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OPEN TREASON

LA Col. Armand Lavergne preached rank treason in Quebec yesterday. His utterances should qualify him for an internment camp, and at once. What will the Borden government do about it? What will it do with the enemy within our gates?

Canada is today paying the price of Sir Robert Borden's surrender to the Nationalists in 1911. Had he possessed the courage of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and rejected an alliance it follows that there is no reason for surprise that the governments have decreed energetic measures for restriction of the consumption.

The government of Canada, unhappily, has issued no such decree. It has not even put an end to speculation in food products. Nor has it given proper direction to the campaign for increased production. In the face of so grave a situation as is revealed by the International Institute of Agriculture, it goes on making time. How long will the people stand for this sort of thing?

What shipbuilding does for a port is illustrated in the case of Bath, Maine. The Bangor Commercial says: "One city in Maine that is feeling the impetus of great business is the city of Bath. These are days of shipbuilding and Bath is very busy, especially since the coming of the Texas Co., which has several large iron vessels under way in the immense shipyards that it has purchased and to which, it is understood, there is intention of adding. The Texas Co. already employs more than 1,000 workmen in Bath and citizens of the Shipping City are looking ahead to a population of 15,000 or more in the immediate future. The city has not enough houses to accommodate the recent influx and buildings are springing up everywhere. It is a very prosperous outlook for Bath."

The Win-the-War Convention has declared itself almost unanimously for conscription, and a real programme of national service. Events of national significance will now follow each other in rapid succession, for the agitation in Quebec must be met, and the call from the front for men and the absolute and urgent need of the complete mobilization of Canada on a war basis. This is no time for internal dissension, but if it must come it should be put down with a stern hand. Up to the present time the Borden government has done nothing to check the traitorous propaganda in Quebec. If now it fails it should be hurried from power.

AN ALARMING OUTLOOK

The latest bulletin of the International Institute of Agriculture confirms the gravity of the food situation in the world at large. The countries which have been communicated to the Institute estimates of their last crop, and they practically include all but the Central Powers, show an aggregate wheat yield of 790,922,000 quintals, compared with 1,226,727,000 quintals in 1915-16, and an average yield of \$64,296,000 quintals for the past five years.

"It is useless to ignore the fact," the Bulletin says, "that the wheat crop of 1916 and 1917 is unquestionably bad as compared with that of 1915 and 1916. It shows, in fact, a deficiency of more than one-fourth by comparison." While there is a considerable quantity remaining from the previous crop, the supplies of Russia and Roumania are not available for export, and leaving them out the northern hemisphere shows a shortage of 37,000,000 quintals, to which must be added 26,000,000 quintals usually exported to tropical countries. The Bulletin adds: "To meet this deficiency of 63,000,000 quintals in the northern hemisphere we can find no more than 50,000,000 in the northern hemisphere. We ought to add that this deficiency seems all the more serious when it is remembered that the balance of supply and requirements was only approximately attained by dealing with a remainder of 100,000,000 quintals, the result of the extraordinarily plentiful crop of 1915 and 1916-17."

The situation in regard to rye is also so bad that, disregarding Russia and Roumania, the Bulletin says: "For wheat and rye taken together, the deficiency is greater than for wheat alone, for the reason that rye shows a deficiency of 1,000,000 quintals, to which must be added the usual net imports from tropical countries, which, on the average, reach 4,000,000 quintals. The deficiency in rye is more than one-fourth in comparison with last year and about one-sixth of the average." The Bulletin says further: "Barley shows a deficiency of 6,000,000 quintals, which may, however, be counteracted to some extent by possible exports from sub-tropical countries."

"Maize presents the most unfavorable statement among the five cereals, since the year finishes with a deficiency of 62,000,000 quintals, in spite of the fact that the reserves from the previous great crop amounted to 22,000,000 quintals. Oats are the only cereal in the general statement that show an appreciable surplus. This reaches about 30,000,000 quintals, but it may be remarked that in order to strike this credit balance it has been necessary to make considerable drafts on the reserves of the past year, amounting to 54,000,000 quintals. "Taken as a whole, the total crop of the five cereals is very bad in comparison with that of 1915, since it shows a reduction of one-sixth."

The serious side of the situation comes out more clearly when it is remembered that the remainder from the superb harvest of 1915, amounting to 218,000,000 quintals of all the cereals, has to be completely exhausted. It follows that there is no reason for surprise that the governments have decreed energetic measures for restriction of the consumption.

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An obscure agitator in Montreal asserted that he had a letter from Sir Wilfrid Laurier stating that Sir Wilfrid would oppose conscription. Sir Wilfrid promptly denied that he had ever written such a letter. The Standard this morning heads the despatch containing Sir Wilfrid's denial with the query: "Who's a liar?" This is a suggestion that in the Standard's view the great Liberal statesman may be a liar. It also says in great headlines that the "Laurierites" were in a fight in Montreal. It knows perfectly well that the Nationalists are not Laurierites, but helped to defeat him and place Sir Robert Borden in power to form.

While denouncing the Liberals and making false insinuations concerning their attitude toward national service, the Standard has not yet set forth all any great length its own views on the subject of conscription. It had none until Sir Robert Borden spoke, and as it does not know how far he will go it dare not even now discuss the question freely or fully. But it can abuse the Liberals. It can always perform that service for the Borden-Nationalist party.

The enemy is getting more than he can well stand all along the west front. The pity at the moment is that Russia is not doing her share in the fighting. We have had, during the war, evidence of her capabilities for she has done excellent work against the foe. If only she were carrying on now, as before, the task of the Allies in Belgium and France and on the Austrian border would be appreciably easier and the blows of Haig and Petain and Cadorna doubly effective.

