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MONDAY MORNING, NOV. 12

The Sins of War

This morning an appeal which cannot be ignored by any citizen whatever his age, for which no medical certificate can provide an evasion, and which touches directly the interests of everybody in the country, is being made under the auspices of the government. Similar appeals have been made before, and they have been made in other nations. To Canada and to Canadians the appeal comes with double force, for in spite of the hardships of war, and the ravages others have had to suffer, Canada has benefited more in a material way by the war than any other nation, not excepting the United States. In those things in which we have suffered or been inconvenienced we have suffered with others. Our prosperity has been almost unique.

It entirely depends on the people at home whether the war will be carried on to an early and triumphant conclusion, or whether the enemy will be given an opportunity to recuperate, renew his attacks, and conquer us. If such an event should occur we would not be asked to loan money at 5 1/2 per cent., but to give it to the conquerors up to the limit of our ability, and perhaps, as in Belgium, beyond that limit.

The sum asked for is \$150,000,000. This would be under \$20 a head of the population of Canada, and would not be a heavy burden even if imposed as a poll-tax, in comparison with what Belgium, Poland and Serbia have had to suffer. As a loan it is a simple matter, and we ought to be able to double it. Not only is it a loan on the best security and at a high rate of interest, but the proceeds of it are to be spent entirely in Canada. It is a means of exploiting our own wealth for our own benefit.

Those who would have the nation borrow from outsiders cannot have realized what that would mean. If a man would rather borrow from his own son or daughter, provided he or she were willing to lend, how much rather would Canada borrow from her own children than go to outsiders. The money stays in the family, and any advantage that exists in possession remains with us.

The money will be devoted to keeping our forces in the field properly equipped and supplied, and also for the purpose of creating credits in Canada which will enable the imperial government to continue the purchase of our manufactures and products for the use of their own and other allied troops. That is to say, we will lend them the money, thru our government, that we are able to spare, and we will get our own money back to us in capital and wages and by all the channels between.

Sir Thomas White has pointed out that in Great Britain one person in 23 took part in the last loan, while in Canada only one in 187 of the population subscribed. Yet the average Canadian is better off than the average old country man. We have never acquired the habits of thrift which have distinguished the European nations. They have had to be saving, or they never could have survived the pinch of hard times that periodically descends. If for nothing more than the cultivation of the thrift habit Canadians should patronize the loan. One may lend as low an amount as fifty dollars, and bonds for the amounts, which must be multiples of \$50, \$100, \$150, and so forth, will be issued in due course. The loan may be paid in instalments, ten per cent. with the application, ten per cent. on January 2, and twenty per cent. on the first of each month following, till May. Any person who can save \$100 between now and May should buy a bond for that amount and pay the instalments monthly. It is these little savings that make the country sound financially, and the individual solid on his own behalf. The bonds may be taken for five, ten or twenty years.

Apart from the loyalty and patriotism of the proceedings, no greater benefit can be done to a man's own fortune than to put his earnings as far as he can spare them into these bonds. They are the best security, they strengthen the nation; they maintain business on a sound basis; they help to win the war.

Those who have done nothing else for the war, either personally or thru their relatives, can at least lend their money. It should be possible for the amount asked for to be subscribed in the first week. It is the first duty of every Canadian to save and lend.

The Golden West

Most gratifying reports continue to pour in from the prairie west. A prominent railroad man, who is a trained observer, returned yesterday from a three weeks' visit to the west and told The World that he had never seen such universal prosperity. At a little town of three hundred people in northern Saskatchewan, where he stopped over night, he found a "social" being held for the purpose of securing contributions to the Patriotic fund. The farmers thereabouts had driven a and he counted no less than one hundred and twenty-five automobiles. During the evening a cake was sold at auction and brought \$228. The farmers, he said, were universally prosperous and had discarded corn-cob pipes for 15 cent cigars.

