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Save to help win the war.

About the only thing you can buy with a nickle nowadays, remarks the Kansas Industrialist, is a three-cent stamp.

Query for pacifists: If we must love the Hun, what are we going to do about Satan?—Black and White, Detroit.

Kindness pays. "Baked Potatoes," says an authority on culinary matters, "are ever so much better if they are gently boiled."

Von Hindenburg, alive once more, wants to see the Huns undertake an offensive on the sea. In this wish the British will agree with him.

While we live we learn. The Kingston ladies who very carefully rubbed off the sprouts before planting their seed potatoes will never do this again.

Premier Hearst announces that in the future German will not be necessary for any course or to secure any standing or degree in Ontario universities.

France's finance minister believes that ultimately Russia will pay her huge debt of 500,000,000 francs. Owners of Russian bonds will take heart again.

The next American liberty loan will have six billions as its objective. Uncle Sam takes no half-way measures when once he gets into the game.

The kaiser is already making plans for another war. Wouldn't it be the part of discretion to finish up the one he already has on his hands before undertaking another?

"Retired farmer?" queried a deputy registrar on Saturday of a resident of Joyceville who came into the booth to register. "No, just a tired farmer," was the ready reply.

Now is the time for screen doors and windows. The fly is a veritable storehouse of germs of every description, and he carries his samples with him wherever he goes.

Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, declares that the Austrian offensive has already proved a failure. "The enemy has not secured in three days the objectives it had hoped to attain on the first day."

Members of the police force are showing commendable energy in the work of rendering the streets safe for pedestrians. Scores of auto owners are being summoned and fined for infraction of the regulations governing motor traffic. The work of the police shows an impartiality and thoroughness that is very gratifying. No offender should escape, and it is doubtful if any will. The activity shown to-day should not be relaxed for a single day throughout the summer and fall. Not a sudden spurt of law enforcement, but a continuous carrying-out of the civic law, is demanded.

THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

The address of Premier Lloyd-George at the Imperial Conference, which he termed an Imperial Cabinet, contains no note of pessimism. His brief survey of the great work accomplished on land and sea, of the strength of the Empire, and the spirit of union that the war has called forth, is an inspiration to everyone. He described the delegates as representing the consciousness of empire, and it is only by converting that consciousness into action that Germany can be beaten. Only for this "international right would have been trampled under foot and military despotism would have triumphed throughout the world."

This fact has been brought home to us all, and no matter what one may think of provincialism and party politics, the great lesson of the war will never be lost, that our security depends upon the strength and unity of the Empire, and that our duty to ourselves is to utilize all our resources of wealth and manpower to secure complete victory. This calls for consecrated effort on the part of the administration and the elimination of persons in any place of authority who fail to demonstrate in every particular their devotion to the cause. Official indifference to duty or connivance at its evasion cannot be countenanced, no matter in what quarter it is found. There is too much at stake.

The press of Canada is not wavered in its fidelity to the cause, and it is bound to exact undeviating devotion on the part of the leaders of the government who are charged with the enforcement of the Military Service Act. Lloyd-George further said: "In life the most real and enduring ties are the invisible ones. It is true that we have ties of language, race and blood and common origin, but the most potent of all are the ties of a common aim, sympathies and ideals. They have stood the strain and drawn us closer together. It ought to be the purpose of all statesmen to strengthen these bonds and to defend and to protect them against being severed."

In order to do this, statesmen must utilize the forces that support them upon principle and which are devoted to that principle, not by placating hostile groups with offices. Let them stay out of office until they learn that their welfare lies, not in opposing the laws of their country, advocating disobedience and fomenting discord, but by full and unrestrained co-operation and support in time of national stress. The time for political expedients is passed, and Sir Robert Borden's strength—the strength of Union Government—depends upon unflinching devotion to the Empire in the great war.

A GENEROUS TRIBUTE.

