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MUSICIANS FOR MUSIC

The truth is that musicians are not taught now, and never have been taught, to consider music in relation to anything but itself.

EDITORS MAIL

We are not responsible for opinions expressed by writers under this heading. Correspondents would oblige by writing legibly, and on one side of the paper only, name and address (not necessarily for publication) must always be sent.

PROHIBITION

To the Editor of the Advocate Sir: Permit me to make a few quotations and remarks in your valuable paper bearing on the question of prohibiting the liquor traffic.

In a publication of the United States called the Outlook bearing date of August 8, 1914 the following three paragraphs are credited to a manufacturer of railway cars:

"Religion as such had little to do with it except that it started it. The thing that made these men efficient was cutting out the drink. Billy Sunday got them all on the water wagon. They became sober and stayed sober. They could run their machines with steady hands and true eyes. The men themselves realize what a difference it makes. They are strong for prohibition. If the people of Pittsburg and its vicinity could vote on the temperance question today, the saloon would be wiped out there."

"The manufacturers are strong on prohibition, too. They never gave much thought to the matter before. But this demonstration of Billy Sunday has made us all strong for prohibition. We know now that most of our accidents are due to whiskey. For years we have been trying to find a way to secure a high degree of efficiency among our men. We

never succeeded. Along comes this preacher and accomplishes more in a few weeks than we have ever been able to do.

"We know now that until booze is banished we can never have really efficient workmen. We're fools if we don't profit by what he has shown us. Take it from me booze has got to go. We are not much interested in the moral side as such. It is purely a matter of dollars and cents. They say corporations have no souls. From this time forth corporations are going to show mighty little soul toward the man who drinks."

Archbishop Ireland, the famous Roman Catholic, said of social crime that seventy-five per cent is caused by drink and eighty per cent of the poverty.

"Personal liberty" is for the man, if he has the inclination and the price, who can fill himself so full of booze that he is changed into an irresponsible, dangerous brute. It is not for his wife, who has to endure his curses and blows; nor for his children, who are robbed of a father's care and grow up neglected and abused; nor the sober and industrious citizen who has to pay, willingly or not, the tax bills which pile up as the result of drunkenness, disorder and poverty; nor for the people who travel our streets at the risk of being insulted or injured by some drink-crazed creature. We should not exercise personal liberty if it interferes with the liberty of others. It should be bounded by laws. You have not personal liberty to drive your car or horse about our streets at a breakneck speed, to build a slaughter-house or glue factory in your front or back yard. Your personal liberty ends where my personal liberty begins. It is the business of the country how you live, therefore laws to regulate you.

The Saturday Evening Post of November 9, 1907, had the following extract from an address given by a brewer:—"It appears from these facts that the success of our business lies in the creation of appetite among the boys. Men who have formed the habit scarcely ever reform but they, like others, will die, and unless there are recruits made to take their places, our coffers will be empty; and I recommend to you that money spent in the creation of appetite will return in dollars to your tills after the habit is formed."

The raw material of the saloon is our boys and in some cases our girls. How can you best regulate a mad dog or a rattle-snake? Some advise taking a piece of the tail, license, and there will be less to regulate. The best way would be to take all the tail off and amputate at the neck. No law will absolutely prohibit? Where would we be if we repealed all the laws that do not completely prohibit? Remember that the Ten Commandments have not yet been repealed though often violated.

Let us visit a few mills. Here is a saw-mill which makes boards and shingles out of logs. The finished product is worth more than the raw material. Here is a grist-mill that makes flour and meal out of wheat and corn and in this case the finished product is more valuable than the raw material. Apply a similar test to the paper-mill, the tannery, the bakery, the shoe or boot factory and a similar conclusion is reached in each case. We have made laws for the protection of each and all. All are mutually benefited by the multiplication of these mills or factories. Take the booze-mill and we find the raw material to be our boys and girls. In the early stages of manufacture the end is not even anticipated. Sooner or later in every case where the milling is continued the obnoxious, low down staggering drunkard is the finished product. No comparison is made to the paper-mill, the shoe or machinery and never legally altered or anything like it to be rebuilt.

On behalf of the young people of our province and those yet unborn I thank you for the space occupied and subscribe myself an enemy of the drunkard-maker and his factory.

A. C. M. LAWSON  
Fredericton, N. B.  
June 10, 1920.

PROROGATION JUNE 15TH  
Ottawa, June 12.—With quite a little work to do yet on the budget and with the Frauchies Act and the report on soldiers' pensions yet to come before the House, talk of prorogation of parliament has swung still further than Dominion Day and the expectation is now that it will be July 15. At one time the Liberal opposition was reported to be anxious to finish by June 25, in order to allow of a western tour of Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King. Now the proposed trip has been pushed back until the fall, thus allowing of more latitude in talking against the government proposals. The talk of a fall session has also been revived, but the older members of the House do not see any likelihood of such being the case this year. Some members believe the fall session idea was planned to overcome the increased indemnity question, but others merely scout the idea declaring that only the imminence of a general election would bring on a second session.

