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LABOUR DISTINCTIONS.

In parallel columns the New York Herald reports the conditions with two labour classes. In one case President Wilson has intervened.

In the second case the workers in over one hundred and fifty-fax factories struck for a living wage.

For the poor box workers there should be redress as well as the railroad men, and it is distressing to infer that one class is favored because a great organization is behind it.

A WIN FOR SIR ADAM. Sir Adam Beck is probably one of the happiest men in Ontario to-day.

The registration will not amount to much which does not account for every man in the district, his age, his occupation, his fitness or unfitness for military service.

Hon. G. Howard Ferguson's idea is that it is a shame to hold bye-elections during a war. Well, why order them? Mr. Ferguson has essayed, with Garry's assistance, to dictate the policy of the government.

RESULT IN TORONTO. What was the issue in Toronto where, in the south west division, an election occurred on Monday? Mr. Dewart being the member-elect it follows that what he advocated represented the views of the people.

EDITORIAL NOTES. The Hearst government is waking up. It has lost the confidence of the people. The sooner it passes its checks the better.

What about Hon. Mr. Hanna? Like Joel Chandler Harris' Tar Baby, during the present bye-election "he lay low and say nuthin'."

A majority of 600 for Mr. Dewart in South-West Toronto means a wholesale repudiation of the men who presume to rule in the local government.

PUBLIC OPINION

Get Sir Sam (Toronto Star) So it's munition making they need speeded up in Ontario. How would it do to have Sir Sam tackle the job?

Registration a Failure (Port Arthur Chronicle) Registration failed in Britain and New Zealand and gave place to conscription. So far Australia clings to it and it may succeed in Canada.

Handwriting on Wall. (Philadelphia Ledger) The war may be far from ended; there may be disasters for the Allies yet to come. But the handwriting on the wall is becoming ominously plain.

Surplus Help (Hamilton Times) The Saskatchewan Labor Bureau says that there is likely to be a surplus of harvest help up there this season. Similar reports come from other sources.

Don't Envy Him. (Peterboro Review) "I do not envy the man who has the responsibility of this war upon his conscience," says the Kaiser. Just when did Wilhelm first lose his admiration for himself?

Surely Not. (Toronto Star) While Sir Sam Hughes is in England John Wesley Allison has been stripped of his title as Honorary Colonel. But there's nothing to prevent Sir Sam making another Hon. Col. of him as soon as he gets back.

Suggestive Thought (Ottawa Citizen) M. Clementel, French minister of commerce, reminds the Allies that amongst other commodities they control four and a half times the hemp supply that Germany does. Which may sound rather significant in Berlin.

KINGSTON EVENTS 25 YEARS AGO

Benjamin Webster Folger and Matthew Henry Folger (bankers), Frederick Augustus Folger (agent), and Michael John Grady (contractor), all of Kingston, and James Hammond, of Fort William (hotel-keeper), form the Matina Iron Company, Limited, with a capital of \$100,000.

A HUMILIATING SPECTACLE

Toronto Globe. Is the Attorney-General standing before a Government candidate committed to "a wine-and-beer" amendment, declares that "there are absurdities in the liquor license bill passed last session" the very bill he and his Government framed.

MURDERED TWO PRIESTS.

Esquimos Who Committed Crime Caught After Long Chase. Ottawa, Aug. 22.—In the far reaches of the copper mine country of the Arctic regions two missionary priests, Fathers Leroux and Rouvier, were murdered in November, 1913.

Rippling Rhymes CANDIDATES

I'd rather pack a hod of bricks clear up a ladder nine miles long, than fuss around in politics when summer heat is blazing strong. A candidate comes up to me, and hands me out his little card; "I'm out for coroner," says he, "and need your vote, you old fat bard. Your influence I now beseech; I wish you'd boost me to your friends' ears, and tell them all that I'm a peach, pursuing patriotic ends."

should neglect to take every action that in my judgment will help to conserve the financial strength and power and manhood of this province for the great struggle in which we are engaged, I would be a traitor to my country, a traitor to my own conscience, and unworthy of the brave sons of Canada who are fighting, bleeding, and dying for freedom and for us.

"I fear not the verdict of this day or of future generations; I am content to await, and will await with confidence, the verdict of the people when the right time comes for them to render their verdict. And I am satisfied that the Conservative who, in years to come, reads the record of his party we are writing to-day, will have no cause to blush as he reads." (Applause.)

