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The soldier boys who have returned still find it mighty hard to keep away from powder!

What the Germans planned to do to us, we should do to them. The Golden Rule up-to-date.

Canadians are being urged to develop thrift habits. The tax bills surely do aid in the work.

The new German flag is to be black, red and yellow. It is, indeed, typical of the nation over which it flies.

The Bayonet a Virginian publication, calmly declares: "The Kaiser wanted more territory, so we gave him hell."

The S. O. S. is issued from Canadian homes. In view of the high soaring of cotton, etc., the call is to "Save Old Shirts."

They say the preachers are talking of a union. Good. There's no reason they should starve any more than a foundryman.

The war energy of scores of citizens is greatly needed these times to put Kingston on the map. A dozen organizations are calling for men.

The United States senators seem to be putting on a war to keep away from a League of Nations created to prevent war. These old guys are always obstinate.

Tax exemptions have grown into an evil of startling proportions when one scans the lists of the community of institutions that escape their rightful obligations.

The man at Atlanta had a wonderful amount of self-esteem when he remarked, as he discussed reforms, that "I'm certainly a success when I'm worth throwing eggs at!"

If Quebec grants wine and beer licenses then we see the need of a great highway from Toronto eastward, especially if Ontario and New York maintain a bone dry condition.

Will we have soon to forego the weed? If we do, then the mullien leaf, the corn silk, and even the despised cabbage will come into service. We will get back to our boyhood again.

The Soviets of Russia want to negotiate a loan in the United States. The New York Tribune says the person who is wondering how he can spend his money foolishly when the saloons have vanished, has his answer.

Nearly half of the total post office revenue of the Dominion in 1918 came from Ontario. The revenue from Toronto alone exceeded that for the whole province of Quebec. It is a record of which this province may well be proud.

The question of Lord Kitchener's fate would seem to have been finally settled by Admiral Jellicoe's account in his recently published book. The noted admiral declares that Kitchener was not among the survivors of the ill-fated Hampshire. There is no doubt but that Britain's great military leader was drowned while on his way to Russia to consult with that nation's representatives. The ship on which he sailed struck a

floating mine and sank, and a wild sea made rescue impossible.

FEMALE DEFICIENCIES.

Women are not as mobile as men and their health is not as regular. These are two reasons given for women not being as suitable as men for banking. The women have been on trial for the past three years in our banks and business houses, and their adaptability has been carefully noted. They are found more conscientious and are therefore better at clerical work than most young men, but they do not make as good cashiers. They lack the initiative and daring of men. Again it is asserted that a woman passes the climax of her capabilities at an earlier age than a man. But there is another climax—when a woman reaches a position of importance, marriage often claims her. There is no doubt that many business houses, which have been employing girls in men's positions since the war made male help scarce, will prefer to retain female help in a good many cases. No doubt many men will go back to their old positions in stores, offices and banks, but a large number will not want to return there is they can command larger wages and salaries in industrial posts.

BELGIUM'S POSITION.

One of the main points to be decided by the Peace Conference is that of the new status of Belgium. The treaty of 1839, the famous "scrap of paper so ruthlessly torn up by the Germans in 1914, can no longer be held as binding, and in the best interests of that little country. In fact, of the five countries, Great Britain, France, Russia, Austria and Germany, who signed that treaty, three have practically disappeared, and with them has disappeared the "scrap of paper." A new arrangement regarding Belgium must be made, an arrangement in keeping with her achievements during the war.

The natural demand of Belgium would be that she be restored to full sovereignty, and that her neutrality, which offered no protection when put to the test, and which is now distasteful, be eliminated. Belgium has earned a right to stand on an equal footing with the great powers of the world, and it is hoped that, in determining her position at the peace deliberations, full consideration will be given to her claims in this regard.

HEALTHY RECREATION NEEDED FOR WOMANHOOD.

There is in Kingston a great need for some kind of clean, wholesome entertainment for the young girls who walk the streets night after night in search of amusement. This is something which is as a rule kept very much in the background, but those who are engaged in work amongst girls, and who are interested in the welfare of the girlhood of our city, find that conditions exist in Kingston which are, to say the least, very harmful to the girls who, after their day's work is done, find themselves thrown on their own resources for their pastimes. And where do they find their amusement? Some of them walk the streets the whole evening, looking for friends, others spend the time in dance halls, some of which are very questionable resorts, and others spend their time in even worse ways. For the sake of these girls, who only need something good and wholesome to fill in their evenings, it is time that some organization took upon itself the responsibility of trying to reclaim them from the streets.

The only organization which is doing anything in this line is the Y.W.C.A., but its hands are tied by lack of equipment and facilities for providing a sufficient amount of healthy recreation for the girls to keep them from other amusements. What a great work could be done for the girlhood of our city if this organization had at its disposal a well-fitted club-room or gymnasium, where the girls could meet night after night and devote their time to the making stronger and healthier their bodies and minds, instead of wasting their energy in dancing until the early hours of the morning, or in some other equally useless way. In larger cities the club rooms of the girls' organizations are features of great interest and good, and it would be well for Kingston if there were some such place in our city. In the Y.W.C.A. there is the nucleus for such work, but the room and the equipment at the disposal of the officials are at present not sufficient to form a strong enough counter-attraction to the features of amusement already in existence. To further the cause of establishing some kind of gymnasium or club room for the mental and physical improvement of the young women of our city is a work that is deserving of the fullest attention and strongest efforts of those interested in the welfare of our womanhood.

