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## Why does Canada Raise Money by Selling Bonds?

**BONDS** are issued payable in ten or twenty years, as the case may be. It means that repayment of the money will be spread over ten or twenty years instead of being raised by taxation to meet current expenditures. To raise by taxation all the money as fast as it is needed to carry on Canada's share in winning the war, would be an unbearable burden upon the people. It would mean that more than a million dollars a day would have to be raised right now.

But to raise money by selling Canada's Victory Bonds means that those of the next generation who will benefit by the sacrifices this generation is making;—who will share in the freedom this generation is fighting for and largely paying for—will also pay their share.

And when you buy Canada's Victory Bonds you make a first-class business investment in a security that is absolutely safe, likely to enhance in value after the war, and bearing a good rate of interest. You help the country by keeping open the British market for Canadian products and this helps the general welfare in which you share.

And again, every Canadian who buys a Victory Bond becomes a financial partner or backer of Canada in the war. When you buy a Canada Victory Bond

you give a personal pledge that you are going to help to win the war.

Every man and woman in Canada can help to win the war by buying Canada's Victory Bonds. And Canada wants the personal, individual interest and co-operation of every man and woman in the country.

The buying of Victory Bonds by the whole people unites them in a determination to win the war.

Every purchase of Canada's Victory Bonds is a blow for freedom against the tyranny of German Kultur.

Every bond sold is a new guarantee that Canada is in the war to the finish, until victory is with the Allies and the world has been made safe to live in.

Every bond you buy is a new pledge that Canada will remain true to herself, the Empire, the Allies and to freedom's cause.

So it is both patriotic and good business to

## Buy Canada's Victory Bonds

Issued by Canada's Victory Loan Committee in co-operation with the Minister of Finance of the Dominion of Canada.

### A NEW INVENTION

It is Said That Dyking Will now be a Pleasure.

(From the Sackville Tribune)

An invention, which promises to revolutionize the work of dyking and ditching is soon to be tried out on the dyke-lands of the Tantramar. The inventor is Mr. J. K. Elderkin, of Apple River, Nova Scotia, who for about four years has been bringing to perfection a dyking machine, which is recognized as being admirably adapted for the purposes for which it is intended. Sometimes inventions promise well, but fail when it comes down to practical performance. The dyking machine of Mr. Elderkin, however, has passed the experimental stage entirely and one machine is now doing valiant service in the marsh lands in the vicinity of Apple River. So efficient and excellent is the machine that the people of Cumberland County, who have much dyking to do as a result of the recent high tides, will not allow it to be removed to Westmorland so Mr. Elderkin is under the necessity of having other machines manufactured as quickly as possible in order to meet an urgent need.

A few days ago a number of Sackville men, learned in the art of dyking and ditching, visited Apple River and watched for themselves, the dyking machine in operation. They all express themselves as being delighted with what they saw and such terms as "wonderful," "splendid," "works fine," express the story of their satisfaction. The only difficulty lies in the fact that it will be a week or more before a machine can be manufactured for use on the Tantramar marshes. In the making of this machine and others, which are likely to follow as quickly as possible, Sackville will play quite an important part. Mr. Elderkin and some Sackville men, associated with him, have arranged to have wood work in connection with the machine made in Middle Sackville, Messrs. George Campbell & Sons, Limited, having undertaken the work. The castings will probably be made in Amherst, and New Glasgow, with the assembling done here. The machine is run by a gasoline engine of about eight horse power and can easily be operated by three men, who do not need to work hard. It will travel under its own power, over very soft land, and will do the work of fifty men

Such an efficient machine which can be used for ditching as well as dyking, is especially valuable at the present time when labor is scarce and when the necessity for repairing the dykes quickly is very urgent. There should be a wide market for dyking machines of this kind and it is to be hoped that Mr. Elderkin and his associates will decide to go into their manufacture extensively.

(The Mr. Elderkin above referred to is a brother of Dr. E. J. Elderkin, of Weymouth, Digby county.)

### HUGE ORGANIZATION COVERS CANADA

Everything is Ready for Prompt Operation of Military Service Act.

