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PRESIDENT WILSON'S VIEWS.

President Wilson's speech outlining the war aims of the United States has the right ring to it, and is sure to meet with the hearty endorsement of the people of the Allied nations. He shows clearly that the United States is fighting to uphold the principles of democracy, and there will be no let up on the part of the government or people until German militarism is crushed and the freedom of the world assured. In referring to the peace negotiations now being carried on between the Ententes and Russians, the President said:

"But whatever the results of the parleys at Brest-Litovsk, whatever the confusions of council and of purpose in the utterances of the spokesman of the Central Empire, they have again challenged their adversaries to say what their war aims are and what sort of settlement they would deem just and satisfactory. There is no good reason why that challenge should not be responded to, and be responded to with the utmost candor. We did not wait for it. Not once, but again and again we have laid our whole thought and purpose before the world, not in general terms only, but each time with sufficient definition to make it clear what spirit of definite terms of settlement must necessarily spring out of them. Within the last week Mr. Lloyd George has spoken with admirable candor and in an admirable spirit for the people and government of Great Britain. There is no confusion of counsel among the adversaries of the Central Powers, no uncertainty of principle, no vagueness of details. The only security of counsel, the only lack of fearless frankness, the only failure to make direct statement of the objects of the war, lies with Germany and her allies.

"The issues of life and death hang upon these definitions. No statesman who has the least conception of his responsibility ought for a moment to permit himself to continue this tragedy and appalling outpouring of blood and treasure, unless he is sure beyond peradventure that the objects of the vital sacrifice are part and parcel of the very life of society and that the people for whom he speaks think them as right and imperative as he does.

"There is, moreover, a voice calling for these definitions of principle and of purpose which is, it seems to me, more thrilling and more complicated than any moving voice with which the troubled air of the world is filled. It is the voice of the Russian people. They are prostrated and all but helpless, it would seem, before the grim power of Germany, which has hitherto known no relenting and no pity. Their power apparently is shattered, and yet their soul is not subservient. They will not yield either in principle or in action. Their conception of what is right, of what is humane and honorable for them to accept, has been stated with a frankness, a largeness of faith, a generosity of spirit and a human sympathy which must challenge the admiration of every friend of mankind; and they have refused to compound their ideals or desert others through them.

"It will be our wish and purpose that the processes of peace, when they are begun, shall be absolutely open, and that they shall involve and permit henceforth no secret understandings of any kind. The day of conquest and aggrandizement is gone by; so also is the day of secret covenants entered into in the interests of particular governments and likely at some unlooked for moment to upset the peace of the world.

"We entered this war because of violations of right which touched us to the quick and made the life of our own people impossible unless they were corrected and the world secured once for all against their recurrence. What we demand in this war, therefore, is nothing peculiar to ourselves. It is

that the world be made fit and safe to live; and particularly that it be made safe for every peace-loving nation which, like our own, wishes to live its own life, determine its own institutions, be assured of justice and fair dealing by the other peoples of the world against selfish aggression."

The President's statement of war aims is in entire agreement with that presented by Mr. David Lloyd George a few days ago. It is a plain, business-like statement clearly setting forth the aims of the great American republic and also outlining a definite program for world peace. The United States has had no chief magistrate since the days of Lincoln who has shown a greater conception of his duties at a time of national crisis, and who has so worthily fulfilled public expectations.

The government which was removed from office in this province in April last was decidedly strong in boodle funds. In the election of 1912 the boodle fund totalled \$137,000, the bulk of which was supplied by Mr. A. R. Gould and others identified with the Valley Railway. The fund was so large that it could not all be expended and a goodly percentage of it, according to common report, went west to grow up with the country. At the last election, judging from information brought out by a Royal Commission, the boodle fund exceeded \$100,000, and as in the former case, the poor old Valley Railway had to provide the bulk of it.

The York Municipal Council a year ago appointed Mr. Gregory Feeney to the office of county solicitor. Mr. C. D. Richards was also an applicant for the position and gave Mr. Feeney a close run. This year the same two again lined up for the office, and Mr. Richards was an easy winner. There was no fault with the manner in which Mr. Feeney performed his duties, but it seems that he took a notion to change his politics during the year, and the knowing ones say that it was due to this fact that he lost his job.

The York County Council, at its recent session, took the necessary steps to make the act of last session relating to dogs, applicable to York county. The rigid enforcement of this act will undoubtedly be of great benefit to the sheep raising industry.

Hon. Andrew Broder, who for many years represented the County of Dundas, Ont., in the House of Commons, passed away last week at his home, aged 74. He had the reputation of being the best story-teller in Parliament.

Most of the coalition talk one hears these days emanates from sources close to the politicians who were hurled from power in April last.

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Through Our Sieve

One-half the world doesn't let his better half know how he lives.

Zero means nothing—except when you look at it on the thermometer and find it also in the coal bin.

Now if we can only convince that this mild spell means that spring is here, they'll begin to shell out the eggs.

Shed a tear at all the Bolsheviks are soon to learn about duplicity, scraps of paper and general moral obliquity.

If England had had the habit of knowing when it was licked, it would never have taken either Bagdad or Jerusalem.

If some women were not suspicious of their husbands they wouldn't have anything to worry about.

When a woman believes a man good enough for her, she knows that he is good enough for the best woman on earth.

Something is always taking the joy out of life. Now the ice is so thick it is going to be hard work to cut it—higher ice next summer.

