

Happiness.

Montreal Gazette.

The belief was universal that the issue of the war would be happiness. No one could tell how that belief came about. Previous to the war there were ill conditions. Over wide areas there were poverty and misery and the submerged tenth. There was born in the general breast the hope and conviction that after the war a great good would result. The miracle would happen. With radiant eye happiness would enter every home. The sacrifices had been unspeakable. The agony was unimagined. This stupendous thing could not go for nothing. The world could never be the same again. There might be some features which love would miss; but there would be no more hunger or cold or nakedness. Life would be fuller and more engaging.

To the vast mass' happiness is material satisfaction. There were choice spirits who longed for a new world on the spiritual plane; but vast populations on the ragged edge of misery desired things that could be felt and handled and tasted.

Moreover, the general public saw people flinging rolls of money about; buying diamonds and pearls; wearing expensive furs; maintaining big, ostentatious establishments—all for the purpose of display in the circles of the newly-rich. The infection spread. The workman, who made money in munitions, bought champagne and larded it with the best—or thought he did.

The women, who, as always, led the way in extravagance, bedecked themselves with gorgeous confections. By unanimous vote the new world was dedicated to Hedonism.

So insistent was this that more advanced churches in some cities had to throw open their doors to the flying figures in the writhings of the

"Shimmy." The standards and creeds and confessions banned dancing, cards, theatres, tobacco and all such wicked things; and hinted plainly enough that indulgence in any of these forbidden things would mean an uncomfortable experience in the other world.

Some of the very churches that said that are building dance halls as annexes. The young people are dedicated to pleasure. Well, it is up to the churches to provide it. Perhaps it may be too simple. Some churches have brought in the movies with slight success. The churches cannot go into the movie business with the freedom of the regular directors and controllers of that form of amusement. Bible stories contrast but poorly in burning interest, with the hectic photo play, which is a succession of gripping incidents, winding up with that lingering kiss, which rends the very heart of the "flapper" with pathos and longing. But the dance hall is a success, wherever tried. It has been tried all over Britain. It is in use by the churches in the United States. In some cases there is a chaplain. In others the parson keeps an eye upon the proprieties. There is still the sense of insipidity, for human nature loves to trifle with tragedy, as the moth flutters with the flame which will ultimately shrivel it up; but when the church connection is forgotten the dance hall will be in larger demand.

The pursuit of pleasure is everywhere now a positive delirium. Dancing is a craze almost equal to the frenzy that seized upon the Eastern Dervish, and whirls him round and round interminably.

It is a portent. It is one of the temperamental reactions of the war. It is the rebound from grief and loss and anguish. It is the defiant cry of the heart in its longing for happiness.

The churches are looking on wistfully. They do not know that they can cope with the extraordinary portents of daily life—the indifference of

the bulk of the people to church attendance; the shrug of the shoulder at the mention of dogmatic religion. The Church has had to concede dancing and card-playing and theatres and tobacco, has had to soften hard and narrow creeds; and now it is asking itself where it is to stop. There are living forces here and there in the church which would frankly meet the new day and fashion themselves upon new models and put misty "isms" in the discard. On the other hand there are many who would still hew to the line. But this is the vital thing—the people are clamorous for pleasure. Can the sort of pleasure desired accord with the attitude of the church, or must the latter see the multitude pass by the open door—rather dark, indeed—and troop to the over-heated rooms, where associations may not be of the most desirable.

One of the most significant portents of the time is that the people who have got new found money, refuse to save any of it. They are obsessed with the passion for spending. They never chaffer about the price. The more money asked for the article the better are they pleased. That is why the retailers put up their goods—chiefly because the owners of the new money deem the high price conducive to pride, and, at the same time, gives to the article a unique distinction.

Production and saving are the cure for the present economic unrest, but hectic mania, whose pockets are filled with money, do not heed; and joy is unconfined—a state of things which the moralists might well sigh over, without, however, inducing contrition.

No Free Advertising.

A travelling entertainer boasted of the possession of a genuine Stradivarius violin of which he was very proud and so informed the editor of the local paper of the town in which he gave one of his concerts. In reporting the concert next morning after it was given, no mention was made of the Stradivarius violin. He made haste to make known to the editor his disappointment at his failure to mention the instrument. The reply was, "If old Stradivarius expects any advertising in the columns of this paper he will pay ten cents a line for it."

Beethoven's Love for Nature.

Like Brahms, Handel and Chopin, Beethoven never married, but he greatly admired beautiful women and was always falling in love. His infatuation, however, never lasted long—seven months, in one case, being the limit, according to Ries. Yet there is nothing superficial or ephemeral about his love of music, except in his songs, in which he was rarely at his best.

Of his love of nature; the Pastoral Symphony is the eloquent witness, teaching the lesson that, with the exception of love for woman, there is no source of musical inspiration equal to it. Next to related that he had "never met a man who so rejoiced in nature, who so deeply enjoyed flowers and clouds as Beethoven did. Nature was his food as it were; it was the element he lived in. When taking his walks in a meadow near Vienna he would sit down on some inviting green and give himself up to his musings. In his note book he once wrote "It is as if every tree spoke to me Holy, holy! In the forest there is enchantment—who could express all this?"

Two employees of the Thoburn flannel mills, Almonte, Thomas Houston and Thomas Puckett, met with an accident while working in the finishing department, by which Puckett had his leg broken at the ankle and Houston had his shoulder dislocated. On Wednesday Mrs. James, devoted wife of Thomas E. James, Lanark township, in poor health for quite a long time, passed to rest at her home on the 12th concession. Mrs. James was born in April, 1869.

Party dresses for the girl of "in-between age" are delightfully charming this season. However, they frequently present a real problem to the mother who is in doubt how to make them. A dress of pink Georgette crepe with a becoming fichu may be worn by a girl of almost any age. It is trimmed with Val lace and insertion and the fichu describes a becoming line in front, where it laps to the left and ends under the sash of pink and orchid ribbon. The flowers on this dress are hand made from tulle in pastel shades of orchid, blue, yellow and green. The other dress is also pink Georgette crepe, and shows an unusual trimming in the shaped insets of crepe outlined with Val lace insertion and embroidered with blue dots. The square neck has a yoke of Georgette edged with lace and set in with insertions. Blue dots are also embroidered on the yoke and cuffs. The sash is blue satin ribbon. Light slippers and stockings or black patent leather pumps with black or light stockings may be worn with these party dresses.

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and impairs the finish. A coating of ordinary soap on the gasket and threads will prevent leakage, even when the tank is full. When joints in the fuel line, and around the carburetor in particular, develop small leaks, a coating of soap will usually prove efficacious. You MUST earn more? If you are capable, use the classified. Two-thirds of the members of the Retail Clerks' union in Richmond, Cal., are women.

OIL PRESSURE SYSTEM IS IMPROVED FEATURE

A marked improvement is noted in the new chassis in the method of greasing spring shackles, steering knuckle pins and various bearings on the chassis that were formerly neglected or provided with inadequate oil cup or grease cup lubrication. A new pressure system has been devised in which a powerful screw plunger grease gun forces the grease through a flexible metal tube

to special outlets designed to permit of rapid attachment of the feed tube by a bicycle lock arrangement as is used with lamp bulb sockets. People who board rely upon the classified for information. Are you giving it to them? Edith Beals and Ethlyn Thayer are members of Michigan's forest fire-fighting brigade. A few lines of classified advertising often solves the knottiest problems.

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