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THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT HARDING.

But yesterday the people of the United States were rejoicing over assurances that President Harding was out of danger. But yesterday the echoes of his deliverance on high matters of state were heard everywhere. Today the United States is a nation plunged suddenly into grief and mourning as by a lightning stroke and to that great people thus stricken by the death of their Chief Executive there will go out the profound sympathy of friendly countries, particularly those of the British Empire and its Allies in the war. Canada's sense of shock and regret will be deepened because we live beside the Republic and because President Harding only a few days ago delivered on our soil a warm-hearted message of friendship and appreciation. The President's death is an event of great moment in the American foreign policy may demand re-consideration in view of developments in Europe.

There is a haunting sense of tragedy about the great office of the Presidency. Mr. Harding's unexpected demise before he had finished his first term recalls the fact that he was the seventh President to die in office. Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley were assassinated. Roosevelt was shot during a campaign in which he was seeking re-election. Mr. Wilson was stricken after his too long sustained devotion to work after the war, Mr. Harding's illness, it now seems, would not have resulted fatally had he not greatly overtaxed his strength for weeks past in giving constant attention to matters of state and party.

It is difficult to assess his work because it was unfinished. He will be remembered at home chiefly for his domestic policies and his calling of the international conference for the limitation of armaments. His world vision was limited, judged by his course in some instances, but there is no doubt that he had at heart the cause of world peace and that by his international course plan he hoped to give the world a means of avoiding another war.

As Roosevelt finished McKinley's uncompleted term, so Vice President Calvin Coolidge automatically becomes President. The elections come in November of next year, and inauguration is the following March. Mr. Coolidge is very unlike Mr. Harding, and his course in office may prove very interesting. Mr. Harding would have been his party's candidate for re-election. If Mr. Coolidge gives the country good service for the balance of the term the Republicans will be likely to name him to succeed himself, as was done in Roosevelt's case. Of more general interest is Mr. Coolidge's coming to meet the events of the coming year which may demand unusual powers. As Vice President he has been hidden, but as Governor of Massachusetts he displayed both courage and high executive ability. Now his stature in dealing not only with national but international affairs will be tested. He is known, and it may be of world importance, He is thought to have considerable iron in his character.

HE SERVED.

One of those cases in which a too technical interpretation of the law, or a too superficial examination of the facts, resulted in grave injustice to a soldier is that of H. S. Liddell, who was deported to England last spring from Winnipeg, leaving a widowed mother there, and who will now probably be brought back to Canada and cared for by the government. The unusual circumstances attending his death have excited no little public attention since the case was taken up sharply by the G. W. V. A. and

the test of actual war. It was said by a friendly critic that Germany when she broke many of her pledges and was devastating Belgium was like a man running for his life who always ignored the "keep off the grass" signs. In spite of agreements Germany will undoubtedly make immense preparations for the use of poisonous gas, of aircraft, and of submarines, and there will be some other countries which will be slow to relinquish any advantage they may have under water or in the air, or relating to poisonous gas, if another great war should come. The business of ensuring peace is still the main business before civilization.

"That's good, go on, read some more," said the President to his wife who has been constantly at his bedside, and who was reading to him from a recent article estimating his work as the nation's head. Those were his last words. When she looked up again he was dead. From sources high and from those humble a wealth of sympathy is poured out to the widow. She was a model wife and holds an exceptionally high place in the affection of the nation.

Paris takes the British Prime Minister's speech on reparations more calmly than was anticipated. But the way out of an intolerable situation is not yet clear, or in sight.

First among the messages of condolence is that from His Majesty the King.

HORIZONS.

(From The New Republic) Ten acres gone to grass. He felt as though the clover and the daisies understood. By what neglect they had been allowed to grow. Well, thinking about an orchard did no good. And then he gathered back to him the dream.

Next year it would be different—no more dream. Of hiring help or some one else's team. No more of seeing ten acres go to seed.

Almost before we know it summer's end. And grass, to be of any use at all, has to be mown. The wheat is in the sheaf. The patient cow keeps munching in her stall. Barns have been eaten empty of their hay.

Next year, perhaps. Next year he'll find a way.

IN LIGHTER VEIN.

