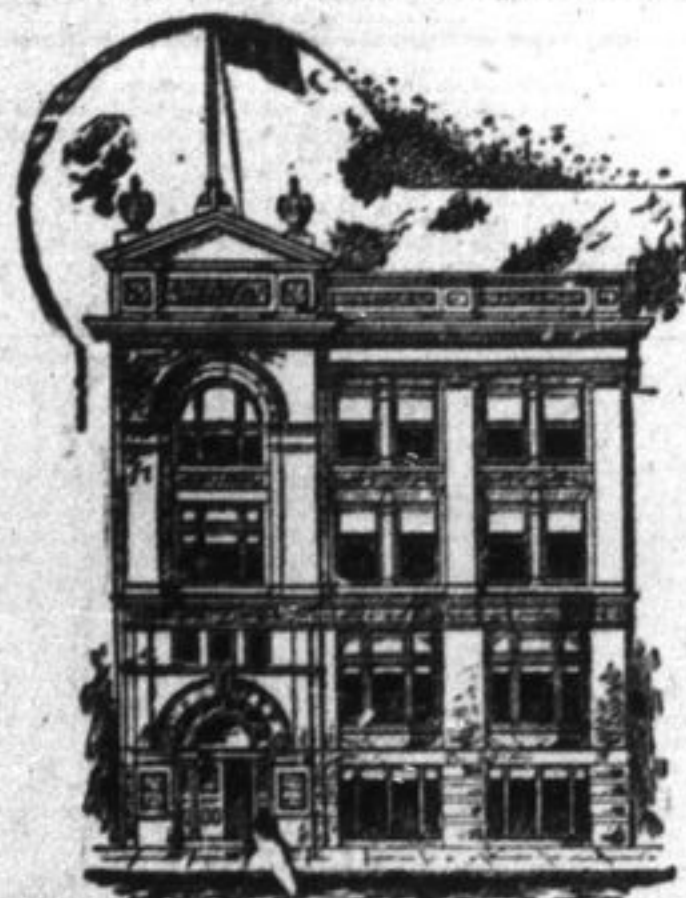


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THE TIME OF DISCONTENT.

It does not take much to stir up the spirit of discontent, and that spirit is asserting itself most conspicuously in some of the countries which are affected by the war. It finds expression most seriously in Russia, where, succeeding the fall of the Romanoffs, it gave vent to rare and extraordinary proceedings. It has since been restrained more or less in response to the appeals of Kerensky and those who have co-operated with him, and these are familiar with the aims and aspirations of the common people. It gave place to reason in Great Britain when it was pointed out that national hopes and successes depended upon the dissembling of certain views until a more propitious season. But the discontent that cannot be ended is showing itself again in the Old Land, and in a most pernicious way.

The London Times is not an alarmist paper. It is more sensitive to prevailing movements than formerly, but it is still the reserved and dignified organ of public opinion; and when it emits a note of warning the situation may be regarded as very grave. The Times says the danger of the day lies in a propaganda which it is difficult to measure. It is represented in the working classes by intellectuals, and in a remarkable fashion. Certain Socialist doctrines find favor in many places, not hitherto affected by them. Those who preach them are surely influenced by the belief that they are the sufferers from capitalism in many ways, that it penetrates society to the very core, that it is ruthless and selfish in its nature, and spares no one and no interest in the gratification of its schemes. It is said that capitalism has reached a climax in the exactness of the war. How far that hurtful philosophy has extended no one can say. It has become dangerous, however, when the Times comments upon its progress with ominous language.

The spirit of discontent has been manifested in America, not in the savage and senseless speech of zealots, but in the subtler talk of modern Socialism. Mark the outburst of feeling which attended the gathering of 10,000 men and women to launch the Socialist campaign of Mr. Hiquit for mayor of New York. The aim is to elevate the platform of the party, and it includes a denunciation of war, of conscription, and of the suppression of free speech even when it involves a disturbance of the peace. Mark the strange muttering of the quieter ones in Canada who see the wisdom of calmness in the face of national danger, and yet cannot miss the chance of a blow occasionally on capitalism. Wealth, despotically used, may be, and no doubt is, guilty of many forms of aggression and oppression, but it is extravagantly accused of many wrongs which have their origin in the inequalities which the war is expected to extirpate.

There are some who do not expect any government to last long as a result of the election. There is one clear issue before the people, and one only, the war. Outside of that the people of Canada have no use for, and no patience with, any of the men who constitute the Borden government.

CONSCRIPTION OF WEALTH.

Herbert Horsey, who is the liberal candidate in Prince Edward County, finds it necessary to correct the misconceptions or the misrepresentations of the enemy. After the war broke out, and while recruiting fell off he favored voluntary enlistments, but when recruiting fell off he favored conscription and favors it still. He was opposed to an extension of the term parliament because he did not think that it would relieve the government of its policy of draft.

