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MORE SAFEGUARDS NECESSARY

Another drowning accident directs public attention, in a tragic way, to the lack of proper rescue appliances on our water front. For many years past, it is possible to have boats placed at proper intervals along the whole harbor front, including the Courtenay Bay side, and arrangements made whereby men would be available to launch any of such boats quickly and proceed at once to the aid of persons in danger of drowning.

A short time ago one of the city commissioners took steps to have grappling irons always available for the recovery of bodies of drowned persons. That, in itself, was a good step, but it very lamentably overlooks the fact that prevention of drowning, rather than the recovery of the dead, is the phase of the question which must be treated in a practical way.

At different times ladders have been placed along the faces of the wharves at different points, and some other things have been done, but no consistent and sustained plan of precautions has yet been adopted. A city with a water front of the extent of ours should attend to this matter without further delay.

THE WAR

Though the Grand Duke has yielded to the advancing Germans the last fortress on his second line, the situation in the Eastern theatre of the war is regarded by military writers as far from being disheartening. There is information that the Russian armies still are intact, that practically all their guns have been carried along in the retreat, and it is known that, with factories at home mobilized and with Japan speeding the work on munitions for her big ally, ammunition is becoming more plentiful.

Grand Duke Nicholas has conducted his operations in masterly fashion and it is now reported that he has reached a newly fortified line and should soon be in a position to turn the tide of battle against the Germans. The most striking intimation in the early dispatches is that, despite reinforcements expected by Von Hindenburg, it is now too late for the Germans to be successful in the main object of their tremendous drive—the destruction of the Russian fighting forces. Meanwhile Russia's minister of war is calling an additional two millions of men to arms. To those who have been wondering why there has been no great movement by the Allies on the western front, the answer is that the Germans back from Russian territory, the London Times' Petrograd correspondent's despatch may furnish peace of mind. He quotes the Russian foreign minister as declaring that the highest military authorities in Great Britain, France and Russia are in accord on all questions of strategy. Later dispatches bring assurance of Russian ability to safeguard Petrograd. Everything is ready for another winter campaign and the new force of two millions will be ready for the field in the spring.

SMALL HOLDINGS.

The development of the system of small holdings for farmers in Denmark is the subject of a very interesting article in the Bulletin of Economic and Social Intelligence of the International Institute of Agriculture. The interests of the large landed proprietors, under the influence of democratic currents of thought were made to give way in order to constitute a class of small holders established upon land owned by them and sufficient in area for their needs. Of the plan and its results the Bulletin says:

"In this way the small holding in Denmark, intended at first to provide the laboring class with part-time occupation and a supplementary source of income, has become a farm complete in itself and capable of supporting a family. The occupier has changed his standing; he has ceased to be a wage-earner and has become an independent proprietor.

"The stages in the transformation may be traced in the various laws passed, those, namely, of March 24th, 1899, April 22nd, 1904, April 30th, 1909, and, finally, June 24th, 1914. This last law, although it introduces no new important principle, reaffirms the tendency which was already apparent in previous legislation. The maximum amount of the loans which may be granted by the state for the acquisition of small holdings is again raised, being carried to 5,000 crowns (equal to 112,000 francs) an amount which is precisely twice the maximum established by the first law upon the subject—that of 1899. In districts where the price of land is exceptionally high, loans may be granted up to 10,000 crowns (14,000 francs).

"The proprietors of small holdings created under previous acts are admitted to the benefits of the new act and may obtain supplementary loans, upon condition, however, that no supplementary loan may exceed the difference between 7,200 crowns and the amount of the previous loan.

"Raising the maximum of the loans which may be granted has naturally made it incumbent on the state to devote additional funds to the creation of small holdings, and the appropriation for this purpose has been raised from

four million to five million crowns yearly for three years. The heavy financial sacrifice accepted by Denmark in order to build up a system of small holdings has been amply compensated by the results obtained. The total amount spent by the state, from 1899 up to the close of the financial year 1913-14, has resulted in the constitution of 7,117 holdings which provide sustenance to a like number of families established thereon. Not only has the rural exodus been stemmed to this extent by keeping this large and valuable labor force employed upon the land, but in some places a movement in the opposite direction has actually been created, and the exodus is now from the towns to the country districts.

In Canada the problem of directing the movement of population toward the land instead of toward the cities, towns and villages, is yearly growing more acute. In Denmark action by the state helped to solve a similar problem. May it not, in a modified form, to suit local conditions, produce a like result in Canada? The farm settlement scheme in New Brunswick has not produced as good results as had been hoped for. After the war is over the question of getting more people on the land will again demand attention, and is worthy of careful study on the part of public men.

After lapse of several days there is news of the Italian army. They are continuing their operations against the Austrians successfully.

A gallant, though unavailing attempt to save human life. Not all heroes die on the battlefield, and this was well exemplified in the noble efforts made yesterday by several young men to rescue a lad who was fighting against death in the engulfing waters. Carleton, too, had its tragedy yesterday. There is general sympathy for those so tragically bereaved.

