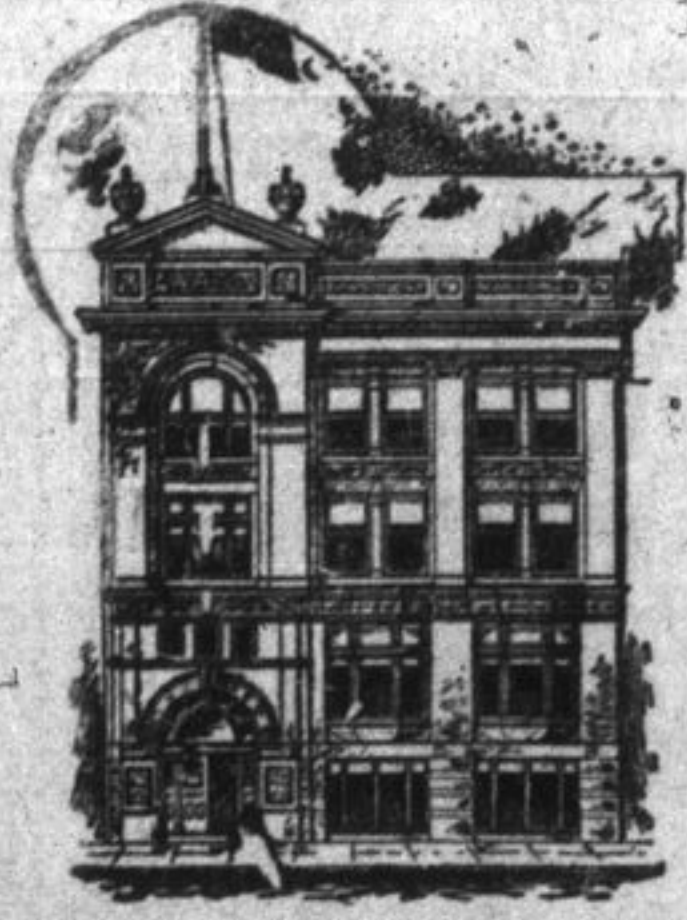


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A LOSS IS THREATENED.

A member of the Board of Trade who has been through the country and knows its conditions reported that without help in the digging there would be a great waste of root crops. There is a reason for this. Hay was a very heavy crop, and without adequate help could not be cut at the usual time. The result was that some of it was left until the grain had been garnered. Then a second attempt was made to save the hay, with more or less success. Meanwhile the root crops suffered. Some of them, the larger portion in some cases, are still in the ground.

The question has been asked, Are they to be lost? The farmers may have a grievance against the Greater Production Committee, which egged them on to plant, to cultivate a larger acreage, and in that way meet the demands of the government as they were expressed through the Organization of Resources Committee. The sentiment of one farmer may be the sentiments of many. Said he: "I listened to the appeals of these men. I believed that they were in earnest. I acted upon their inspiration. I plowed and harrowed, and dug and planted. Nature helped. Providence was good. In due time I had a larger crop than I could harvest. I got some help so far as my hay was concerned. I was grateful for it. But that was all. Was that what the Greater Production Committee meant or intended?"

The Whig recalls the castigation which the London Mail gave to the Government in England when it appeared that after inciting the agriculturists to greater exertion, and depriving them of farm help, there was a prospect of failure. The effect was marvelous. The administrators have a wholesome regard for the reproofs of Northcliffe's papers. They have a proper regard for their word or promise. Here is the result: Plant three million more acres of land in 1918 with corn, potatoes and mangels; to add to hand labor motor tractors, steam tackle, and fertilizers. At present in England there are 3,400 public tractors and 2,300 government owned, and 3,500 more have been ordered, half to be delivered at the end of the year and the balance in March next. Canada cannot, any more than the Mother Country, neglect or appear to neglect any promise which has been made to the farmers with regard to their help.

It is proposed to ask the military authorities to assist the farmers in this emergency. This aid will probably be afforded when it is made clear that it is badly wanted, and that without it the hope of the Greater Production movement will, to some extent, be defeated.

