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MUST BE BEATEN.

Although a lot has been said and written about the "terrible economic condition of Germany," it is doubtful if the Huns will give up the fight until they are soundly beaten. This is the view taken by Mr. Frederick Wile, one of the best informed of British journalists, who for some years was the Berlin correspondent of the London Daily Mail. In a recent article on the German situation he points out that the people are inclined to shrink from facing the facts and seem to prefer comforting theories to disagreeable actualities. After referring to some of the reports of German crises which emanate from adjacent neutral countries, he goes on to say:

"Hindenburg is supreme dictator of Germany. Von Ludendorff is the actual generalissimo under Hindenburg, whose popularity is now so great that practically anything can be accomplished by invoking it.

The Kaiser has never been so much in the hands of the military despots as he is today. He is Emperor no longer by divine right—but by grace of the great god, Hindenburg.

"The Crown Prince is a thick-and-thin supporter of Hindenburgism. The Chancellor, Von Hertling, is Hindenburg's political manager. Foreign Secretary Von Kuehlmann is permitted to do only what is ordered. The Brest-Litovsk tactics, far from irritating Hindenburg, were dictated by him and are alterable if and when Hindenburg decides it is necessary.

"Kuehlmann will go or stay, according to Hindenburg's pleasure.

"The Reichstag today is precisely what Bismarck founded forty-seven years ago—merely an imperial debating society, where the people's representatives blow off steam and can call the government names without police interference. Its only vestige of power is in the voting of funds, which duty it has performed faithfully.

"The only other untamed independent socialists number 22 out of a total membership of 397 in the Reichstag, and they are the only ones who ever oppose war credits.

"The government haggles with the Reichstag party leaders merely for the purpose of saving itself trouble. The food situation was probably never so bad, but it is not critical to the breaking point. Regularly near the middle of winter comes the 'starvation story' out of Germany. The coal shortage undoubtedly has been aggravated, but the way the Germans have stuck it out so far indicates that they will survive the present winter discontent.

"The German army is unquestionably war-tired. The German nation is war-weary, but this applies also to others. There is probably no more popular growling in Germany than in this country.

"Munitions trains continue to roll to the west and Germany is making aeroplanes, submarines and shells at a rate hitherto unequalled. Two or three million prisoners are all making munitions in one form or another.

"As to the possibility of a revolution, Heine, the keenest student of Prussian psychology, once remarked that "revolutions in Germany were impossible because of verboten." This is cynical, but it is literally true. The machine gun awaits every German with revolution in his heart. Liebknecht, the only Prussian who would ever lead a revolution, is now in penal servitude.

"The Germans won't stop fighting until we make them see that militarism and war do not pay—that is, when we are able to impose peace on a defeated German army and navy."

A LADY POLITICIAN.

Mrs. Ralph Smith, widow of the late Minister of Finance of British Columbia, is seeking election to the B. C. Legislature for the Vancouver seat vacated by her husband's death. She is the first woman to seek election to the Legislature in the history of the province and her chances for success appear to be bright. She is running as an independent candidate and has out-

lined her platform as follows:

1. A minimum living wage for women.
2. Supervision of workshops and factories to ensure healthful working conditions for women and girls.
3. Equal pay for women with men in the same class of work.
4. Pensions for widowed or dependent mothers.
5. Education and reform of juvenile delinquents.
6. Organized assistance to enable returned soldiers to become agricultural settlers or to acquire training for technical work.
7. The bringing into force of the Civil Service Act with provision for enabling invalided war veterans to qualify for indoor positions in the civil service.
8. Proportional representation for multiple constituencies.
9. Strict enforcement of the Prohibition Act with necessary amendments.
10. Provision of an adequate system of technical training to fit young men and women for vocational careers.

It will be noted that the name of E. R. Teed of Woodstock figures in the evidence taken in the Valley Railway enquiry by Commissioner Stevens at St. John. It seems that Mr. Wallace Gibson, one of the strong arm squad who handled the swag in Carleton county, wanted expert advice as to the apportionment of the same, and consulted Mr. Teed. Mr. Teed will be remembered as the custodian of the boodle fund extorted from the lumbermen a few years ago. His connection with this fund evidently did not in the least affect his standing in the councils of the party.