St. John again keenly feels the touch of war today. Dr. J. L. Dwyer, the news comes by wire to relatives, and will sadden many homes. He had played a hero's part on the battlefield and official recognition of this had been made in the bestowal of honors upon him. A young man of promise in his profession, he gave up much that he might bear his share of the common burden, and now he has given all. If anything should be needed, examples like this should be a spur to those who ought to be with the colors but yet hold back.

Underground Fighting.

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No Mote in His Eye.

"What are you studying now?" asked Mrs. Johnson.

"We have taken up the subject of molecules," answered her son.

"I hope you will be very attentive and practise constantly," said the mother. "I tried to get your father to wear one, but he could not keep it in his eye."

"You remember that chap Jones, who made a bet of \$10,000 that he would walk from San Francisco to New York without a cent in his pocket?"

"Yes. Did he win the bet?"

"Not quite. He got as far as here, was arrested as a vagrant, and forced against his will to ride three blocks in a patrol wagon. That disqualified him."

Theodore Watts, says Charles Rowley in his book, "Fifty Years of Work Without Wages," tells a good story upon the sublimity of the scenery in somewhat gushing phrases. The woman paid no attention to him. Provoked by his irresponsiveness, he said, "You don't seem to care for this magnificent scenery!" She took the pipe from her mouth and delivered this settler "I enjies it; I don't jabber."

The governor of a western state was dining with the family of a representative in congress from that state, and opposite him at table was the little girl of the family aged 10. She gazed at the governor solemnly throughout the repast.

Finally the youngster asked, "Are you really and truly a governor?"

"Yes," replied the great man laughingly, "I really and truly am."

"I've always wanted to see a governor," continued the child, "for I've heard dad speak of 'em."

"Well," rejoined the governor, "now that you have seen one are you satisfied?"

"No, sir," answered the youngster, without the slightest impertinence, but with an air of great conviction, "No, sir, I'm disappointed!"

A Poor Advertisement

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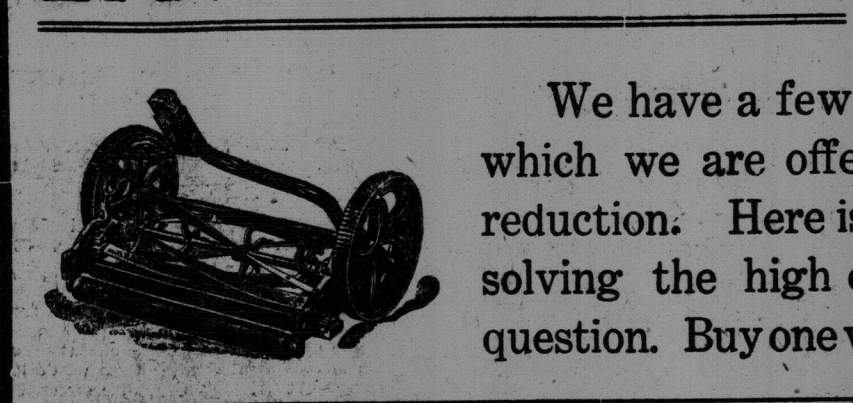
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Still Ahead.

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Presently the train stopped to take on water, and the conductor neglected to send back a flagman. An express came along, and, before it could be stopped, bumped the rear end of the first train.

The drummer was lifted from his seat and pitched head first into the seat ahead. His silk hat was jammed clear down over his ears.

He picked himself up and settled back in his seat. "No bones had been broken. He drew a long breath, straightened up, and said:

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Instant Relief

Cholly (to shopman)—"I say—aw—could you take that yellow tie with the pink spots out of the show-window for me?"

Shopman—"Certainly, sir. Pleased to take anything out of the window any time, sir."

Cholly—"Thanks, awfully. The best thing bothas me every time I pass. Good-mawning."

TWO BOYS DROWNED

Albert Birmingham, 16, and William Lee, 14, were drowned in the Courtenay Bay—Little William Lee was Life in Carleton Pond.

Two families in the city were bereaved yesterday when sorrow came into their homes through sad drowning accidents, in which William Lee, aged three years, and Albert Birmingham, aged sixteen years, lost their lives. Sympathy will be extended by many friends. The accident to young Birmingham was described in yesterday's Times. Up to 8:30 o'clock, when he was taken to the general public hospital, there was hope of life, but he was too far overcome by his submersion and passed away. The lad was a son of Edward Birmingham, 32 Brussels street, and was formerly employed with E. J. Fenwick, in the City Market.

The death of the little Lee boy occurred not more than two hundred yards from his home in Rodney street, West End. His mother, Mrs. Win. Lee, wife of ex-policeman Lee, missed him and was unable, after making search, to find him. She saw a tin dipper floating on the pond nearby and recognized it as one from her kitchen. Fearing the worst, she gave the alarm, and the finding of her child's body about 6:30 o'clock by John Pollock confirmed the fear that he had been drowned.

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