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LIBERALS IN CONSULTATION.

The Liberal Advisory Committee has been discussing a number of public questions at Ottawa, to wit: Old age and mothers' pensions, finance and taxation, public expenditure and economy, care and welfare of the returned soldiers, technical education, rural credit, national insurance against sickness and unemployment, proportional representation, free agricultural implements, free wheat and free flour. These were treated academically, of course, and passed on for the fuller consideration of thoughtful men everywhere. The liberal party does not want to benefit by the discontent which is so much in evidence all over this land. It wants to represent progressive and constructive legislation, and it can do this and win the favor of the people. Many subjects of prime importance can be examined even during the war, and later, when the way is clear for action, the Liberals will have decided views to express. There is to be a great convention just before the general election. It is to be preceded, however, by an educational campaign so far as the liberals are concerned.

Rural credit is a popular subject in the United States. The federal government proposes to open banks in certain districts and to give farmers credit on their land. These farmers are at last coming to their own. They are receiving the attention of the politicians. Thus far they have been pretty largely neglected.

REAL PRISON REFORM

When one reads in the New York papers the long descriptions of Mr. Osborne's triumphant entry upon the wardenship of Sing Sing, he wonders whether the Canadian ideas of bars and stripes and close confinement are expressive of real reform. Fancy half the population of Sing Sing going out in a party, in Mardi Gras fashion, to meet the returning warden—the man who had been forced to retire for a season because of the serious charges which had been made against him, and charges that had not been proven—and welcoming him as a hero and a man among men! Fancy the worship of him because he has been humane in his prison management, encouraging manliness and honesty and honor among the convicts, letting them, to some extent, determine the punishments that should be imposed for infractions of discipline! Fancy the criminals, the outcasts, the down-and-outs, showing their appreciation of kindness in ways that were never dreamt of before. Then recall that a prison commission, in Canada, learned of many things that were improper, that it recommended a new order of discipline, a new method of treatment, and to vary little purpose. The few changes that have been made are hardly worth talking about. Is Canada so far behind the times?

DISEASE AND THE CURE.

Infantile paralysis was for a long time a mystery. Its symptoms were easily detected. There was headache, nausea, vomiting, general prostration. But what caused all these? That was the question upon which the medical experts concentrated their attention. The Academy of Medicine, represented by some of the leading physicians of New York, made a study of certain cases. They saw that there were discharges from the mouth and nose. These communicated the disease. But the genesis of the disease, what was it? General alarm followed the daily

announcements of hundreds of cases, many of them ending fatally. The Rockefeller Institute set aside \$50,000 for a research and for the purpose of determining what course should be followed in order to reduce the danger and eliminate the disease. Then, at the opportune moment, someone, more penetrating in his study than his fellows, perhaps more persistent in his work, discovered that infantile paralysis was a germ which lodged in the brain or spinal column, that to its presence was due all the effects which were visible outwardly. This germ has its day. Its life was complete and distinct, and its ravages were limited to the fields it occupied through transmission to others by personal contact.

The Whig's cartoonist pictures the effect on local business of conditions which can be removed. This local business is likened unto a man who is very sick. His system is run down. Trade has left him, and it is the tonic without which the community cannot thrive. He calls in Dr. Home-Path, and this expert quickly discovered what is the matter. He prescribes a cure. It is Trade At Home. It is, stand by the merchant, the manufacturer, or any other one who is doing his best to build up the community. The medicine looks good. It tastes good. It smells good. It is good, and all that it is cracked up to be. The patient tries it believingly and feels better at once.

It takes time to recover from a bad spell, due to out-of-town trading and out-of-town mail ordering, but there will be a complete recovery when the doctor's diagnosis is correct and he prescribes the proper medicine. The wrong medicine has been sampled in Kingston, and the people have had about enough of it.

The Toronto News suggests that possibly it would have been better to license the sale of wine and beer during the war. Is this a hint that the conservative party has been bunched on the subject, and is inclined to hedge?