OTTAWA, Oct. 29.—The machinery for putting into operation the Military Service Act was started with the proclamation of the Governor-General calling out the first class, which appeared in the Canada Gazette and in all the daily newspapers of the country on Saturday, October 13. Everything is in readiness now for the reception of reports for service or appeals for exemption. A large organization has been built up, extending from coast to coast, and covering the territory effectively. There are means of finding men for service in the farthest corners of North, East or West.

The first class is composed of all male British subjects between 20 and 34 who were unmarried on July 6, 1917, or are widowers without children. All such men must report for service or apply for exemption on or before November 10. Severe penalties are provided for failure to do so.

### Lawrencetown Red Cross.

The following shipment of Red Cross supplies was sent from the Lawrence town Red Cross Society, Oct. 1st, 1917: Lawrence town, 40 pairs of socks, 15 pyjama suits, 4 vermin suits, 3 hospital shirts.

Clarence: 7 hospital shirts, 1 pyjama suit, 11 pairs of socks.

Pt. George: 7 pairs of socks.

MRS. F. B. BISHOP

Secy. L. R. C. Society.

The first telescope was used in England in 1608.

### W. M. S. DISTRICT CONVENTION

Held in Grace Methodist Church, Digby Last Week.

The District Convention of the W. M. S. of the Methodist church, was in session in Grace Methodist Church, Digby, on Wednesday and Thursday of last week. Mrs. Brown, of Middleton, acting as secretary.

Of the fifteen auxiliaries, ten were represented by delegates as follows: Annapolis, Mrs. C. A. Munro; Auburn, Mrs. LaMert Patterson; Bear River, Mrs. Dunn; Benville, Mrs. Clair Bent; Digby, Mrs. England; Upper Granville, Mrs. Harold Bent; Lawrencetown, Mrs. S. J. Boyce; Margaretsville, Mrs. Moody; Middleton, Mrs. Brown. In addition to these, there were several visitors from Bear River and other towns.

The Devotional exercises in the afternoon and evening, were conducted by Rev. W. I. Croft. Wednesday afternoon was devoted to business. Reports were received from the various societies in the District and discussions followed on the best methods of work.

The public meeting in the evening was well attended and was a bright and helpful service. The Digby Auxiliary and choir rendered excellent service with music. A well delivered exercise by some young girls was enthusiastically received.

The chair was occupied at this meeting as at all sessions by the District President, Mrs. Jost, of Bridgetown. The principal speakers were Mrs. A. C. Borden, of Kentville, and Miss Killam, of Yarmouth, a returned Missionary from Japan.

Mrs. Borden brought "Echoes from the General Board of the W. M. S." into each sentence of the address, Mrs. Borden packed a volume of information and suggestion. A closing sentence is worth preserving: "The Missionary Society is the Aviation Corps of the church because of its physical strength, its mental alertness and its spiritual equilibrium."

Miss Killam, of Yarmouth, recently of Japan, told of many questions she was frequently asked concerning Christian work in Japan. She made it clear that Japan needs the Christian religion and that it is receiving the word that marked readiness, and that good results are following the Missionary labours.

Thursday morning session was given

up to the consideration of the work in the Junior Societies.

W. M. S. of the Canadian Methodist church, has a membership of 86,731 persons. The total income for the year 1916-17 was \$223,553.36, an increase of over \$17,000.00 over the previous year.

Its finances and all its operations are carried on in harmony with the general Board of Missions of the Methodist Church, yet as an independent body.

The General Board makes a contribution to the magnificent work of the W. M. S. every year. Last year it gave the sum of \$11,434.00. The current income of the General Board of Missions was \$692,515.00. To this should be added the amount of the W. M. S., which makes a total of \$296,068.00, raised by the Methodist church for Home and Foreign Missions last year.

### 776 Soldiers Invalided Home

Of the number who returned last week 48 are officers and 3 nursing sisters. Of the 725 remaining, 144 are tubercular cases and 34 amputations, having lost a leg or an arm; 54 are mental cases, 14 epileptic and 27 cot cases.

The list of the rank and file shows many Nova Scotians, the total from the Maritime Provinces being between 60 and 70, among whom were the following:

Private John Hill, 26th Res. Battalion, Bridgetown.

Private Ernest G. Feener, 25th Battalion, Albany, Annapolis County.

Private William C. Ross, 2nd Res. Battalion, Berwick.

