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Tom is an expert tense. ! Edith made him one week. -Boston



Edge Hill

Born on Monday. February 19th to

Miss Mary Edge is home from Toronto for a short time, owing to age of coal.

leaving this week for their bome in what had happened and was horrified Loreburn, Saskatchewan. They are to find him lying dead at the foot of Comes to me through the open door going by way of the States. We wish the steps. She immediately summoned them a safe ourney.

Miss Black, teacher at Top Cliff her husband carried into the house. spent over the week end with her Dr. Bennett was sent for and was soon cousin, Miss Kate McFayden.

The ladies met for Red Cross sewing on Thursday at the home of Miss M. A. Edge. Thirty ladies were present and made 8 hospital shirts. 7 day, shirts and 12 pillow cases. Two pair of socks were started and the cash collection amounted to \$6.25.

Dia you notice the advertisement of the Red Cross box social in No. 3. If you haven't already read it look it up and keep the date clear of other engagements that you may be present. An energetic committee have charge of the program and a good entertainment is assured.

Mr. Jas. Banks of Riverview is visiting his mother, Mrs. R. W. Banks. Mr. and Mrs Erd, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, are visiting at Mr. John Edge's.

old fashioned than a little old fool.

Dropped Dead at Meaford

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Greenwood a Dillon at 5.30 on Monday evening. Mr. Dillon had been sitting in the house talking to his wife and went out to the the University being closed by short- woodshed to get an armful of wood, but failing to return within a reason-Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Kerney are able time, his wife went out to see assistance and had the lifeless form of

in attendance, but of course he was The word I like the best, mayhap. unable to do anything beyond informing the friends that death had resulted from heart failure.

The deceased had resided in Meaford for over thirty years. He was a carpenter by occupation, but for the last eight or ten years had acted as a real estate agent. Surviving besides the widow are four sons and two daughters, two of the sons being with the If I have promised wife I'd phone. Canadian Forces in France. The deceased was in his 58th year.

South American Nations

London, February 4.-Reuter's cor- That sweet and restful little "no." respondent at Rio Janeiro says that information obtained from a trustworthy source confirms the opinion When I am broke and owing much. that the Brazilian Government is con- | And feel the suffrings of the poor, vinced the time has come to abandon If of my friends I make a "touch." Advice to girls: Better be a little the attitude of an impartial spectator, The word I like to hear is "Sure." and line up with the allies.

Favorite Words

Death came suddenly to Mr. Patrick | The word I like the best, is said To me when I am sorely vexed; It's when the barber turns his head And looks at me and hollers "Next!" -- Chicago Journal

> A word that cheers me more and more And cheers alike both saint and sin-

When dear friend wie announces "Dinner."

Is said on Sunday morning, when I'm longing for a hammock nap

Newark Daily Advocate. A word I like, I freely own, Those mornings when I'm feeling

To hearsweet central answer "Busy."

Yonkers Statesman When I inquire at close of day If we have anywhere to go.

I like to hear the Misses say

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Lines Explored by Montreal, Ontario and Western Units

The following communique was issued last Friday by the Canadian War Records Office: A successful daylight raid was carried out by a Montreal battalion under cover of an artillery from the Niagara frontier over the was able to enter and leave the Gerbut the resistance actually in the opening of navigation. trenches was considerable and necessitated several bombing encounters. were announced Friday night in Lon-As a result only two prisoners were don, Ontario, to fire the first guns taken, while about 50 Germans are in the campaign for \$800,000 for the calculated to have been killed, either Red Cross and Patriotic Funds. in the dug-outs from which they re-In the early evening of one day a small raid was made by an Ontario battalion for the purpose of destroy- dale have been liberated." ing a German fortified post or steel done by means of a mobile charge of guncotton, and the party then withdrew to their own trenches.

Parties from battalions of a Western brigade raided a strongly fortified position, known as the "pimple," east of Souchez, and successfully captured all their objectives. At least one officer and forty men of the enemy were made prisoners and a number of dug-outs, from which the Germans refused to emerge, were bombed and then set on fire and destroyed with portable explosives. Our men penetrated the German lines to a considerable depth and completely wrecked all enemy mine shafts, machine gun emplacements, and even his trench railhead. Despite the numbers engaged and the particularly difficult nature of the enterprise, our own casualties were slight.

