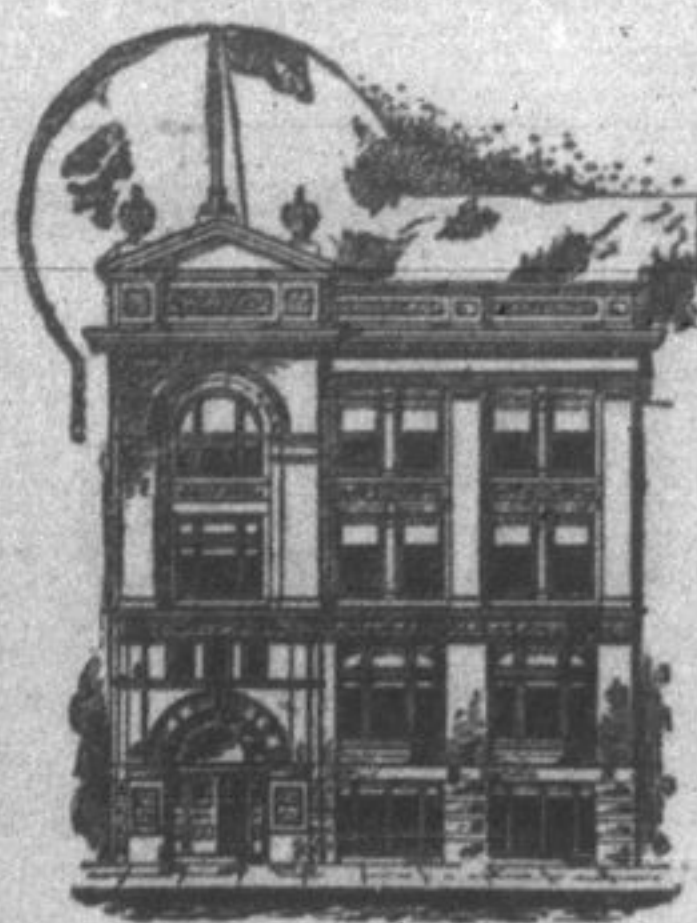


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Here's that we may have bacon all winter. It's a splendid diet for workmen.

The War Veterans' troubles are due to growing pains, says the Toronto Globe. In that event they will soon outgrow their pains.

The Canadians are again in the front line. The Germans opposite them will know no peace as long as our boys remain there.

Fifty million pounds of sugar have been lost through submarine sinkings off the Atlantic coast. No wonder the Allies feel sour at Germany.

The Great War Veterans have given hearty endorsement to the work of the Y. M. C. A. in France. The voice of the critics should now be stilled.

If the other members of the educational staff of the Ontario Government will get their brains working like the minister, then we can expect a new era in school affairs. The department has been a dead 'un for ten years past.

The Marquis of Lansdowne—it should be Handsdowne—is still talking peace and is thereby encouraging Germany to slay a few more of the brave men of the Allies. The British government in his and his followers' cases should demand a show down!

The mother of parliaments does things in a way that puts to shame the other parliaments of the world. On Thursday it unanimously—and in a few hours—voted billions for war purposes. In other lands there would be long speeches and much hear-burning before the bill could get through.

A bottle of brandy, vintage of 1802, sold at auction for \$50. It was the genuine stuff. That's nothing. We know of alleged whiskey, and half of the bottle was water, selling for \$10, and the vintage was chiefly of brimstone, etc.

The news from France this week is reassuring and tends to lift the weight of depression from the heart of the people in the Allied countries. A dangerous corner has been safely turned, and the road to victory is now in plain sight.

After all, isn't Lord Lansdowne more concerned for the safety of aristocracy than for the cause of democracy? His pacifist utterances all point to that conclusion. It is pleasing to note that the British press does not take him seriously.

The Vacation Play School has proved a great success—just what the little folks were longing for. The parents, too, have easy minds, for they know their offspring are safe from danger. By-the-way, the school needs funds to carry it on. Have you helped yet?

Recently a clergyman deplored the lack of laymen who could stand up and make a prayer in public. But there is no need for such a lament. The Master made himself very clear in exhorting his disciples to pray in secret and not as the publicans. Public prayers are good in their way, but prayer in the home is better.

