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**Camp Custer**—The division surgeon's office has taken steps to protect the soldiers against infectious conditions in Battle Creek restaurants. It has been discovered by military authorities that one of the cafes which obtained the approval of the health department for the sale of milk, dairy and food commission has not lived up to the requirements of the law. Hereafter, it is stated, the division will appear unobtrusively in this regard and wherever it finds evidence that eating places are not conducted in a sanitary manner, will station military police at the doors.

**Charlotte**—After three days of campaigning in behalf of the treasury department's new movement for the sale of thrift stamps and war savings certificates, in order to raise the government financial aid hundreds of thousands of wage earners and small investors, who do not find it convenient to invest in Liberty loan issues, Charlotte is now able to point to the fact that there is more a single citizen within her borders who is not discussing the matter with regard to thrift stamps and war savings certificates, the first town in the nation to make that record.

**Camp Custer, Battle Creek**—Camp Custer has passed the 100,000 mark in its soldiers' insurance campaign, practically completing its efforts along this line. Not more than 1,000 men in the 22,000 army of the division without insurance, and it is believed that Custer stands first in the percentage of men who have purchased protection. The officers in charge are now endeavoring to persuade every man of the last 1,000 to take out at least a small amount of insurance.

**East Lansing**—A paraphrase on "Do your shopping early" has been coined by A. B. Cook, state farm labor administrator, who is now pleading with Michigan farmers to "order your farm hands now." "There is no so appalling a shortage of men existing in Michigan now as is generally believed," he says. "Farmers wanting help should get in touch with their county agents now. It will be a much simpler matter for them to get the men they need."

**Detroit**—Mrs. Pauline Soderstrom, 36 years old, was shot and severely injured by William Stiley a Grand Trunk detective, while she was picking bits of coal in the railroad yard. Soderstrom and several boys were going through the yards when the detective spotted them. He fired his revolver to "brighten" them. The boys were scattered, but striking Mrs. Soderstrom in the breast.

**Charlotte**—Forty men, who will patrol will begin work this spring. Each man will cover a route of six to six miles, being responsible for his stretch of highway. The importance of this work has been increased by the fact that routes crossing this country. Automobile trains from both Flint and Lansing are now running regularly to Charlotte.

**Lansing**—Michigan growers can sell wheat flour provided they sell one pound of a substitute for every four pounds of wheat flour. This is the plan made by the state food administration under authority from Washington. This ratio is only temporary and will be increased later as substitutes become available.

**Marquette**—The Marquette-Copper country highway, through Baraga county, a stretch of 50 miles, will be built this summer regardless of the weather. This ratio is only temporary and will be increased later as substitutes become available.

**Port Huron**—A confirmed story from McGrover, says that Adam McGrover, prominent and successful farmer, calf on his farm, which has two heads, four eyes, two ears and two mouths. The remainder of its body is normal. McGrover is endeavoring to keep the animal alive, as a curiosity.

**Muskegon**—Registered pen of neutral countries are being advised by agents they need to get to war, despite the fact that they are not citizenizable papers, according to local draft board members.

**Potosky**—Dog teams carrying mail to Beaver Island from the mainland require a week for the round trip because of the unfavorable ice conditions.

**Marquette**—Robbers recovered \$50 in cash from the bank of the city. This store has been burglarized three times since the start of the year.

**Flint**—Harley hospital patients are now allowed but one teaspoonful of sugar daily, because of their acidity. Breakers get none.

**Flint**—Miss Dinsdale's back was broken at the West Chester mine when a train car of coal fell on him.

**Cassville**—Leo Boulton is dead of injuries received when he was kicked in the head by a horse. The cause of this place have been officially notified of the death of their son, George McLeod, in a hospital in France from pneumonia. McLeod was a member of the sixteenth railway engineers.



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**NEWS REVIEW OF THE PAST WEEK**

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**GERMAN STRIKES SPREADING**

**Workmen of Empire Demand Peace—Civil War Rages in Finland—Italian Drive Back Austrians—Secretary Baker's Excellent Defense Critics Criticize.**

**By EDWARD W. PICKARD.**

Washington correspondents were permitted to say last Friday, that the United States and the entire allied forces are maturing plans of supreme importance which, it is hoped and believed, will bring the war to an end before the close of this year.

The premier favored yielding, but he is, cannot be lured, but it is known that this country is about to use its men and resources on a far greater scale than has been known before.

Industrial Germany at last seems to be giving in. The German workers are demanding that the war be ended without indemnities and annexations and that the condition of the proletariat be improved.

Such was the condition of affairs, if surface indications meant anything. But the foreign correspondents in Holland, and elsewhere, were dubious.

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**The Kremlin.**

It was a strange irony of fate that forced revolutionaries, harassed by the soldiers of Kerensky, to fall back into the Kremlin in Moscow, to continue the seat of despotism in Russia.

It was on the city of the Kremlin, the center of the city, that Moscow was founded by Yuri Dolgoruki, prince of Kiev, in 1147.

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