EGZEMA You are not experimenting when you use EGZEMA. It is a scientific preparation that has been tested by thousands of people and found to be the most effective remedy for skin diseases. It is sold by all druggists and chemists. Price 25c per bottle. Write for free literature to The Miramichi Quarry Co. Ltd., Newcastle, N. B.

Utterly Helpless From St. Vitus Dance

The Sufferer Restored to Health Through the Use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills

St. Vitus dance is a disease of the nerves brought on by a morbid condition of the blood. It is a common disease with children, and attacks girls more frequently than boys.

Irregularity is frequently one of the first signs noted. The child frets, it is quarrelsome, and does not sleep well. The jerky movement that characterizes the disease comes a little later. The patient becomes pale, languid and often constipated.

The limbs and sometimes the whole body jerks spasmodically, and in severe cases the power of speech is affected. Such a child should be allowed to study, but should be kept quiet, given a nutritious diet remain out of doors as much as possible, and above all things given a course of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to build up the blood and restore the shattered nerves.

Without this treatment the trouble may become chronic and the patient a life-long sufferer. The value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in cases of this kind is shown by the following statement by Mr. Frank J. Scriven, Acton, Ont., who says: "In January, 1917, when I resided at Milton, Ont., my daughter Gertrude, then aged fourteen, had a bad attack of rheumatic fever, which left as its after effects a severe attack of St. Vitus dance. For weeks she was confined to her bed under the doctor's care. She was entirely helpless, being unable to even hold a spoon to feed herself. For a time she lost the power of speech almost entirely and with great difficulty made herself understood. The twitching of her muscles was so bad it was painful to see her. After a long time and taking a lot of medicine she seemed to improve. But she did not seem to get along as she ought to. In November, 1917, we removed to Acton, and in January, 1918, she was again confined to her bed with St. Vitus dance. She was again in a terrible state and quite helpless. She was under a doctor's care, and while there was an improvement, she was still very nervous, did not look well and was always tired. In May, 1918, we decided to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and see what they would do for her. She took them regularly according to directions, and after taking several boxes there was a decided improvement. After a further use of the pills she now has a healthy color and is strong and lively. The neighbors to whom she is well known remark on the wonderful change in her appearance since taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Both her mother and myself are convinced that the pills have done her a world of good as she is now far healthier than we at one time thought she ever would be."

For all trouble due to poor blood and weak nerves there is no other medicine can equal Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. You can get these pills from any dealer in medicine, or by mail, post paid, at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Big Circus Here On June 25th.

Action, color and music, plenty of each from the time the trumpets announce beginning of the grand entry until the final strains of the band tell that the big show is over, are paramount features of the Hagenbeck-Wallace performances, which will be seen in Newcastle, on Friday, June 25. Not only is it true that there is not a dull instant during the whole period of entertainment, but the most blast "circus fan" comes away admitting that, for novelty and variety of character here has been seen so much of the new and unexpected that the experience of beholding it all is similar to that felt when the beholder saw his first circus, perhaps many years ago.

Animal acts? To be sure. The Hagenbeck-Wallace show has the biggest and best animal performance in the world, as has been practically admitted by all for three decades. But animal acts do not constitute the entire program, by any means. Among the human performers are to be found the world's greatest skill, daring comedy—all will be seen under the big tent at Jane street.

The afternoon show will begin at 2 o'clock, with the doors opening an hour earlier, in order that all may have time in which to visit the immense menagerie. In the evening, the doors will open at 7 o'clock, with the show starting an hour later.

For Sale

Good Screened Sydney Coal, Blacksmith Coal. Also Horse Hay. I am open for a certain amount of team work by day or job. Good service guaranteed. E. E. BENSON Phone 162

Methods Of Collecting Luxury Taxes Discussed

Ottawa, June 11—Suggestions that the finance minister might decide even yet to change his mind and collect the luxury tax at the fountain head—the manufacturing or wholesale establishment—fell on deaf ears in the house tonight. The great part of this evening's debate on the luxury tax hinged on the method of collection, but in the face of all appeals the minister held firm. The people, he said, must know how they were being taxed and why, and the only means of bringing the lesson home to them, was to collect the tax through the retailers.

When the tax of three cents had been placed on cigarettes it had been levied at the source. That such a plan was a mistake was shown by the fact that cigarettes immediately advanced in price three cents per package to the consumer.

