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ARE WE PREPARED FOR THE CHANGE?

The End of the War Will Bring New Conditions to be Faced n

(Toronto Globe.)

The end of the war is near, according to reports from the front, and, while all will rejoice in the fact, it will certainly give rise to conditions for which, we fear, too many are not prepared. Munition-making has assumed enormous preportions during the past four years, but it was provided that contracts would be cancelled by the termination of the war or the limitation of it, or even the reasonable probability of either. Already manufacturers are receiving intimations of the end, and the munition industry may come to a stop any day, throwing manufacturers are receiving intimations of the end, and the munition industry may come to a stop any day, throwing two or three hundred thousand employes out of work. Although high wages prevailed, many were unaccustomed to save and have made no provision for the future. The situation will call not for recrimination, but for mutual assistance. As one means of relief there will certainly be a demand for the construction of public works of all kinds—railways, canals, harbors, roads—but precautions must be taken against extravagance, and one tempting form of extravagance is a scale of wages out of proportion to the value of the work. Ordinary unskilled labor for which \$2 a day was paid before the war was welcomed at \$3 a day and even \$4 a day at munition work. This has raised an artificial standard for all kinds of labor, skilled and unskilled, and it would be foolish to continue artificially high wages on works which are avoywedly undertaken to ease a difficult situation. The cost will corne from the pockets of the ratepayers, but this is a point which is easily overlooked. The general manufacturing industry of the country has been upset, and in many cases transformed, during the war. To return to natural conditions will require time. Those who entered early into munitions have probably wiped off the cost of the plant and special lools required. There are many, however, who undertook the work recently, and if the war ended tomorrow they would have on their hands expensive buildings and equipment for which no provision is made in their contracts, and which are unsuitable for any other manufacturing industry. Then there are manufacturiers of other lines who have made large profits during the whole progress of the war and have piled up handsome surpluses. In older countries there is gen-

profits during the whole progress of the war and have piled up handsome surpluses. In older countries there is generally a closer and more sympathetic relation between employer and laborer than there has been on this continent. These years of patriotic effort by both may bring them more into harmony in canada during the painful period of reconstruction.

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The government is supposed to have a programme for reconstruction of industry after the war, but no one knows what it is, and certainly it is not ready for observation at the present time. The British government prepared its reconstruction programme some time ago, and everything is ready for the welcome return of workers in manufacturing, mining, fishing, shipping, and other industries at a moment's notice. The products of British industry will be at our doors to compete with our own, or rather to take the place of our own, if steps are not taken at once to redistribute the labor that is already here and to provide for those who will return from overseas.

The people of Canada have received the commendations of the Mother Country for the enthusiasm with which they entered the war and helped to carry it to a successful conclusion. There is no reason for pessimism over reconstruction problems, but it is evident that forbearance must be kept in view from all sides.

—BUY-VICTORY-BONDS—

USED TITLES IN HER SHOPPING

Woman Charged With Frauds, in London Police Court

A woman who was charged at a London police court with a series of frauds was said to have posed as a woman of many titles. She was charged in the name of Marjory Ginn, or Scott, and claimed to be the wife of an officer serv-

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meny, and signing a credit account "M. Dalmeny." On June 15, in the garb of a Red Cross nurse, she represented herself as the Hon. M. L. White, and the goods she selected were to be charged to the account of Lady Annaly, of Holdenby House, Northampton.

On July 23 she presented the visiting card of the Duthess of Westminster in the jewelry department of the stores, and said she wanted a small present—a diamond ring and a Military Cross. She also obtained a fur coat valued at over £75, presenting a letter apparently on the Duchess of Westminster's notepaper, 109 Lancaster Gate, requesting that her friend the Hon. Joan Primrose, was to choose something quite nice, to be charged to her (the duchess') account.

The letter was signed "Constance Westminster," and the woman went off wearing the fur coat. But doubt had arisen, and she was stopped by an official, who said, "This letter is not in the handwriting of the duchess."

Quite unperturbed the woman answered: "I will tell you the truth, I am the Hon. Nancy Fitzroy and a friend of the duchess. She was detained, but while inquiry was being made she escaped. A remand in custody was ordered.

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-BUY-VICTORY-BONDS-CANADA'S FOUD EXPORTS

In the twelve months ending September, \$1,363,749,000 worth of merchandise was exported from Canada.

Of this total more than \$604,000,000, well on to one-half, was made up of products of the farm, animal products accounting for \$163,488,000, and other agricultural produce for \$440,742,000.

The nearest approach to the value of farm exports was in manufactures, which represented a total of \$579,597,000.

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BOSTON DAILY PAPERS WILL COST DOUBLE

Boston, Nov. 8—The price of all one cent daily newspapers and of all Sunday papers in this city will be increased beginning November 15 and 17 respectively, according to an announcement to appear in the papers tomorrow. All one cent dailies will be advanced to two cents a copy. The price of Sunday papers will be increased from five to six cents in Boston and vicinity and to seven cents outside the suburban zone.

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Toronto, Nov. 8—George Hargrave, a motorman, was convicted at the assizes today of manslaughter for having caused the death of James Simpson and Mrs. Elizabeth Clark, but he was allowed to go on suspended sentence, under bonds of \$3,000. Hargrave was motorman on a west bound Queen street car which struck an automobile in which Mr. Simpson and Mrs. Clark were riding, and hurled the machine across the track, where it was struck and crushed by an eastbound car, resulting in the double fatality.

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COST TWO LIVES

Scranton, Pa., Nov. 8—Two children were killed and three other persons were injured at Olyphant, near here today when a large De Haviland bombing airplane ran into a crowd that had gathered to see it fly. That more persons were not injured was due to Lieutenant Zeismer, pilot of the machine, who wrecked it to prevent sweeping the crowd.

The machine was one of a squadron of five that left Garden City, L. L, early today to make flights in this city. The pilot failed to locate the landing place owing to the hazy atmosphere and descended in Olyphant. It was while attempting to take the air again that the accident happened, the crowd gathering too close to the machine, as it started.



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Probably no factory town in Canada offers such advantages from a workers' viewpoint as the scene of the activities of British Chemicals, Limited. The workmen, who all live on the premises, are housed in well lighted, heated and ventilated buildings, which have all the accompaniments of well conducted social clubs—bath rooms, reading rooms, gymnasium. The dining rooms are cheerful. The meals are prepared by experienced chefs, and there is no discrimination between laborer and office hand in the quality of the food served.

Naturally the making of smokeless powder is extra hazardous, but the danger is reduced to a minimum by the precautions taken for the safety of the plant. The fire department is a model of efficiency, and the protective devices the best that can be procured. There is a well-equipped hospital on the grounds. Since the commencement of operations there have been only two serious casualties.

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There is a model farm in connection with the plant. Workers find relaxation in producing food for the tables and in raising cattle and pigs. There are fiftynine pigs undergoing the necessary fattening process at the present time.



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