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OPTIMISM SHOULD PREVAIL.

Investigations carried on through Canada by agents of the Dominion Government disclose the fact that the task of replacing Canada on a peace footing as far as manufactures are concerned, can be accomplished with little confusion, and that a period of exceptional prosperity and activity lies before both Canada and the United States. Canada, according to the Department of Labor, is entering upon a period of expansion greater than at any time in her history. There is no anxiety concerning the attitude of the manufacturers of the country, who realize that they must take full advantage of their opportunities and minimize the difficulties of transition from war to peace conditions. Unmeasurable opportunities, embracing every department of industry, confront the Canadian manufacturer, and with the passing of the need for conservation, the demand for goods of all kinds will increase. Deferred construction programs, involving the expenditure of scores of millions of dollars, will be proceeded with in the Spring, and industrial plants in all parts of Canada are awaiting only for labor to inaugurate large schemes for expansion. Stocks are low and the call for manufactured goods will come from every quarter. The demand from abroad will be enormous. Europe must be reconstituted and rebuilt, and with the release of shipping for commercial purposes, trade with other parts of the globe will be stimulated.

Price levels, it has been ascertained, will be generally maintained. Any possibility of a precipitate fall is precluded by the world-wide demand. No sudden readjustment of wages is anticipated. General stability, with slow and steady readjustments to meet new conditions, is the evident tendency throughout the country. In order that all manufacturers may better be able to take advantage of these opportunities, the Dominion Government is giving them every assistance. It has re-endorsed the principle of using goods made in Canada, and has undertaken to stimulate public interest in the movement.

By establishing Industrial Research Bureaux it affords valuable aid to existing industries and will foster the creation of new ones. By its programme for the construction of useful public works it will absorb the products of many factories. It has stimulated the building industry by instituting a credit of twenty-five million dollars to be drawn on for housing development, and it has inaugurated an important ship-building program. It is providing employment for thousands of men on the Government Railways. It is establishing employment offices through the country to aid both the employer and employee. The opportunities should have not been forgotten. The Government proposes to establish credits for work undertaken by manufacturers and producers in connection with the rehabilitation of the devastated regions of Europe, which will enable manufacturers to finance contracts on a cash payment basis, and which should lead to a large share of the business coming to Canada.

A system has been begun for the compilation of accurate details of imports with the object of indicating the directions in which trade may be developed. A trade mission to London, and a Canadian Trade Commission with headquarters in Canada have been established for the fostering of commerce and industry. Important machinery is being built up by which the Government will co-operate with the manufacturer in every possible direction.

THE PRESS AND THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

There is so much depending upon the results of the allied peace conference, now underway at Paris, that the question of admitting the press assumes unusual importance.

Democratic nations have wearied of secret treaties and secret diplomacy. They are opposed to the idea of the conference degenerating into a grand grab or being employed to further imperialistic aspirations. It is obvious that if the peace finally written is to insure permanent world peace, it must be founded on justice and the square deal. Perceiving this they conclude that the future welfare and progress of mankind, which are welded to peace, are of more vital importance to the world than the dividing of spoils.

Further they hope and expect those who have sacrificed and suffered beyond measure will make the equally great sacrifice of restraining themselves in the hour of victory, in order to gain the priceless boon of permanent peace.

Taking this into consideration, can there be any doubt as to whether or not its sessions should be open to the press? The correspondents sent thither do not appear as representing a single newspaper or groups of newspapers. Theirs is a vastly more important mission. It is jointly to represent the peoples of the associated countries; to keep them informed daily of demands advanced and solutions reached.

Admitting the press will by proxy be seating the allied nations at the conference table. Excluding them will not only be depriving them from hearing the claims made and subsequent deliberations thereon but schemes which would not bear the searchlight of public opinion may be advanced.

Europe has so long been accustomed to secret diplomacy that it views with disfavor the discussion of international questions in an open forum. Having been for centuries "on the make," its representatives like movie nations about like pieces on a chess board.

Were the peace terms made in secret, conclusions would possibly be reached only after one group had gained a concession by promising support to another group seeking a similar gain, say of territory. Peace terms thus arrived at could scarcely hope to form a solid foundation upon which to build permanent peace.

