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**POLITICAL DRIFTS**

The professions of the United Farmers as a political party are no more and no less than those that have been made all down through the ages by groups of men and women who form a political school and try to carry out ideas.

The United Farmers as a party are as much entitled to take part in the Government of a province or a country as the people of the urban sections. In fact, in some respects, they have more to justify them, for they are hard-working producers, who give something to the public that helps to feed and clothe the masses.

All nations, by common consent, however, reserve to themselves what is known as the "right of eminent domain." That is, the power to invade the right of an individual citizen or a corporation when the public good requires such action.

In a way the existing League of Nations, the combination of the Allied world, stands in some such position to the individual nation as the State does to the individual or corporation. When it speaks it does so for the rights of civilization, the combined peoples of the League.

Holland is standing on her national rights. She does not love the ex-kaiser, but, since he has claimed the protection of her laws, she feels she must support them and harbor him. In doing this she is simply living up to her traditions of liberty.

But Holland is intelligent, and it is to be believed, she can be made to see that, in asking for the former kaiser, the League of Nations is speaking in the name of civilization and is exercising an international sort of domain. The League cannot afford to back down in this, its first united action, but neither is it probable, will be required to employ force against Holland. The latter has made its natural protest. In due time it is likely to be brought to see things in their proper light.

All political parties of the past, and of the present, have ideals. The older parties have done much for the advancement of humanity, for legislation and for better social conditions, and he who disputes this must be a mere beginner in the study of public affairs. If a new party of some kind can do more and do it better, then, that party has a right to be given a chance—as we have always held the Drury Government should be given a chance—but when four years roll round it will be found, no doubt, that the Drury Government, like all others, has done considerable that was good, and failed to do much that was needed. It will not turn the earth into an Eden, nor make living conditions a great deal better. It will contribute its part, as other Governments have done, but it cannot be said that any class can revolutionize society over night and dismiss all the ills of humanity which have existed for thousands of years, and will exist for thousands more.

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**FROM OTHER PENS**

**HOLLAND AND THE LEAGUE.**

The Buffalo Enquirer: Holland is wholly human—and besides, she is Dutch. Her refusal of the Allied request for the surrender of the ex-kaiser is exactly what might have been expected. Moreover, nobody would have had as much respect for the people and the Government of the Netherlands if they had not stood on their dignity and refused an abject compliance.

Liberty-loving individuals and liberty-loving nations are jealous of their rights; they do not yield them to the people or of the world are paramount to the individual's or the nation's interest may these rights be violated with any justice.

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**CHASING RAINBOWS**  
 Montreal Gazette: In the United States there are many persons who look with a kindly eye across the sea to Ireland, and they are not all sons of men and women of Irish nativity. Home rule for Ireland they would like to see, but it is doubtful if the De Valera policy catches their fancy.

Bonds are good investments when there is something behind them other than promises. The bonds of the Irish republic are in the "promise" class. As Ald. Quinn of New York said in criticizing Mayor Hylan for his attitude towards the De Valera plan: "A bond issue is a financial lien against tangible property. The mystic dream of a deluded agitator is not and never can be, called security for a bond issue. Do not forget," continued Ald. Quinn, "that this man De Valera is doing almost the same thing in this country that we are deporting the so-called radicals for."

The \$10,000,000, concluded this frank critic, might do enough harm to embroil the United States in a war with Great Britain.

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European countries, was not purchasing raw or partly manufactured articles there, processing them in England and selling them to the United States, thus benefitting by the dollar premium there, Sir George replied in the negative.

"What is your opinion of the Canadian dollar discount in the United States?"  
 "I don't know how you are keeping up the exchange at this figure," said Sir George, who said that the Americans must have great faith in the future of Canada.

"Do you think the Canadian dollar discount will become greater?"  
 "You will be lucky if it doesn't," he said. "There is nothing being done to take care of the situation."

"Do you consider the Canadian dollar discount largely due to the fact that prior to the war Canada paid her trade deficit with the States through London, with a portion of her credit balance with Britain, and that the present discount can be attributed directly to sterling discount?"

"Yes, I think so. You are in the same boat as we are," he replied.  
 "Is not the exchange situation making it possible for British ship-owners to compete with the U. S. semi-Government marine, even if the latter cuts freights to cost?" was asked.

"The freight rates now being charged are profitable to everybody," was the reply. "There is room in the world for all the ships both the U.S. and we can put out."  
 "There will probably be the greatest expansion of international trade that the world has ever seen," said Sir George. "The whole economic structure is being transformed from a national to an international structure. Nations tried in the past to foster national trade, but the world has now to adopt an international structure. Food in Europe has gone down never to recover. I doubt if Europe will ever again produce as much food as in the past. I think it is physically impossible to get it back. The man-power has been lessened by death in the war, and low wages have gone forever. An agricultural inventor who used to be paid sixteen or eighteen shillings, now gets two pounds."