Canada's industrial and trade development since the beginning of the war has been remarkable. We at home are too close to it to get the right perspective or to appreciate fully what this young country has been able to accomplish. The record is presented in attractive form in a paper published by the Guaranty Trust Company, of New York, under the caption "A Record That is a Promise." A summary of this article may not be out of place.

To Canada the war has meant self-realization. In response to the needs of her Allies customary activities have been intensified and enlarged. New undertakings have been promoted. From coast to coast the spirit of enterprise has been stimulated, until now, after nearly four years of war, she stands forth fully cognizant of all the inferences to be drawn from her remarkable achievements in finance and industry.

That she should provide generously from her vast stores of food and raw materials for the sustenance of the Mother Country was to be expected. That her hardy sons should be found in the forward ranks of liberty's champions was in keeping with the traditions of the race from which they sprang. That a meagre population, still largely in the agricultural stage of economic development, should be able to lend more than \$760,000,000 to the government, in spite of rising prices and heavier taxes; to take war orders aggregating nearly two billion dollars, was certainly beyond the calculation of the most sanguine believer in Canadian resourcefulness.

If anything has been more surprising than the bountifulness of Canada's response to the urgings of patriotism it is the readiness with which her people have grasped its significance for the future. Here is a country that has crowded into a few years an experience usually timed by decades and generations—Canada's record is a summary of her promise.

Standing out instructively in this record is the financial achievement of 7,000,000 people, various in nationality, scattered over a territory of nearly 4,000,000 square miles. In November, 1917, the Canadian people subscribed for \$415,000,000 of the Victory Loan, issued at 100. Meanwhile loans totalling more than \$195,000,000 had been made from Great Britain and the United States,

and War-Savings Certificates to the amount of \$12,000,000 had been disposed of. In other words the patriotic fervor of Canada was equal to an aggravated demand, and without thinking of it in that way her people suddenly discovered themselves financially competent.

That the net debt of the country has increased from \$355,290,850 in March, 1914, to \$1,010,780,470 in March, 1918, is no small matter, but that 75% of this indebtedness represents the savings of men and women who believe in Canada's ability to pay is an indication of reserve strength that overshadows every liability. Particularly interesting are the company's statements concerning Canadian steel and shipbuilding industries and the country's part in world trade. In 1914 Canadian ship production amounted to less than 44,000 tons. Now fourteen yards are at work on steel ships. Ship contracts with a total value of \$64,500,000 have been let since March 1st, 1917. New contracts amounting to between \$30,000,000 and \$50,000,000 a year will probably be ready as soon as the present orders are filled.

Under an agreement between the government and the Dominion Iron and Steel Corporation the company's plant at Sydney Harbor "will be extended at a cost of from \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000 to provide for the manufacture of 150,000 tons of ship plates a year," and while the government will not "contribute to the cost of plant extension, it will take 50,000 tons of the product each year for five years."

"It is significant," the Guaranty Trust Company says, "that Canada enters upon such a programme despite the certainty that Great Britain, the United States, Germany, France and Italy, to say nothing of Japan in the Pacific, will make extraordinary efforts to produce ships in great numbers and will probably be able to do so much more cheaply than Canada."

The Trust Company's survey deals with other sources of Canadian wealth and activity, including wool-growing, mineral development, timber resources, and educational facilities. In discussing reconstruction work, it says: The Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment has already done a great deal for those who have returned maimed, blinded or in poor physical condition from the battlefield. These men are being nursed back to health and self-confidence whenever it is possible. They are being trained in new industries or arts so that they can again earn their own living. Thousands of them will be sent to farms. Throughout Canada there is a feeling on the part of those who have stayed at home where his condition permits the returned soldier should have back the work he left to fight for his country and that where this does not permit he should be treated with every consideration until he finds his way back to health and personal independence.

Things that interest some people are those that would better be left unsaid. Many a self-made man would be happier if he could blame the job on somebody else.

PUBLIC OPINION

Pity Poor Holland (Des Moines Register) We can whip Germany and then dismiss her from our mind, but poor Holland must be her next door neighbor till the end of time.

