

# What is Canada Doing?

“Hunting poor, miserable grafters from their rat holes! Playing small potato politics while her heroes die in the trenches! Wake up, Canada!”

So writes Agnes C. Laut in an article in the July issue of MacLean's Magazine, under the heading, "Canada's Greatest Service to the Empire." In this article Miss Laut, who is well-known to Canadians as the greatest woman journalist that this country has produced, deals with the problem of world trade after the war and the part that Canada must play in it. She asks

How many commercial attaches has Canada, in the United States, in South America, and Europe?

Big institutions like the National City Bank, the U.S. Steel Corporation, Fords and others now have yearly in training a hundred young college graduates being put through a practical course in banking, foreign exchange, foreign languages, mathematics, commerce, manufactures, to take their places in foreign centres after the war. How many has Canada in training? How many institutions in Canada are doing the same thing? Let me ask a more brutal question. Though Japanese and Chinese commerce are growing every day, though Japanese affairs may at any time become a war issue in Canada, has Canada one single native born Canadian official who speaks Japanese or Chinese? She hadn't when I was in Canada last year.

When the war is over, Uncle Sam will have thousands of trained experts to jump into the world's markets.

How many will Canada have?

This article is one that every business man in Canada should read. It has an appeal, a lesson. It is a clarion call to action.

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