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## Mr. King's War Record.

When argument fails, resort to falsehood.

That seems to be the desperate last-resort policy of the Meighen press.

A mean and scandalous libel on the Liberal leader, Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, is being reproduced from "The Khaki Call." Mr. King is represented as doing no service to Canada during the war, as feeling to the United States to accept a fat job from Rockefeller, and as ignoring the interests of the returned men.

In view of the facts the charges are despicable. Those responsible for the reproduction in the interests of Meighen candidates, of "The Khaki Call's" libel know, or should know, that "The Khaki Call" is no longer "the official organ of the Army and Navy Veterans' Association." It was discredited and disowned months ago because it had become the hiring of the Tory high-protectionist machine.

Mr. King did not flee to the United States when war began, to work in the Rockefeller interests. He had accepted, months before the outbreak of war, an unsolicited position of trust and great responsibility from the trustees in charge of the Rockefeller Foundation, public-spirited men of the highest standing and honor in the United States, administering a great trust with absolute no strings attached to it. He had been chosen as the man best qualified by study, practical experience and ability to draft a comprehensive plan for the wisest expenditure of \$500,000,000 "in the interests of humanity." It was a great task, and a noble opportunity for enduring world service.

When war broke out Mr. King had the choice of accepting some staff job with the Canadian overseas forces or of continuing the task already begun. Mr. Meighen, a younger man than Mr. King, and with fewer dependent upon him, had the same choice. Both men decided where they could be of greatest practical service to the allied cause. Mr. Meighen stayed in Ottawa. Mr. King continued his work for the Rockefeller Foundation, and devoted his whole time to helping to secure satisfactory working agreements between labor and capital, whereby strikes were settled or avoided, and uninterrupted flow of munitions and supplies from this continent, vital to the allied cause in the first three critical years of the war, was secured.

The inestimable, practical value of his work to the Allies has been amply testified to by outstanding and unimpeachable representatives of both labor and capital. Incidentally, it may be noted that one of the very first things Mr. King sought and obtained was a ten-million subscription from the Foundation to the first British loan. This was followed by many millions more given to the Allied Red Cross and relief work.

Mr. King's war record will bear the most critical examination, and in point of actual, practical service rendered, will stand favorable comparison with that of Mr. Meighen. When his task for the Rockefeller foundation was completed Mr. King was offered numerous other commissions by captains of industry in the United States anxious to secure his services in working out co-operative agreements with their employees. Mr. King refused offers which meant, in a monetary sense, many times what he could ever hope to receive in Canada. He turned his back on affluence and an assured position in the United States, and decided to devote the rest of his life to the public service of Canada. He was subsequently chosen as the leader of the Liberal party. All decent and fair-minded electors will resent political tactics which descend to the level of "The Khaki Call."

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## How Much Majority?

There seems to be little doubt that Mr. Somerville will head the poll on election day. The question is by how much?

Mr. Somerville is entitled to the support of every man and woman in London. He has clearly explained his position on the tariff, and supports the King-Fielding government. Manufacturer, employee and consumer have nothing to lose and much to gain by supporting Mr. Somerville. The Hon. W. S. Fielding is acknowledged to be the ablest man in the public life of Canada in financial matters. No one ever discussed financial questions with him without being impressed with his bigness.

Mr. Somerville is the friend of the returned soldiers, and will give any measure of assistance to them all the help he can. During the war he was one of the largest subscribers to every fund that would help to win the war and alleviate suffering. Mr. Somerville has pointed out

## A Blunder Now Might Ruin the Whole Thing.



the position of the government with reference to the assumption of usurpation of power by it, and its failure to consult the people and maintain responsible government in Canada.

Mr. Somerville's own public and private record as a citizen of London is not excelled by anyone. He has the character, capacity and experience to make one of the best members of the House of Commons. His strength as a candidate is increasing every day. The men and women of London after the 6th of December will have a worthy representative in the House of Commons in Mr. Somerville. We hope his majority will be large, and that he will be behind Mackenzie King and W. S. Fielding as a supporter of the Liberal government.

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## Unemployment.

FROM reports coming from many sources it is easy to gather that this winter is going to find a number of municipalities faced with the problem of how to provide for the men who are out of work.

In recent years, through custom or pressure, it has become part of the duty of municipal councils to deal with matters of unemployment. Justification for this course can be found in the plea that in this way the duty of looking after these men is distributed over the whole city instead of being shouldered entirely by those who are always ready to give to any good cause.