It is a fair surmise that the victory loan will meet with a splendid reception in the west. The western people are in this war heart and soul, even more intensely, if possible, than the people of Ontario. They have given their men with unstinted profusion and they will give their money in the same free-handed way.

Big crops and high prices account for much of the prosperity and the wonderful weather prevailing this fall has enabled a great deal of plowing and threshing to be done. Farm lands are, therefore, appreciating rapidly in value. Land that a few years ago had only a nominal speculative value, finds a ready sale just now at \$50 an acre.

As to politics the people out west are paying little attention to the election because they regard the result as a foregone conclusion. Since 1915 they have been calling for national government, and it is generally conceded that at least forty-five of the fifty-seven seats west of Lake Superior will return union government candidates. Indeed nearly anyone can tell you offhand the few scattered constituencies in the three prairie provinces that may return opposition candidates.

COL. E. S. WIGLE WAS THE CHOICE

Nominated for North Essex at the Unionist Convention.

ONLY COURSE LEFT

Liberals Had Refused to Effect Compromise in Interests of National Unity.

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Windsor, Nov. 11.—Col. E. S. Wigle was nominated for the house of commons as the unionist candidate for North Essex at the Liberal Conservative association at Windsor yesterday afternoon.

President Woodruff said he had forwarded to the Liberal association executive committee the resolution of the Conservative convention of Oct. 18, but the Liberal executive, after agreeing to this, had refused to endorse Mr. C. Kennedy as an independent candidate, and the Liberal convention had instructed him to follow an independent course.

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TO AVERT CONTEST IN WEST HAMILTON

Unionist Meeting Held on Saturday Falls in Its Object—Newburn for East.

Hamilton, Monday, Nov. 12.—Resolutions regarding union government and that Major-General Sir C. Newburn's name should be put forward as the unionist candidate for West Hamilton were passed at a meeting of the West Hamilton branch of the Win-the-War League in the Commercial Hotel here last night.

A resolution was also passed calling for the holding of a union convention to select a unionist candidate for West Hamilton.

The object of the meeting was to open up the question again, as it was discussed at the last meeting.

T. J. Stewart, after stating that he had written the local delegates Mr. Stewart's endorsement as union candidate, gave an explanation of the conditions attaching to his offer to retire by agreement amongst candidates dependent upon Sir John I. McLaughlin's endorsement.

On the other hand, Mr. Stewart would do likewise in favor of one with a record, irrespective of his politics.

Among those present were Lieut.-Col. McLaughlin, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Stewart, with ten delegates; representatives of the Great War Veterans' Association, and the Win-the-War League, Mrs. W. E. Sanford, Mrs. Samuel Barker, Mrs. H. G. Carleton, Mrs. C. S. Dunn, and Mrs. B. E. Thompson.

The Independent Labor Party was not represented, having declined the invitation sent by the league to take part in the conference on the grounds that they had already nominated candidates for both the east and west ridings.

A convention committee was appointed and instructed to meet this afternoon.

DECIDE TO SUPPORT UNION CANDIDATE

Plans for Whirlwind Campaign in Wentworth County Completed.

Hamilton, Monday, Nov. 12.—Plans for a whirlwind campaign among the unionists of Wentworth County in order that they may get behind the candidature of Gordon C. Wilson, who was recently nominated as the union candidate for the county, were completed at a union organization meeting held in the Twentieth Century Club on Saturday.

Frank Hill was elected president of the union executive and owing to the nearness of the election it was decided to hold meetings in every town and village in the county this week.

The first meeting will be held at Waterford tomorrow night, and will include the Township of East Elmhurst.

Besides lining up the union party the meeting will result in the appointing of returning officers and enumerators, who upon their appointment will immediately set to work to secure the names of the voters who will go in the revised lists. After the unionists have been organized the campaigning will commence in earnest.

C. H. Dickenson, the Liberal nominee who will likely oppose Mr. Gordon, Ireland was on the medical staff at the Homeview Sanatorium at the time of his enlistment in 1915, and he was sent as medical officer of the battalion at Barrie, and went overseas with it.