Private John McKenna, 3rd Pioneer Battalion, Springfield.

Private E. L. Woodman, 13th Res. Battalion, Joggins Bridge.

### Getting Ready for Winter.

Mr. A. A. Cross, of Middleton, foreman of construction, and crew of six men of the Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Co., are in Bridgetown this week, making general repairs to the lines and getting ready for the rough winter weather. Mr. Cross and his crew thoroughly understand their business and although they are hustling around at railroad speed, we believe their work will be complete and that the Bridgetown and neighboring exchange will be much improved by their visit.

## BAPTIST CONVENTION

### SUCCESSFUL MEETING HELD IN HALIFAX LAST WEEK

The Sessions Well Attended—A Number of Important Resolutions Passed Unanimously—Good Financial Report—Committees Appointed.

At the Baptist convention in Halifax on Wednesday morning several important resolutions were passed.

The committee on temperance and moral reform recommended the employment along with the other Baptist conventions in Canada, of a social service secretary; that the convention officially relate itself to the Home for Delinquent Girls in Truro; that in view of the laxity of the enforcement of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act, in sections of Nova Scotia, that said Act be so amended as to centralize the authority and so give greater power, thus making the Act more effective; that this convention register its strong disapproval of the Dominion Senate in expunging the amendment to the criminal code relating to the age of consent and also the Doherty Act; that the pastors of our churches place greater emphasis on these great social issues that the Baptist people of our constituency may attain an intelligent grasp on existing conditions.

By rising vote the following resolutions were passed:

"Resolved, that we express our gratitude for the formation of the Union Government at Ottawa for the purpose of winning the war and that we respectfully petition this government to enact as speedily as possible a law prohibiting the importation, manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in the Dominion of Canada.

"Resolved, that this convention expresses its determination to prosecute the war to a successful termination until righteousness, equity and fraternity are vindicated by our arms."

Greetings were ordered sent to the Baptist captains overseas and through them to our men at the front. The following resolutions were passed by standing vote:

"Resolved, that we express our appreciation of the patriotic devotion of the noble men who have so freely offered their services in the defence of our country and that we tender our heartfelt sympathy to those who have lost their loved ones in the great struggle for freedom and righteousness.

"Resolved, that this convention reaffirms its conviction that the laws against intemperance should be strictly and impartially enforced in all parts of the Maritime Provinces. Further resolved that this convention views with strong disapproval the manifest failure to enforce the Temperance Act in the city of Halifax, where so many of our soldiers embark for overseas and return after sacrificial service for God and humanity."

The convention put itself on record in favor of woman suffrage.

Revs. W. C. Rose, H. R. Boyer and F. E. Bishop were appointed as members of the Baptist army and navy board.

The convention endorsed the proposition to officially unite in the support of the Home for Delinquent Girls in Truro.

The following resolution regarding gambling was enthusiastically endorsed.

"Whereas, careful observers have noted an alarming increase in the spirit of gambling, thus establishing a menace to the sound fabric of society with its spirit:

"Therefore resolved, that this convention record a vigorous protest against all forms of gambling and call for a vigorous enforcement of the law against gambling wherever applicable, and that we make emphatic our protest:

"And whereas, the practice of gambling under the guise of patriotism is so prevalent in connection with efforts to raise money for patriotic purposes, is a particularly insidious form of vice, tending as it does to draw great numbers of people into its toils, thus honeycombing society with its spirit:

"Therefore resolved, that this convention record a vigorous protest against all forms of gambling and call for a vigorous enforcement of the law against gambling wherever applicable, and that we make emphatic our protest against all forms of gambling under the guise of patriotism."

Rev. E. Bosworth reported for the Grand Ligne Mission. This mission has 140 representatives at the front. The amount contributed to his constituency of the convention was \$5,316.79.

Rev. E. E. Daley reported for the finance committee. They ask for \$80,000 for denominational work. Of this, \$55,500 is asked from the churches, to be apportioned as follows: Nova

Scotia, \$33,000; New Brunswick, \$21,000; Prince Edward Island, \$1,500.

### CLOSING SESSION

The closing session of the Baptist convention was devoted to Canadian Missions. Rev. E. S. Mason, secretary of Home Missions, spoke on the call for workers in Home Mission fields.