Sarcastic. (Philadelphia Record) How it must light up the dull orbs of the pale, German people to read, between small bites of war-bread, Karl Rosener's description of the Kaiser as "in radiant health, bronzed and bright-eyed!"

Loyal Labor. (Chicago Tribune) In the emergency when democracy is hit by foes abroad and nibbled at by foes within, organized labor is pro-war, anti-German, pro-democracy, anti-Bolshevik—solid, substantial, hard headed, and hard at work.

Maybe It's Afraid. (Bramford Expositor) The Legislature of Ontario would honor itself, instead of paying the ladies the meaningless compliment of inviting them to seats on the floor of the House on ceremonial occasions, if it qualified them to sit in the seats of members when the business of the province was being transacted.

The Bewildering Fashions. (Vancouver Sun) What takes the place of that old expression, "She's just out of short dresses," signifying that a girl was young? It has no application nowadays, and if you say "She has just gone into long dresses," it would only give the impression that she had discovered that her ankles were not mates.

The Tenth of Titles. (Toronto Star) In the Order of the British Empire 5,950 appointments have already been made, even without a list having been put in by the Canadian Government.

In the British Parliament and in the British Press this new deluge of titles is being geyed and ridiculed. Many of the new titles and distinctions are being conferred in connection with war services, but in the army, the fact will not escape observation that the new Order in the main serves the purpose of providing war distinctions for men who served at a long and safe distance from the front of war.

HOW HE WON HONOR.

Lieut.-Col. Elmer W. Jones, of 21st, Did Gallant Deed. The current issue of the Canada Gazette contains the notice of the granting of a bar to the Distinguished Service Order to Lieut.-Col. Elmer Watson Jones, D.S.O., commanding officer of the 21st Battalion. The deed for which he was granted the bar is officially gazetted thus: "For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When a large enemy raiding party, using flammenwerfer, entered his trenches under cover of an intense barrage, he at once went forward under heavy fire and directed a counter-attack which re-established the line without the enemy having gained an identification. Later, under his direction, a raiding party entered the enemy's lines, captured some prisoners, and inflicted severe losses on the enemy. He displayed great resource and initiative."

Rippling Rhymes

WRITE A LETTER

Write a letter to a soldier when you haven't much to do; it will brace a homesick fellow who is feeling pretty blue. Oh, our boys are lion-hearted, and they'll whip their weight in snakes, but they have their lonesome moments when their hearts are full of aches; there are hours when they are longing for the homes so far away, and the girls they left behind them, and the parrots and gray; and a letter full of sunshine makes their melancholy shrink—therefore get your pen in action, with a demijohn of ink. Write a letter to a soldier, full of cheerfulness and joy; let the soft stuff go to thunder—it won't help a lonesome boy. Tell the soldier you are betting he will make the Teuton fly, tell him all is hunky-dory, and the goose is hanging high. Tell him all his friends are banking on the big things he'll achieve, let him know he's not forgotten since he took his final leave. Write a letter to a soldier ere you go to bed tonight; some poor chap is tired of waiting for the letter you don't write. It will take you fifteen minutes such a letter to compose, and you'll hearten up a soldier when he's billed to face the foe. Make it bright and brave and breezy, full of courage, smiles and snap, show the confidence your feeling in the outcome of the scrap, and some soldier boy will bless you as he takes his little gun, and prepares to shoot the gizzard from a lewd, immoral Hun.

—WALT MASON.

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GRABETERIA LUNCH. Novel Shop-in London Called Dyspepsia Parlor. London, June 24.—War economy at last has planted a grabeteria lunch-room in England, the first American-type dyspepsia parlor the country has seen. It was opened here by the food ministry as a national restaurant, offering food at about one-third the average restaurant prices. The whole enterprise is a Government affair, and business is booming. COST HIM \$1,000. Austrian at Winnipeg is Fined for Seditious Statements. Winnipeg, June 24.—Nick Kostinuk, an Austrian charged with making seditious statements, was to-day fined one thousand dollars and costs. Sir Hugh John Macdonald stated that this would be the last fine imposed.

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