CANADIANS DECORATED

With Wounded Officers

vested at Buckingham Palace Satur- material, was reported by the War day: Companion of the Bath-Colonel Office on Sunday. This spoil, un-Herbert Birkett, Medicals. Compan- usually large for the Mesopotamian ion of St. Michael and St. George- fightinf, fell into British hands as a Brigadier Percival Thacker. Dis- result of assaults upon the strong -Youngstown Telegram. tinguished Service Order-Lieut.-Cols. Turkish fortifications on both banks Wright, Medicals. Military Cross and Kut. A considerable sector on the Bar-Lieut. Harrison Gilmour.

> Coombs, James Hahn, Kenneth Pat- Shumran loop positions five miles Queen entertained a number of over- totally ignore.

Kaiser Angry Over Break

-Detroit Free Press. Flew Into Violent Rage and Blamed Von Bernstorff

> A Paris correspondent cabled on Sunday: I hear from a very good source that the news of the diplomatic rupture with the United States arrived like a bombshell in the Imperial circles at Potsdam. On the that a new note from President Wil- with violating the Federal law by carelse. The Emperor received news of a foreign country. The men gave to the table and flew into a violent Charles W. Wunnenberg. The com-Bernstorff.

Australia Has Coalition Rule

A despatch says: The Australian Ministry, headed by William M. Hughes, tendered its resignation, and then the Governor-General commissioned Mr. Hughes to form another, which has now been sworn in. The new Ministry is a coalition, and will be known as the Commonwealth War Government. - Mr. Hughes continues Premier and Attorney-General. Joseph Cook, leader of the Opposition, has become Minister of the Navy.

Bernstorff at Hallfax

Official word was received at Ottawa on Thursday last that Halifax is to be an examining port for neutral ships crossing the Atlantic, eastbound. This news caused pleasure in New York · shipping circles. With Count von Bernstorff, the former German Ambassador to the United States. and his party on board, the steamship Frederik VIII. entered Halifax harbor last Friday night for careful examination.

Claim Gains in Champagne Striking at the French line in Champagne, midway between Verdun and Rheims, troops of the German Crown Prince have, according to the German claims, taken ground to a depth of half a mile on a front of a mile and a half. The attackers captured 858 prisoners, including 21 officers and 20 machine guns on Friday last, said Berlin.

Gen. Funston Died Suddenly Maj.-Gen. Frederick Funston, commander of the American forces on the Mexican border, collapsed in an asked the French Chamber of Depuday night and expired in a short to cover the Government expenditure stricken. He was 51 years of age. appropriation for the first quarter.

Toll of Submarines Between February 1st, the opening of the newest submarine warfare, and last week end the total of ships sunk was 114. Of the eighteen days' toll 73 were British. The total known tonnage sunk was 228,340. Nine British steamers with a tonnage of 11,508 were sunk on last Saturday and Sun-

Canadian Graves in England W. L. Griffith, the High Commissioner's secretary, has been appointed, with another Canadian military officer, on a sub-committee for supervising grave plots of Dominion soldiers dying in England. The plot for Canadian soldiers has been allocated in Brockwood Cemetery, Surrey.

BIG NEWS IN BRIEF

The Indian Government has greatly curtailed railway services.

The British Government is taking steps to prevent an imminent potato Twelve hundred cars of coal, moved

and smoke barrage. The whole party week end, relieved Ontario's shortage. Ice conditions at the Port Arthur man line without a single casualty, end of Lake Superior favor an early Subscriptions totalling \$175,000

A despatch from Berlin last Friday fused to emerge, or in the trenches. said: "The American seamen who were brought prisoners to Germany on board the British steamer Yarrow-

Montreal set out to raise \$2,500,000 emplacement. This was effectively for the Patriotic and Red Cross Funds, and last Friday \$4,316,563 had been secured, including \$1,000,000 recommended by the Board of Control.

Development of operations on the Western front each day on a larger scale leads to the belief in London this week that the long expected big operations there are at hand.