How did it happen that of the four new senators who have been appointed all are Tories? Were the Liberal ministers out, or not looking, when this took place?

JUVENILE POLITICIANS. The rioting among the school children of New York is quieting down and may soon be a thing of the past. But it will take time and patience to prevail with a system which radically differs from current ideas with regard to time and service. The Gary system, as the Whig has already explained, is one of exemplification as well as explanation, and

to it no objection can be taken. It involves, however, a lengthening of the school day by beginning a half an hour earlier in the morning and continuing half an hour and sometimes three-quarters of an hour, in the afternoon. The school boys and girls talked over their grievances at home. The lads appealed to their fathers with an expression of opinion, and the fathers, without knowing anything about the Gary system, or caring a hoot about it, sympathized with the boys. The tendency of the day, the fathers remarked, is to abbreviate the hours of service. Eight hours is long enough for any man to work. The school day has been one of six hours. It is proposed, in the interests of a new idea or theory, to make it seven hours or more, and the small boys rebel. All his chums rebel also. They organize a strike. They go on parades and decorate with banners. When necessary to infuse the latent spirit and fire the lagging energies of the hosts some one essays the task of the curb stone orator, and, mounting a soap box, delivers his message. Oh this is a progressive age. It may be that the Gary system is the best ever, and designed to improve the training of the young, but it means a longer day, and the striking and riotous juveniles of the Bronx will not have it. How the politicians of New York must smile as they observe the precociousness of the lads and realize how apt they are in the study of the political game.

Lord Rhondda, food controller, says that Britain will require from America next year ten million tons of food stuffs, wheat, bacon and flour, at a daily cost of \$4,000,000. Great news for the farmers.

A TIMELY EXPLANATION. It has been explained by Sir Joseph Flavelle that when he said "To hell with the profits," (a shock-thing for a good Methodist to suggest), he had reference to the munition manufacturers who would not launch out in the business, investing a great deal of capital without some assurance that the investment would pay. The Davies Company was not afraid of plunging in a business which turned out well. The company took some chances of a gamble—every business man does that who is competing in speculative trade in troublous times—but it reaped handsome rewards. The definition by Sir Joseph Flavelle of a very ornate and unexpected expression is, of course, very timely and very necessary.

Mr. Bourassa refers to the Union Government as one which is largely composed of mediocrities with a programme which cannot be worked out in the next twenty years. Nationalism will by that time be dead.

THE LAST WORD. "We have now reached the stage when the ordinary things of political life sink into insignificance by the side of the tremendous issues which are involved. I often think of the things we quarreled about three, four, five, six years ago, and now I am amazed at the tremendous things we have in hand. The fate of millions of men and millions of money hangs in the balance, and I feel angry when I see people worrying, barking and jabbering about the little things of yesterday, and thinking those are the things that matter, and I say to these people: "Are your eyes not open?" This is no time to bother. Lloyd George in a recent speech.

EDITORIAL NOTES. A writer in the London Mail says the farmers of England are feeding their wheat to the hogs. Does the controller of food approve of this?

Sir Thomas White will contest Leeds and Brockville for Commons. What is to become of John Webster, who has represented this riding? Is he being pushed aside or provided for?

The pay of the British army and navy, outside of the men who hold positions, has been increased by \$50,000,000 a year. The aggregate of the pay of these men at present is \$225,000,000 a year.

Sir Joseph Flavelle had no qualms of conscience over the enormous profits he was making out of becom. Of course not; otherwise he would have, as the largest stockholder in the Davies Company, stopped it.

Most people are willing to give the Union Government a trial. But it must cut away everything in practice which connected it with an unforgivable past. The grafters and the profiteers must go out of the business at once.

The Russian dream of peace by the Workmen's and Soldiers' Committee covers a restoration of every kind except Britain's losses in defence of the Allies. These Russians would be willing, in the interests of peace, to sacrifice every country but their own.

