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SECOND SECTION

"TUMP-LINE" TRANSPORT WON

A Victory For Canadians By Bringing Up Ammunition.

BOTH SIDES WERE ALLOWED

TO COLLECT DEAD AND WOUNDED UNMOLESTED.

Seventeen German Officers Were Taken in One Batch—How the "Tump" Companies Were Organized.

With the British Army on the Front in France, Dec. 6.—That success in modern warfare often may depend upon the employment of some article or contrivance of ancient design and cunning has again been demonstrated by the Canadian troops in their most recent advances against the enemy. The old Indian and trapper trick of carrying great weights upon the back by means of a leather thong across the forehead helped the Canadians to go forward when all other means of transport was difficult.

When the Canadians were given the word to advance it was quickly seen that the wintry mud would soon play havoc with the usual methods of bringing up supplies, and without uninterrupted supply support no attack could succeed. So, old trappers from Western Canada suggested a scheme to the commanding officer, who immediately called for volunteers for the "tump-line."

Hundreds of Canadians knew the trick, and within a few moments three "tump" companies were organized to bring up ammunition. Through mud, darkness and hostile shell fire this Indian-like method maintained an endless chain of supplies until the faithful army mule could again get to work.

17 Officers in One Batch. Canadian dash and daring did the rest, and once they gained the trench there was a rush of Germans to surrender. Seventeen officers were taken in one batch—an unusually large number to yield together. There had evidently been a scramble from the open trench to the dugouts, many of

which were found fairly bursting with gray-clad soldiers.

Then followed characteristic clean-up of the battlefield. In cleaning up the position, one dugout, hidden under shell-tossed earth and debris was overlooked until two stretcher-bearers, searching for wounded, approached. Much to the amazement of these two unarmed Canadian soldiers, the Germans began to pour out, with their hands high above their heads. Half a score had managed when the stretcher men thought the situation was becoming a little too serious. With a fine spirit of bravado, however, one pointed to the dugout door, and in tones more stentorian than polite, shouted: "Get back there."

Meekly they obeyed, and while one stretcher man kept guard the other went for help and a haul of two score prisoners resulted.

Two other stretcher-bearers had picked up and were bringing in an apparently helpless wounded man. Suddenly a German shell burst over them. The bearers dropped the stretcher with its burden and darted to cover in a friendly shell-hole nearby. Much to their astonishment, their "casualty" hopped off the stretcher and started running toward the German front line. Forgetting their own safety in this new dilemma, the stretchermen took after their patient and overhauled him, placing him again on the stretcher. When examined he was found to have a very serious leg wound, how he managed to run puzzled the surgeons.

Allowed to Collect Dead.

After the battle, by a tacit understanding, both sides were allowed to collect their dead and wounded from "No Man's Land" between the trenches—one of the comparatively few instances in this war in which this has been permitted. Searching parties moved freely about, immune from snipers or bombs, the only condition being that they must not too closely approach the enemy trench. One German kept coming closer and closer to the Canadian lines, and was twice warned away, and then, as his purpose seemed only too clear, two Canadians sprang over the parapet, and, in their own language, "pinched" him. He was taken before the colonel, where he made an indignant protest against his arrest, pointing to the Red Cross on his sleeve. The colonel considered the matter, and thought perhaps the man was right, and announced that he would send him back to his own front line under escort.

Then the German crumpled up and said, "Nein, nein!" He wanted to be a prisoner, and when he started for the rear he wore a broad grin. The Canadians are warm in their praise of a certain English battalion which operated on their left. A scouting party of this battalion discovered a dry, unused trench between their front line and the Germans. In the dead of night they quickly es-

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Established their battalion headquarters in this trench and filled it with supplies. Next day the headquarters staff had the rare privilege of seeing their own men come forward in resistless attacking waves, and as they crossed the unknown trench new supplies were handed to them. The experience was unique in the annals of trench warfare.