When conscription was finally adopted the question became one of passing the law and enforcing it. He would have preferred a further trial of voluntary enlistments, but when the time passed for that he supported conscription of both wealth and men. It is due to the liberal agitation that the country has benefited by the taxation of excessive profits, and it is due to the conservative government that the statute with regard to this tax ends with the year 1917. The finance minister talked of reviving the measure, if necessary in 1918, but as a matter of fact there is no provision in law for this.

Mr. Horsey contends that the tax on extra profits should be made retroactive and cover the transactions of 1915 and 1916. "For example," said he, writing to the Picton Times, "this would include such contracts as the \$700,000 machine and forging order which was obtained by the present conservative member for Prince Edward in the House of Commons and the prospective candidate under that banner in the next election. He received it with an understanding that it was to be executed at Picton. As he told the House of Commons, Gen. Bertram, head of the defunct shell committee, awarded it to him on merit because the general knew his family well and that he had the plant in Picton to efficiently fill the order." Here is quite a drive at the present member for Prince Edward which will be appreciated by the people of Picton and Prince Edward County.

The judge, presiding at a murder trial in Old Bailey, London, said there was no such thing as an unwritten law. But the jury acted as if there were, as its members, in twenty minutes, rendered a verdict of "not guilty."

A MAN OF THE CITY.

The Whig, in another column, refers to the high place, which Dr. J. J. Hartly, of Kingston, occupies in the community, upon his merits. He has risen from one position of trust to another until he has reached the highest attainable, the presidency of the Locomotive Works Company. Some times a prophet has no honor in his own country. Men are called to offices of responsibility from distant cities. They may come with a prestige which has been easily acquired, or with a reputation which they find it difficult to sustain. It takes time to demonstrate their capacity.

Dr. Hartly is a product of the city. Here he was born and educated. Here he graduated in medicine. He did not practice his profession; on the contrary his bent for something different became apparent while he was still a young man, and as a member of the company of which his father was the president. He displayed rare aptitude and talent for business, and they have been developing during the passing years. It only required an opportunity, which came later, to demonstrate that he was a leader of men, and possessed of the qualities that marked him out for successful service.

The Whig gladly pays tribute to his worth. He is to be congratulated upon his distinction. He has earned his honors, and they are safe in his keeping. Modestly, too, he carries himself among his fellows. He does not forget his old friends and associates. He does not relax his interest in the sports of the day. He does not cease to take an abiding interest in the life of the city which he served as an alderman for several years. He has time for all the social and civil duties of a man of affairs, and he has the instinct and grasp for the greater concerns which occupy his mind. May he grow in usefulness, in influence and in power. There is really no good thing which the people of Kingston do not wish for him.

David Ross, of Victoria, B.C., who was a delegate to the Labor Congress at Blackpool, in England, is back in Canada. He has made a discovery, that the days of kings, emperors and czars are over. Outside of Britain he does not say, but he seems to mean it.

SCARCITY OF COAL INCREASES.

Brookville ought to be as able as Kingston to get a supply of coal, and yet its merchants have failed it, and a manufacturer has appealed to one of the Kingston coal men and asked him much more per car he wants for any coal he can spare from his accumulations. The answer had to be that no coal could be had at present from Kingston.

all it has will be wanted—at any price. Again the same merchant received a telegram from Renfrew, and from a prominent man there, reading thus: "Understand that you have coal, egg or stove, for immediate shipment. Wire prices." Again the reply went out that Kingston had not any coal which could be spared for outside uses. It is evidence like this which makes one think that the fuel controller has before him a great contract, not of regulating the prices, but of procuring a supply of coal at any cost.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Mayor of Chicago opposed the war and the participation of the American people in it. He thinks this will commend him to the electors of the State of Illinois when they come to choose a senator.

The King of Sweden is facing the people and defying them. He wants to retain the service of the prime minister, who was repudiated in the late elections. What's the use? A leader without a following will be absolutely helpless.

Uncle Sam is not afraid of the big interests. He has undertaken to tax excess profits to the extent of \$1,000,000,000, and incomes to the extent of \$842,000,000. The exemption from taxation is limited to seven per cent.

Hon. Dr. Reid, the minister of customs, is acting as the substitute of the premier in negotiations for a union government. This suggests that there is not much seriousness in the business. Fancy Reid as a cabinet maker and pacifist.

The Toronto World says that all the conservative conventions have been called off pending the dissolution of parliament and the message of the premier. If Sir Robert Borden cannot frame a union government there will be a straight party fight.

Premier Goun, of Quebec, is being petitioned by the Board of Trade in Montreal to appoint a commission that will usurp the functions of the City Council of Montreal, and save the city from financial disaster. The people deserve to be punished for their carelessness in the elections.

PUBLIC OPINION.