In reply to a question as to whether prices would be lower Sir George said: "I think the high prices will come down in a period of years through a readjustment of production and greater use of machinery, and production becoming more wholesale. Also by producing special lines of articles in very large quantities."

**Great Changes Coming.**  
 "There is no doubt that great changes are coming in Europe," but I believe that when they have come they will be beneficial. The civilization of Europe instead of going back will go forward if we now take the steps which should be taken."  
 "Principal step," he said, was the providing good food for Europe. Canada and the United States would have to produce more food. European nations when they recovered would resume their old position of manufacturing nations. Canada, he thought would manufacture for her own needs but her overseas trade must be in food and raw materials. He hoped that the western wheat lands would be far larger developed.

Referring again to the conditions in Europe, he added:  
 "But if America refuses to send food and accept our securities, you reduce us to starvation, and starvation brings anarchy and chaos."  
 Of the possibilities of Bolshevism in Italy he said:

"Italy is subjected to more economic distress principally because she cannot get credit. Bolshevism is the child of starvation."  
 Asked for his views of the feasibility of the likelihood of the funding of the Entente war debts or the deferring of interest payments on some for a term of years, he said:  
 "I think the whole of the internal war debt will be paid shortly, chiefly by a levy on wealth made during the war. Practically all the debts have been subscribed for by money made by someone. This system seems to meet with approval in every country. There is no possibility of bankruptcy in any of the great countries. We are raising taxation sufficient to take care of the international payments."

**Strengthen Trade.**  
 "Do you consider that the British Empire has been strengthened commercially as a result of the war, and that the exchange situation may tend to increase trade in Imperial channels?" was asked.  
 "It will tend to increase all international trade, and the British Empire is producing most of the things the world wants, and as Canada, Australia, South Africa and India are producing most of the things Great

**Everyone Should Drink Hot Water in the Morning**  
 Wash away all stomach, liver, and bowel poisons before breakfast.  
 To feel your best day in an day out, to feel clean inside, no sour bill to coat your tongue and sicken your breath or dull your head; no constipation, bilious attacks, sick headache, colds, rheumatism or gassy acid stomach, you must bathe on the inside like you bathe on the outside. This is vastly more important because the skin pores do not absorb impurities into the blood, while the bowel pores do.  
 To keep these poisons and toxins well washed from the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels, drink before breakfast each day, a glass of hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it. This will cleanse, purify, and freshen the entire alimentary tract before eating more food.  
 Get a quarter pound of limestone phosphate from your pharmacist. It is inexpensive and almost tasteless. Drink phosphated hot water every morning to rid your system of these vile poisons and toxins; also to prevent their formation.  
 Britain wants, there should be not only a great international trade, but a great inter-Empire trade. I will mean a more rapid development of the Colonies. Such a development is absolutely necessary." Sir George

thought that there would be much immigration from England this year.  
**Germany Starving.**  
 "What is the financial situation regarding the Teutonic powers and also Russia?" was asked.  
 "The trouble in Europe is that Germany does not know what her liabilities are. The amount for reparation is not yet fixed, and it is extremely high. This has destroyed Germany's credit and helped to bring about the depreciation in the mark. When the reparation sum is fixed at a figure Germany can pay, there should be a rapid improvement in Germany."  
 Asked if the delay in giving this to Germany was not detrimental, Sir George replied: "Germany is being pushed into Bolshevism through the privations of her people. They are really suffering and are short of food and clothes."  
 With regard to Russia, he said:  
 "It is essential that the Russian situation should be rectified as soon as possible. Europe cannot be straightened out until Russia is again producing. I would advocate leaving Russia alone. At the same time the nations should be prepared to deal with a government which really represents the Russian people."

**THE STABLE IN WINTER**  
 Keep Your Dairy Cows Comfortable and Clean.  
 Spray the Place With White Wash.  
 Add Some Germ-Killer—All Broken Windows, Fences, Provide Other Ventilation of Plants in Winter.  
 (Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)  
 THE period of long winter is here. Of our milk cows from special protection from cold, and at the same time made as comfortable as possible.  
 The whole of the inside of the stable should have a thorough cleaning. The dust and cobwebs should be swept from the walls, ceiling, windows; the windows should be thoroughly cleaned, also the feeders and stalls. Then spray and wash all over the inside, especially windows. To the whitewash add a disinfectant such as a carbolic preparation, or a chloride of lime. This will kill disease-carrying bacteria, and will also maintain the health of the milk which is at the foundation of the stable milk production.  
 The next step is to put in all the broken windows, but where the owner thinks he cannot afford to glass at the present high price of glass, may be tackled over the down space. This will provide ventilation in a stable not otherwise ventilated.  
 Cow stables need ventilation in winter by having the foul air led out and fresh air introduced by a draft directly on the cow's side. The way to do this is to have windows at the bottom and at the top of the window, so as to let the air toward the ceiling. It should be a V-shaped board at side or end of the window, so that the foul air is removed without the stable too much, by closing the top outlet. No system of cheap ventilation works automatically. They all require some attention.  
 Other points in stable preparation to have all ties secure so that cow may not get loose; clean mangers and gutters should be so that they may be kept clean and sanitary without too much labor. Litter and feed carriers are great sources of labor in looking after a stable during the winter.  
 In a word, make the cow comfortable and lessen the labor of stabling cows by having them stabled in a comfortable, clean, and convenient way as possible in the form of a dairy.—Prof. H. H. Dick, College, Guelph.