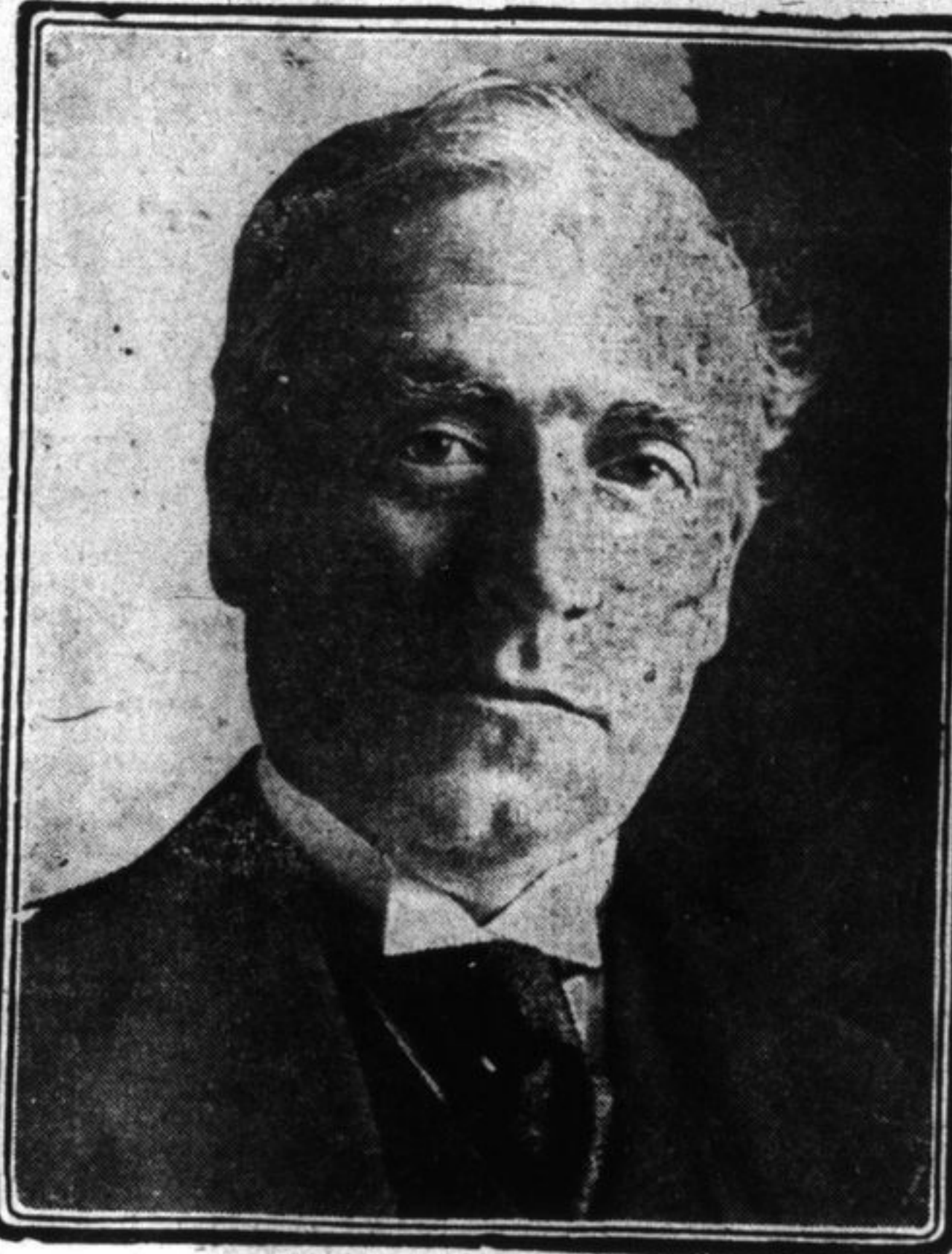
DARLINGSIDE NOTES

Current Comment by An Up-To-Date Correspondent.

Darlingside, Dec. 5.—Quite a few from here attended the Fredenburgh sale. Mrs. John McNeill sold 500 turkeys which dressed about 500 lbs. Mrs. John Landon, is at Dulcemane attending her two sisters, which we understand are quite ill.

A person would think, with the cost of food what it is, that the false teeth manufacturers would get tired advertising. But we suppose the increase in the number who are chewing the rag makes up to them. The law of compensation keeps right on working in this country, even if some of the other laws don't.