BRITAIN'S BUSINESS POLICY

About eighty American firms, made up in part or altogether of Germans and Austrians, have been affected by the British black list. The British Trading With the Enemy Act deals only with British commercial houses and forbids them to have any business relations with the enemy, or the enemy sympathizers, over the seas. Some of the houses which have been banned admit that they knew they were black-listed. They knew the meaning or the significance of the proceeding. They could not ship goods to Germany, since Britain was the mistress of the seas. British bottoms would not accept charters, nor would neutral bottoms accept them.

What were the black-listed firms to do? They appealed to the Washington government, and the State Department is once more plunged into a study of profound and perplexing problems. The State Department says that Britain admits the right of persons of any nationality in the United States to engage in legitimate commercial transactions with any other persons. But it is added: "We cannot admit that this right can in any way limit the right of other governments to restrict the commercial activities of their nationals, in any manner which may seem desirable to them, by the imposition of prohibitions and penalties which are operative solely upon persons under their jurisdiction."

The hypenates allege that they cannot get accommodation, even by neutral vessels, for trading since the owners of these vessels are afraid that they will be called to account by the British government. The protest against the British decision to enforce this special Act will not avail. In Britain the government has been fiercely attacked by a critical press because it has been slow to exercise its power to the disadvantage of the enemy; and what has been done is the result of the most deliberate action. This action was taken in obedience to the strongest public opinion which the public men and press of Britain have been able to express.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The minister of militia is going aboard for a long time, probably for months. If he had only thought of doing this before going to London and Camp Borden what a lot of soreness would have been avoided.

The grain in the west is coming on fast. About eighty per cent. of the crop in Saskatchewan has already headed out. Though the acreage sown is very much less than in 1915, the railway magnates who have been out on a tour of inspection say the crop will be quite as good.

There is a greater Hughes than the man of many titles and airs from Canada. He represents the Commonwealth of Australia. Such was his power in the political circles of England that he has been recalled to continue the splendid work in which he was engaged. He is essentially and emphatically Hughes the First.

According to the solicitor for the Niagara Power Company, it will lose \$150,000 a year by giving the pro-

vice the power it wants at \$12 per horse power. He and the shareholders are in favor of giving the people cheap power. Posing as public benefactors, and yet believed to be a soulless corporation.

The chairman of the Hydro-Electric Commission will not regard the power question as settled until the Niagara Power Company has put its proposition into writing, and this proposition has been accepted by the Commission. Sir Adam is cautious. He must have had an experience.

Hon. Joseph Martin, our Joe, is back in England and in parliament as the representative of St. Pancras. He has been asking questions and receiving answers of a provoking kind. Rumor had it some time ago that he was through with parliamentary representation in England, that he was disappointed with it. The people of St. Pancras certainly thought they were through with him, and his reappearance in parliament has been a surprise. Like Banquo's ghost, he will not down.

Entire Faculty Fights.

Saskatoon, Sask., July 22.—Owing to the fact that the entire faculty has enlisted for active service the School of Engineering of the University of Saskatchewan here will not re-open this year. Most of the engineering students also enlisted.

Random Reels

"Of Shoes and Ships, and Sealing Wax, of Cabbages and Kings."

FERDINAND DE SOTO.

The reader is invited to take a brief look at the life and public services of Ferdinand de Soto, who discovered the Mississippi River when it was just as long as it is now and had not had any pork expended upon it. This was in 1548.

De Soto was born in Spain, but was unable to prevent it, and soon after realizing the fact he started out to look for some other country where sleep was not so highly prized by the inhabitants. He had heard a good deal about Florida and its seedless orange groves, and decided to discover the Mississippi before somebody else beat him to it, as the historian Bancroft says. After biting the head off of a clove he kissed his wife goodbye and set sail, in company with a crew inflamed with zeal and Spanish credulity.

