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Whoever is afraid of submitting any question, civil or religious, to the test of free discussion, is more in love with his own opinion than with the truth.—WATSON.

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Editorials

TOWN CLEANLINESS

We were much taken with a little circular hanging in the new post office, which reads: "A tidy Post Office is a credit to your town. Do not scribble on the walls or on the notices, and do not throw wrappers or papers on the floor."

This bit of advice, to our notion, might take in more than the post office. It might well read: "Tidy streets are a credit to your town. Do not deface the buildings or throw your wrappers, newspapers or other refuse on the streets."

On a good many occasions in the past The Chronicle has drawn attention to the practise of some of our citizens of throwing litter on the streets and advocated a campaign to overcome this thoughtlessness. We have suggested that proper waste receptacles be provided for the reception of this waste, which could then be burned or otherwise disposed of.

So far, any advice along this line has either been not wanted or appreciated, or else the powers that be feel that the response on the part of the citizens would not be worth the expense of a trial. Personally, we think street cleanliness, like a lot of other things, is a matter of habit and education, and would like to see the scheme tried out. We have an idea that, like the Government's new "stop" street regulation, the public would soon awake to its benefits, and in a short time unconsciously fall in line. Clean streets are a town's best advertisement; no town can look its best when its streets are littered with chewing gum wrappers, peanut shells, envelopes or other trash.

WHO WON THE WAR?

The July 4 issue of Maclean's Magazine is deserving the thanks of the British Empire for the article, "The Truth About the War," from the pen of Major George A. Drew, published in answer to articles which have recently appeared in certain United States journals, the "Cosmopolitan" and "Liberty" in which Brigadier General Henry J. Reilly of the United States Army attempts to tell of the glory of United States troops in the 1914-1918 struggle.

This is well and good, but in all three cases, the whole object seemed to be to belittle the gigantic task that Britain had accomplished previous to the entry of the United States into the struggle and to prove to the citizens of "the land of the free and the home of the brave" that had it not been for their little Uncle Samuel the whole world would have been captured by Germany. Canadians have no fault to find with United States writers for glorifying the bravery of their troops in the field. They did good work, and have been given full credit for it, but as Canadians we would like to see them give at least a partially truthful account of what happened after the United States entered the war in 1917.

Maclean's Magazine published the article from the pen of Major Drew to counteract the influence the untruthful reports in the United States magazines, which have a large circulation in Canada, might have on the minds of many Canadians who were but babes in arms

when the war was at its height and might be misled by the articles into believing them an accurate account of what transpired.

Those who know the Cosmopolitan, and the Saturday Evening Post expect no justice. Both these journals are anti-British and have never failed on any occasion when opportunity presented itself, of knifing the British. They have for years been engaged in an anti-British campaign by the publication of lying propaganda. The Cosmopolitan is one of the Hearst publications. William Randolph Hearst, its owner, is an Irishman and hates "England" or Britain with all his heart. Previous to the entry of the United States into the war, he was considered pro-German. This charge was hardly justified, however. Hearst cared nothing for Germany; his hope was that hated England would be whipped, and the entry of the States into the conflict somewhat modified his editorial somewhat because it was not safe to do otherwise, but he still hates England, and the publication of anything against the British Empire would be sweet to him. Hence, General Reilly's article would find instant favor in the Hearst controlled Cosmopolitan.

George Horace Lorimer is the editor of the Saturday Evening Post. Just who or what he is we are not positive. He is not big enough to be included in any "Who's Who" at our disposal, but any one who cares to take the time to read his editorials will find that where Britain is concerned, he wastes no time in telling what he thinks of her. His one achievement was his "Letters of a Self-Made Merchant" to his son. Just why Lorimer stoops to some of the things he perpetrates in the name of journalism we do not know, but it is a fact that he is one of the United States citizens who thinks, or says he thinks, that Britain is not paying her share of the war, and calls upon his government for the tightening up of the regulations whereby the loans made by the United States to the allies, and which were made through Britain, may be soon repaid. We have our doubts that Lorimer believes what he writes, but his sort of stuff evidently suits his anti-British readers in the United States and builds up a subscription list.

It is little wonder, therefore, that the garbled reports appearing in these two publications should be received with open arms. The magazine "Liberty" has frankly admitted that it publishes this sort of stuff, not that the editors believe it, but because it is the sort of stuff its anti-British readers desire.

