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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1917.
MR. CARVELL AT SARNIA.

Hon. F. B. Carvell, Minister of Public Works, clearly defined his position in a great speech at Sarnia on Wednesday. He said in part:
"Like my friend Pardee, I am as strong a Liberal as I ever was, and my gritism has never been doubted. I have exposed wrongs done. I have mercilessly set myself to the task. My opponents have called me the chief executioner but I have never made statements against a public man that I could not prove, and I have never attacked wrong doing unless I knew it to be wrong doing. How, then, can I work with men whose maladministration I have been attacking? You ask me that. It's a fair and proper question. My answer is that if the best interests of the country and the best interests of humanity can best be served in Canada by this war union, then in this stressful war crisis I am prepared to do what I could not otherwise do.

"The hardest blow that ever came to me was the severing on this issue with the wonderful statesman I have followed since boyhood. In his loyalty and good faith I have still the most profound confidence. He is the greatest of Canadians and his one idea is to do right, but I must follow my own convictions, not those of another. I part from him on this issue because I believe I am right. No man does these things without heartaches. Men and women, it can't be done without them."

Mr. Carvell declared that he had not changed his principles or his convictions one iota. "I believe today what I believed before. I have never been asked to abandon my convictions. I should have been insulted had I been asked to do so. Those of us who support the union government take that position because we believe that, with forces combined on war issues, we can more effectively do our part in carrying on the war."

There is no doubt that Hon. Mr. Carvell's influence in the union government will be for the good of the country. He thoroughly understands conditions and knows the remedy to be applied, and it will not be his fault if an effort is not made to bring about an improvement. Men of proved integrity and courage are needed today in the great council of the nation, and it will be generally admitted that Hon. Mr. Carvell measures up to the standard.

THE POTATO SITUATION.

Under the caption of "Robbing the Poor," the St. John Times publishes the following:

"This newspaper yesterday charged that the present boosting of the price of potatoes is robbing the poor. It desires to repeat that charge with all the emphasis possible. For it is true. There is no scarcity of potatoes. They are being bought by speculators or held by farmers for hold-up prices. The man who can afford it fills up his cellar and is safe, but the poor man, who buys from day to day or week to week, must bear the burden.

"The food controller should act at once in this matter. He should fix a maximum price. The moment he does speculation will stop, hoarding will stop, and the potatoes will come on the market. Let him fix the price high enough to assure the farmer a good profit and thus he will not discourage production. That was what was done in the case of wheat. There is now no speculation in flour and the farmers are getting more for their wheat than they asked when the question was first put up to them.

"So long as the price is not fixed, there will be speculation, a hold-up for higher prices, and a grinding of the faces of the poor. We see what happens in connection with the order about the sale of cereals in packages. Dealers who had loaded up in the hope of an advance in prices are caught, as they deserve to be. If the new government really means business it will take action in regard to the price of potatoes, and do it at once."

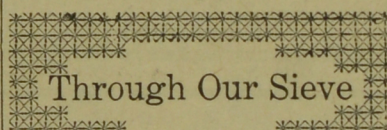
Potatoes are advancing steadily in price, and shippers, when asked for an explanation of this declare that the government reports are all wrong, that the crop was much lighter than generally supposed. There is no doubt that many large growers throughout the country are storing their potatoes with the hope that the price may go higher. The outlook is certainly not encouraging for the consumer.

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In a statement recently issued, Hon. G. H. Murray, Premier of Nova Scotia, says: "While it is my view to deal with the problems to arise in the further prosecution of the war and those growing out of it, the formation of the strongest central government that Canada can secure is required, I believe also that one of the greatest essentials to unity and harmony in this country today is the active and harmonious co-operation of the provincial administrations. This co-operation in war effort I unhesitatingly offered on behalf of the provincial government of Nova Scotia to any representative national government organized."

Quebec Telegraph: Lord Shaughnessy's appeal for loyalty toward the law as it now stands in the Military Service Act will find a ready response with all good Canadians, whatever their personal opinions may be of the policies and methods pursued by the government in enacting this law. The primary endeavor should not be the putting of the law into effect "with smoothness and impartiality," says Lord Shaughnessy. There must be no political jobbery in connection with it. While it is the law, criticism of policy and practice should be reserved, Lord Shaughnessy continues, until the war is over. It is illegal to say or do anything which will hinder the operation of the Act; all good citizens will therefore respect the law.

The campaign for Canada's Victory Loan will start this week. An energetic local committee has been appointed with Mr. J. D. Palmer as chairman, and will campaign for subscriptions in this section. The Victory Loan will afford a splendid opportunity for a profitable investment, and besides, those who subscribe for the bonds will be helping to win the war.



Reach your fist across the pond—
Swat the Kaiser—buy a bond!

Sawdust bread is old stuff. Battle Creek beat Germany to it years ago.

Confirmed invalids are either sick or wealthy.

Fredericton is the celestial city; Devon sounds like heaven; why not change Nashwaaksis to Paradise?

