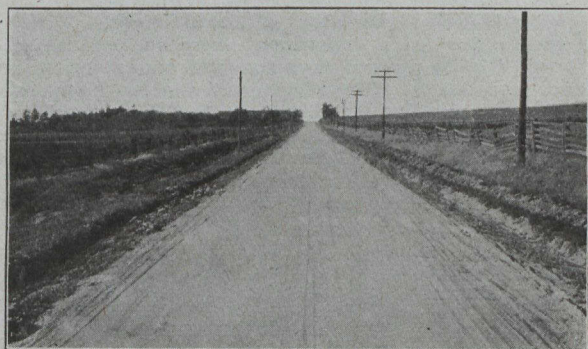


## NOW IS TIME TO PLAN ROAD WORK.

In the fall of the odd-numbered years all the work should be laid out about this time of year, the plans and specifications carefully prepared and the work advertised for bids not later than the middle of February of the following year. No lower bids can be secured early in the year when equipment is idle and contractors are anxious for work than at a later period when contract business is brisk. W. H. McVay, chairman of the board of county commissioners, agrees that the work should be formulated now and everything made ready for an early start next year.

### War Should Not Stop Work.

I have heard from a few sources suggestions that the road building should be curtailed during the period of the war. This is directly opposed to the policy of the federal administration and highly undesirable from the stand-point of the country at large. If all development should be withheld, particularly in public works, during the period of the war, the results would be disastrous. If expenditures for road construction and maintenance are curtailed the result would be disintegration of work already provided through great sums provided by the taxpayers. In this county and Whitman county, as examples, all of the permanent highway maintenance fund, would be necessary to preserve and protect those roads which have already been built through this medium, and to stop road work in either of these counties would mean big economic loss to either of them.—Spokesman Review.



A Well Built Canadian Road.

## THE SUPREME SACRIFICE.

When a man takes the chance of life and death either in protecting his home, his state, his country or the freedom and democracies of the whole world, he offers his life on the highest altar known in earth or Heaven—the altar of human sacrifice. Jehovah of the Jews; Christ of the Christians, erected no higher altar, and gentile and pagan have found none higher. Humble may be the altar whereon father and son offer themselves in sacrifice for defence of the family, the home or the city, but higher must be the altar when the sons offer themselves for sacrifice on the altar of a world freedom—a freedom for other homes, other cities, other nations and peoples.

## CIVIC AFFAIRS IN MANITOBA—Continued.

The cost of this future provision be collected from the civic employees themselves, instead of the city bearing the entire cost as at present. To raise the annual amount of \$113,000 needed to take care of the old liability of \$700,000 and provide for the new plan, would call for an additional levy of about half a mill on Winnipeg's present assessment.

The report which is worthy of commendation deals with the present police force pension scheme; additional provision for firemen and policemen, who although subject to special hazards in the course of their occupation, do not come under the Manitoba Workmen's Compensation Act; the maximum pension to be granted; the retiring of the initial indebtedness and other points. The main question at present is: Whether pensions should be granted at all to civic employees in contrast to those in ordinary commercial employment?

## KULTUR OR CIVILIZATION.

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unnecessary wealth over to the Government. I do not believe in confiscation, but during the war it should be a case of each for all and all for each.

### Education.

Education has been a great factor, one of the greatest factors, in building up civilization, but without its universal application the civilization was partial and confined to a few; in the recognition of individual rights we have the greatest factor in true civilization. As this grows, and it lacks a lot of having reached the zenith, so will a grander civilization spread itself over the face of the entire globe.

### This War the Great Leveler.

This war will be the great leveler, and we may hope from it a pronounced principle of individual liberty. Our boys at the front will come back with new ideas, broader views, a companionship the world has never known before, and the influence will be tremendous and beyond present conception.

### General Wolfe.

When General Wolfe climbed the Heights of Abraham, and captured Quebec, he little knew that he had added a new empire of vast and varied extent to the British Crown, which should go on extending and developing itself until it should reach the proud position of being the brightest of all the glorious jewels in that Crown; until it became a proud and potential nation within a great empire, until it had become a potential factor in the shaping of the human liberties in a great empire by counsel and influence.

### Another Empire.

And again Wolfe knew that he was practically opening the way for the founding of another empire that would stretch from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the 49th parallel to the Gulf of Mexico, and would control a hundred million people, be the greatest food producing country in the world and be a trader in commerce and all kinds of enterprise.

### Spirit of Independence.

Wolfe little knew that at victory he set the spirit of independent government aflame in the minds of the Colonials in the New England States, which grew until it became a consuming flame which ended in the Revolution because they would not be taxed without representation. While Wolfe's great victory did all this, it did vastly more because its influence, through the development of the United States, has spread the beacon of liberty in an ever widening sense throughout the wide world until every country and every citizen is calling for the extension and recognition of the cause of the common people. Great nations that were aristocratic one hundred years ago are to-day great democracies and great autocracies of yesterday will be the new great democracies of to-morrow. The rising sun of the reign of the common people is mounting into the heavens and people are hailing it with glad acclaim and loud hosannas. The heavy chains of slavery are being removed so that all men shall be able to raise their heads without shame and unabashed in the presence of their fellows everywhere.

### The Handwriting on the Wall.

The Kaiser has, like Belshazzar, seen the handwriting on the wall; he has been weighed in the balance and found wanting. He knows his doom is sealed and out of his doom shall rise the sun of the reign of the great common people, bringing blessings and happiness to generations now and yet unborn; the fulfillment of the golden rule and "man to man the world o'er shall brothers be for a' that."

## PUMPS.

"Pump for any Service" is the title of an 84 page Catalog just issued by Darling Brothers, Limited, engineers and steam specialties, 120 Prince Street, Montreal. It describes in detail, both in illustrations and text, the many and varied lines of pumps and compressors manufactured by this firm. It also contains several pages dealing with important information for the benefit of intending purchasers of pumps. The book is well gotten up and is a credit to Darling Brothers, Limited.