**Care of Plants in Winter.**  
 Water-growing pot plants when they need it, then water thoroughly. When the soil has to get dry and powdery on the face, or when the pot is tapped the knuckles or a knife handle, it emits a ringing sound, the soil requires water. Give sufficient so that it runs out through the bottom of the pot. Water plants in morning in cold weather, not at night. Use tepid rain water, or water that has been exposed to air for a day or two. If possible, water should be lukewarm, about 60 degrees F. in winter.  
 Humidity in the atmosphere is one of the main requirements for successful with plants indoors. Pans or saucers of water on the floor or registers. A steaming pot or pot of water on the stove, or a great help in this respect.  
 When the pots become light roots, or where the soil is poor, or out or exhausted, liquid fertilizer can be given plants. The soil should be moist, not dry, or very wet, the fertilizer is applied. There are several good plant foods sold at stores. "Sterling Foods, Plant-Fuels" or "Bonora" are both good. About one-half pint of water dissolved in a little warm water and cold water added to make a gallon; also makes a fairly good fertilizer for pot plants. Apply every week.  
 Spraying with water will help down insect pests. A fine spray of water applied to all parts of plants is necessary to be effective. Plants having very rough birch bark, should not be sprayed, especially in winter, as plants having glossy, glaucous leaves, insect pests are attracted to a dry, warm atmosphere. Aphis or green lice, white fly, spider and thrip, "Sulpho-Tobacco Soap" is a good remedy. Black fly is also a good remedy for insect pests on house plants. Salt water or a solution of whole oil and tobacco water are beneficial to scale insects on plants.  
 Shake about one-half pound of fresh lime in a pail of water, and let it settle. Give about a teaspoon of this solution once or twice to a plant suffering from earth worms. Put frozen plants in a dark place at once, temperature about 45 degrees F. Do not touch the plants. Sprinkling with ice cold water is beneficial.—W. Hunt, O. A. Guelph.

**A Chat About Chickens.**  
 In very cold weather to make a hen comfortable and to keep her in good condition feed her a little of the best in dry, warm atmosphere. Aphis or green lice, white fly, spider and thrip, "Sulpho-Tobacco Soap" is a good remedy. Black fly is also a good remedy for insect pests on house plants. Salt water or a solution of whole oil and tobacco water are beneficial to scale insects on plants.  
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**Peace Incomes and War Prices**  
 TEN years ago a Canadian clergyman was forced by illness to retire from active work. The largest salary he had received in the forty years of his ministry was \$1000 and a furnished house. The average did not exceed \$800.  
 On this sum he had maintained and educated his family. He and his wife were given to frequent hospitality. They supported every good cause, and even contributed to the maintenance charges of the Church they served.

**A Minister's Budget**  
 By good management and economy they were able to carry an endowment insurance policy, pay an assessment to their Church Superannuation Fund, and accumulate some small savings. When that clergyman was superannuated in 1909, he bought a house. His income during the first year of retirement was as follows:  
 The retiring allowance from the Church (being \$10 for each year of active work) . . . . . \$400.00  
 Interest from investments . . . . . 100.00  
 Wedding fees and sundries . . . . . 75.00  
 Summer supply work . . . . . 100.00  
 Against this total of \$675 stood the charge for taxes, insurance and maintenance of the house; say, \$75, leaving a net annual income of \$600.

**The Shrinkage in Values**  
 Before the war, the rise in the cost of living had necessitated careful management of this income. Today, the pressure is too great to be borne. If the statisticians are correct, the dollar of 1913 is worth now in purchasing power about 47c.  
 Therefore, the real income available to maintain these people of refinement and culture is \$282 a year.  
 Do you say that this is an exceptional case? On the contrary, scores of retired clergymen are not so well situated as this one. Some are tasting the bitterness of destitution, since in a few instances no retiring allowances are provided for.

**Veterans of the Cross**  
 These men gave a lifetime of unselfish service for their Church, their country, their neighbors; visiting the sick, burying the dead, comforting the bereaved, preaching Christ crucified, and doing their part in making Canada "God's country." In a time when the payment of pensions to old employees is accepted as a reasonable thing by industrial firms, these veterans deserve more consideration than they have been getting from the Christian people of this Dominion.

**The Forward Movements**  
 The Superannuation, Beneficiary or pension funds of the five Communions co-operating in the United National Campaign must be largely increased to yield a reasonable and adequate income for these old heroes of the pulpit.  
 They ARE heroes. They make no complaint. They still are found doing all that their strength will permit for the great and noble Cause to which they devoted their lives. They still are enduring hardness as good soldiers of Jesus Christ.

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