The province of Quebec will undertake to collect from the municipalities of the province the sum of \$1,000 for every mile of such municipalities traversed by the Montreal-Quebec highway. Some of the municipalities have already contributed, but others have not done so. The bill which is now before the Legislature will empower the municipalities to issue bonds for the purpose.

The province of Quebec collected under the act relating to motor vehicles last year the sum of \$494,862.76, of which the city of Montreal contributed the sum of \$255,449.76.

Through Our Sieve

Who is this here O'Leo Margarine?

For every wise thing in law some lawyer has a fool reason.

Enterprise and advertising make the biggest pair in the deck.

No doctor can cure a mean disposition.

The Bolsheviks has decreed that Russia shall use simple spelling—the poor simps!

Envy is just as useful to your mind as sand to your gear.

A reasonable profit is to the seller all that he can get, and to the consumer the least he can be made to pay.

The old-fashioned girl who knows how to knit is with us again. Girls will be learning how to cook if the war lasts much longer.

Judging by the high speculative standing of grains, the market both feels its oats and acknowledges the corn.

A bachelor stepside marriage because he's afraid he'll be loved to death, worried to death, nagged to death or worked to death. He'd rather stay single and be bored to death.

THE HALIFAX ELECTION

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Halifax, Jan. 14. — The sheriff is sending out to the different districts of the county proclamations for the election of Halifax representatives in the federal parliament. The election is scheduled to be held on the 28th inst. Dr. Edward Blackadder, Liberal, has offered to resign in favor of Ralph Eisonor, Labor, and one of the Unionist candidates, Hon. A. K. McLean or P. F. Martin, and Eisonor has made a like offer. The Unionist candidates have not yet made any announcement.

CHINTOWN'S MAYOR DEAD.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
New York, Jan. 14. — Tom Lee, mayor of Chinatown, in the troubles of the feud days before the falling of that picturesque quarter of New York's east side, was buried today with all the pomp and splendor of celestial rites.

Violated Inland Revenue Act.
Five Port Elgin merchants were fined \$50 each on Friday. Officer J. T. Kelly of St. John, had reported them for violation of the Inland Revenue Stamp Act.

Mr. Michael McDade of St. John, is at the Queen.

ALCOHOL SPLIT COMING INTO GENERAL USE

Substitute for Liquor as a Beverage—Greater Restriction of Sale of Alcohol is Necessary.

According to the statement of Chief Finley of the Fredericton Police Force prohibition of the sale of liquor in accordance with the provisions of the Intoxicating Liquor Act, 1916, has proved a marked success in the city. In the month of December there were but three arrested in the city for drunkenness and the number of men seen under the influence of liquor was small. The number of arrests for drunkenness was much smaller than in any preceding December and is directly attributable to the increased powers given the authorities in suppressing the liquor traffic.

A New Problem.
A new problem connected with the prohibition act has come to light, however, and that is the substitution in increasing quantities of liquids containing alcohol for recognized liquors. "Alcohol split" is the most recent, following patent medicine and flavoring extracts. This beverage is made of equal quantities of water and alcohol. In order to prevent its use the sale of alcohol must be more restricted.

MARITIME MEN IN CASUALTIES

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Ottawa, Jan. 14. — Among Maritime Province men the casualties are as follows:

Infantry.
Killed in action—
G. Gunn, Strathlorne, N. S.; C. R. Kerr, Fox River, N. S.; D. Tembre, Port Hawkesbury, N. S.; A. R. McKinnon, St. John, N. B.
Gassed—G. A. Britt, St. John.
Ill—J. P. Smith, address not stated.
Gassed—G. A. Britt, St. John.
Artillery.

Wounded—
E. S. Wright, Woodstock; B. W. Ferguson, Campbellton.
Ill—K. J. Fornelly, Sydney, N. S.
Railway Troops.

Killed in action—F. J. Parker, address not stated.