The peoples of the associated nations, and particularly of North America, desire an open, aboveboard peace; openly arrived at. Publication of the requests made and the discussions following, will enable democracies to protest should their ideals be departed from or even threatened.

They believe that every meritorious claim will stand the light of day and of public discussion. They conclude that if any of them will not stand these tests then they cannot be good.

To admit the press is to admit the associated nations to the conference. Next to the formation of a league of nations it stands as the second most important principle, proposed to be adopted in international relations.

BY THE WAY.

Canadian soldiers, who live west of Winnipeg, are to be sent home via the Panama Canal. This will be the shortest of several weeks at a southern winter resort.

WAIT A MINUTE

"In The Day's News"

Celebrating his twenty-fifth birthday today, King Boris of Bulgaria finds himself newly seated on a throne left rather wobbly when his father, King Ferdinand, was obliged to abdicate last October as a penalty for his poor judgment in picking sides in the great war. The future of Boris and his kingdom will be determined in large measure by the coming deliberations at Versailles. Whether the youthful King has inherited the cunning and abilities of his father remains to be seen. From his mother, who was of a deeply religious nature, he is said to have inherited a rather profound piety. His baptism in the orthodox Greek church in 1896, it may be recalled, developed into a political issue involving several nations.

Today's Anniversaries.

1844—Isaac Lea Nicholson, fifth Episcopal bishop of Milwaukee, born in Baltimore. Died in Milwaukee Oct. 29, 1906.
1862—John Tyler, tenth President of the U. S., died in Richmond. Born in Charles City County, Va., March 29, 1790.

1869—The session of the French parliament was opened with an address by Emperor Napoleon III.
1871—King William I. of Prussia was proclaimed German Emperor at Versailles.

1884—General Gordon left London for Khartoum.

1894—Rioting in Berlin, with serious clashes between the police and the people.

1915—French captured several German field-works northwest of Pont-a-Mousson.

1916—Sweden protested against British infractions of her commercial rights.

1917—Prussian Diet cheered leaders' advocacy of unrestrained submarine warfare.

One Year Ago Today In The War.

Weather conditions caused lull in fighting on western front.

Premier Lloyd George declared the democracies of the world must continue to fight or fall.

Today's Birthdays.

King Boris, lifted by the fortunes of war to the Bulgarian throne, born in Sofia, 25 years ago today.

Olga Netherland, famous emotional actress, born in Kensington, England, 49 years ago today.

Henry C. Stuart, former governor of Virginia, now a member of the War Industries Board, born at Wytheville, Va., 64 years ago today.

Ruben Dario, who ranks foremost among the poets of Latin America, born at Segovia, Nicaragua, 55 years ago today.

Frank J. Goodnow, president of Johns Hopkins University, born in Brooklyn, N. Y., 60 years ago today.

A Smile or Two

Giving Him The Laugh.

He (angrily)—I wash my hands of you forever.
She (coolly)—And let me suggest, George, that you also manœuvre your finger nails.

Conductress (to passenger earnestly studying ration book)—Are you the gentleman with the two insides?

Loaded.

"Dear Clara," wrote the young man, "pardon me, but I'm getting so forgetful! I proposed to you last night, but really forget whether you said 'yes' or 'no'."
"Dear Will," she replied by note, "so glad to hear from you! I knew that I said 'no' to someone last night, but I had forgotten who it was."—Pearson's Weekly

Jones—Can you manage to meet your expenses?
Jorkins—Meet them? Jerusalem, man, I can't run away from them!

How They Got Rich.

Mrs. Blank—I could have married Mr. Brown or Mr. Jones if I'd wanted to, and both of these men I refused got rich; while you are still as poor as a church mouse.
Blank—Of course, I've been supporting you all these years—they haven't.—Boston Transcript.

How queer the newspapers look without war maps! We should familiarize ourselves with old maps now, before the peace conference begins to roll boundaries around

Restaurant Humor.

"This fish is very rich."
"Yes, it is well supplied with bones."

The Ensign—There seem to be a good many barks in this bight.

The Coxswain—Yes, sir. An ocean greyhound chased a catboat up our crosstrees.

Special Edition.

The correspondence editor came wearily into the room of the boss.

"You told me to answer all correspondents at any cost?" he asked.

"I did, said the boss.

"Then I'll require the whole paper to-morrow."

"Eh?"