A recent survey made by trades unions throughout Canada gives the following figures by provinces as the per cent of men out of work:

Nova Scotia	8.68
New Brunswick	6.99
Quebec	13.80
Ontario	6.22
Manitoba	3.92
Saskatchewan	2.51
Alberta	2.98
British Columbia	12.48
Average	8.47

AN examination of the figures shows that the following trades are hardest hit by unemployment in Canada; figures representing per cent out of work:

Glass bottle blowing	59.84
Moulders	47.61
Pattern-makers	44.65
Blacksmiths	36.57

Dear Scotlan' has g'ien us, for kirk an' for state, Folk clever, an' gallant, an' noble, an' great; Scotch sodgers are dauntless in battle's fierce din, They seem tae surrender, or falter, or rin, We've bae tae remind thee, ye ken it thyself, Late Germans aft' ca'd them, "Fierce g'irlies frae hell!" But thou art come tae us, in bannet o' blue, Tae sing tae us sweetly thy sangs which we lo'e, Sae is it a wonder that gladly we g'ie A welcome unmeasured, Sir Harry, tae thee?

Braw Scot, in thy kilties, an' bannet o' blue, Thy name, an' thy faithers', we fervently lo'e, For Scotlan' has furnished, frae hillside an' glen, In peace or in conflict, unbeatable men. We hae the ain record, thou brave, royal Scot, Wi' ardent devotion for Freedom ye wrought; Ye stood by oor sodgers, on fields far awa', Ye g'ied thy dear laddie—thy ane an' thine a'. Sae is it a wonder that gladly we g'ie A welcome unmeasured, Sir Harry, tae thee?

Bridge and structural iron workers ..... 34.48  
Cigar and tobacco workers 32.30  
Metal polishers, buffers and platers ..... 24.27  
Lumber working and logging 22.53  
Fishing ..... 20.16  
Garment workers ..... 18.73  
Carmen ..... 15.10  
Marine engineers ..... 13.90  
Tile layers, lathers and roofers ..... 14.81  
Machinists ..... 18.39

It must be remembered that these figures are only representative of union shops, but would probably apply to all others with equal force. The situation becomes more aggravated as the cities grow in size. The rush from the farm to the cities can be blamed for much of this condition.

EVERY municipality is faced with the problem of how best to provide employment to meet this condition. Employment is preferable in all cases. Vancouver is following this course now, after having recourse to the meal ticket arrangement last year.

It is right here that a municipality, no matter if it is minded to give the most efficient service possible, has to depart from the hard and fast rules of good business. If a private concern were going to undertake a certain line of work it would first of all make sure of the absolute need of the undertaking—of the ability of the men employed to give a full labor return for the money paid to them—and of the suitability of the season for carrying on this kind of work.

The municipalities of Canada, as they face the out-of-work question now, cannot take into consideration the three cardinal principles enunciated above. They are faced with conditions, and these conditions must be met. Men are out of work and they do not want meal tickets or charity. They desire, more than all else, an opportunity to do what every blooded man wants to do, viz.: Provide by his own labor for those dependent upon him.

It is impossible to do work on the basis of efficiency alone. A man may apply for work with a shovel and be paid at the rate of \$3 per day. He is not used to the work, but he does his best. His labor value, in cold figures, may be about \$1.50 per day—the city loses \$1.50, and the work is just that much heavier on the ratepayer.

This work cannot be carried on

at a time most favorable from the standpoint of good or bad building seasons, ups and downs in the price market of things needed in the work.

A municipal council is faced with this problem; it is blamed by ratepayers for spending too large an amount on this work, while at the same time no other course is open, unless it resorts to the poor alternative of giving out a certain amount of charity.

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## LITTLE 'TISERS

It is time for a change. Strike now for the rights of the common people.

Japan is asking for a larger tonnage, and many a citizen has wished the same thing about his cellar.

Making the mayoralty and aldermanic platforms should provide some employment for the political carpenters.

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Has the merchant marine made you rich? It cost the country \$70,000,000, or about \$50 for every family of five. Have you got your \$50 worth?

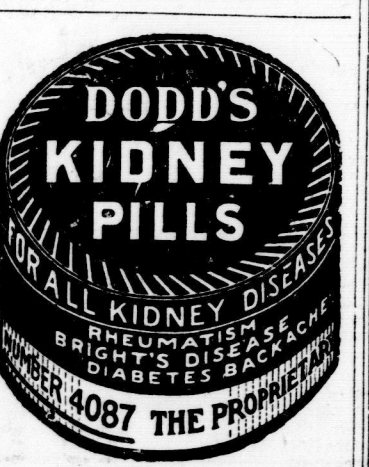
Now they are going to dredge the Niagara River in search of a prehistoric relic. But why the Niagara River when the Senate promises a better return?