Wow! The wit or was who got away with the following bit of humor gives you the idea of the kind of wit that is made ad infinitum and a pluribus unum! Says the aforesaid was—"My idea of a joke is a headache between the Ku Klux Klan and the Knights of Columbus, with a Jewish smile, and the proceeds of the joke to go for the benefit of the Jewish Relief fund!"—Our City.

Test of Strong Souls. A man Willard was the picture of a man broken in spirit yesterday when seen at his quarters in Park Hill, Yorkers. He was found reading a copy of The Literary Digest—New York World.

Polite to the Last. A waiter, standing in electric chair—"Is there anything you would like to do or say before I push the fatal button?" "Thoughtful Murderer—"Yes, kind sir, I would like to get up and give my seat to a lady!"—Punch Bowl.

Page the Press Agent. Manager—"Where did you keep this diamond tiara which you say has been stolen?" Actress—"In the box with the rest of my jewelry." Manager (coldly) — "What's it worth?" Actress—"Oh, about a column and a half!"—Sydney Bulletin.

More Relativity. Free State Patrol—"Have ye yer permit on ye fer drivin' the car?" Motorist—"I have that. Are ye wantin' to see it?" Free State Patrol—"What for would I be wantin' to see it if ye have it?" "It's in the wash yet!"—The Christian.

Maybe He's "Clean-Cut." "Eliot," said a friend of the family to the old colored washerwoman, "have you seen Miss Edith's fiancé?" "No, ma'am," she said, "it ain't been in the wash yet!"—The Christian.

Our Complete Debt. Teacher—"We borrowed our uniforms from the Arabs, our calendars from the Romans, and our banking from the Italians. Can any one think of any other examples?" Willie Willie—"Our lawn-mower from the Smiths, our snow-shovel from the Joneses, and our baby carriage from the Bumps!"—Judge (New York).

A REAL BATON.

(London Telegraph.) Mention of music recalls the strange present which was given some time ago to Col. Rogan, the well-known Guards bandmaster, when he was out in Burma. The Colonel heard that a certain rebel leader was coming to discuss peace, and in the hope that the man's heart would be made pliable he composed a special setting of the Burmese National Anthem. The rebel, who revealed in a letter, came to be known as the "Colonel's baton." After the music the rebel leader came round and said that he greatly admired how the Colonel could keep his men in order with a little stick like that; but if there was serious trouble he could not defend himself properly; so he, the rebel, would present him with a weapon. And he sent the Colonel a fine stick about five feet long to ward off the bandmen if they attacked him. That "baton" is a good souvenir; and the Bob signed the peace terms.

A RETURN TO THE AIRSHIP.

(New York Sun.)

The ever present burden of colonial empire seems to have tempted Great Britain back into fields that it was supposed she had permanently abandoned. The British Air Minister, Sir Samuel Hoare, announces that the Government has decided to resume the development of dirigible airships; and it appears that the Australian mails are responsible for the disastrous experimentation which was abandoned by the British military after the loss of the H-34 and the ZR-2. The tentative plan is to begin with six airships in a bi-weekly service to India, the lines to be extended later to Australia and the Far East.

This return to the airship will probably be pointed to by the balloon men as showing that the dirigible still has possibilities, in spite of the long and water and desert that divide Great Britain from her eastern territories. Kipling pointed out that there was a long haul with heavy loads not only to the airship, but also to the dirigible—on paper. If the airship would stay in the air and bring its cargo back alive it would be the perfect instrument for fast mail and passenger routes across the wastes of water and desert that divide Great Britain from her eastern territories. Kipling pointed out that there was a long haul with heavy loads not only to the airship, but also to the dirigible—on paper. If the airship would stay in the air and bring its cargo back alive it would be the perfect instrument for fast mail and passenger routes across the wastes of water and desert that divide Great Britain from her eastern territories.

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THE AIRPLANE MAIL SERVICE.

(N. Y. Tribune.)

The conveyance of mail by airplane is only in its infancy. It is a system that will grow to greatness in a future not far off. Two Governments at least, the American and the British, will have established it in successful daily operation over all important routes. According to the London Daily Chronicle's aeronautic expert, a "flying mail train" is the latest type of airplane to be developed in England. The sorters are to do their work in turn, so many men and so many hours at a time. The airplane's mail chamber is to be in the tail section, and the mail train is to be a "flying mail train" is the latest type of airplane to be developed in England. The sorters are to do their work in turn, so many men and so many hours at a time. The airplane's mail chamber is to be in the tail section, and the mail train is to be a "flying mail train" is the latest type of airplane to be developed in England.