"A lady sends me a line from 'Paradise Lost,' and asks me to kindly print the rest of the poem!" said the correspondence editor.

"Bride Slapped Husband; His Mother Took Him Home."—Another touching headline.

I'll now oblige by watching "She Didn't Raise Her Boy to be an Average Husband."

ODD AND INTERESTING.

Every six minutes a merchant vessel arrives and another departs from American ports.

In the recent fighting towards Damascus, one section of Arabs marched seventy miles in twenty-four hours, fighting part of the way.

The total expenditure on the war in four years reached the stupendous sum of \$145,000,000,000, or roughly the equivalent of the entire combined wealth of the United Kingdom and France.

For short distances the salmon is the swiftest of fish. Its speed at high pressure is from twenty to twenty-five miles an hour. Sharks are capable of keeping up a speed of from seventeen to twenty miles an hour for a considerable time.

When the peace of Ryswick was made which brought to an end the war between Holland, France, Spain and England, the Dutch ambassador in London celebrated it by a huge illumination in front of his house in Piccadilly of 140 barrels of pitch.

Pneumatic tires were the outcome of a device used by an Irish doctor to diminish the jolting of an invalid chair for a patient of his. He fastened around the wheels a piece of ordinary garden hose filled with water. Instead of water, air was afterwards used with improved results.

So far as England was concerned the end of the greatest war the world has ever seen was celebrated far more quietly than the end of far less important wars. After Waterloo amazing scenes were witnessed in London and the provinces. In one of the suburbs of the metropolis a wealthy eccentric announced that he would burn down his house on the following night, which he did amidst scenes of wild enthusiasm. A political rival not to be outdone, set fire to his own place, but then the authorities stepped in and stopped this method of celebrating peace.

ANAEMIC PALENESS QUICKLY CHANGED TO ROSY CHEEKS

Chlorosis or anaemia is simply thinness of blood.

If confined too much indoors, anaemia develops, because the lungs are insufficiently supplied with oxygen and the blood is consequently ill-nourished and half-starved.

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GRATUITY TO RETURNED MEN

Thousands of soldiers will soon be returning to Canada. Their demobilization has been so arranged that the labor market will not be glutted, resulting in returned soldiers being out of work. It is realized that the soldier who has been discharged from the army, will look for employment. In order that he may have an opportunity of living decently until he finds employment, the Dominion government has decided to give every man a "War Service Gratuity." The gratuity is graded, according to length of service, from six months to one month's pay and allowances. After Feb. 1st, men who already have been discharged will be given their gratuity to which they are entitled.

Men who still are in the service will receive their first month's gratuity immediately upon their discharge. Men who are in the care of the Soldiers Civil Re-Establishment Department will receive their gratuity as soon as they cease to receive pay and allowances. The gratuity also will be granted to a dead soldier's relatives. The decision to grant this gratuity places

the Dominion government in a position of treating her returned soldiers more generously than any other nation.

Next Week.
Our Great
January Clearing Sale
is hereby announced to begin NEXT WEEK
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21st.
In making the above announcement, we are free to say that in this sale we will offer the biggest values obtainable in the Dry Goods trade. In fact there will be many lines of goods on sale at prices below that which wholesalers and manufacturers are a king the retail trade today.
Remember, this is the store with the stock, and after a good year's business we find a good many things to dispose of and we just feel inclined to hand out to all patrons some REAL GENUINE BARGAINS. Watch this space for particulars in Monday's dailies—
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TODAY'S EVENTS

The Government's plans for the expansion of American trade throughout the world will be discussed by Secretary of Commerce Redfield at the annual banquet of the Society of the Genesee in New York City to-night.

A Democratic primary is to be held today in the Sixth Virginia congressional district to name a candidate to succeed Carter Glass, who recently resigned his seat in the House to become Secretary of the Treasury.

The thirteenth annual exhibition of the National Western Stock Show Association is to open at Denver today and will continue for one week.

Governor James M. Cox and other men of national prominence are scheduled to address City Editor's Association of Ohio, meeting at Cleveland today.

Ten thousand former munition workers in Bridgeport, Conn., are to hold a protest meeting today to voice a demand upon the Government to help them in obtaining work.

Thirty-five years ago today occurred the wreck of the steamship "City of Columbus," off Gay Head, Mass., with a loss of nearly 100 lives.

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