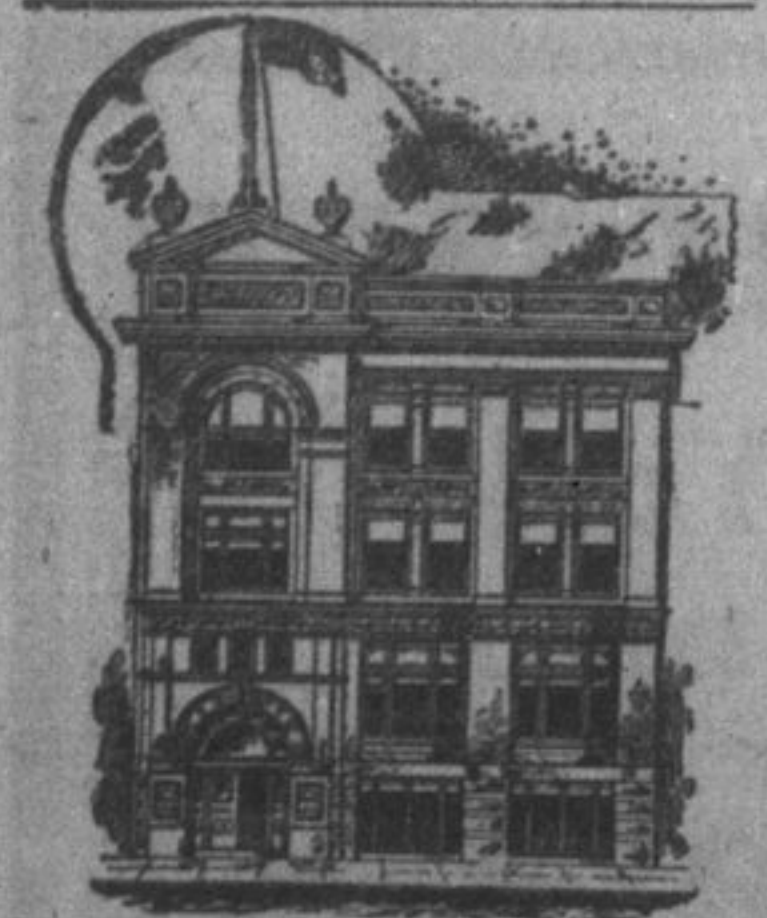


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Italy holds her own. Only two more days to register after to-day.

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The Cid ago News says that Henry Ford is now trying to get the submarines out of the ocean by Christmas.

As that fine war garden is now furnishing fine, healthy, nutritious vegetables it is time to cut out beef until the autumn sets in.

Eat fish and save bacon. Local fish dealers are now prepared to supply your wants.

There's nothing slow about Kingston. Just look at the way owners of automobiles are being fined in the police court each day for breaking the speed limit.

Henry Ford will be a candidate for United States senator from Michigan. If all the Michiganers who own Ford cars vote for him, his opponent will be hopelessly outdistanced.

Personally we don't care how much war they make on Limburger cheese. Somehow its fragrance reminds us of that which attaches to German honor and German good faith.

Since Jan. 1st, 1915, 407 British ships, sunk by German submarines, have been raised and are again in commission. The net loss occasioned by the submarines steadily decreases.

German submarines are now operating off the Atlantic coast of the United States, where they have sunk several small coasting vessels. Have the European waters become so dangerous for them that they must go farther afield to seek their prey?

One cannot always agree with Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, but here is one opinion of hers that all can subscribe to: "If Germany wins the war, women's cause will be lost."

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Tuesday—over \$331—put them under his pillow, when he retired for the night and found they were missing next morning. Most of his money was in twenty dollar bills. Hard luck for a wounded man. The case is under investigation by the military authorities.

The Home for the Aged has petitioned the county council to increase the amount for maintenance of the county poor from \$2.50 to \$3.00 a week, and the tobacco allowance from 35c to 80c a month.

The Canadian Press Association in making W. J. Taylor, of the Woodstock Sentinel-Review, as its president honored a publisher who practically proved advertising to newspapers. He also did much to make advertising honorable, truthful and convincing.

A new agricultural organization, the United Farmers' Co-operative Company, has a membership of 1,200 and is steadily growing. A clear and timely exposition of its work was given at Cataract on Tuesday evening by B. C. Tucker, president of the Minto Club of Hastings County.

ASK FOR REGISTRATION. The Whig is in receipt of letters from several Canadians residing in the United States requesting that registration cards be forwarded to them.

SELLING WOOD ALCOHOL. Yesterday the Whig called attention to the third death, within two weeks, as a direct result of drinking wood alcohol, and suggested that action to lessen this evil should be taken at once.

BRITAIN'S NOBLE SERVICE. Canadians who recognize the splendid part which Britain has played in this war will appreciate the following tribute paid by Dr. Prentice, of Nyack, N.J., and which is now being circulated by the American National Security League: "While we have been so unprepared, it has been the English fleet that has been defending our Marne doctrine; it is the English fleet that has kept our coasts unscarred; it is the English fleet that has enabled our commerce and our transports to cross the seas; it is that Imperial line of ships and guns and men that have protected us through our uneasy slumbers, that have given us time to wake up to the issues of this war, and upon which we have depended for the opportunity to make ready and prepare."

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and remember the threats of Germany directed toward ourselves without thinking with a shudder at what might be the condition of our own cities and citizens had England failed the world in that dreadful summer of 1914."

A MAN FROM THE WEST.