Poor Time For Change. (Peterboro Examiner) Russia changed the name of Petersburg to Petrograd, and it is hoped that Russia will not be changed to Retrograd.

Time for Meditation. (Brantford Expositor) It is not a bad time to sit down quietly and consider whether Parliament is the servant or the master of the people.

Prohibition Has Some Faults. (Toronto Press Despatch) "Since prohibition came in our reports have dropped from \$250 to \$20 a day," said the representative of the appellant. The property, assessed for \$19,100, he said, was worth \$18,000. Before prohibition \$45,000 was offered for it.

All the Better. (Windsor Record) At the present rate of enlistment Canada may raise the 500,000 before the military service bill comes into operation.

The Big Interests. (Hamilton Spectator) Just at present, lambasting the "Big Interests" appears to have crowded "Conscription of Wealth" into the background.

Starvation Won't Do. (Toronto Mail) A Sinn Feiner has died as the result of a hunger-strike, which will be a warning to other members of the order who may think they are as hardy as the Suffragettes.

CONTEMPORARY OPINION.

Ontario Election Coming? (Windsor Record) Hines have been dropped that there might be an Ontario provincial election before the Dominion contest. This impression is strengthened by a very laudatory editorial of a column and a half in the Kingston Standard, which winds up thus: "It will be a privilege and a pleasure for the people of Ontario, when the time comes, to return Premier Hearst and his colleagues to power with a larger majority than ever. They will have fairly won and earned it."

Mercury, sakes! Are they going to spring two elections on us when the great mass of people are heartily sick of party politics? Is Sir William Hearst going back on his promise that there would be another session of the legislature before an election?

It is only three years ago last June since there was a provincial election. What's all the rush. Is it because the Tories feel sure of winning, and hope to kill two birds with one stone, by securing a further lease of life for the Hearst administration and lining up the forces in Ontario for the coming federal campaign?

Wealth From the Gardens. (Montreal Herald) The authoritative estimate just given out in the United States, to the effect that \$350,000,000 worth of produce has been produced in American "war gardens," emphasizes in an astounding manner the importance of the gardening movement. No such general estimate has been made of the extra produce, this year through the gardening movement in Canada. There is no reason to believe, however, that we are behind the United States proportionately. It is a pretty safe guess, therefore, that if the extra gardens have yielded \$350,000,000 worth in the neighboring Republic, the gardens of Canada have produced \$30,000,000 worth.

Can't Fix Wages. (Guelph Mercury) How long will wages go on increasing? That question is bound to come up time and again, because industrial conditions and unrest are certain to keep it before us. Every wage increase is sooner or later reflected in the price that the purchasing public has to pay for the line affected. Every wage increase, given to combat the high cost of living, becomes in reality an addition to the high cost of living. This may seem a contradiction, but think it out. This can go on as long as the public who buy can and will pay the price. The time will come when they cannot or will not do so any longer, and then the demand ceases. It is a wise industrial world that will realize when it is approaching the dividing line between the possible and the impossible.

Government Condemned. (Ottawa Citizen) "The Government stands condemned during that three years of failing, to give the lead in any single measure towards democratic national service in the place of private profit-making out of the war. It is only necessary to mention the Government's refusal to set up national projectile factories, or to take any step towards putting the munitions industry on a basis of production for use instead of for profit."