M.P., and a candidate for re-election, announces, that as a unionist, he has not abandoned his principles. No one expected him to do that. What the liberals have a right to know—if he is to represent them—is whether he has abandoned any of his practices as a Tory politician.

Hon. Mr. Crerar wants it understood that in becoming a member of the Union Government he agrees with everything that the Borden Government has done, or that he has abandoned any of his liberal principles. He is simply doing what he can to win the war with a Government which is united upon the subject.

PUBLIC OPINION

Cry For Potatoes. (STRANDED POST-STARBUCKS) New York is crying for potatoes. The crop is large and the price will be highly profitable. The only trouble hereabout is digging and shipping.

Sir Oliver's Choice. (BRANTFORD EXPOSTOR) If Sir Oliver Mowat were alive today, with his Imperialistic tendencies, he would undoubtedly be found supporting the Union government at Ottawa.

Uncle Sam Free. (WHITBY RECORD) Uncle Sam isn't worrying about "disrupting the unity of the country" but is going right ahead with the organization of his draft armies. In Canada it's different.

Teddy's Light. (TORONTO MAIL) Colonel Roosevelt lost the sight of his left eye when boxing in the White House; it seems, but he has seen more with the other since then than most people see in a lifetime.

He Certainly Had. (TORONTO TELEGRAM) The Toronto Telegram advises Minister of Militia Newbourn to throw aside his military title and uniform and administer his department without and fuss or feathers. Sir Sam had too many parades and salutes.

Wrong City. (OTTAWA CITIZEN) Sir William Meredith has opened a judicial enquiry in Toronto to decide the facts in an alleged extensive theft of power. The judge is in the wrong city, according to prominent "Liberals"; the big job was pulled off in Ottawa.

CONTEMPORARY OPINION

Toronto World. Vast treasures, belonging to Germany which have been treated as though held in trust, are to be confiscated. All the nickel which the Germans have hoarded will be dragged into the light of day. Cotton, steel, copper, leather, oil, chemicals.

Rippling Rhymes

WALT MASON. I see a million autos scoot before my dwelling daily; the engines hum, the honk-horns toot, the wheels are spinning gaily. I recognize a lot of jays who thus go whizzing past me, and say, "It beats me how they raise the wherewithal, dog-dog-me!" For those gooc Boogs, who don't pay the butcher and the baker, who's standing off, from day to day, the patient undertaker. And there goes Skaggs; I saw him stiek a mortgage on his shanty; he couldn't get a pruné on tick 'twixt here and Ypsilanti. And there goes Swigg; he borrowed mon from every friend and neighbor; he's so enamored of his fun, he's cut out useful labor. I see the long procession go, the tireless autos sifting, and wonder, as I watch them flow, what porchouse they'll be hitting. An auto takes a goody hoard; some traps it's always wanting; not one in twenty can afford to keep a motor jaunting. But every one now has his car, no man's so badly busted that he can't junket near and far, past creditors disgruntled.

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN



and other war supplies, purchased by German agents in the sure and certain hope of the Kaiser that the United States was scared of him and his spies, will be taken over as the spoils of war, and used against those who intended them for other uses. There is said to be a million bales of cotton, worth \$143,000,000, and the Queen of Sheba would have been more astonished at the total of this booty than at Solomon's.

Nor is Uncle Sam going to permit the little neutrals who have been holding the sponge and the towel and the lemons for the Kaiser these three years past to continue to run with the hare and hunt with the hounds. They will have to come to heel and acknowledge the master of the hunt.

Food now becomes a prime necessity of war. Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Switzerland and Spain have ceased to comfort the enemy of mankind. They sold their food to Germany, and relied on the enemies of Germany to feed them.

Uncle Sam has settled this policy. The neutrals shall have no more food until they have consumed their own. Famine must haunt the neutral board as well as that of the belligerent. A desperate world may see the necessity of uniting with those who wish to end this wretchedness by destroying its author—the Kaiser.

