

BILLY SUNDAY

Restlessness is increasing in Ontario, caused by the failure of the Government, either to abolish the liquor traffic themselves, or to give the people a chance to wipe it out by referendum.

The astounding Billy Sunday meetings, which, judged by the size of the crowds, surpassed anything in the history of Toronto, were significant not only for the results which are likely to follow, but even more so as an unmistakable symbol of the strength of public feeling against the liquor traffic right now at the present time.

The Sunday meetings, held under the auspices of the new non-partisan Committee of 100, and attended by thousands of out of town visitors, as well as by Toronto people, were in reality monster outbreaks of public disapprobation of the liquor traffic.

Never in the history of the country was there such a slashing, fighting attack on the sale of liquor, and although there may possibly here and there be some disagreement as to Sunday's language and methods, there has been no attempt at denial of the obvious fact that Sunday's denunciation of the liquor traffic was correct and unanswerable.

MR. ROWELL'S OFFERS

"What the public of Ontario wants," declared Mr. Rowell, in a speech in Toronto last week, "is not regulation of the liquor traffic, but complete abolition of bars, clubs and shops."

Mr. Rowell repeated his offer, now standing almost a year, that the Liberal Party would co-operate with the Government in closing all bars, clubs and shops during the war, not to be re opened except by vote of the people; or if the Government would not take the responsibility themselves, let them at least, as the government of Alberta has done, and as the government of Manitoba is going to do, give the people a chance to vote out the traffic by referendum.

The price of the Canadian Liberal Monthly has been reduced to 25 cents a year. The monthly is a synopsis of the political events as they occur each month, and it is thought by giving a very low rate almost every Liberal in Canada will be anxious to receive the welcome visitor. Any person wishing to keep well posted on the political events of the day cannot do better than send along their 25 cents.

Is there any good reason why the Dominion Government does not issue a three-cent postage stamp for letters. The affixing of a two cent stamp and a one-cent war stamp means more work both for the sender and the postmaster who has to cancel the stamps. These are busy times, and people might be occupied with more useful work than licking stamps. If it is thought desirable one-third of the stamp could be called "war part."

"Jack Canuck" says that the boys in the trenches are having a dull time, and suggests that their friends should send them that paper. Poor fellows! They surely have enough mud in the trenches without tempting them to wallow in Jack Canuck's dirt.

High School Alumnae

The annual meeting of the Richmond Hill High School Alumnae Association will be held in the High School to-morrow (Friday) afternoon at four o'clock. The study of English Artists will be continued, and papers on the life and works of "George F. Watts, 1817-1904," and "Dante Gabriel Rossetti, 1828-1882," will be given by Mrs. M. Gibson and Mrs. A. G. Savage. As this is the annual meeting, every member is requested to be present to help choose the officers for next year. Come and bring a friend.

Rod and Gun

December Rod and Gun, published by W. J. Taylor, Limited, Woodstock, Ont. is replete with interesting stories of outdoor life, besides the usual departments devoted to Guns and Ammunition, Fishing Notes, etc., etc., which are well maintained. Some of the stories noted are The Hunter's Christmas, Three Polars and a Cree, Hector: A Story of Dog Devotion, Northern Camping Trails, A Just Retribution, Sailor of the Woodlands, Newfoundland Caribou, Adventures of Nels alias Olie. A new department which promises to be of special interest is conducted by Arthur E. Ison and devoted to the interests of dog lovers under the caption of The Kennel.