Opinion is divided in civilized circles as to whether the Kaiser's new kissing stunt is a supreme sacrifice or a great adventure. Anyway, it's taking a long chance.

Three Matches Played. Three matches in the Managing Committee Series played last night at the Curling Rink resulted as follows: C. H. Weddall 14, N. Dougherty 11; F. P. Hatt 13, F. W. Porter 11; T. A. Wilson 13, A. S. McFarlane 5.

INSTALLATION BY ISLINGTON LODGE S.O.E.B.S.

Enjoyable Entertainment at the Lodge Room Last Night—Address by Returned Officer.

At the regular meeting of Islington Lodge, Sons of England Benefit Society, held last night the following officers were duly installed for the ensuing year, District Deputy A. D. Thomas acting as installing officer:

President, Fred Barnes.
Vice president, Sterling Brannen.
Chaplain, Rev. Dean Neales.
F. S. W. Raymond.
R. S. Ernest Bell.
Treas., John Bebbington, Sr.
Phys., Dr. H. H. McNally.

Committee men—
1st, Oscar Harris.
2nd, H. True.
3rd, C. Smith.

4th, W. Butcher.
5th, B. Cooper.
6th, W. Turvey.
I. G., A. H. Booth.
O. G., W. Cale.

After the installation refreshments were served and the following excellent program carried out, every number being encored:

Address of welcome, A. D. Thomas; piano solo, Joseph Oldham; reading, Warren Maxwell; solo, John Harrison; piano solo, Joseph Oldham; Scotch song, Miss Simpson; address, Capt. Mercer; piano selection, Miss Jonah; reading, Warren Maxwell; piano solo, Miss Minnie Black; piano selection and story, W. J. Smith; reading, A. D. Thomas; song, Oscar Harris; piano solo, Miss Wandless; flute solo, Walter Butcher; song, Miss Jonah; closing address, chairman.

In Mr. Thomas' address he said that twenty-seven active members of the lodge were fighting for King and Country in France, several of whom had been killed in action. Capt. Mercer who has been overseas made an excellent address on the war as he saw it. He gave great praise to the Canadian soldiers. He also said the rank and file of the German army were fighters. The evening's entertainment came to a close shortly after eleven o'clock by all singing God Save the King.

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THE PAPER INVESTIGATION

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—Evidence of greatly increased prices for that kind of paper which enters into books and magazines, strong suggestions from Commissioner Pringle that two sides get together, and a hint that the question of the Canadian duty is bound to come up, were the leading points of today's sitting in the inquiry into book print.

It is the second phase of the investigation, the proceedings heretofore having related to the regular newspaper print. After nearly all the morning was taken up in futile suggestions that an agreement be reached, evidence was taken mainly in the afternoon.

While Canadian mills export great volumes of newsprint to the United States, many of the American manufacturers are now making paper for class papers, and from the evidence it appears that, despite the thirty two

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Smallpox Situation. The latest reports of the smallpox situation in New Brunswick indicate that the disease is being held in check except on the North Shore. In Northumberland County eighteen cases have been reported to the authorities. There also are cases in Kent. Close guard is being kept on the islands of Charlotte County. Two cases are on Grand Manan and one on Campobello.

Mr. C. K. Palmer, president of the John Palmer Company, returned yesterday from a business trip to Montreal.

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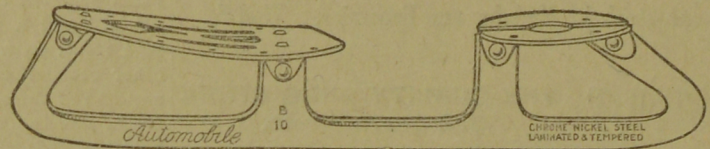
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2 Black Wolf Stoles, Reg. Price, \$25.00, Sale Price	\$15.00
1 Black Wolf Muff, Reg. Price, \$35.00, Sale Price	\$29.00
2 Mink Stoles, Reg. Price \$35.00, Sale Price	\$19.00
1 Child's Grey Opossum Sett, Reg. Price, \$20.50, Sale Price	\$15.00
1 Natural Wolf Stole, Regular Price, \$16.00, Sale Price	\$10.00
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At the conclusion of the afternoon sitting Mr. Pringle renewed his suggestion for a compromise.

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PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION.

Amsterdam, Jan. 8.—The leaders of the delegations representing Russia and the Central Powers, held a preliminary discussion yesterday, disposing of questions of procedure, a dispatch from Brest-Litovsk reports. A plenary session of the delegates was arranged for this morning. Later representatives of the Central Powers held a conference with the Ukrainians.

EXTENSION OF THE SUBMARINE BARRED ZONE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Jan. 9.—Further extension of the submarine barred zone is announced in a wireless statement sent out by the German government. It becomes operative on Jan. 11. The extensions which are particularized by the message are the region around "enemy supporting points" on the Cape Verde Islands and the point of support of Dakar, French Senegal, and the adjoining coastal district.

The barred zone around the Azores is extended easterly over the island of Madeira, which "serves our adversaries as a point of support."



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TENDERS FOR GRAVEL.

Sealed tenders addressed to G. R. Perkins, City Clerk, will be received up till the Eleventh Day of January, 1918, for delivery during the summer season at several different points in the city, of gravel suitable for city streets.

R. W. McLELLAN,
7 ins. Chairman Street Committee.

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