AUSTRALIA'S NAVY. Australia has just launched a new warship, and the minister of the navy announces that the commonwealth parliament has accepted a scheme of naval defence involving an expenditure of £5,000,000 annually. "Australia's navy will grow bigger and stronger," he declares, "and every unit of added strength may be confidently regarded as an addition to the might and power of the British Empire." Canada, whose shores are washed by three oceans and whose sea-faring sons would make admirable seamen, has no such proud defence and no such contribution to offer the mother country in her hour of peril. For this situation we have the politicians to thank. Canadians are not proud of the record of this Dominion, though they are proud of the achievement of the sister commonwealth.

A COSTLY DELAY. Military writers point out that the German High Command delayed a day too late in withdrawing across the Marne after Foch delivered his swift counter-stroke between Soissons and Chateau Thierry. Had the Germans retreated at once their losses would have been much smaller. Whether it was pride or ignorance of the Allied strength that made the Hun refuse to "beat it," one cannot say, but anyway the German delay in flight was costly. Perhaps the Kaiser, Hindenburg and Ludendorff never heard of the old story about not putting off till to-morrow what you can do to-day. If the Germans do not know about it, the French must, for Foch struck at what German writers declare was the psychological moment. To the very minute the Allied commander's telling blow was planned with genius. But the Germans did not take to their heels over the Marne at the psychological moment, and now they rue it. The Hun never did know just when to do a thing at the right time.

INFANT DEATH RATE STARTLING. An examination by the Whig of the vital statistics registered at the City Clerk's office during the six months of 1918, ending June 30th, shows the percentage of infant deaths to have been exceptionally large, in fact, quite startling. There were forty-eight deaths of infants of two years and under in that time, and the percentage was 18.5 of the total deaths in the city. Twenty-eight infants under one year of age died between January 1st and June 30th; three between one and two years and eight of two years. There were nine still-born recorded. More than a dozen infants died at a very tender age.

These figures show the great need of the Child Welfare Station that has been opened in Kingston. The conservation of child life is one of the most important problems that confronts Canada to-day, and mothers who are uncertain as to the upbringing of their infants will find it to their advantage to consult the supervisor of the Welfare Station. It is very satisfactory to learn that the death of infants in Kingston so far this summer has been lower than usual.

MAGNIFYING MINOR EFFORT. The Reuter's Agency apparently is giving United States war correspondents a rebuke when it says that flamboyant reports of American attacks upon the enemy are likely to create misconception and disappointment. The Americans have distinguished themselves thus far, but the fighting on their front has been confined to small and limited operations. When the people in the States read of tremendous efforts being made by the American forces and then see small results they are naturally disappointed. Considering the engagements in which they have taken part, the Americans have done splendidly but they still constitute but a small portion of the Allied armies. In the present counter-offensive French have borne the brunt, seventy per cent, of the troops engaged being poilus. Although little has been said of the British part in the Marne battle, Scotch and English divisions have done some of the hardest and most effective fighting after being thrown in south of Rheims. The American time is coming. Next spring they will have to bear the brunt of the battle and perhaps deliver the knock-out blow.

SHOWS SOME SPEED. The new Minister of Education has some initiative about him. And he has wide scope, as Ontario has been lagging for the past ten years in education, largely due to an unprogressive educational head. Educationists will take hope again when they find a minister alert, active and willing to listen to suggestions. His proposal to make the public school a complete entity has long been a teachers' desire. But, though they debated and resolved for its institution, no move was made to bring about its accomplishment. Dr. Cody has now added a second proposition, a corollary of the first, that the compulsory school age be increased from 14 to 16 years. This, too, has long been approved by teachers and trustees. For the best interests of the

state the advance is necessary. Two more years of time in school—and we hope for the ninety per cent, who get all their training in the primary school it will be spent there—will do much to improve the volume of knowledge, practical and helpful, of the boys and girls who step out into industrial life. The minister has public opinion behind him in the declaration that "We want our boys and girls to stay at school longer and thus become better equipped for the battle of life." The pupils in the city public schools should get elementary courses in technical and commercial subjects; the pupils in the country schools should get agricultural subjects from the first day they enter the school house. When the scholars become interested in these practical subjects it will not be hard to keep them engaged up to their sixteenth year. While they are still in the public school the higher forms of these desirable studies should be imparted, and then afterwards in real technical schools. Every city should have these modern training departments, and the agriculture given in the country schools should lead up to the Agricultural Colleges with short and long courses featured for the developing student. If the minister of education, a man of broad outlook, keeps moving as he has been doing for the past month, splendid results must flow from his pen. He has the best thought in the province behind him.