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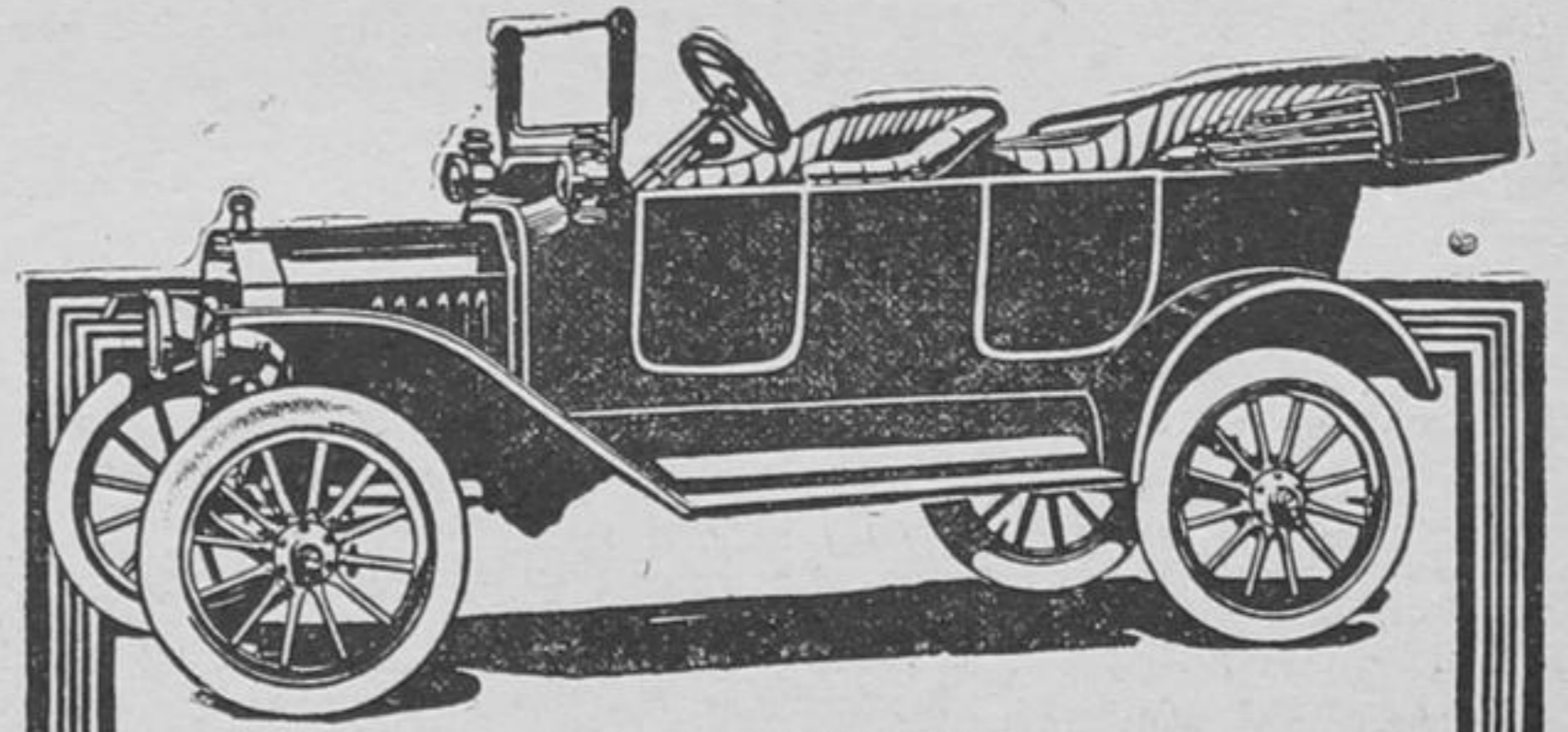
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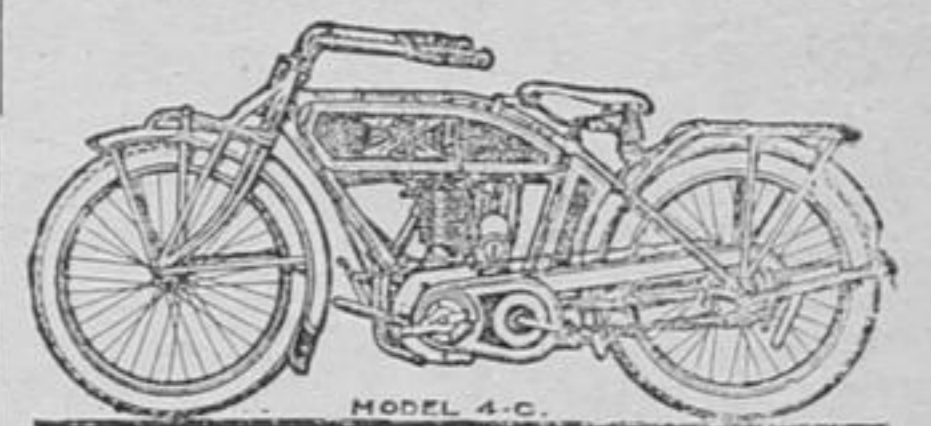
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