Hothouse's GREAT JANUARY SALE IS NOW ON The Big Merchandising Event of the Year. Come and share in this great Profit Sharing Sale while the opportunity is offered you. The sooner you come the better your choice. \$6 for \$5 THIS TIME On almost everything in the store. (Exceptions noted below.) \$6 worth of goods for every \$5 cash you pay. On our entire magnificent new line of Furniture for the home, our beautiful new line of Rugs, Carpets, Linoleum, Lace Curtains, Drapery Fabrics, Portieres, Couch Covers, Pictures, Refrigerators, Springs, Mattresses, Pillows, Baby Carriages, Sulkies, Strollers, etc. Just Think! Your money lays in the bank five years to make what you get here at once during this remarkable sale. \$12 value for \$10 \$120 value for \$100 \$ 600 value for \$ 500 \$30 value for \$25 \$240 value for \$200 \$ 960 value for \$ 800 \$60 value for \$50 \$360 value for \$300 \$1200 value for \$1000 Yes! You really save more, because our regular prices are much lower now than they will be when we have to replace our present stock. 10% OFF FOR CASH During this sale only on Coal or Gas Ranges and Hoosier Kitchen Cabinets Exceptions Whittall new spring style rugs, office furniture, window shades and Bissell carpet sweepers are not reduced. SPECIAL 25% OFF Discontinued Patterns of Whittall and other makes of Rugs, Carpets, Linoleum, etc. 25 to 33 1-3 off odd lots of Furniture, Lace Curtains, Linoleum Remnants and Remnants of Furniture Coverings. PLEASE DON'T ASK US TO CHARGE IT At above reductions. We can't afford to. Your Purchase Will Be Reserved for Later Delivery for a Reasonable Time if Necessary. NO GOODS HELD UNLESS PAID FOR 1149 MAIN ST., CORNER ELM ST.