The article in Maclean's is a lengthy one of from sixteen to twenty columns, is written by a man who knows the late world war, his figures are taken from the official records, and in his whole article there is not one attempt to rob United States troops of any glory they may have won. Major Drew's article should be read in every Public and High school in order that the slander of these United States publications may be fully refuted and that the statements that the British Empire was a slacker and did not prosecute the war in the same efficient manner as did the United States may be thoroughly disproved.

After reading excerpts from the Cosmopolitan, the Saturday Evening Post, and Liberty, it is very hard to see that the government at Ottawa does not prohibit their importation into Canada. It is more of a wonder that Canadians do not become disgusted with their well-planned misrepresentation and quit reading them.

It is not our intention to glorify or justify war, but too many Canadians and other British soldiers, well over three million of them, sacrificed their lives in the years 1914 and 1918, to allow such charges as appear in some of the United States magazines to go unchallenged. "The Truth About the War" in the last Maclean's should be read by every Canadian.

THE HOSPITAL BYLAW

In this issue of The Chronicle, for the second week, is published the synopsis of a bylaw that will come before the ratepayers on the 30th inst., whereby they are asked to guarantee the bonds of the Red Cross Memorial Hospital to the extent of \$10,000. Briefly, the Durham Hospital has outgrown its accommodations, and the Board of Trustees who have its welfare and guidance in charge see no relief other than the building of an addition to the present building.

Persons at all in touch with the Hospital, and by that we mean only those who have been in the habit of visiting patients there, know only too well that there are too many patients for the accommodations available. This means, only one thing: that only too often the matron has to give up her own private room to make place for patients, and on many other occasions even the office has had to accommodate those who are ill and confined within the walls of the institution.

The idea of the building of the addition has not been arrived at by any hasty decision. For the past three years or more the officials in charge have made attempts to solve the matter, but now the only solution seems to be the providing of more accommodation, as the crowded condition, instead of being a mere passing epidemic of illness, shows plainly that the residents of Durham and over a wide area appreciate fully the benefits of the local institution, with the consequent result that the surplus of patients is the rule rather than the exception.

It is with these facts at their disposal that the Board of Trustees



Here are the six girls who will represent Canada in the track and field contests at the Olympics: Jean Thompson, (No. 1) of Penetanguishene, Ont., representative for the 800 metres and spare for the 100 metres; (2) Florence Bell, 100 metres and relay; (3) Ethel Catherwood, high jump; (4) Fanny Rosenfeld, 100 metres, 800 metres, discus and relay; (5) Myrtle Cook, 100 metres and relay; (6) Ethel Smith, 100 metres and relay. The last five are Toronto girls, although Miss Catherwood formerly resided in Saskatoon.

SOCIETY

Mrs. E. K. Jackson has returned from her extended visit to Tientsin, China, and her old home in Yorkshire, England, and taken up her residence in town for the summer. She was accompanied by Miss Joan Smith of Hamilton, who will also spend the summer here.

Rev. J. E. Peters of Meaford was a welcome caller at our office yesterday afternoon. He is in attendance at the Summer School at Presque Isle, and with Rev. Mr. Smith of this place, returned here that the latter might officiate at the Dalgarra-Hopkins wedding.

Hon. Dr. D. Jamieson and grandson, Bowman Jamieson, are spending this week on Manitoulin Island. Miss Margaret Derby of Stratford is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Derby, for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Melbourne McKay of Inwood are visiting their parental homes, Mr. and Mrs. G. McKay.

While the town is being asked to guarantee the bonds for this \$10,000, the Hospital Board is pledged to pay the debentures as they fall due. The only reason for asking the town to guarantee the bonds is that in this manner the debentures can be floated at a lower rate of interest than if were they sold by the Hospital Board themselves.

Another objection that might be taken is that the debentures are to be issued to run over a period of 30 years. This is something over which the Hospital Board or the Council has no control. Guaranteed municipal debentures are compelled by law to be issued to run over a 30-year period.

The guaranteeing of the hospital bonds is advocated by some of the town's leading business men and financiers, and the ratepayers need have no fear in marking their ballots in favor of the town as a whole getting behind our local hospital, that their debentures may be placed on the market at a lower rate of interest than if the Hospital Board had to do it alone. Vote "YES" on the Hospital Bylaw.

VACATION FOOTWEAR advertisement for J. S. McIlraith, The Cash Shoe Store, Durham. Features a high quality two-tone oxford for men at \$6.00.

family are visiting with relatives in Winnipeg and other Manitoba points.