It is easier, cheaper, and more in the public interest that the National Government should deal with the cost of living question now than that it should wait until the increased cost of living has produced an epidemic of strikes and "labor troubles" and then have to deal with that. And the epidemic is likely coming if the cause is not checked. When men working steadily and faithfully find they cannot earn a fair living for



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The British Prime Minister, who has resigned under pressure by War Minister David Lloyd George.

their families there is trouble on the way. We are rapidly approaching that condition in Canada.

While the Allies in Europe, along with the Central Powers are conserving every ounce of effective they can find for the long and grim struggle yet ahead, what are we in Canada doing? Do we realize that we, too, are at war, and that the strain should fall upon us just as heavily as it is falling upon our brothers and sisters over the sea? What effective steps are we taking to mobilize everything we possess that is of value to the cause?

In large measure, no doubt, the increased cost of living is due to natural causes, such as shortage of the world's wheat supply and the diversion of millions of men from productive to destructive employment. But there is cause to suspect that in Canada it is in part due to the greed of parties who are making either the war or the tariff a cover for exacting prices which are not justified. Against the effect of natural causes the public can have no redress, and have no right to ask it. But they have a right to demand that they be protected from the greed of parties who manipulate prices simply because they see the chance to do so. And to that end the public are entitled to expect their governing authorities to find out whether price-boosting is going on, and, if so, to stop it.

A year after Lloyd George was appointed Minister of Munitions there were three and a half million workers in war munition plants in Great Britain, 660,000 of them being women. The Canadian National Service project, for organizing the industry of the country on a war basis, was announced some three or four months ago. What is doing in that direction?

YARKER RED CROSS WORK

FARMERS ARE HOLDING POTATOES FOR HIGHER PRICES

There Are Plenty of Spuds, But the Owners Are Greedy—The Conservative Governments Are Doomed.

Yarker, Dec. 4.—Two more buyers are in the hog market, Messrs Walker and Burgess. The question is, will this acquisition in the buying of hogs give the farmer more money for his hogs. Some think it will.

The C. N. R. disposed of one of its buildings to M. Foster. It is located near the station. Mr. Foster has removed to his own lot on Water street.

The Yarker Red Cross have their monthly tea Thursday night of the present week open for all and in connection with this tea a programme will be given. Give what you like is the charge. At the recent annual meeting the following report was read by the secretary, Mrs. A. W. Benjamin: The membership consists of six life, fifty-six annual and fifty-one associate members, and the shipments to the head branch at Toronto during the year were 800 pairs of socks, 600 hospital shirts, amounts raised by membership fees, weekly teas and entertainments for the year, 1916 was \$1014.32. Of this amount \$601.31 was spent for supplies in the making of shirts, socks and such like, \$170.00 for the British Red Cross, \$100.00 to the Lennox and Addington Ambulance fund, \$15 sent to the head branch life membership account; \$4.75 printing expenses; leaving a balance on hand of \$123. The society has now on hand \$479.24. During the two years that this branch has been working the members have been instrumental in raising over two thousand dollars in money and have sent to Toronto head branch over fifteen hundred pairs of socks and about the same number of hos-

pital shirts, besides wristlets, bandages etc. All are looking forward to an increase attendance at the monthly tea where a good social evening is spent during the winter months.

Miss Velma Wartman of Sydenham was the guest of Mrs. D. W. Winter.

There are plenty of potatoes held by farmers who do not intend to let them go until the three dollar per bag price has been reached. A Moscow farmer paid one hundred dollars to another farmer last week for fifty bags of potatoes. All sorts of "wishes" are thrown at the farmers who are holding up their produce.

There seems to be no hope for the return of either Tory governments, at Ottawa or Toronto, judging by the reports of commercial travellers.

Mrs. Peter Vanluven, has gone to spend the winter in Kingston with her daughter, Mrs. M. C. Dunn. Rev. Mr. Raymond, and family visiting in Belleville, have returned home. F. E. Benjamin, has returned home from the west.

THE INSULT OF TORONTO NEWS.

Toronto Star. The Toronto News says that Liberals "demand admission to the cabinet" and it assails them as men unworthy of public confidence. Canadian public opinion, it says, would scarcely approve of Sir Wilfrid Laurier being taken into the Borden Cabinet. If that is the Conservative view, the door is closed to any hope of a Liberal Government formed on non-partisan lines.

