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## Back to Belgium En Route Home.

Chas. C. Ramage Relates Warm Send-off from German Civilians. —Decreasing Value of German Currency.

Vienne, Belgium, Jan. 14, 1919. Dear Friends:

At last we have changed to Westward and we are one step nearer home. The 1st Can. Division was relieved from garrison duty on the Rhine last week by the 41st Imperial Div. and once more we are on Belgian soil. Our unit pulled away on the 8th and following a 16 hour ride on a freight train and passing through Duren, Verviers and Liege we disembarked at Huy. We then marched 12 miles and landed in a small village called Vienne where we are staying awaiting further developments. As this place is just as low as demobilisation, I will not mention anything relating to it.

Our departure from Utsch (near Cologne) was like leaving home. The citizens (German mind you and our enemies too!) were loath to have us go. Our four weeks there and the lively times provided by the soldiers had turned enemies into friends. We knew everyone in the little town and they were equally well acquainted with us. In some homes there were even tears shed over our departure and as we were on parade prior to marching off, the people came in scores to shake hands and say goodbye. Amidst cheers, waving hands and fluttering handkerchiefs, we marched off to the station 15 miles away where we were to embark for Belgium.

Now I don't doubt some are ready to censure the actions of Canadians in making friendships with the German people, especially after the terrible atrocities committed by the Huns in France and Belgium and some I suppose would even go so far as to have us retaliate and mutilate Germany in a similar manner, which, in doing so, would also blacken our own fair name. We have often sung the hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers." Why act the hypocrite then and ravage Germany. Two wrongs won't make a right, and certainly few Canadian soldiers who have been in Germany will incite the civil population for the misdeeds of their soldiers in France. Stories of cruelties and bloodshed were new to them. Certainly the German censorship mangled the papers and the people lived in a prison of innocence when dark deeds were being performed. When we told them of cruelties they would

not believe us and when proof was furnished, they would say "Oh it was those dreadful Prussians!"

Canada has won a fair name by the uprighteousness of her soldiers. Is it not better to have such, then to be a parrot and imitate the Prussian method of warfare?

The golden opinion of Canadians is illustrated by this incident. Owing to the misbehaviour of a few Canadian non-combatants, in Cologne on Xmas Day, the city was placed "Out of bounds" to our soldiers. Imperials and Anso soldiers were equally involved but as usual, as we always allege, "those bloomin' Canadians" had to shoulder the blame. About New Year's Day an influential deputation of Cologne citizens waited upon the military authorities and asked that the Canadians should have the ban removed, as their preference was for us. What was the delegation carried any weight with the Headquarters staff or not I am not prepared to say but on Jan. 8th, the queen of Rhineland cities was again thrown open to us. Thinking it over, I readily believe that the German business instinct was partially behind the formation of the delegation, for they had become aware that the Canadian soldier and his dollar were easily separated!

Speaking of money, it may be interesting to note the present value of the German mark. Its pre-war value was between 24 and 25 cents—briefly a shilling or a quarter. When we arrived on the Rhine, the value of a mark was 12 cents. Two weeks later it was 10 cents and now it is worth a mere dime. In other words, the German Empire is in a state of bankruptcy and paying creditors at the rate of 40 cents on the dollar. But her insinuations must be paid dollar for dollar, even if the monetary value of her currency has depreciated. Also Germany must redeem at full value millions of marks, now in circulation in France and Belgium. This money is now being collected. German notes are no longer accepted or recognized here. This turn of affairs has caused many of our soldiers to chuckle. They are getting cream on their porridge, for on leaving Germany, many of us had Boche money in our pockets secured at the then current rate of 12 cents a mark. Arriving here we at first considered it merely good for souvenirs, but by turning it over to the Belgian Post Office we got a franc and twenty centimes or 24 cents per mark—clear gain of 12 cents per mark!

There are great disturbances among the political factions in Berlin. Revolutionary affairs in the one time German capital do not bother the Rhinelanders very much. They are content to let the warring factions boil in their own stew and seem satisfied under the mild rule of the Allies. One of their principal desires is to have more and better food and I have been asked several times when Wilson intends to carry out his promise and supply them with nourishing foods, which is badly needed among the poorer classes. I am ignorant on this subject but told any enquirers that the suffering population of Belgium and France would benefit first and no doubt after peace was signed the Allies would send them foodstuffs.

It is strange how many people want to leave Germany for Canada or the U. S. They do not seem to think or at least consider there will be the slightest difficulties about emigrating. They have yet to find out that there will be difficulties.

