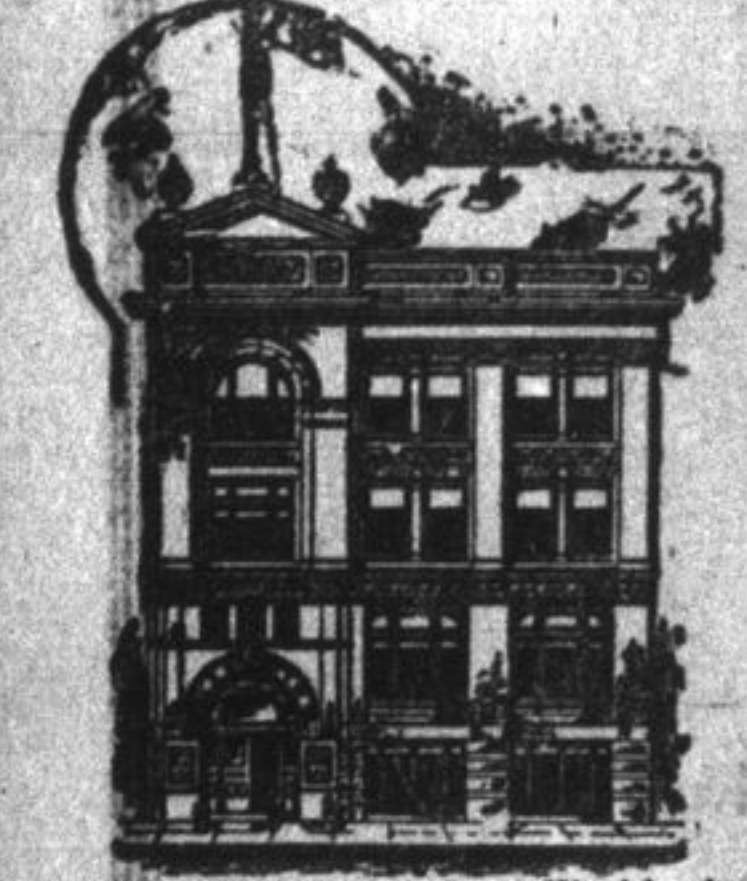


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The R-33, a sister ship to the R-34, is to start on a voyage to India. Soon it will be possible for these monster dirigibles to make an aerial trip around the world.

The Kaiser has a cold and has stopped cutting down trees. The people of Holland who were afraid of their forests being wasted will now breathe sighs of relief.

One hundred years ago last week the first steamship crossed the Atlantic. The centenary was celebrated by the crossing of the R-34. It is hardly safe to prophesy what the next century will bring forth.

Kingston's Hotel project looks like coming to a head. The interest of the citizens has been aroused to a high pitch, and there are hopes that this time the plans will be carried out successfully.

Ireland is now burdened by "King" Carson and "King" de Valera, both of whom threaten revolutionary methods if they do not get their own way. Truly the Irish problem is a hard one to solve.

The French Socialists have almost to a man voted against the Peace Treaty. But our recollections are that these same men were loudest in their cries for an ending of the war.

The people of Brantford have voted against daylight saving, and it is to be instantly repealed in that city. As more than half of the summer is gone, they seem to be a bit behind the times in taking this step.

Hartley Dewar says that it is best to trust the people in deciding whether or not they want prohibition. But the members of the Liberal party are not satisfied with that. They want to know exactly where Mr. Dewar himself stands on the question.

The universities are asking for grants from the government for the aid of soldiers taking courses. As a means of helping in re-establishment, the universities deserve recognition, especially Queen's, which has taken the lead in helping out the soldier students.

There is no reason why the farmers' market should not be held on Friday of every week so as to make it possible to have a general half-holiday on Saturday afternoon. The time is certainly coming when the people will take more pleasure out of life and a half-holiday at the week-end is essential for this.

As expected, Sir Douglas Haig's speech about the war being won by the British Army has aroused a storm of protest in the United States. The Chicago Tribune feels quite hurt that the honour should be taken away from America. We have yet to hear a claim that Canada won the war, although, comparatively speaking, its share was far greater than that of some others. Let's say "The Allies won the war," and let it go at that.

If the report of the Canadian un-association inspector, who paraded the Kingston fire department, before him on Thursday, is as accurate as the reports he made during the previous years, it will assuredly be of no more value than a scrap of paper. The Association's inspector made some bad blunders in his past reports, and it would

have been better if he had just given Kingston the go-by, and accepted its fire fighting conditions as all right.