French troops Saturday night invaded a German trench in the Bois le Pretre, on the left bank of the River Moselle near Pont-a-Mousson, and destroyed the Teuton works and

CAPTURE 2,000 TURKS

British Also Tighten Hold Upon De fences in Successful Attacks

By a series of attacks uniformly successful the British in Mesopotamia have tightened their hold upon the defences of Kut-el-Amara. Turkish King and Duke of Connaught Chat resistance was almost paralyzed last Thursday and Friday, and the capture of almost 2,000 prisoners, inright bank was completely cleared of Military Cross-Majors John Jack- Turks, and advanced troops now hold

ter-attacks and forced back the British right wing to its original line. The counter-attack, but when night came newly-won positions.

Two German Spies Caught

Agents of the United States Departfrom Count von Bernstorff announced on Monday night two men charged son might be expected, but nothing rying on a military enterprise against the rupture as he was sitting down their names as Albert A. Sander and rage. Remarks made by the Empress plaint charged them with conspiring to her intimates gave the latter to to employ agents to obtain maps, understand that the imperial wrath photographs and other military inthe benefit of Germany.

Russia Relieves Jews

M. Protopopoff, Minister of the Interior, proposes to pass a measure for the partial relief of Jewish disabilities. It is intended to remove all restrictions preventing Jews from entering freely into trade and commerce, contracting for building of railways and founding new limited companies. Jews wounded and crippled in this and the Russo-Japanese war are to receive the same privileges as are accorded to other Russians.

Lee Directs Food Production

Sir Arthur Lee, member of Parliament for the Fareham Division of Hampshire, has been appointed Director of General Food Production. Sir Arthur will be responsible for the coordination and executive control of those sections of the board which deal with the supply and distribution of seed, fertilizers, foodstuffs, labor and work and the war and agriculture committees in England and Wales.

Russians Win Engagements

Germans dressed in white Saturday took the offensive against the Russians near Kochcava, southwest of Dvinsk, and broke into a front-line new British war loan is at least Russian trench. Russian reserves im- £700,000,000 (\$3,500,000,000); exclusmediately drove out the Teutons. In ive of contributions from the banks, the Carpathians, Russian detachments | Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the surprised and captured, without firing Exchequer, stated in the House of a shot, a strongly fortified Austro- Commons on Monday. Mr. Law said German position southwest of Okna. the number of applications for the

France Pours Out Her Gold

Minister of Finance Ribot last week hotel at San Antonio, Texas, on Mon- ties to appropriate 9,574,000,000 francs time. Physicians gave the cause as for the second quarter of the present acute indigestion. Gen. Funston was year. This was an average of 900,playing with a little child when 000,000 francs over the amount of the

> Urges Clergy Aid on Farms Writing to his clergy, Bishop Ridge-

way of Salisbury says: "In the matter of substitutes the clergy should be prepared to take their part, curtail- and constitution from the present one. ing, without neglecting, their ministerial work. For country clergy agricultural labor in some form offers a suitable and practical opportunity.

New Brunswick Nominations The election will be held Saturday, equipment for them.

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BIG ADVANCES IN WEST

British on Ancre Gain and Hold Im-Portant Positions

A London despatch on Sunday said: Again the British have struck on both sides of the Ancre, cutting a wide gap in the German lines and pushing within a few hundred yards of Petit Miraumont. A successful attack Saturday captured trenches on a front totalling more than two miles to an almost uniform depth of a half mile. It was another of the thoroughly planned attacks the British have delivered recently on the Somme-Ancre front, far different from trench raids. Its main object was to push closer to the immediate objectives of Miraumont and Petit Miraumont, north and south respectively of the Ancre and on the road to Bapsume. On Sunday the Germans tried to regain the positions taken from them by the British, but their attempts were fruitless.

British troops Saturday, in capturing German positions on a front of about a mile and a half, penetrated the German defenses to a distance of about 1,000 yards and came within close range of Petit Miraumont, which lies to the northeast of Grandcourt on the Ancre front. Another important German position was also carried along a front of about 1,000 yards, according to the official report from headquarters Sunday night. In all, the British took 773 prisoners in their successful advances, as well as machine guns and trench mortars. Strong forces of Germans attacked the new British positions on the spur above Baillescourt farm Sunday morning, but as they were advancing in three waves with bodies of supporting troops in their rear, they came under the concentrated fire of the British artillery, and this drove them back with heavy losses. In this ac-

tion the British suffered no casualties. "We carried out a successful raid this morning east of Souchez," says the official report from British head-The following Canadians were in- cluding high officers, and much war quarters in France Monday night. "A hostile mine shaft was blown up and several occupied dug-outs were destroyed. We took a few prisoners."