W. F. Cocksbutt (Brantford), protested against impressing 200,000 retailers into service as tax collectors. Theirs would be the most thankless job possible and the minister was unfair and irresponsible to demand this of them when about 8,000 larger establishments would collect the tax more efficiently and more economically.

Hon. W. S. Fielding feared there would be pyramiding of taxes under the method proposed by the minister. The tax to the ultimate consumer would eventually amount to anywhere from sixty-five to 100 per cent.

Sir Henry Drayton explained that there was only one luxury tax and that was on the sale made to the consumer by the retailer. Mr. Fielding then admitted that some of his criticisms would be faulty.

During the early evening an amendment by Hon. R. Lemieux which would exempt from luxury taxation for a period of five years returned soldiers and their dependents, was lost on division. The amendment was supported by D. D. Mackenzie, who said that the men who fought overseas were entitled to exemption.

Both the principles and separate items in the revised taxation schedule were widely discussed during the evening.

The amendments to the criminal code in relation to race track gambling and other matters were given third reading in the afternoon.

Profiteering Sugar Firms To Be Published

Ottawa, June 10—The Board of Commerce purposes, at an early date, to issue a list of persons and firms liable to indictment for sugar profiteering. The list contains the names of retailers and wholesalers who are scattered in many parts of Canada, chiefly in Ontario and Quebec.

Whether prosecution will follow depends upon the action of the Attorney-Generals in each of the provinces. These officials will be furnished with particulars of the profiteering alleged by the Board, and it is up to them to indict the offenders under the criminal code, as provided for in the Combines and Fair Prices Act.

The announcement that this list would be made known at an early date, probably Friday, was intimated this afternoon by Mr. W. F. O'Connor, acting chairman of this board, following the hearing of H. D. Marshall, Ottawa, general broker in the sugar investigation. The facts contained in the list are the results of the country-wide investigation which the board has been carrying on for some time. It has gathered the information through questionnaires sent to thousands of retailers and others, and contains particulars of prices to buyer and seller.

Mr. Marshall was called and after reviewing events, Mr. Murdock asked him if he claimed a commission on two cars of sugar which he sold to Provost and Allard, Ottawa, which resulted in sugar being boosted from 22 to 30 cents a pound. Mr. Marshall said first that he did not claim commission, and then when Mr. Murdock asked "did you or did you not write a letter claiming commission of 1 per cent?" Mr. Marshall said he did. He did so when he heard that he was entitled to it.

A letter, dated May 13, written by Mr. Marshall to Robert Anderson, Montreal, was produced. This dealt with the disposal of three out of five cars which Anderson had offered him. Two were sold to Provost and Allard, and one to H. N. Bate & Company Limited, Ottawa. It contained the following passage:

"I am unable to place the other Toronto car without making a sensation in the market. I have no doubt I could place this one as well, if I canvassed the city, but, in doing so, I am afraid I would stir up too much discussion."

He also referred to the negotiating of three sales, "in a quiet manner without any undue excitement."

Following the war to end was the United States in budgeting for a \$426,000,000 saving.

JUNE WHITE SALE

This sale places well within the reach of every woman, the numerous things she has been wanting to secure for immediate use at mighty fine savings. Everything which is offered in this sale, UNDERMUSLINS, FABRICS, WAISTS, DRESSES, etc., are of the finest quality and most desirable sorts. Such savings as these are everywhere in evidence.

Children's Drawers, 39c, 50c to \$1.00 Pair  
Children's Dresses, \$1.95, \$2.50, to \$4.50 each  
Children's Skirts, 39c, 59c, 75c to \$1.00 each  
Women's Camisoles and Corset Covers, 65c, 75c, \$1.00 to \$2.50  
Women's Skirts, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 to \$3.50  
Women's Drawers, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 to \$2.00.  
White Cotton Special, 36 inch, soft finish, free from dressing, worth 35c, for 25c Yard

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THE ONE PER CENT SALE TAX

Ottawa, June 11—It has come to the attention of the Department of Customs and Inland Revenue that certain purely retail dealers are charging their customers with the sales tax on the sales made to consumers, and showing such sales tax as a separate item on their bills or invoices.

Under the resolution before parliament the sale of goods by the bona-fide retailer, selling exclusively to the consumer, is not liable to the one per cent sales tax.

The amount of the sales tax which the retailer has paid upon goods at the time of purchase from the wholesaler may be included in the retailer's bill to the consumer, provided that it is not included in the cost on which profit is calculated, and provided also that it is not shown as a separate item on such retailer's bill or invoice.

The Federal Budget has at least provided more employment. Look at the array of tax collectors it has made.

With the price of potatoes almost prohibitive, many struggling households substituted rice. Now the Union Government puts the extra sales tax on rice.

President Wilson refused to dishonor his signature to the Peace Treaty. History will vindicate him against his opponents even if the elections do not.

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