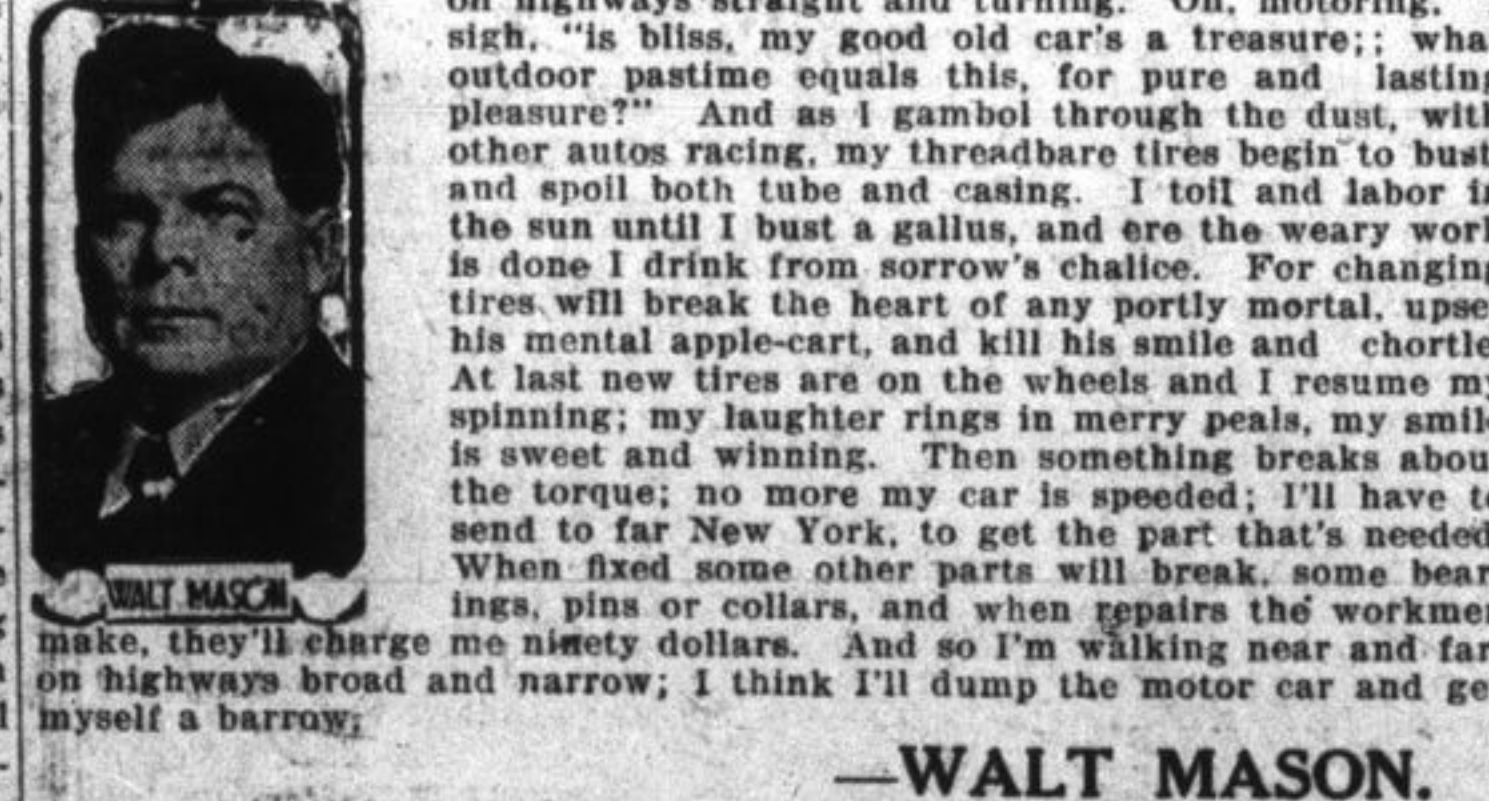
"CHILDISH NONSENSE" The Kaiser's Views on Arbitration and Disarmament. Paris, Sept. 27.—Julius Cambon, General Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in his weekly talk with the Associated Press, spoke first of the replies of the Central Powers to the Pope's peace proposal, which, he said, he found remarkable as carefully avoiding any practical question, while dealing at length on arbitration, disarmament, liberty of the seas and philosophical subjects which the Germans always have treated as chimerical.

"I can recall conversations with the Kaiser," M. Cambon continued, "in which he ridiculed such questions as childish nonsense and unworthy the attention of responsible statesmen. There is no policy existing for the Germans which is not realistic, with conquest and domination as its aim. If Germany has thus changed, it is because the country feels that the expression of such vague and blind to nothing, whereas precise declarations would engage it in things which it carefully avoids."

"As regards the verbal propositions about Belgium the conditions are not acceptable to all Belgians as they involve the negation of any true independence. A distinction between the Wallons and Flemings would be the end of Belgium. Secretary of State Lansing's revelations of German intrigues in America have not surprised M. Cambon, who considers them part of the plan pursued by Germany, not only in belligerent countries, but in neutral states. Germany, seeing herself unable to attain military success, M. Cambon said, decided on systematic agitation to upset established order and divide the Allies in order to gain benefits for herself. He expressed the personal opinion that the conflict between Germany and Argentina would result in a rupture of relations."

Rippling Rhymes

MOTORING I chug along from burg to grad, good gasoline a-burning, where roads are good, where roads are bad, on highways straight and turning. "Oh, motoring," I sigh, "is bliss, my good old car a treasure; Right outdoor pastime equals this, for pure and lasting pleasure?" And as I gambol through the dust, with other auto racing, my treadbare tires begin to bust, and spool both tube and casing. I toil and labor in the sun until I bust a gallas, and see the weary work is done I drink from sorrow a chalice. For changing tires will break the heart of any portly mortal, upset his mental apple-cart, and kill his smile and chortle. At last new tires are on the wheels and I resume my spinning; my laughter rings in merry peals, my smile is sweet and winning. Then something breaks about the torque; no more my car is speeded; I'll have to send to far New York, to get the part that's needed. When fixed some other parts will break, some bearings, pins or collars, and when repairs the workmen make, they'll charge me ninety dollars. And so I'm walking near and far, on highways broad and narrow; I think I'll dump the motor car and get myself a barrow.



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