Canada's best years were from 1896 to 1911. Let's have another of those good periods. Give the Liberals the chance. They put it across before—they can do it again.

Mr. White, the Meighen candidate in London, has not told any person just how a vote for him means steady work for Canadians. He should hustle along with his explanation, or people are going to the polls and vote against him.

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The story that Mackenzie King is to be deposed from the leadership of the Liberal party after the election can be passed over lightly. The way in which he has come through this campaign makes many a Meighen candidate wish he had been disposed of long ago. Mackenzie King is here to stay.



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## 25 YEARS AGO TODAY

Here We Have Items of Local and District Interest, As Recorded in The Advertiser of 1896.

DECEMBER 2, 1896.

The Lobo Village School entertainment was held in the Foresters' Hall there on Friday evening last. The huge success of the program was attributed to the Olympic Big Four of Strathroy, Miss Peterson and Messrs. Hinchcliffe and Webster, and Miss Boone, who gave a number of readings.

The Petrolia Hockey Club organized for the coming year on Saturday evening with the following officers: Honorary president, J. L. Englehart; president, H. Simpson; first vice-president, Jas. Jackson; second vice-president, Geo. McDonald; secretary and treasurer, Alex. McDonald; captain, N. McQuen. The club have joined the Ontario Hockey Union.

The Bachelors' Club of Lobo gave an enjoyable entertainment in the Katesville schoolhouse on Friday evening. Mr. Christopher Walker acted as chairman. A good program of songs, both comic and sentimental, recitations, dialogues and instrumental music, was rendered, in which the following took part: Mr. G. L. Money of Mitchell, Mrs. Andy Robson, Ailsa Craig; Miss Anderson, Strathroy; Mr. C. Ward, Poplar Hill; Miss Kate McLean, Canadara; Mr. Miss Lundy, and the Glee Club of Katesville.

The Orangemen's concert at Jura on Friday evening was well attended. Food took part in the program. P. D. McCallum, ex-M.P., acted as chairman.

A very enthusiastic meeting of the basketball club was held in the Y. M. C. A. parlors last evening for the purpose of electing officers for the purpose. Following is the staff: President, Honorary president, Wm. Pratt; president, W. McDonald; vice-president, A.

Pratt; secretary-treasurer, Jas. McHattie; captain, Geo. Boyce; coach and manager, J. Howell.

The Bishop of Huron preached the anniversary sermon in St. John's Church, Preston, on Sunday, Nov. 29. Rev. W. L. Armitage, late of the Anglican Memorial Church, London, has been appointed curate of St. John's parish, Peterboro, in succession to Rev. Carl Smith.

A pleasant event took place at Wolseley Barracks last night. The boys at the school took an opportunity to show their esteem for their old comrade, Malcolm Ross, better known as "Scott," by presenting him with a handsome clock. The presentation was made by Color-Sergeant Price. Addresses were given by Corp. Cookburn, Private Matthews and others.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Wray of the Britannia House celebrated their silver wedding last night, and among the guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. Bernard, Mrs. Murby (Strathroy), Mr. and Mrs. H. Burgess, Mr. R. L. Millard, Mrs. Millard and Master Robbie Millard, Mrs. Woodcliffe, Miss Woodcliffe and Master George Woodcliffe, Mrs. De la Cotta, Mr. Rice, Mr. J. Lawson, Mr. H. Gatecliffe, Mr. J. B. Mortimer (Mortimer), Mr. J. Gleason, Mr. R. Carrothers and the guests of the house.

A literary society composed of young men in connection with St. Paul's Cathedral, very Rev. Dean Innes, vice-presidents, Rev. Canon Dunn, W. J. Reid and John S. Pearce; secretary, John Usher.

## READ YOUR CHARACTER

[By Digby Phillips.]

NO. 50—LONG LEGS.

Leaving aside the question of running or walking ability, is it possible to tell what kind of a man or girl is suited for by the length of his or her legs?

It is, within certain limits. The legs would indicate absolutely, but with the question. Long-legged persons belong to a different type from short-legged ones, but you should keep in mind that the legs are not the only indicator of the two types, and sometimes the story that the legs tell is overbalanced by the reading of the hair, the shape of the body, the texture of the skin and other points. But other things being equal, long-legged persons work better in a job where they are brought in contact with many people. They thrive better in the daily rush and bustle of business than in a sequestered nook. When placed in executive positions, their tendency is to obtain their ends by positive control and discipline, rather than by influencing others. They are commanders rather than stimulators and suggesters.