ATHENS HIDES RIFLES

Frank Morrison, Cavalry; Robert of the Tigris where it winds about Government Encourages Refusal to Give Sarrail's Army Security

A London Times despatch said on And hear the preacher say "Amen.' son, Clarence Kidd; Captains Harold the southwest corner of the strong Sunday: The position of Greece is disquieting. The main reason is the difton; Lieuts. Edeson Burns, Gordon from Kut. An unusual feature is that ficult question of rifles in the popula-Cassels, Harold Fryer, James Lowe the Turkish statements admit the tion's possession at present. In round and Ralph Williams. The King and British success, which usually they figures 80,000 rifles entered the Peloponnesus. The sum of 80,000 is seas officers, mostly wounded, but British troops on the left bank of thought satisfactory enough. It is some on leave, at Buckingham Palace the Tigris River, in Irak, took the another story when one turns to hid-Saturday afternoon. His Majesty and offensive on Saturday afternoon den rifles. None of these have been the Duke of Connaught appeared in against the Turkish positions at San- produced, but must be produced. The uniform, and chatted freely with every naiyat, says a British official state- Government, while maintaining that ment, issued Monday, and occupied there are no hidden rifles, issued a two Turkish front lines on a frontage decree imposing penalties on any who of 350 and 540 yards respectively. do not deliver their arms. The de-The Turks launched two heavy coun- cree does not seem to have had any effect. The main danger lies in the present temperament of the people, British front line repulsed a Turkish for which the Lambros Government and the Athens press unfortunately the troops were withdrawn from their are responsible. Athens is full of dangerous talk, and the people are becoming more unwilling to hand over their arms, more especially those who are reservists and think it is now same morning (Feb. 3) a cablegram ment of Justice arrested in New York necessary to retain them for self-

War's Crisis in Few Months

Henderson Predicts Allies Will Win Decisively Within Short Period

Arthur Henderson, member of the war council, speaking at Manchester was directed principally against von formation in England and Ireland for Saturday, said: "In Government circles confidence regarding the final close of the war was never so high as niw. I believe that our commander-in-chief and all the leaders of the allied nations will be surprised if during the coming summer they do not strike such a blow as-with other conditions which prevail-will lead the war to a close on lines entirely satisfactory for us and our allies.' The Earl of Derby, secretary of State for War, speaking at Bolton, expressed the opinion that the critical period of the war would occur in the next few months. "But men we want and must have." he added.

Milner Emphasized Harmony Viscount Milner, member of the British War Council, at a reception Sunday in honor of the Entente Aliled Conference, denied allegations printed in Austro-German newspapers that the prolonged sojourn of the delegates in Russia was due to a divergence of views. Lord Milner averred that complete harmony prevailed at the conference from the beginning, and that the protraction was due entirely to the multiplicity of matters needing

discussion.

British War Loan's Marvels The new money subscribed to the Teuton counter-attacks were repulsed. war loan on the last day was so large that 200,000 or 300,000 were not dealt with, and the result would not be known until next week.

> Germany Must Change Rulers Addressing a meeting in London Sunday night, the Speaker of the House of Commons, the Right Hon. James William Lowther, declared that it was impossible for British statesmen to make any agreement with the German Government as now constituted. It would be necessary, before signing any peace or any agreement he said, to insist that it must be with a Government different in essence

Russia Builds Trade Fleet A despatch from Petrograd on Sunday said the Russian Minister of Commerce has introduced in the Duma a bill under the terms of which Nominations in the Provincial elec- the Government will devote 100,000, tions of New Brunswick took place | 000 roubles towards the creation of a Saturday, when ninety-six candidates Russian mercantile fleet. The money were named. There are seventeen is to be employed in advances to ship-constituencies in the Province, giving builders, to encourage the construcforty-eight seats in the Legislature. tion of new ship yards and to provide