The high regard in which the Rev. Dr. R. J. Wilson was held in Vancouver, B.C., as evidenced by the deep regret of the citizens of that place in parting with him, makes a marked man of the new minister of Chalmers Presbyterian church, Kingston. Dr. Wilson, yet a young man, appears to have touched the whole life of that cosmopolitan Pacific coast city. At a gathering of what has been described as one of "all sorts and conditions of men," the fact was emphasized that Dr. Wilson's sympathetic ministry in times of sorrow and discouragement has been a large factor in his success.

It is not often that a clergyman of the far west accepts a call to a small eastern city, for the west prides itself upon possessing a broader outlook on things and looks upon old eastern Canada as being just a bit narrow and not as progressive as the people who turned their steps westward to build a new country. It is from this broad and free west that Dr. Wilson comes after a successful pastorate of fifteen years, and the Whig extends to him a hearty welcome to the old city of Kingston.

THE SAILORS' BOYCOTT.

There has been much talk of an economic boycott against Germany after the war, directed by Allied governments or by the business interests of Allied nations. The Oswego Palladium doubts whether any official action will be taken toward this end. From present indications, however, it may not be necessary. If a boycott seems desirable, the sailors may take care of it.

In fact, the sailors are preparing to enforce a practical, effectual boycott against German goods quite regardless of what their own governments and fellow-countrymen feel about it. The British seamen's Union, a powerful body with some hundreds of thousands of members, has already in operation a programme which constitutes a powerful menace to German trade. It is inspired by the atrocities committed against British seamen by the German navy. Originally, it provided for a two-year ban on German goods, with a clause automatically extending the time a certain number of weeks for every subsequent atrocity. As the Germans ignored the threat, and kept right on killing British seamen contrary to law and humanity, the period has already grown to more than five years. It may be ten years before the war ends.

In all that time, every British sailor will remain pledged not to work with German sailors, not to handle

German merchandise in any form, any where, and not to patronize merchants who deal in German goods. Now the French Sailors' Union, with 200,000 men, has pledged itself to the same policy. The movement seems likely to extend to the American and Italian seamen. A greater obstacle against the revival of German trade can hardly be imagined. The U-boats have lately shown a somewhat less atrocious disposition if they return to humane and legal practices, the world's decent sailors will be largely responsible.

The Honors Factory.

Ironical laughter greeted the statement in the British House of Commons that the number of appointments in the Order of the British Empire had reached 5,950. A member suggested that a limit of 50,000 be fixed, and another advised that the decorated ones be mobilized into an army division. When the title business becomes a jest in the mother of parliaments, surely "colonials" may be permitted to smile at it without incurring the reproach of seeking to undermine the foundations of the British constitution and pull down the central pillars of empire. Recipients of honors who have done the state some service and been deserving of their reward must feel keenly that the value of those distinctions is being heaped by a surplus on the market. The fountain of honor has become a torrent. The creation of titles suggests the output of a factory rather than a hand-picked process. It was once a pleasant fiction to call a title a mark of the sovereign's favor, but that deceives nobody any longer. In nine cases out of ten it is the favor of the politicians, and if a man's share consists in signing or rubber-stamping the official paper. The agitation in Canada has resulted in a prohibition of further hereditary titles in this country, a substantial gain for democratic sentiment. It is pretty certain that in future grants of titles will be few and far between, and it would please the Canadian public if the practice were abolished. To decorations which carry no titles the objection is not nearly so strong, but these are losing their merit because of the flood of them poured out indiscriminately.

Died At Syracuse, N.Y.

The death occurred at the Syracuse Memorial Hospital, on Monday, June 10th, of Miss Marjory Hastings, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Frank R. Hastings. She had been ill about two weeks before being taken to the hospital where she was a patient for five days. All that skill and loving care could do was done to save the beautiful young life. She had made her home during the past winter with relatives in Syracuse, N.Y., where she was attending Central High school. Her father is in England with a medical unit of the Canadians. The interment was in the family lot at Barton, Vermont.

The Officers of Somme Club.

A meeting of the Somme Club was held at the home of Miss Lillian Fairfull, Nelson Street, for the purpose of electing officers. There was quite a large attendance and some very important business decided. These officers were chosen: President, Miss Norma McFriedge; Vice-Pres., Miss Flora Fair, B.A.; Secretary, Miss Bella McCall; Treasurer, Miss Laura Saunders; pianist, Miss Lillian Fairfull; convener of business committee, Miss Muriel Metcalfe, assistant, Miss Lottie Timms; convener of Red Cross Committee, Miss Isabelle Baxter.

Love may laugh at locks and bars, but it weeps when hungry.

Rippling Rhymes

SACRIFICES

Still, still we bask in gilded ease, and soothe ourselves with fine cigars, and fill ourselves with costly cheese, and chow around in motor cars. We put fine raiment on our backs, we buy silk shirts of gorgeous price; we haven't yet got down to tactics, we haven't made a sacrifice. We read stern tales from o'er the sea, which tell of Britain's battered line, and buy up seven bonds or three, where we should call for forty-nine. We haven't helped our Uncle Sam so much it's worth while to relate; we eat brown bread, well spread with jam, and think we're doing something great. We waste enough, each passing day, (because we do not use our homes) to drive the wolves of want away from fifty thousand soldiers' homes. We waste our coin on princely duds when simpler rags would do as well, we blow our change for smokes and suds, and gawds too numerous to tell. Of sacrifice we're talking large while on our padded course we romp, like Cleopatra on her barge in luxury and idle pomp. Our loyalty is all a fake unless we show we have some steam; oh, let us prod ourselves awake, and do the things of which we dream!

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