People Living Well. (MONTREAL GAZETTE) Despite the high prices for certain foods, they are being bought as never before in every part of the city. The dearest meats and imported fruits and vegetables change hands quickly on the market. When potatoes were at their highest last spring, they were bought in the smallest as in the largest shops. At that time also strawberries, tomatoes, cucumbers and cabbages imported from the United States found a ready sale in the retail stores of the city, east and west, north and south. Luxuries of various kinds are everywhere in evidence. Pleasure automobiles are more numerous than ever, ordinary workmen being included among their owners. Furs are in record demand, despite their dearness. Precious stones, jewellery, undressed furs, fancy goods, musical instruments, perfume, confectionery, etc., are being imported in heavy volume, as Government statistics show. Millions of dollars are being spent on them by the Canadian public. As for amusement which is paid for, theatres and moving picture houses all over the land are filled both afternoon and night, as a rule, and new buildings are being erected to meet the growing demand. Both the necessities and the extravagances of modern life are in abundance, without a doubt.

Who Suffer By the Raids? Ever since we may feel at the thought of the innocent people slain or injured by the raiders, it is madness to compare the death of ten or twenty, and the injury of one or two hundred persons, to the casualties in the most insignificant action of the war.

Let us think what the people of France, Belgium, Serbia, Russia, Rumania and Poland have suffered, and let us admit that so far these islands have escaped almost unscathed. It is not, indeed, the sufferers by the air raids who raise the greatest clamour. It is rather gentlemen with exemption cards in the pocket, who regard it as the breach of a contract that they should find themselves under fire.

But we who know what our brave sons are suffering out there have another point of view.

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AMHERST ISLAND NEWS.

Most of the Ploughing Will Be Done This Fall. Stella, Oct. 22.—The heavy rain of Friday last has made ploughing general in this district. It is behind for this time of the year, but with good weather it will be nearly all done. The annual school fair which was to have been held here on Friday last had to be postponed on account of the storm. The mail carrier, T. J. Beaubien, was unable to make the trip to Millhaven with the mail on that day, the wind being so high.

We have to record the death in the far west of a one-time resident of the island in the person of Mrs. Ellwood Ballard, formerly Miss Emma Fleming. Deceased was born on the island, and lived here nearly all her life. She is survived by her husband and two small children, also a brother and sister, who reside here, Hartley Fleming and Mrs. R. P. Sanders.

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Dixon have returned to the rectory after a visit with Mrs. Dixon's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Hudson, Roslin. Rev. J. W. Jones, Kingston, assisted with the service in St. Alban's Church on Sunday morning.

The milk supply at Stella cheese factory is rapidly decreasing. The factory is expected to close early in November. Liquor License Inspector Exley of Nanapan, paid a quiet visit to the island a few days ago. It is reported that he carried a case of liquor back with him. Mr. Dunk, Kingston, has finished plastering Hugh Filson's new house. J. E. McFarn & Co. are erecting a new house for Norman Wemp, Emerald. The sisters of the Hotel Dieu, Kingston, made their annual rounds here last week.

ODESSA WAS REPRESENTED

At Presentation Event in Queen's Military Hospital. Odessa, Oct. 23.—The presentation of the three wheel chairs donated by the Red Cross workers, Odessa, Westbrook and Collins Bay, to Queen's Military Hospital, Kingston, took place Monday afternoon. Those present from Odessa were Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Mabey, Miss M. Millard and Miss K. Kenyon.

The Red Cross shipment sent to Queen's Hospital this week consisted of 75 pairs socks, 4 suits pyjamas, 22 hospital shirts, 6 pillow slips and 48 towels. The appeal still goes forth to those people who so kindly offered the monthly subscription as long as the war lasted, and as the annual report must be completed by November 1st, it is necessary to have the amounts due from each subscriber this month.

"Doc" Merrick, who played with the St. Michael and Riverside hockey teams, Toronto, during the last three years has been moved to Merrickville by the Union Bank. Harrolock citizens are suffering from an enormous amount of petty thieving, particularly gardeners.

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