When de Soto struck Florida he was met by a number of unconverted Indians, who were carefully dressed in a goose feather and tomahawk and acted as if they had eaten something which distressed them. De Soto tried to be friendly with the Indians and offered to teach them how to booze and not show it, but they refused. Woodrow Wilson is misbehaving by his antipathy to shaving, than go forth where the harvest rages, and gather in a prince's wages. The wheat is spilling, say the grangers; exposed to multiplying dangers, because there are not men to reap it, and in the shocks and windrows heap it. It surely seems a crime and pity, that every village, town and city, must have its string of idle talkers, when fields of wheat are needing shockers. Go forth and drill along the stubble, and ease the farmer's mind of trouble.

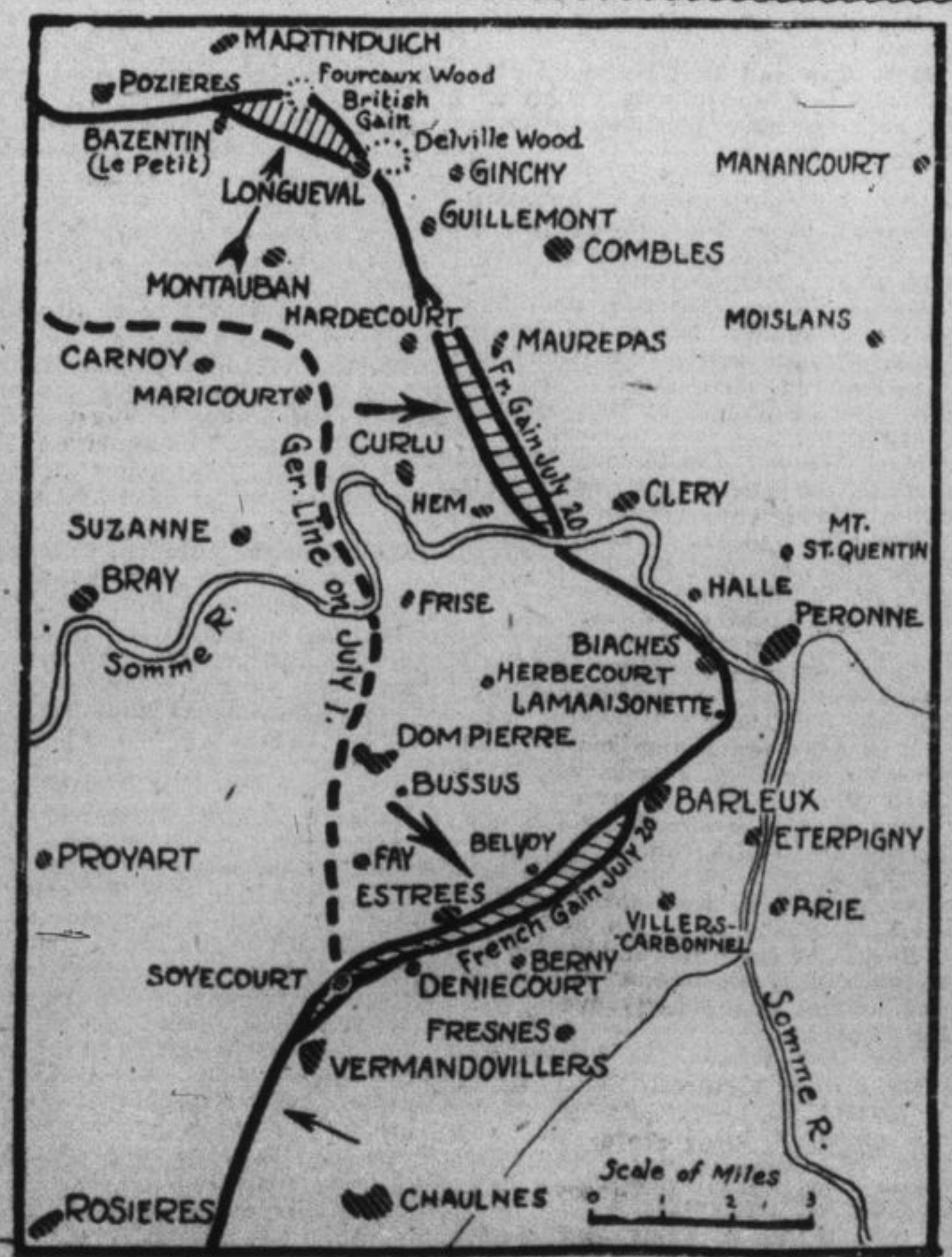
Rippling Rhymes

HARVEST TIME

Arise and work, spellbinding neighbor! The farmers call for men to labor. A thousand miles of wheat is standing, the strength of harvesters demanding. The farmers shriek for husky fellows, who're sound in wind and limb and bellows, to toil behind the clanging reaper—get busy, then, O dreamer, sleeper! Alas, you will not lift a finger! Around the village pump you linger; to honest toil you are not partial; you'd rather roast the statesman Marshall, or prove that Woodrow Wilson is misbehaving by his antipathy to shaving, than go forth where the harvest rages, and gather in a prince's wages. The wheat is spilling, say the grangers; exposed to multiplying dangers, because there are not men to reap it, and in the shocks and windrows heap it. It surely seems a crime and pity, that every village, town and city, must have its string of idle talkers, when fields of wheat are needing shockers. Go forth and drill along the stubble, and ease the farmer's mind of trouble.



W. MASON



FRESH ADVANCES ON WESTERN FRONT, Map shows the British and French gains on July 20th. The German salient around Chaumes and Roye is beginning to crumble.

KINGSTON EVENTS  
25 YEARS AGO

It has been finally decided to start the foundation of the new Y.M.C.A. hall in the fall.

The city officials, including the city engineer, treasurer, tax collector, messenger and chief of police picnicked at Kingston Mills.

The Tomkins property at the corner of Earl and Division streets was offered for sale. The reserved bid, \$2,200, was not reached and no sale was made.

CONSERVATIVE PRESS.

The Recruiting Situation.

Ottawa Journal. Canada still needs 150,000 men to make good her pledge to the Empire and her allies.