Blush! Blush for the record of Premier Hearst's word and deed on April 4, 1916? No! But for the record of last week, when the Hearst Government gave the lie to Hearst's every word, all decent Conservatives and all law-respecting Canadians blush to-day and may have darker cause to blush when the whole treason to temperance and to public honor is disclosed.

A GRAB THAT IS NOT APPROVED

Toronto World (Conservative). An effort was made after Sir James Whitney's death to drag the Hydro-Electric Commission into politics, and it has been partially successful. Had there been no politics in the attitude of the Government in passing its disallowance bill, preventing the municipalities obtaining money for the necessary purchase at this time of rights of way for the radials, there would have been no need for the Guelph protest, and Mr. J. W. Lyon's piercing words. Nor would there have been necessary for Hon. Mr. Laidlaw to climb down and tell the electors that if a mistake had been made it would be corrected.

There is also a radical principle involved which the Government has given no assurances about. This is the question of ownership at the municipalities, under the original policy, owned the system. The Government, it was pointed out, was under no responsibility, and whatever happened would lose nothing.

KHAKI IS NOT FOR SALARY GRABBERS

Toronto Telegram. Canada should not put khaki coverings on the civilian hides of every salaried appointee who is called to the discharge of lucrative and comfortable duties in connection with the registration of this country's recruitable population.

If public money is to be spent in salaries every salary should go to a wounded soldier. Canada's first contingent and other contingents at this country. The high duty of the Canadian army is represented by returned survivors of service at the front, not sinecures at the rear. These men are just as competent to administer a system of national registration as lawyers and other civilians who have never risked their lives on active service.

It will be time enough to put khaki clothes on civilians and to put more civilians on this country's pay roll when there are not enough wounded or returned survivors of battle to go around the supply of jobs that are to be created in connection with the registration scheme.

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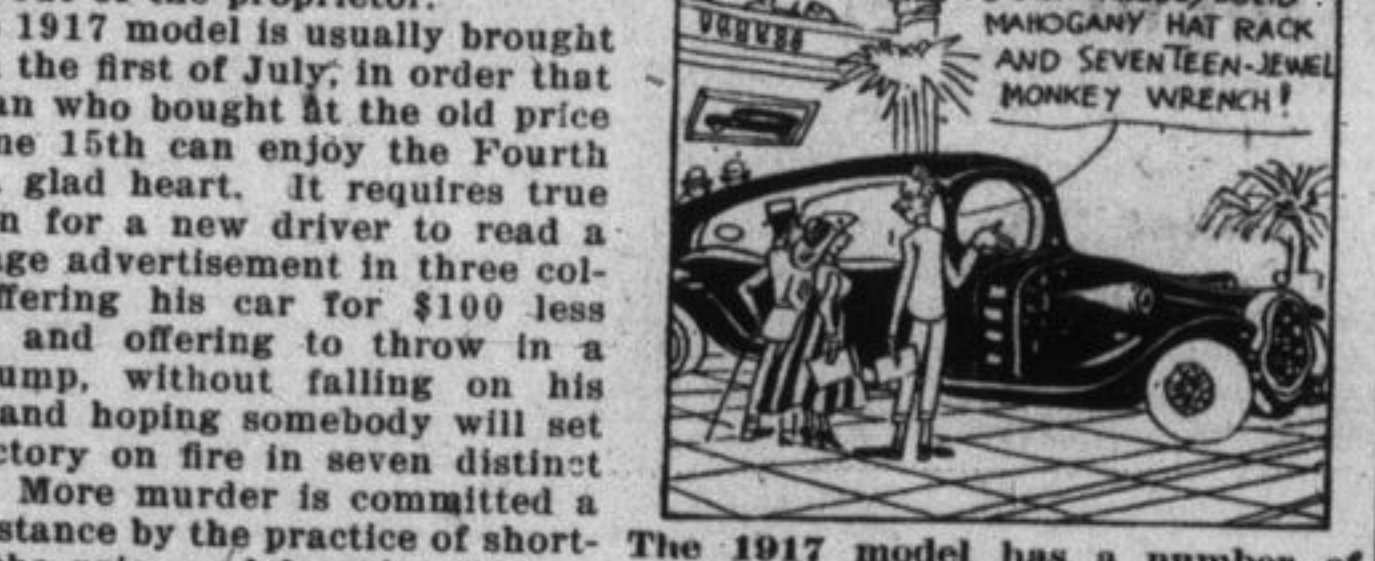
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