It is not very long since journals supporting the Government were attacking Sir Wilfrid Laurier for declining to serve on a committee formed to promote national service. The invitation came, not from the Government, but from Sir Thomas Tait. Sir Thomas Tait found it impossible to act with the Government, because of partisan interference with his work. It looks as if the Government desires neither Liberal assistance nor the assistance of men who are not identified actively with either party. It is self-satisfied, though the country is anything but satisfied.

The position of those citizens who desire a change of men and methods at Ottawa, yet would avoid a general election, is thus one of extreme difficulty. The Government not only asks for an extension of its term of office, but resists every proposal for improving its methods of increasing its strength.

THE WORLD'S NEWS IN BRIEF FORM.

Tidings From All Over Told In a Pithy and Pointed Way.

The medical committee inquiring into the conditions in the Canadian military hospitals in England is now making visits to certain hospitals mentioned in the report of Dr. Bruce.

Mysterious promises are being made to the Germans about glad tidings to be received by them before Christmas, according to an Amsterdam despatch to the London Daily Mail.

"Jack" Johnson, the negro champion, is in the United States, and that his arrest is expected soon. He is wanted for jumping his bond after a white slave conviction at Chicago.

The question of a Canadian Flying Corps will probably be taken up at an early date by Major-General Turner, who has now arrived in England to take up his duties as general officer commanding the Canadian forces in Great Britain.

BLOW UP SHIPS TO HIDE THEFT

Thieves in New York Blamed By Russia For Archangel Disaster.

IN WHICH 341 PERISHED

IT IS DECLARED THAT BOMBS WERE HIDDEN IN CARGO.

Junk Dealer, Jailed for Receiving Stolen Articles, Once Served in Army of Czar—Held Without Bail, New York, Dec. 6.—The steamships blown up in the Russian harbor of Archangel several weeks ago with the loss of millions of dollars in munitions and other war supplies, were destroyed by bombs placed in the cargoes of the ships at the piers of the Bush Terminal Company in this city, it was charged at Police Headquarters by a commercial agent here of the Imperial Russian embassy.

According to the Russian representative, C. I. Nedzikhovsky, the bombs were planted to hide evidence of extensive thefts in this country from the cargoes.

Samuel Gatter, a Brooklyn junk dealer, has been arrested in connection with the case on a Federal charge of having stolen articles in his possession. The police allege that Gatter had in his possession binoculars, which had been identified as part of a \$12,000 shipment consigned to the Russian Government by a Rochester firm.

Gatter was arraigned before a United States commissioner in Brooklyn on the charge of violating the Federal statute which defines the offense of stealing property transit to a foreign country. The prisoner was held without bail for a hearing Friday morning next.

Gatter has told the police, they say, that he deserted from the Russian army during the Russo-Japanese war and made his way to this country through Austria.

Agents of the Department of Justice announced that an investigation would be made of the international feature of the case.

According to the official report of the explosion from Petrograd, 341 persons were killed and 667 hurt. The explosion occurred about Nov. 16th, although both the date and the circumstances as cabled from various sources were indefinite.

Mayors By Acclamation. Winnipeg, Dec. 5.—At the municipal nomination held in Saskatchewan yesterday, W. D. Cowan, Mayor of Regina and Mayor Knox of Prince Albert, were both re-elected by acclamation.

Pte. Norman Flint, of the 153rd Battalion, Wellington County, in billets at St. Thomas, Ont., was found unconscious on Church street, and died at the base hospital under circumstances warranting an inquest.

George Wright says delegates to the great hotelkeepers' convention in New York blamed brewers' desire to "get rich quick" for the progress of prohibition.

Four great trans-Atlantic liners of 35,000 tons and a speed of twenty-five knots will shortly be built for service under the American flag.

Milk producers are taking steps to obtain \$2.50 for an eight-gallon can, an increase of twenty-five per cent.

Advertisement for Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. Includes text: 'Pale Weak Nervous Children', 'SCHOOL days are anxious days for parents as well as for children.', and an illustration of a family.

Advertisement for BONAR LAW. Includes text: 'Has been asked to form a new British ministry, but it is thought he will suggest Lloyd George.', and an illustration of a man.

Advertisement for ROYAL BAKING POWDER. Includes text: 'Hot Biscuits for Breakfast', 'Only a few minutes to make and bake with the use of Royal Baking Powder...', and 'ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure Made from Cream of Tartar Contains No Alum'.