Old timers say the quality of beer being sold under license here indicates a mild and dry winter.

Worst thing about a party telephone line is that those who aren't listening want to talk all at once.

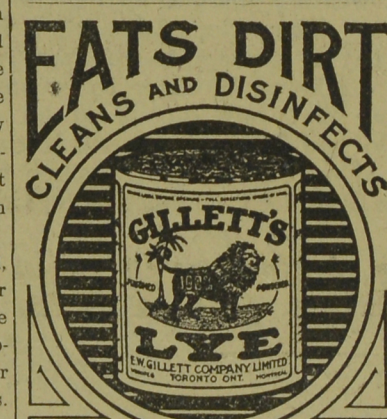
The Kaiser has suggested that the Bulgars start a drive. Another indication that he's about out of gasoline himself.

The partial shutdown on sugar offers a fine opportunity for those who would like to know how coffee, tea and cereals taste.

The food administration says that to abolish ice cream would raise the price of milk and that there is less waste in turning barley into beer than using it for feed. Oh, gee, what's the use!

Salads are the camouflage, says old Ivorydome by which women deceive themselves into the belief that they have had food.

Moncton Times: Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Nason and little son of Fredericton, are spending a few days with Mrs. Nason's mother, Mrs. George Lutes at Painsie Junction.



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MANY CLAIMS FOR TRIBUNALS TO CONSIDER

Less Than Ten per cent. of the Men Recently Examined in York and Sunbury are Ready to Serve.

There is every indication that Tribunal No. 54 which will sit in this city will have its time very fully occupied with the claims for exemption from military service. Of the men examined here before the medical boards today and Wednesday ninety-five per cent. are applying for exemption. The same is true of Sunbury county where the proportion of those applying is even greater. Up to noon today the examination of sixteen men had been completed. The classification is as follows: Class A2, 7; Class C3, 1; Class D3, 1; Class E, 7. Wednesday sixty-one men were before the medical board. They were classified as follows: Class A2, 30; Class B2, 5; Class C3, 4; Class D3, 1; Class E, 21. At Fredericton Junction yesterday thirty-five men were examined. The classification was as follows: Class A2, 21; Class B2, 4; Class D3, 1; Class E, 9.

HON. MR. CARVELL AT ST. JOHN

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
St. John, Oct. 26.—Hon. F. B. Carvell, Minister of Public Works, arrived here at noon today. Mr. Carvell said the construction of the extension of the Negrotown breakwater to Part-ridge Island in this harbor had been indefinitely postponed. It was a million dollar job. "We cannot spend on public works, however necessary," he said, "the money we need for shells."

THE N. Y. STOCK MARKET TODAY

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
New York, Oct. 26.—Wall street: Changes at the outset of today's stock market session were of the same irregular character as those recently noted. Shippings were among the more active features at gains of one to three points, and rails continue to sag, C. P. R. dropping two points. In the varied list of industrials, equipments, metals and specialties initial quotations were fractionally higher or lower on moderate transactions.

PERSONAL

Mrs. Percy P. Gunn of St. John, is in the city.
Mr. H. A. Murchie of St. Stephen, is at the Barker House.
Mr. A. M. Munce of Calais, Me., is a guest at the Barker House.
Mr. Henry D. Herschel of Montreal, is a guest at the Barker House.
Mr. J. E. McCord of Windsor, is in the city.
Mr. L. W. O'Connor of Galt, Ont., is among the commercial men at the Barker House.
Hon. P. J. Veniot of Bathurst, is a guest at the Queen.
Mr. N. M. Jones of St. John, is registered at the Queen today.

OPENING OF BOY'S CONFERENCE

(Continued from page 3.)
"bunch" singing the college sentimental and patriotic songs dear to the heart of youth.
Following this came an able address from Rev. P. R. Hayward, Baptist minister of Fairville, on the origin and aims of conferences, such as the present one which are now being held throughout all Canada. He emphasized the fact that the boys of today would be the strength or weakness of Canada in 1935 and begged all men present to prepare for it now.

Rev. Frank Langford.
A large portion of the evening was taken by the chairman, Rev. Frank Langford of Toronto, with an interesting exhibition of the charting of a boy according to modern methods along four essential lines of character, Intellectual, Physical, Religious and Social. The subject of the clinic, a boy of fourteen from Covered Bridge, answered the numerous questions necessary to obtain his chart line quite freely with occasionally necessary suggestions from his questioner. The purpose of this public exhibition of the character of a boy was to give a visual representation of the need of uniform development along the four lines specified and to illustrate the failures and tragedies of life which so often follow any great lack in one of those four essential qualities. Two striking illustrations were given—the first that of a university man of more than ordinary intellectual attainments who had failed along the line of physical development and for that reason had otherwise failed. The other was that of a criminal well developed intellectually and physically and fairly so socially, but failing absolutely along moral or religious lines. The meetings are being continued today, tomorrow and Sunday.

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