DAVID CREIGHTON BURIED.

Laid to Rest in Family Plot at Owen Sound.

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Owen Sound, Nov. 11.—The remains of David Creighton were buried today in the family plot at Greenwood Cemetery. The funeral services took place at St. George's Church, and were conducted by Rev. Canon Ardell, the rector. Among those in attendance at the service were representative men of the town and surrounding country, including several of the old comrades in arms of the local company which went to the front in the Fenian raid of 1866.

The pallbearers were Herbert Lanford of Toronto, James McLaughlin, Robt. Whiteman, G. P. Creighton, John Parker, Fred Kramer and D. C. Taylor, nephews.

Mrs. Creighton, Misses Jennie, Edith and Mary, and daughter, and Charles D. Creighton, accompanied the remains here from Toronto.

CAPT. R. A. IRELAND KILLED.

Guelp, Nov. 11.—In today's casualty list there appears among the names of those killed in action that of Capt. R. A. Ireland, of Clinton, Ont. Capt. Ireland was on the medical staff at the Homeview Sanatorium at the time of his enlistment in 1915, and he was sent as medical officer of the battalion at Barrie, and went overseas with it.

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Peterboro, Nov. 10.—An announcement of Liberals held this afternoon in Victoria Hall resulted in the nomination of R. R. Hall, who subsequently announced his intention of running as a straight Liberal in West returns at the forthcoming election. The convention revealed a fiasco was in the Liberal party. J. Wearing representing the fusion Liberal of Peterboro, presented a resolution calling for a resolution calling for the adjournment of the meeting and the conference with the members of the executive committee of the West Peterboro Conservative Association for the purpose of nominating a union candidate. This resolution was seconded by R. Harston, a prominent Liberal, but was defeated by a standing vote.

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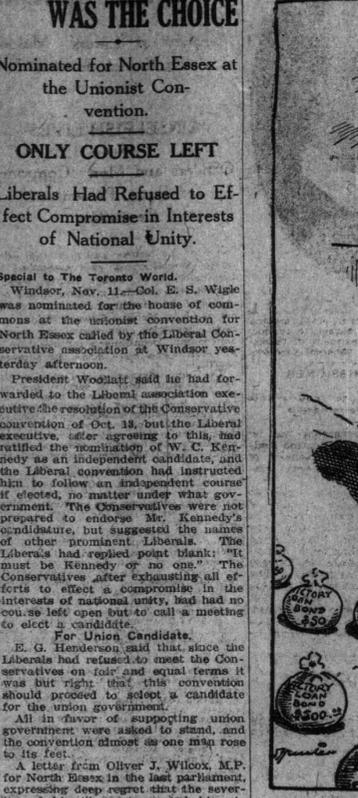
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Other People's Opinions

Dr. Hunter Supports Unity.

Editor World: The war news from every viewpoint certainly challenges the most earnest consideration of every man and woman who prefers freedom to despotism. Canada cannot be overrun by a German horde if the people can be made to realize the menace that threatens our civilization. A distracted Canada would be an immense help to Germany, as it would greatly impair the strength of the allies on the western front.

The Canadian people, on account of the vital issue at stake, should waste no time on mere party issues, race rivalries, or creed prejudices. At a recent meeting of Liberals in the east end, Mrs. Brentor and Mr. Hartley Dewar spent—judging from the press reports—most of their time in calling attention to the weaknesses, and worse, of their political opponents. Why, for instance, that audience got from these speakers—both of whom are very intelligent, effective speakers—would be to distract attention away from the war, and to direct it to winning a mere party victory. Clergymen are censured for their time in calling attention to the weaknesses, and worse, of their political opponents. Why, for instance, that audience got from these speakers—both of whom are very intelligent, effective speakers—would be to distract attention away from the war, and to direct it to winning a mere party victory. 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