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Sir Wilfrid's Stand: "You may say that I have spoken on this war only in regard to civilization, which is no doubt great, but what will it be for Canada? Can't Canada stand aside? No, it cannot."

What the Vote Means: The people of Alberta and Saskatchewan have had a chance to revise their opinions upon the temperance question. In Alberta they voted for prohibition without any alternative.

Germany in Want: Vorwarts, a German paper, is very candid when it remarks: "It is to exaggeration to say that in Berlin thousands of persons are battling daily for a small quantity of meat and lard."

Long Lost Civilization: Incidentally, though through the war in the far East, one learns a great deal that is very interesting and about a country that has been to many as a sealed book.

Editorial Notes: So the Knights of Columbus do not take any disloyal or traitorous oath, as alleged. A committee of Protestants in Renfrew has disposed of that report, and, incidentally, has castigated those who bear false witness against their neighbors.

its work here. The site of the Garden of Eden lies near the upper end of the Gulf. From the Tigris and Euphrates came the Islanders, "who founded the great nations that preceded Babylon."

In these territories or distant lands public interest centres for the time being. For here the British fight the Germans and the Turks for a supremacy that will when settled determine the continuance or discontinuance of British rule in the far East.

The Fight in Persia: The amazing fact in connection with the war is the ubiquity of our enemy, the German. He is surely to be found everywhere, in unexpected places, and he has been so busy generally in his occupations, much more so than has been suspected.

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KINGSTON EVENTS 25 YEARS AGO

Mayor Drennan is delighted with the success of his canvass. Capt. Daley has been a commander on the lakes twenty-three seasons and has never had an accident.

PUBLIC OPINION

Why Not Tax? Toronto Globe. Mr. White's failure to announce that he will tax excessive war profits is inexplicable.

The Factories Humming. Montreal Star. Last June Britain had about 500 establishments making shells.

It Surely Has. London Advertiser. Ketchum, a New York lawyer, says a kiss two hours long changed his life.

What a Fall! Calgary News-Telegram. Constantine still holds the centre of the stage, but every stage has a trap door.

Must Get Money. Montreal Mail. Contractor Kelly, of Winnipeg, has made a counter claim against the Government for over a million dollars.

Ancient History. Belleville Intelligencer. This is by no means the first time a Government has commandeered a country's wheat crop.

Now It's Indifferent. New York World. The nation that is demanding safe passage home for its military and naval attaches in the United States is the same that only a little while ago was officially warning Americans bent on lawful errands to Europe that there would be no safe passage for them.

THE CONSERVATIVE PRESS. Canada's Motto. Toronto Telegram. Enquiry in this country follows the line of least resistance in its investigation of charges of retail rascality.

Why? Columbia State. Is the debutante always "winsome?" And the hostess always "gracious?"

N. B. Chief Justice Dead. St. John, N.B., Dec. 16.—Sir Frederick Austen Barker, Chief Justice of New Brunswick, died yesterday morning.

Great Chance Given. Ottawa Citizen. By a modest outlay by the Dominion Government, less than \$100,000 the Transcona ship might have been transformed into a national munitions factory to turn out 5,000 shells per day.

SEE PAGE 10. Owing to a re-arrangement, necessary at this time of the year, the special features—"Sleeping Tales" and "Low Cost of Living Menus"—have been removed to Page 10, where they may be found daily henceforth.

Rippling Rhymes

RESTORATION. In Europe, when the war is done, the harried land will smile once more; the churches, sacked by howling Hun, some gifted genius will restore.

MONEY IN AEROS. Curtis Company To Get \$15,000,000 From Great Britain. New York, Dec. 16.—It was said in the financial district that the Curtis Aeroplane Company has closed a contract with the British Government for \$15,000,000 worth of aeroplanes.

FARMS For Sale. 43 acres Price \$1,500; 20 acres Price \$1,500; 100 acres Price \$3,200; 100 acres Price \$3,400; 56 acres Price \$3,500; 114 acres Price \$3,750; 250 acres Price \$3,750; 80 acres Price \$4,000; 100 acres Price \$4,000; 67 acres Price \$4,250; 150 acres Price \$5,000; 400 acres Price \$5,500; 200 acres Price \$6,000; 200 acres Price \$7,000; 260 acres Price \$10,500; 200 acres Price \$11,250.

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Marion Long. The illustrations accompanying Estelle Kerr's article on "Those War-Time Jig-Saw Toys" are novel and decidedly clever. The make-up of the entire number is highly creditable.

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OUR WHEAT SAVES BELGIUM. Relief Work Being Carried On In Systematic Manner.

London, Dec. 16.—It is interesting to note in connection with the study of the war from an economic point that to-day the price of bread in Belgium is the same as it is in England.

The committee received a large share of its wheat and flour from Canada through the generosity of the Canadian people, shipped from the Canadian committee's headquarters in Montreal, and its allotment is so regulated that there could be no advance in the price of the people. Of course, a large part of the bread is actually distributed free to those who have no money—for the committee sees that all have sustenance.

This has been accomplished as a small part of the wonderful and almost incomprehensible work of the Relief Committee. The committee has seen to it that the rich and poor are treated alike in the distribution of bread. No matter what a man's resources may be, he can receive only his allotment of bread each day and through the same channels that the poor man receives his.

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