Mrs. Adam Watson, who has been visiting with her daughters in British Columbia for the past two years, has returned to town and taken up her residence on Lambton street. She left British Columbia in May, but has visited with her daughters at Regina and other places before returning to the East.

Mrs. P. Gagnon and daughter Norma leave Saturday for Fort William, where they will visit the former's sister-in-law, Mrs. Pelletier.

Dr. J. L. Smith is leaving next Monday for a six or eight-weeks' visit in the West, and during his absence his practice here will be taken by Dr. R. C. Grant.

Miss Isobel Kelsey, nurse-in-training in Woodstock Hospital, is home at present spending her holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Kelsey.

Mrs. Olive Treleven of Lucknow is visiting with Mrs. Whelan here. It is 40 years since these two relatives last met. Mrs. Treleven having been a resident of the West during the greater part of that time.

Mrs. W. Putnam of Mount Forest was also a guest of Mrs. Whelan last week.

Miss Sullivan of Stayner has been engaged as the fifth teacher in Durham High school. She is a specialist in Mathematics and Physics and comes highly recommended.

Mr. Donald Stewart, Deepdale, Man., is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Dan McArthur, and Mr. and Mrs. J. McNally. It is 17 years since Mr. Stewart was last in Durham, and

Miss Marie Gilmour of Burgessville is visiting Mr. and Mrs. James Mather.

Mr. and Mrs. William Black and Mr. and Mrs. Arch. Black, St. Mary's spent the week-end with relatives in town. Mr. Ed. Burnett Sr., has been visiting here also.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Kearney and children, accompanied by Mrs. A. Boggs, spent last week with relatives in Chatham and Windsor.

Miss Clara Aljoe, Toronto, visited with her parents for a week, and left for a trip to the coast. She will visit her sister, Mrs. Fall in Edmonton, on her way home.

Misses May McClocklin and Margaret McKenzie, Toronto are home for the vacation.

Mrs. Fred Jucksch of Meaford visited for a few days last week with her son, Mr. and Mrs. George Jucksch.

Mrs. Albert Livingstone returned Saturday from visiting her sister, Mrs. William Heugan, Milverton, who underwent a serious operation for appendicitis. We are pleased to say she is recovering as well as could be expected. Mrs. Aldred, her mother, left this week to visit with her.

Miss Mary Brown entertained her Sunday school class Tuesday of this week at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Noble and Mrs. R. Moorhead spent a few days in Gravenhurst the latter part of last week.

Miss Elsie Willis left on Tuesday for Manitoulin Island where she will visit her aunt.

Mr. Herb Kelsey visited his brother, Mr. Fred Kelsey, last week-end.

Rev. and Mrs. Whealan and son Pat are visiting Mr. W. B. Vollett, his daughter, Miss Sarah Vollett, and other friends in town for two weeks.

Mrs. J. S. McIlraith is in Toronto visiting her sister, who is seriously ill.

Miss Chrissie McGirr, Campbellford, and Miss Lavina Mortley, Richmond Hill, are holidaying at their homes here.

Miss M. Torry was in Toronto last week visiting her niece, Miss Edith Torry, who is ill in the hospital.

Mrs. E. Mills and two children of Toronto are visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. John Lloyd.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Sparling and

he has been a resident of the West for the past 30 years. We were pleased to have a call from him yesterday. Mr. Stewart intends remaining for two weeks or so. Mr. Stewart is a brother of the ladies mentioned and a cousin of Mr. Donald Stewart of Bentinck. All during his residence in the West he has been a regular reader of The Chronicle.

Noble's Garage advertisement: We Are Speedy, Efficient, Moderate. NO MATTER what its ailment is, we can restore your car to perfect mechanical condition with the minimum of time and expense to you.

Haying Season Is Here Again advertisement: Is Your Equipment In Good Shape? We have a complete line of tools. The kind that makes the work lighter. Pure Plymouth Hay Fork Rope. Louden Hay Fork Pulleys from 75c. to \$2.00. Louden Hay Forks \$6.00. Harvest Tools of All Kinds. Cross & Sutherland Hardware Co., Limited.

Extraordinary Grocery Savings advertisement featuring Mrs. A. Beggs & Son. Lists various grocery items and prices, such as Redpath Sugar, Best Rubber Rings, Fresh Dates, etc.

ENTRANCE CLASS WERE ALL SUCCESSFUL advertisement listing names of students from various schools like Durham Centre, Holstein Centre, Dornoch School, Mulock, etc.