They are more likely to arrive at their conclusions through abstract reasoning than through instinct and desire. They're more likely to like the job (and hence be more efficient in it) that holds out rewards of wealth, praise and power rather than pleasant surroundings and ease. And as a rule, they're better suited for work that requires initiative rather than conservatism.

For instance, other things being equal, a long-legged girl is more valuable to a store behind the counter than behind a typewriter in the accounting department.

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## TO THE EDITOR

A WOMAN'S VIEW.

Sir—Could you find space for a few lines which I wish to write, especially to farmers? I am a farmer's wife, thankful for a good education, and since women have been given the vote, have tried honestly to study the issues of the day.

We (my husband and I) have so far supported the farmer movement believing it to be to our interests, but we are beginning to see that there are things behind this movement which I

would be the last of our wishes to support, that is the anti-British spirit in Canada. After reading Mr. Raney's speech in yesterday's paper we literally "boiled over." What is he trying to do? Start a class war which will end up like Russia? Talking about "plutocracy" and "democracy." There's no such thing as "plutocracy" in Canada. Dishonesty is our trouble. We must have leaders, and if they are not good men we have the chance to put them out. I know there was a lot of talk among the farmers' unions of Alberta, as I got it from a friend who is one of the supporters of the Alberta Union, but did not think it was talked by our Ontario leaders. In the last few years I have met a surprising number of people who have said something like this: "England has too much to say about Canada. Canada would be better off as a republic," etc., etc. When you come to a question then as to how and why, they know very little of what they are talking about, and Canada's status in the British Empire. Now what I would like to know is what or who is spreading this stuff? Is it through the American labor unions and now the farmers' union? Let us shut down on it wherever it comes from. Great Britain is the staunchest upholder of uprightness and justice in the world today, and when she goes down Christianity will go with her. We should be glad we are a part of such a noble empire. United States with its Sabbath-breaking, easy divorce laws, etc., is not to be compared with her. President Harding wrecked the League of Nations because he was jealous of Canada's seat in it, among other things, then calls this conference and does not invite Canada, and Mr. Raney would try to make us believe Great Britain, or our own government is to blame, when they have nothing to do with it.

A great many people seem disinclined to support him, although my husband usually voted Conservative. Let us vote for honest men, but don't make things worse by spreading the seeds of revolution or letting others spread them among us.

ONE OF THE COMMON PEOPLE. Wallaceburg, Nov. 29, 1921.

Now Mr. McCoig is our representative here in Kent County, and as far as we can find out he has filled the place honestly and advocated what would be to our interests, so we intend to support him, although my husband usually voted Conservative. Let us vote for honest men, but don't make things worse by spreading the seeds of revolution or letting others spread them among us.

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We have the taxation proposals, the questions regarding the returned soldier, land settlement scheme and great many others. It must mention a prohibition is mentioned in our platform, which has no mention in any other platform.

The Tories are making quite a loud talk over their merchant marine, and at the same time talking high tariff to keep out foreign goods. How can we expect other countries to buy our goods if we do not buy from them? No country can live unto itself any more than an individual.

Now about the railroad problem. I wonder if a great bulk of the voters realize there are three transcontinental railroads across Canada, some places so near each other they can hear their whistles. The last railroad was built by the Liberal Government. True, the people voted for it, but did the people

realize what they were voting for? The question was directly asked Alderman Wenige and Harley as to where they were during the war. Well, Mr. Editor, while I have no information as to the war record of the former, I would very much like to speak for Ald. Harley, as an overseas man having an intimate knowledge of his activities.

Since the inception of the Soldiers' Aid Commission in London, Mr. Harley has been a member of the executive, and in that capacity, and more especially since he has been chairman, he has devoted a great deal of time and energy to the interests of the returned soldiers, whom he served disinterestedly and whole-heartedly.

"Where was he during the war?" The same question might well be asked of a large number of our public men—many of them much younger than Ald. Harley—who would have absolutely no reply to make in their own behalf. However, Mr. Editor, I think that it is only common justice that Mr. Harley should receive at least some credit for his unflinching interest in our returned men and their families, as his work of such a nature that it rarely received any publicity, with the result that the majority of our returned men, and the public generally, have practically no idea of its scope and efficiency.

Trusting that this will satisfy the comrades who are evidently under a misapprehension in this matter. Sincerely yours, WM. CARSON.

## THE U. F. O. PLATFORM.

Editor Advertiser: Sir—There have been so many statements regarding the U. F. O. platform that I thought it advisable to straighten out some of those untruths.