PUBLIC OPINION

Soapbox Industry. (Walt Mason's Journal) Did a Socialist ever work six hours a day—except on a soap box?

Achieving the Impossible. (Chicago Tribune) Considering that Foch has no reserve aid that there is no American army, the Allies are holding well. The Berliners must wonder how they do it.

History Reverses Itself. (Kansas City Star) The winning by a negro of the first international prize for riveting completes the circle. The negro was the central feature of the greatest piece of unriveting performed in this country since July 4, 1776.

Touton Thoroughness. (Chicago Tribune) The Germans are very thorough. They have thoroughly united the civilized world into a single enemy. Not until they are thoroughly defeated will the world become again a place for decent men and women to live in.

Perhaps a "C" Might Do. (Vancouver Province) If Count Roon, the German statesman, who demands the British navy as part of the war indemnity, would start his name off with an "C" instead of an "R," people would know what made him wild.

WHAT DID YOU? When the war has been won. When our duty is done. When our sailors—some sailing the foam. When our men of the air And the guns over there All the nation is welcoming home, They will come to your door. The young winners of war, They will look you up, over, and through. And in word or in thought They will say, like a lot: "Well, we did quite a lot. What did you?" When the years have gone by And the pages are dry That the story of struggle record, With democracy sure, When we're living secure In the strength of our soul and our sword, In that glorious time To your knee there will climb Then a boy or girl, or the two, And will say: "Some were brave On the land or the wave; Some their everything gave. What did you?" Or it may be at night You will sit by the light Of a fire in a home that is free; You will sit all alone "Neath a roof of your own In some year of the future to be, And a voice down inside Will say: "Some of them died, Or they suffered, their duty to do; And the ones who could not Give their all, gave a lot— Gave their money. Say, what did you?" —By Douglas Mallach.

STERNER ECONOMIC TERMS

WILL COME THE LONGER THE WAR PROCEEDS.

So Says Lloyd George If Enemy Continues to Fight and Commit Outrages.—Must Change Control. London, Aug. 2.—"No man should boast until the battle is over. But all men who know are pleased at the way it is going."

Premier Lloyd George thus commented, in addressing a deputation of two hundred members of the National Union of Manufacturers, whom he met yesterday for a discussion of after-the-war commercial problems. "We must necessarily, in whatever policy we proclaim," said the premier, "keep in touch and be in complete accord, first, with our dominions and, second, with our allies. There is a good deal of discussion about a league of nations. I am certainly one of those who believe in it. But there are two leagues of nations already in existence—the British Empire and the great alliance against the central powers.

Referring to the Paris resolutions, he said: "Up to the present time America has expressed no opinion upon them, and it is vitally important that the policy of America and that of this country should be in complete agreement on economic, as well as other, problems. An agreement among the allies means that the economic fate of the world will be in the hands of the great allied powers federated together at present."

After discussing the necessity of promoting after-war industries essential to the country economically and militarily, the premier continued: "The longer the war lasts the

Rippling Rhymes

THE SURPRISE PARTY Said Kaiser Karl, "My soldiers bold, I know you're mighty hollow; I'm not surprised your feet are cold, since you've no grub to swallow. Our Austria is short of pies, it's stripped of kraut and bacon; there's not enough to draw the flies—it's bare and God forsaken. But Italy has food to burn, beyond those Alpine craters! The winnerwurst for which you yearn, the prunes and sweet potatoes! You know how Kaiser Wilhelm went and swiped the Russian larder! Go, scale the alps with fell intent, with glowing zeal and ardor! Italians are an easy mark, they'll all stampede together; get after them, and skies now dark will let in sunny weather." His soldiers took him at his word (the hint could not be broader), their famished loins began to grind and started out for fodder. They thought to find a Russia there, disorganized and rattled, and they would strip the cupboard bare when for a day they'd battled. But Italy was on her toes, with lust for fight aquriver; she climbed all up and down the foes, and chased them in the river. Survivors of the hosts of Karl, too sick to utter, to scrape again the empty barl, and hunt bones in the gutter. —WALT MASON.

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