At the present rate of enlistment these men cannot be secured inside of a year and a half.

For very obvious reasons they are not going to be secured by conscription.

If they are necessary—and who can say that they are not—it is time that the country started in to keep its pledge by the only alternative left—an organized, vigorous recruiting campaign in districts that have not done as well as they should.

Mayor Rutan was instructed to proclaim July 26th Napanea's Civic holiday for 1916.

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INDEPENDENT PRESS.

Brushoff Uses Canadian Shells.

Vancouver News-Advertiser. To the storm of Russian shells which has surprised and in more than one way shocked the Teutons, Canada has contributed her share. A writer at Petawawa states that one of the duties performed there is the testing of shells made for Russia. The Russian flag flies over a part of that artillery camp, and there an officer of the Russian ordnance with a staff of assistants is making the tests. The Canadian Car and Foundry Company has an \$85,000,000 contract from Russia for shells, and was said some time ago to have forwarded \$13,000,000, for 1,500,000 shells. They may have passed through Vancouver, which would be the natural port of shipment. We fear that most of them went to Seattle. Some may have been shipped from Montreal to Archangel. The Russian officers at Petawawa have their own guns imported from home for the purpose of these tests. The Canadian order, large as it seems to be, is small compared with the quantities produced for Russia in United States works.

LIBERAL PRESS.

Toryism in Rebellion.

Toronto Star. In this Conservative city of Toronto, where a Conservative party nomination is almost equivalent to election, there is profound dissatisfaction, deep discontent, with the Government at Ottawa. It would be foolish to say that this is the result of any Grit design. It is not worked up artificially. It is spontaneous. It is not the result of any breach of the party truce. It may even be that the party truce has brought this trouble to the front, because it has freed the minds of men and induced them to speak their minds freely. Men are thinking, not of partisan aims, but of the grave duties and responsibilities of the Government. They are not satisfied with the Government. No kind of truce would make them satisfied with the Government. The causes of discontent are apart from the springs of partyism. They cannot be removed by any sort of partisan defence.

When a wise man gets real angry he goes away back and sits down.

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