The Canadian Pacific will operate the required number of special trains from St. John, running direct to Winnipeg without change. Lunch cars will also be provided for ladies and gentlemen at reasonable prices. Special accommodation on trains travelling together, and the Harvesters are assured of every comfort enroute. A further information desired may be had on application to any local agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Unnecessary Re-Elections. (Victoria Colonist.) There is a number of whom in the proposal that appointees to a new Cabinet who had been elected should not have to seek re-election from the people. The rule is an obsolete one, and could very well be abolished. In the case of Ontario some what lengthy list of by-elections is now scheduled, and the practice only adds to the expense of Government.

U. S. ARMY SHY OF RECRUITS. (Toronto Telegram.) United States regular army is not easily recruited up to its authorized maximum of 125,000. Appeals to enlist in the regular army are being addressed to veterans of the American Expeditionary Force. Peace-time soldiering offers recruits \$21 per month. Americans who fought in the Great War are not thrilled by an invitation to enjoy the safety and subordination of service with an army on a peace footing.

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GERMAN LAYS HIS THIEFTS TO A DUAL PERSONALITY. Six years at hard labor and a fine of 100,000 marks was the sentence pronounced by a Munich court in the case of ex-Postal Inspector Pfaffinger, arrested on charges of having stolen sums of money from letters sent to poor Germans by their relatives in America. In addition to buying a wife in the country, he owned two houses in Munich and had acquired a great reputation for philanthropy, through gifts to churches and charities. In defending himself, Pfaffinger said that he had a dual personality, one religious and the other criminal. He asserted that the Virgin Mary had appeared to him in a dream and justified his conduct.

HARVESTERS NEEDED IN WESTERN CANADA.

Excursions by Canadian National Railways Will Be On August 3rd and 17th by Special Trains.

To harvest the bumper crop of golden grain in the West 30,000 able-bodied men are badly needed. The call from the West is for help and more help. The wheat crop is the wealth of the Dominion and it must be successfully harvested and stored for transport.

Low fares will prevail from all points in the Maritime Provinces to Winnipeg, and all points further west. The going dates for these special fares are on August 3rd and 17th, when special trains will leave Moncton at 3.00 P. M. and St. John at 4.40 P. M. via the Valley. The fare from St. John to Winnipeg will be \$20.00 plus half a fare to points beyond in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta—Edmonton, Calgary, McLeod and East. The return fare for these special fares will be of very low equipment. There will be convertible north colonial cars of latest design and special service for women and children so that all may travel in comfort. A specially constructed Lunch Counter Car will provide the best facilities for food and refreshments at very reasonable prices. Trains will be especially conducted and every precaution taken to ensure safe and quick transport. There will be special low fares returning to points of origin.

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THE OLD HOME TOWN.

The visitor to the old home town, remarks The Boston Globe, jumps into a village taxi at the station and is whisked out to the farm. On his way he passes the town hall, where the sign proclaims that pictures may be seen every night at 8 o'clock. The four corners of a party line telephone welcome him as he enters the door. He thinks of the march of modern improvements. All sorts of things are doing. There are to be no dull moments in the two weeks.

After about ten days he begins to remember old times, when being on vacation in the country consisted of eating three good meals, sleeping ten hours, going for a swim in the morning and taking a stroll through the fields and woods in the afternoon. In the after-noon twilight, which existed before the reform that produced daylight saving, there were several hours of good old-fashioned talks such as no one has time for now.

Country life has become hectic, which may be much more stimulating for those whose lot is cast in the country in the whole year. Yet it is a question whether the vacationist gets what he really needs from his vacation. He is

likely to return to his city job with a feeling that he wants a rest. Modern inventions have an abhorrence for vacuums. They seek to fill up every minute of everybody's time. Those who are looking for rest, instead of for amusement, must discover ways and means for fencing themselves away from the tumult of this motorized electrified age. It is worth while to demand of life a season in which one may be alone under a pine tree doing nothing.

The most refreshed of the returned vacationists finds his strength renewed because he renewed acquaintance with his mother—Nature, as the good Lord made her.

A Toronto report says three women from that city have left on a 1,500 mile talking tour. We thought it was a 1,500 mile walking tour at first, but confess that the former is much more likely.—London Advertiser.

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