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SOCIAL SERVICE

The St. John Board of Health is considering the closing of several houses which are pronounced unfit for human habitation. The board has been compelled to make a number of examples in this way, and in so doing it performs a public service.

Two things are therefore necessary. There is need of more tenable houses at a low rental, but also of a campaign to encourage cleanliness and care on the part of many tenants.

How can the problem be solved? Clearly by what is termed community centre work.

Provide a community centre in the poorest section of the city, employ a trained community worker, backed by all the churches represented in the neighborhood, and by all the clean-living people in that neighborhood, and several things will happen.

In the first place, every family would be linked up with the church to which it professed to belong.

In the second place, all the children of school age would be properly clothed and sent to school.

In the third place, means would be provided at the community centre for mothers to get together and learn much from each other and from the trained worker and volunteer workers about better housekeeping, care of children, and that invaluable virtue of thrift.

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LOOKING TO LIEUT.-GOV. WOOD

The lieutenant-governor of a province could not go on week after week recognizing as his advisers men who had been rejected by the people without after a reasonable period laying himself open to the charge of weakness or of partisanship.

Lieut.-Gov. Wood has been more than patient with the Murray government. Its members should have resigned not later than two weeks ago. There was nothing to prevent their resignation, unless it was that they desired to cover up transactions or go on and transact business which ought to be left to the new government.

It was generally assumed that the government would resign this week. It has not done so. The people of the province are naturally asking for an explanation. The press opposing the government remained silent for a longer period than was really justified, partly out of consideration for the lieutenant-governor and partly because their discussion of the subject would be seized upon by the government press as evidence of undue eagerness to seize the reins of power.

The Liberals don't seem to be in as great a hurry for the Murray government's resignation as they were. Is it that the difficulty of forming a government that will command the support of all the Liberal members elect is growing greater instead of easier?

Just as soon as the Murray government resigns, the ability of the opposition to form a new government will be demonstrated. In the meantime, the people of the province who have demanded a change at Fredericton are looking to Lieut.-Gov. Wood. If the defeated and discredited cabinet will not resign, the course of the lieutenant-governor, who is in this affair the guardian of the rights of the people, is perfectly clear. And there should be no further delay.

AN AMERICAN EXAMPLE

Although the United States is not yet at war, no time is being lost in getting ready. A national service programme is already in operation. The Bangor Commercial says:

"Anticipating that war will probably be existing between the United States and Germany in the next few weeks, the government has made an appeal to the machinists and skilled laborers of Bangor through the local civil service commission, to accept positions in navy yards and arsenals at once as a patriotic move. Just now skilled mechanics are needed more than soldiers and sailors. Those who can not or will not take employment in time of peace are asked to fill out cards giving their qualifications and other details to be forwarded to Washington, for use in time of war to be declared. The cards contain spaces for trade name, citizen of United States and other questions."

"Are you a citizen of the United States?" "Would you accept employment at a navy yard?" "Would you accept employment at an arsenal?" "What is the lowest wage you would accept?" "If offered, could you accept employment immediately?" "If you can not now, would you in case of urgent government need, accept employment?"

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A Supper-party. "One wife too many," exclaimed Mrs. Jones, as she glanced at the headlines of her husband's paper. "I suppose that is an account of the doings of some bigamist."

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LOCAL NEWS OF SOLDIERS. That W. A. Cameron of this city, who went overseas as a supernumerary officer of the 25th battalion, and who was recently decorated with the Military Cross, has been promoted to be a major in his unit.

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MR. FOSTER RESIGNS. The resignation of Walter E. Foster, as a member of the council of the board of trade, was accepted with great reluctance at the meeting of the council yesterday.

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robe, to the end that the time and money thus saved from clothes may be devoted to the needs of the nation, and, furthermore, that one item of this resolution be to communicate with manufacturers and merchants of women's clothing so that they may avoid all possible loss and, lastly, that a request be sent to newspapers and to the women's magazines to give the subject wide publicity in order to reach the greatest possible number of women."

The organization decided to co-operate with the Women's League for National Service, which is acting as a central bureau to see that all fields of activity for women are covered and to keep the work of different women's organizations from overlapping. The organization will co-operate with the mayor's committee on national defense in obtaining signatures to the "Declaration of Loyalty."

Miss Alice Carpenter, who presided at the meeting, Mrs. Montgomery Hare, and Miss Fay Kellogg were appointed a committee to study a plan for establishing a 1,000-acre camp on Long Island where women could be trained for emergency work in case of war. It was announced that a site had been offered to the city committee where schools of agriculture, motoring and other lines would be accessible, in order to equip women to fill gaps in the ranks of industry, which might be caused if men were called in large numbers into military service.

It is in vain to try to regulate and restore the healthful action of the kidneys until the liver and bowels are set right. And just here is where so many kidney medicines fail. Kidney derangements almost invariably begin with constipation and torpidity of the liver. The whole work of filtering the blood is thrown on the kidneys, and in time they fail to stand the strain. The poison in the system gives rise to severe headaches, pains in the back and tired, depressed feelings.

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This statement is endorsed by Mr. F. Saunders, Town Marshal, who writes that Mr. Loney's letter is true and correct. Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, one pill a dose, 25 cents a box, all dealers, or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto.

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