The people still await word of action by the Borden government that will bring some reduction in those food prices that have been boosted by speculation and manipulation.

The amateur playing the role of "The Man With the Hoe" may be the subject of good natured fun making, but he is helping along in the great work that must yet be done.

He Kept Smiling

The cheerfulness of maimed and wounded soldiers is becoming a proverb. One evening recently an invalid Tommy was lying abed in a ward of a military hospital watching a nurse distributing hot water bottles, with the view to the prevention of cold feet. When the ministering angel approached his couch, he asked her with a smile: "How will you manage about mine, nurse, seeing I feel one in France and the other in London?"

The Reward for Efficiency

Neville Chamberlain is a great believer in personal efficiency. His motto is: "If you can't do a thing properly, don't do it at all." He promised a gift of a motor car to his daughter, the Sporting Times says, on the condition that she could drive, clean it thoroughly, understand the mechanism, and do running repairs herself. Being an enterprising young woman, she soon learnt all this, and got her car. She has been driving motor-ambulances in France.

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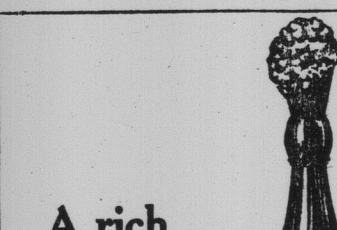
McCORMACK IS TO SING AT THE METROPOLITAN

Irish Tenor Signs Contract With Gatti-Casazza for Five Performances Next Season.

John McCormack, famous tenor, with his manager, Charles Wagner, called at the Metropolitan Opera House, New York, last week, after a series of conferences with Cleofonte Campanini of the Chicago Opera, and with Messrs. Gatti-Casazza and Otto H. Kahn of the New York organization. The result of the latest meeting was kept secret by all concerned, but it was admitted in other quarters that McCormack had signed for five performances next season in Broadway. His capture by the older house was regarded as a signal victory in the latest comic opera war.

SMITH-KILBURN

In the Portland church Methodist parsonage on May 24, Albert T. Smith, of Fredericton, and Miss Mac E. Kilburn, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Kilburn, also of Fredericton, were married. They will spend a few days on their honeymoon in this city and will then return to Fredericton, where they will reside. The ceremony was performed by Rev. N. McLaughlin.



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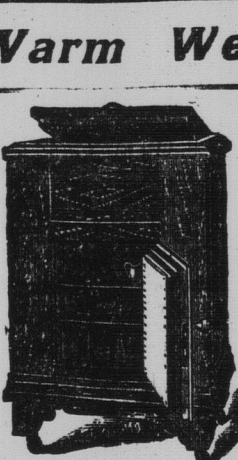
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The Czar's Daughters

Since the beginning of the war two of the busiest girls in Russia have been the eldest daughters of the ex-Czar. The Grand Duchess Olga and the Grand Duchess Tatiana have worn nursing uniforms since the commencement of hostilities, and (according to the Daily Graphic) have had no other interest save those of helping their country. They have tended the rank and file of the Russian army, and the refugees who

flocked to Petrograd have had occasion to bless the names of these two fearless war-workers.

Rumor (matrimonially) has always been busy with their names. It is an open secret that the second daughter might permanently take up her residence in England. She is in her twentieth year, and is very beautiful. Her name is used by practically every Red Cross Society in Russia, the most famous war time charity being the Tatiana committee, which works in Petrograd.

A Peer's Romance Recalled

Viscount Bolingbroke and St. John, the sixth holder of the title, whose

birth was a remarkable incident in the romance of the peerage, has come of age (says the London Daily Express).

The fifth viscount was not known to have married, and the present peer was three weeks old when the marriage was disclosed on the death of his father in 1890. The marriage at the Bath registry office six years earlier to Miss Mary Emily Elizabeth Howard, was then announced. There were three witnesses of the marriage, and they had paid strict regard to the viscount's wish for secrecy. The viscount's date back to 1712, and the family seat is at Lydell Park, near Swindon.

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Was Constable, Now is Mayor

When the voters of Jersey City

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turned out the republican and democratic

machines, which have continued their

destinies for many years, they launched

a brand new and somewhat picturesque

figure on the political seas. His name is

Frank Hague. He is forty-three years

old. He was born in the old Honesdale

district of Jersey City, began life as a

blacksmith's helper in the Erie Railroad

yards, served as a constable and on

Tuesday, May 15, will be named mayor

of the city by the four commissioners

who were elected with him.

Under the commission form of govern-

ment Jersey City nominates ten men

each party of the kind is who are

voted for at the general election. The

five men who receive the greatest num-

ber of votes are placed in charge of the

city government for four years. The five

offices they fill are mayor and director

of public affairs, which includes control

of the health department and the city

hospital; director of public safety, with

jurisdiction over the fire and police de-

partments; director of revenue and finance

city and director of streets and public

improvements.

The men elected on the ticket with

Mr. Hague, who is at present director

of public safety, are A. Harry Moore,

Geo. F. Bressington, Michael I. Fagan,

and Charles F. X. O'Brien. The sixth

and seventh men were republicans, one

of them being Mayor Fagan. The mayor

men were Wilpitan, democrats; they

came an independent, followed by three

other republican choices. The result of

the election showed that if the Hague re-

publicans and Wilpitan democrats had

made a coalition, as was urged, they

would have won; but they didn't and

the Hague faction triumphed.

Now the winners have to apportion the

five city departments among themselves.

At a conference held in Jersey City it

was unanimously resolved that Mr.

Hague will be mayor, although he was

second man on the ticket. Mr. Moore

leading him by approximately 600 votes.

The salary of the mayor is \$3,000, while