DEALING WITH PROFITTEERS. Along with the prediction that prices of canned goods and other food products will be yet higher next year, the charge is made that speculators are buying up foodstuffs and storing them away in order to create an artificial shortage that can be made an excuse for advancing prices.

There is no reconstruction duty more imperative than the duty of investigating such transactions, for they have a direct bearing upon the cost of living as it affects millions of Canadians. Our American cousins have a way of dealing with profiteers that is admirable. In Boston last week seventeen men identified with the financing and managing of the fish industry in New England received sentences which in several cases amounted to \$1,000 fine and one year in the House of Correction. These men were found guilty of conspiring to raise the price of fish in war times and of creating a monopoly.

This country needs a few such prosecutions and some such sentences for convicted profiteers. War profits are a pernicious habit. Those who scheme to continue them in peace are the worst obstacles in the way of a just distribution of abundance and prosperity among all classes of workers.

The king of Italy has issued a decree that profiteers will from now on be fined 10,000 lire (\$2,000) or sentenced to from three months to three years in prison. In addition, their goods will be confiscated. Consumers in Canada are as much entitled to protection as consumers in Italy.

NO TRADE WITH THE HUNS. The peace terms have been signed, the blockade against Germany has been raised, and already efforts are being made in that country to resume trade relationships with the Allied countries. Warrants are now ready for issue to permit trade with Germany, and it is certain that even now the Huns are preparing for a great commercial drive on all fronts in the hope of regaining their former position in the world's trade. There is no hope that their trade will be any the less unscrupulous than were their methods of making war, and it will be interesting to watch their progress, for the reason that it will have a vital effect upon the commerce and trade of Canada.

For the protection of Canada's own industries and the development of our own overseas trade, it is essential that the doors be absolutely barred against German goods. If this cannot be accomplished by the passing of legislation, then it is the duty of the people to have nothing whatever to do with any goods which are made in Germany. During the war there were numerous protests against the sale or purchase of German-made goods in this country. Public sentiment was all against their being allowed in to the country in the future. Now that future has come. The way is open for German goods to come in. It is the duty of the people to absolutely ignore them, and to boycott any dealers who handle them. It is as yet too early to have any feelings except those of suspicion and disgust for the Huns. Their characters are not a bit better now than they were four years ago. The signing of the peace treaty has not transformed them into a nation of honorable men. The men who have fought against them will not stand having German goods thrust upon them, and the citizens of Canada should, and indeed, must adopt the same attitude. The future of this country depends upon the development of its industries. The great opportunity will pass untraced if the Germans are allowed to enter our markets in competition with home goods. There is only one way to prevent that. That way is clear, and it should be impressed clearly upon the mind of every citizen of Canada, from Halifax to Vancouver, from Kitchener to Dawson City. Their slogan for the future must be what it was in the past, "No trade with the Huns."

Much Is Gained. (New York World) The late Dr. T. Ewing Mears, Philadelphia, left \$100,000 to Harvard for the study of surgical methods of reforming criminals and mental defectives. Much is gained in realizing that there is surgery for crime short of guillotine and noose.

A Poor-Paying Plan. (Buffalo Courier) German school teachers of prominence have signed a proclamation urging that all German children be taught "to hate the Entente nations." Hating, so far, has not got Germany anywhere—and it is a poor-paying plan.

Thinks It Serious. (Toronto Globe) The serious feature of the senate's action is that it discloses what is no doubt a settled intention to maintain the traffic in liquor entering Canada from foreign countries, and also passing from Province to Province. The provincial legislatures, according to the best legal advice, have no power to prevent any citizen from



MISS NORMA TEIGMANN, Clever young Kingston violinist who has won the gold medal of the London College of Music.

bringing in liquor for his own use from abroad or from any other Province of the Confederation.

Take Good With Bad. (Brantford Expositor) The people of Canada will not take kindly to the announcement of the minister in charge of the deficit in the operation of the Canadian Government Railways for the year is \$23,000,000. There are a lot of people in Canada who think that if the government is going to operate the railway system it ought to take over the paying concerns as well as those that have been a liability.

Collective Bargaining. (Edmonton Strike Bulletin) Collective bargaining is the right of any individual to belong to a labor union if he so desires, and the right of all such unions in a given industry to form themselves into a council to conduct negotiations through their council. When negotiations have succeeded and schedules are agreed to they shall be signed to cover all trades negotiating within the industry mentioned.

Not Surprising. (Brantford Expositor) Evidence given at Ottawa shows that Hon. T. A. Crozier resigned the presidency of the Dominion Grain Growers' Association at a salary of \$15,000 per annum to accept a portfolio in the United Government at \$7,000. The war being over, it is not surprising that the late minister of agriculture decided to return to his first love.

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