THE ADVANTAGES OF GOOD HOUSING.

No class of the community should be more deeply concerned over adequate and suitable housing than

the employer of labor, and it naturally follows that manufacturers, wholesalers, merchants, financial institutions and boards of trade should all be vitally interested. Experience has demonstrated that good housing attracts a better class of workers; gives greater stability to the supply of labor; reduces the numbers of the floating population; provides better living conditions; secures greater loyalty to the employer; makes more contented and more efficient workers; attracts married help; gives greater regularity of employment; establishes the employee in the community by giving him a share in it, and produces better citizenship.

Good housing is, unquestionably, indicative of efficiency, of greater production and of less labor turnover. Moreover, the future expansion of Kingston's industries and the possibilities of new industries are closely associated with the providing of adequate homes for the increased number of workers who will be employed. If suitable houses cannot be found for our skilled and unskilled workers and their families, they will, without doubt, give up their positions, seek more desirable communities and as a result diminish the supply of labor, thus affecting the prosperity of our industries. That is happening in Kingston now. A family in the city, unable to obtain housing accommodation, is moving to Port Hope, for no other reason than that there are no available vacant houses. Surely our worthy city fathers do not wish this kind of thing to go on.

The remedy is now entirely in their hands. They should take steps to secure housing accommodation adequate for the present and future needs of Kingston. This opportunity comes on Monday evening, and the city looks to them to measure up to the standard and to take definite action to secure early relief.

KINGSTON HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS.

These articles have had as their object the awakening of a renewed public interest in the needs of the city for harbor improvements. The need, if Kingston is to keep its place as a progressive and wide-awake lake port, is at once admitted, and it is deplorable that some decisive, definite action is not being taken to have work started on extensions. While Kingston is marking time, in other cities the work is being rushed ahead, and the chances are, that unless some strong move is taken, Kingston will be outdistanced in the race for recognition among lake ports, and all hopes of growth will be lost. The plan we have outlined roughly is one which will stand a great deal of criticism, and it is one drafted by a mariner who knows every inch of the lake bottom around Kingston, and is familiar with all the problems of transportation, and so it should arouse an uncommon amount of interest.

The question, however, which we would like to ask, is "What is Kingston going to do?" Are we going to stand idly by and wait for some generously paternal government to solve our problems for us, or are we going to put our shoulders to the wheel and solve them for ourselves? Had Kingston been able to put any concrete proposals for harbor improvement before the Hon. F. Carvell on the occasion of his recent visit, we might have had some hopes of seeing Kingston Harbor Improvements mentioned as one of the pub-

lic works to be undertaken during the coming year. What is needed is initiative, and the necessary "pep" to back up this initiative. In this quality the Kingston public bodies are sadly lacking, and so Kingston's needs go unrecognized.

Meanwhile Prescott is going ahead making active preparations for harbor improvement; Oswego is making a strong bid to capture the trade of Lake Ontario, and Buffalo is claiming that the most of the trade is coming her way. These cities are going ahead under their own steam, and are forcing the authorities to take notice of their claims. Kingston must do the same, for it is useless to wait for the government to make the first move. Kingston, instead of developing into a spoon-fed municipality, must take action, make wake up and do things on its own. Unless that is done, then we can say good-bye to any prospect of harbor improvement, for the government cannot be expected to look after a municipality which has not enough initiative to try to solve its own problems. In spite of the repeated assertions of public bodies that the matter is the subject for much thought and study, we are still waiting patiently for results, and if they are to be of any use to the city they must come soon. (The End.)

PUBLIC OPINION

Not Worth a Worry. (Ottawa Journal) When there's a pressman's strike at the printing bureau we fail to see why most of the worry should be about the publication of Hansard.

Near Murder. (London Advertiser) "Hockey is replacing murder mysteries in keeping Hamilton on the map." A good deal of hockey might be classed as near-murder.

Then Why The Howl? (Buffalo Courier) The Pan-German League denounces those responsible for signing what it calls the "suicidal armistice," why prepare to howl over the terms of peace?

Consequences. (Detroit Free Press) It is said that idleness in Germany is leading to disaster. This, however, is what comes of being too busy making war to do any advance thinking.

Get Together. (Montreal Herald-Telegraph) A self-contained nation has a due proportion of farmers and manufacturers, and their interests are not necessarily antagonistic. They should be identical. The needs of both should be considered in relation to the welfare of the nation as a whole, and instead of fighting each other the manufacturers' association and the grain growers' organizations should seek to arrive at a basis for a working agreement to live and let live.

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Rippling Rhymes

RESILIENT It is good we're so elastic, for it helps us play the game; not a grief can be so drastic that we can't forget the same. I have half a ton of sorrow bearing down, to-day on me; but by ten o'clock to-morrow I'll be happy as can be. It's our nature to be joyous, to indulge in mirth and song; and the troubles that annoy us cannot hold us very long. Sometimes we announce, in sadness, that we'll never smile again; we have said farewell to gladness in this grim gray world of men. Woe has got us by the ringlets, grief has soaked into our bones; we're as dour as any kinglets, who've been chivied from their thrones. "Let us talk of tombs," we mutter; "et's discourse on epitaphs; for there are no jokes to utter and there's no excuse for laughs." But the next day we are grinning in the old time cheerful style; and there's naught on earth so winning as our large flamboyant smile. It's our nature to be cheery, to believe, that grief is vain; when the times are dark and dreary, it is all that keeps us sane. —WALT MASON.

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