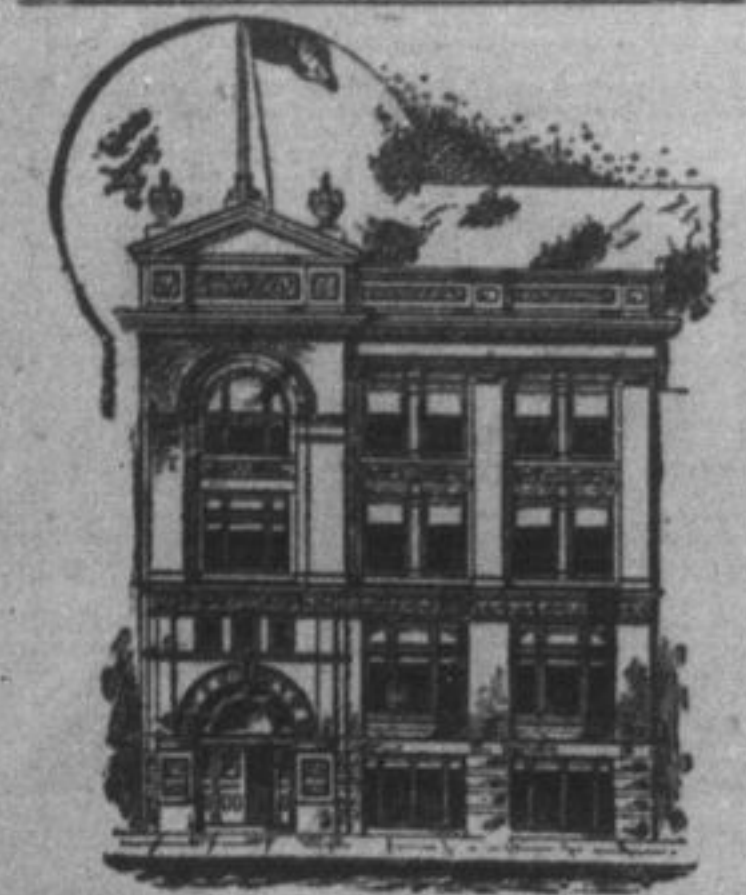


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A PUNISHMENT TOO MERCIFUL. The doors of Portsmouth penitentiary will shortly swing open to admit Harry Bryant, of Toronto, who was this week sentenced to serve two years for seduction.

Magistrate Dennison sentenced the man to two years in the penitentiary. There are men in Portsmouth penitentiary to-day serving terms of five years or so for stealing some trivial article.

NEW ERA IN SHIPBUILDING. As noted in these columns some days ago, there was launched last week at Redwood, California, the largest concrete ship ever built.

The history of the use of concrete in building ships is interesting. In 1887 concrete boats were built in Holland, and so successful were these vessels of eleven tons capacity that a number of barges, 64 ft. long and 14 ft. beam, of 55 tons capacity, were built.

THE GREAT OFFENSIVE. Is the long-heralded German offensive now on? The attack against the British forces in France along a fifty mile front, as announced in yesterday's despatches, would indicate that the threatened big drive by the Huns has at last commenced in real earnest.

THE HUN HAS NO COMPUNCTION about sinking Dutch ships with all on board, but he gets wrathy when the Allies seize Dutch ships with the promise to return them after the war or pay for them if they are lost.

THE GREAT WAR VETERANS are to be commended upon their announced plan of siding returned soldiers. They will canvass all employers of labor in the city with the object of finding suitable employment for these men.

Hon. Charles Murphy applied the whip of honest criticism to the back of the Union Government, in the way the London Advertiser refers to his impassioned and unfair attack upon the press and Hon. N. W. Rowell, during the latter's absence from the House.

Sir Gilbert Parker's estimate of Premier Lloyd-George will meet with approval everywhere except possibly in Germany. He says that "his vast gifts tremendously outweigh his faults, and give the impression, not unduly or unfairly that he is a man of decision, of vigor, of driving force and of power."

plans and dispositions. So these raids have been a nightly feature of the work all along the line. But they were only preliminary to the larger operation now under way.

The opposing armies are to-day more evenly matched than at any previous time. Divisions transferred from Russia have raised the strength of the German army to an equality, if not a superiority, with that of the Allies.

Another point to remember: the morale of the German troops has been greatly improved by the successes in Italy during the latter part of 1917, and by the elimination of Russia from active participation in the war.

What concerns the public in general most of all is the possible result of the new offensive. The people were well warned that it was coming. They must also be prepared for its results. There will be reverses. Portions of ground will have to be given up before the onslaught.

The death took place Wednesday at Perth of a former well-known resident of Brockville, in Mrs. Sarah Foster.

PUBLIC OPINION

Britain is Not Starving. (Westminster Gazette.) We are bound to talk about our food in these days, but let no outsider imagine we are starving.

No Hull Across The Water! (Ottawa Citizen.) If you buy a railroad ticket from Ottawa to Toronto now, instead of waiting till next month, you will save \$1.15.

No Half Way House. (London Times.) There is, in fact, no half-way house between victory and defeat. To try to find it is to try to jump half way down Niagara.

Enough of Them at Home. (Brantford Courier.) The excuse of one drafted in Montreal as to why he should not be sent to the front was that he possessed "unusual oratorical ability."

PROVINCIAL AID

Given by the Government for Greater Production. The Dominion Government has taken the lead in an effort to promote greater production by appropriating \$250,000 and placing it at the disposal of the various provinces.

The ability of many farmers to respond to the national need is limited by their domestic and financial obligations and in other cases by the want of help.

A schedule of operations in every county should be prepared and carried out under the supervision of an engineer in order that the work might be accomplished in the shortest possible time.

Rippling Rhymes

THE HELPFUL AUTO

"You ought to cut out riding round in your upholstered boat; for thus you're wasting many a pound and many a bone and great."

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