The first place our motto is: "Equal Rights to All, Speeches to None." I would like to ask some of our opponents if that is not as near the Golden Rule as we can get. It no doubt has not always been lived up to the letter, but we are all humans, yet that is our goal. We are not working to get into more power just for our selfish ends, and I do not think any class of people who live next to nature, among the domesticated animals, growing up old Mother Earth, living in God's sunshine and watching the wonderful growth of the plants, are the people to live far from the Golden Rule. That is, as a class, we are not.

In the second place, we are called free traders, pro-American and anti-British. I will give you word for word our platform on the tariff.

Our tariff should be amended as follows:

(a) By an immediate and substantial all-round reduction of the customs tariff, is that free trade?

(b) By reducing the customs duty on goods imported from Great Britain, to the same rate as that levied on the general tariff, and that further gradual uniform reductions be made in the remaining tariff on British imports that will insure complete free trade between Great Britain and Canada in five years.

(c) By endeavoring to secure unrestricted reciprocal trade in natural products along the lines of the reciprocity agreement of 1911.

(d) By placing all food stuffs on the free list.

(e) That agricultural implements and household machinery, vehicles, fertilizers, coal, lumber, cement, gasoline, illuminating fuel and oils be placed on the free list, and that all raw materials and machinery used in their manufacture also be placed on the free list.

(f) That all tariff concessions granted to other countries be immediately extended to Great Britain.

(g) That all corporations engaged in the manufacture of products protected by the customs tariff be obliged to publish comprehensive and accurate statements of their earnings.

(h) That every claim for tariff protection by any industry should be heard publicly before a special committee of parliament.

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realize what they were voting for? How much it put our country in debt, and such a sparsely-settled country, and such small business for three railroads? I heard one man say competition is a good thing. Well, it no doubt is, but not in the case of the railroads when they are owned by the government. We have a debt now of two billion, rather a large debt for nine million people.

There are a great many other subjects I would like to take up. Thanking you for your valuable space, IDA M. MITCHELL, Wilton Grove, R. R. No. 1, Ont.

## AN EXPLANATION.

Editor Advertiser: Sir—In your paper of Nov. 30 you carried a story to the effect that I made complaint about the principal and teachers of Tecumseh Avenue School trying to make it hard for the janitor there to keep his place.

That inference is wrong, and there was no such idea in my mind. My only point was that the janitor had more work than he could possibly do well, and in the winter season especially when they should have some assistance. I am asking you to make that statement in fairness to the janitor.

RICHARD REELEY, York street, city.

## Habits That Spread Disease

## WORRY

BY DR. R. H. BISHOP.

YOU would instantly condemn a man to the insane asylum who stopped a clock to save time. Such a foolish and absurd thing to do! But is it any more foolish than one or several worries so much about his financial troubles that he has a nervous breakdown and is relegated to a sanatorium for a long rest?

It sounds like a paradox to say that worrying about money usually costs more money, but in many cases this is literal truth. It is true that not all worry is preventable, yet much of it, as well as its ill-effects, can be avoided. Most of our fears are never realized. If we meet our troubles day by day as they come without worrying about them before hand, we find that we have the strength to overcome them.

Worrying weakens the mental forces. The best antidote is a change of mental occupation. Get away from the scenes which provoke worry, exercise in the open air, read one or several good books of a lighter strain, find pleasant recreation or an absorbing "hobby." A temporary change of occupation where possible often brings considerable relief from worry.

Excessive worry tires the nerves just as excessive work tires the muscles. The poison that results is a natural product that must be thrown off to keep from getting "nervous" and "blue."

As in the case of bodily fatigue, the best remedy is complete relaxation and rest. A sound body as a rule is accompanied by a sound and healthy mind.

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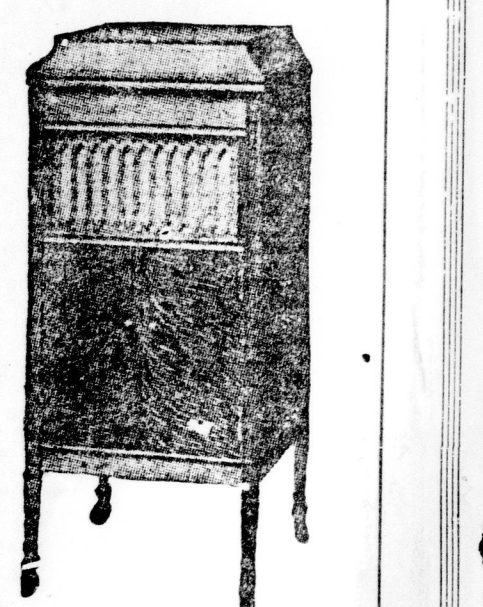
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