FOOD TROUBLES IN SPAIN TOO

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Barcelona, Jan. 14. — The publication of a decree fixing the prices of foodstuffs has resulted in serious disturbances. Many of the shops have been shut and bands of women paraded the streets. Mobs attacked the shops looting them. Similar scenes are reported from Valencia.

PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE NEXT WEEK

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Ottawa, Jan. 14. — A conference of representatives of all the provincial governments will take place at Ottawa early this week, at the call of Sir Jas. Lougheed, chairman of the Military Hospitals Commission, to consider the question of the care and accommodation of returned soldiers who are suffering from various kinds of mental trouble. The number of seriously affected men is extremely small, and a medical investigation of the subject some months ago tended to disprove the popular belief that the strain of military service at the front had led to the mental collapse of a great number of soldiers. In fact, not a single authentic case was located where a man's mind had collapsed from the strain under fire.

CANADIANS RAID HUN TRENCHES

London, Jan. 14. — German trenches north of Lens were raided last night by Canadian troops who brought back prisoners, the official statement of Marshal Haig today says. The statement reads:

"Canadian troops last night successfully raided the enemy trenches north of Lens and brought back prisoners. We suffered no casualties. Patrol encounters took place during the night east of Mericourt, resulting in our favor."

Sergt. E. J. Puddy and Sergt. G. W. Parlee of St. John, were at the Barker House over the week-end.

Mr. W. E. Trites of Minto was in the city Saturday.

Miss May Cunningham of Montreal, is visiting Mrs. Frank Sadler of this city.

Payments Well Met.

Friday was the last day for making the second payment on Victory Loan bonds and it was a fairly busy day in local banks. So far as can be learned the payments were well met.

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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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PARLIAMENT MAY NOT MEET UNTIL MARCH 6

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Ottawa, Jan. 14. — In official circles Wednesday, March 6th, is the earliest possible date on which parliament is likely to meet, and it may be a week later before the House assembles. The situation is peculiar because of the circumstance that the result of the soldiers' vote is not likely to be known before that time. It is likely that the figures will not be received and added to the home vote until towards the end of the present month. Final election results will probably be announced during the first week of February.

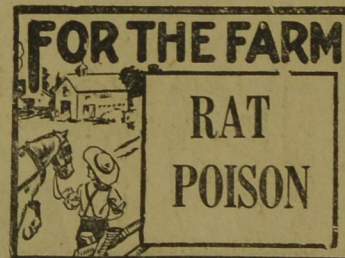
Big Audience Heard Veterans.

The entertainment in aid of the G. W. V. A. at the City Opera House last night attracted an audience which overcrowded the building. The police were compelled to close the doors and hundreds were turned away. Deputy Mayor Walker presided and introduced the speakers. President Ashford of the local veterans' association made a brief address. During the entertainment there were solos by Miss Eva Brewer and selections by the Arion Quartet. Sergt. E. J. Puddy of St. John, gave a lecture upon conditions in France, his remarks being illustrated by lantern slides. Messrs. G. W. Parlee and O. Logan of the St. John veterans' association also took part, one giving a reading and the other a lecture upon military hospitals. A silver collection was taken for the erection of a permanent veterans' home in St. John.

TIGHTENING THE BLOCKADE OF GERMANY

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Washington, Jan. 14. — Germany's imports of food have been stopped, not only by prohibition of re-export of food supplies sold to neutrals, but also by Allied countries of products used in supplying foods grown wholly within those countries, according to consular reports received here today. Advertisements for German twine recently appearing in Danish papers revealed that exports of preserves to Germany had been shut off because twine used in the packing was sold by the Allies under agreement that it should not be re-exported. German twine had to be obtained before orders could be filled. Similarly condensed milk shipments were stopped by foreign powers. Re-export of cork tops being prohibited wood eventually was substituted. All dairy products sold to Germany have been reduced in quantity by shortage of cattle feed which necessitated slaughtering.



Food Supplies are scarce and valuable now. An enormous supply is eaten and destroyed by rats and mice.

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