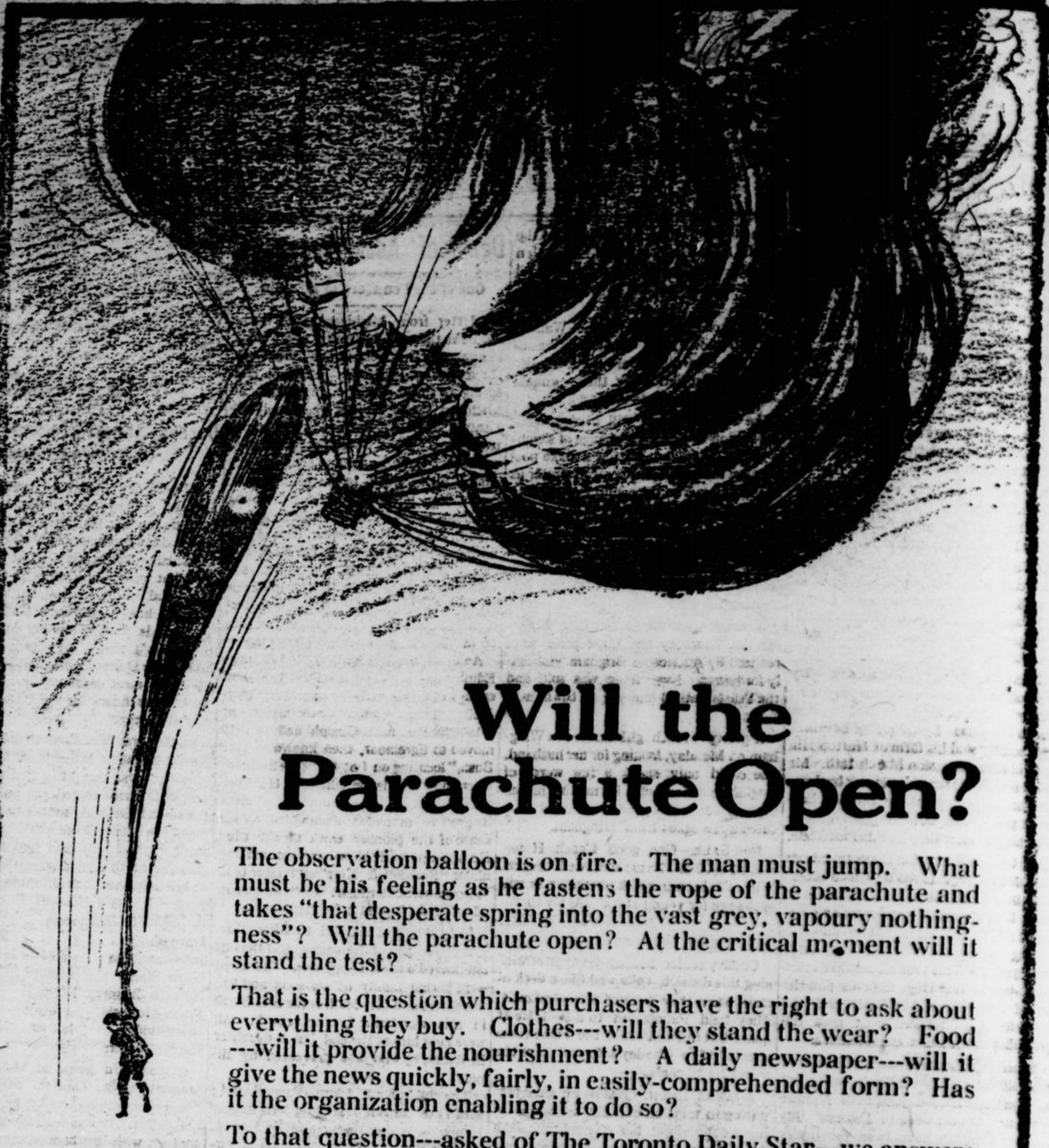
The front battle line in Germany is about ten miles beyond the Rhine. That is where the neutral zone begins and Germans cannot cross this zone. Rhineland is completely isolated from the rest of the country. At the boundary of the zone, our forces have erected barb wire entanglements and machine gun posts. The artillery is arranged in battle order and there is a substantial supply of shells on hand. No trenches have been dug, but numerous sentries pass their beats and we are prepared for all eventualities. In the neutral zone region there is considerable waste land and large fir forests. A machine gun crew of the 10th battalion trained their weapons on a band of eight deer trailing across the waste and were successful in bringing down the bunch, supplying their company with enough venison for a week.

Chas. C. R.

### Durham Markets.

DURHAM, Feb. 27, 1919

Hogs, live, f o b.....	18 00
Butter.....	35 to 35
Eggs.....	39 to 39
Flour per cwt.....	5 40 to 6 00
Oatmeal per sack.....	5 10 to 5 25
Chop per cwt.....	2 40 to 3 25
Onion, seed.....	55 to 55
Onion, white.....	55 to 55
Barley.....	80 to 85
Peas.....	1 85 to 1 75
Green Wheat.....	2 00
Spring Wheat.....	2 08
Full Wheat.....	2 18
Potatoes.....	1 00 to 1 10



## Will the Parachute Open?

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