Rev. A. J. Prosser spoke of the work in Western Canada.

Rev. G. Masse spoke of the work of the Grande Ligne mission.

Rev. E. S. Mason, secretary of the Home Mission Board for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, reported the engagement of Rev. and Mrs. L. F. Wallace as home secretary evangelist. Mrs. Wallace is an accomplished musician.

The financial showing is the best of many years. The income was \$13,989. Of this, \$2,000 was received from the James E. Cushing estate. Last year's deficit \$1,775.95 has been wiped out, and the new year opens with a credit balance of \$534.31. The estimated call for \$15,000 for the present year.

The following committees were appointed:

Temperance and Moral Reform—Revs. W. D. Wilson, N. A. McNeil, W. R. Robinson, G. W. Schurman, A. L. Tedford, C. A. Britten, H. R. Boyer and W. G. Clarke.

Finance—Retiring in 1920, John Burgoyne, W. W. Chase, C. C. Hayward, Revs. E. E. Daley, Z. L. Fash.

State of denunciation—Revs. R. O. Morse, R. J. Colpitts, J. W. Brown, E. S. Mason, J. B. Ganong, L. F. Wallace.

N. S. Social Service Council—Dr. E. D. King, Revs. F. E. Bishop, E. E. Daley, H. G. Kennedy, L. E. Ackland, A. L. Huddleston, G. F. Bolster, Messrs. R. S. Keeler, George Boyce, Edgar Giffin, G. W. Young and H. W. Freda.

Home Missions for N. S. and P. E. I.—Retiring in 1920, Revs. A. L. Huddleston, M. L. Gregg, Z. L. Fash, Messrs. Wm. Davies and S. Freeman.

Representative on European Baptist College—Dr. G. B. Cutten.

On B. Y. P. U. of America—Rev. I. W. Williamson.

Army and Navy—Revs. C. W. Rose, H. R. Bover, F. E. Bishop.

Preacher Convention Sermon—Rev. N. A. Harkness; alternate, Rev. L. H. Crandall.

### Military Service Act.

As the arrangement now stands the first duty of every young man within Class A, being called out, is to call at the Post Office and register.

The forms on which registration is made will be procured at any Post Office in the country.

The method of this process has been outlined as follows:

(1) Apply to a Post Office for a form upon which the applicant will report for service and give the same form to the postmaster or his deputy who will forward it to the Registrar; or

(2) Apply to a Post Office for a form upon which the applicant will make application for exemption from military service, the reason for such application being indicated by the letter "X" being placed inside or more of the six sentences which set out the six causes for which application for exemption can be made, and give the said form to the Postmaster or his deputy; or

(3) Apply in person to any exemption tribunal on November 8, 9 or 10, 1917, and make application for exemption to such tribunal.

Any person who is ill, or who cannot attend at a Post Office for the purpose of filling in a form, may have the form filled in by a near relation or such person's employer.

After November 10, 1917, no report for service will be accepted.

After registration as above outlined, the applicant will receive notice as to when and where he is to go before a medical Board for examination.

### BAD FOOD AND NOT ENOUGH OF IT

Hardships of Prisoners in Germany Told by Canadians Who Have Escaped.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—Eight more Canadians, newly escaped from Germany, expect to return to Canada shortly. They are Corporal E. Cunningham, Royal Highlanders, captured at the Somme last year; Pte. Horace McArthur, captured in the second battle of Ypres; Privates N. L. Masters, J. Evans, R. Howitt, of Windsor, Ont.; F. McMullen, of Toronto; F. Ford, New Brunswick, all of the Canadian Mounted Rifles, and Private A. Blacklock, Engineers, of Alberta. They suppress the details of their escape. Generally speaking, they suffered much from bad and insufficient food and compulsory work when ill, as one of them says: "Prisoners in the eyes of the Germans are no better than dogs, but they don't treat dogs as they treated us. Tell our Canadian people, our Red Cross parcels are very acceptable, when we get them, they helped to keep us alive, but the German authorities don't bother about regular deliveries. Some times a long gap with no parcels coming. It is good to be back in England again, how much better to be once more in Canada."

In order to save coal, some street lamps in Boston will be discontinued and the electric signs will be limited.