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## Good Roads Uncertainties

One of the very important and very progressive movements of the Ontario Government in recent years has been the inauguration of the good roads policy. A nation is known by its roads and a civilization is marked by them. They denote the high water mark of attainment in social and economic science. What the government undertook to do was to lift Ontario up to somewhere near the level, in the indispensable point of transportation, that the province had attained in other directions. Our roads were poor and in some districts scandalously bad. They were often worse where they should have been best, if the traffic that ranked over them was to be taken as a standard.

All these considerations and others appealed to the government, and finally action was taken, appropriations were made, designs and plans were formulated, and the work was set in motion. Since the war began there has appeared to be a tendency towards slackening up in this work. There has been a distinct feeling of uneasiness on the part of farmers and other dwellers in the rural or suburban districts who had counted upon the new measure as an accomplished fact.

We have all been preaching the gospel of "business as usual" and of more than usual at times, and the government has naturally been expected to take the lead in this patriotic resolution. There have been several agencies at work still more recently, actuated, in fact, by the conditions created by the war, with the object of stirring up the farmers and others engaged in the production of our natural resources to increase that production to the greatest possible extent. All of these policies depend upon co-operation and the mutual working out of principles involving common interest and interdependence of effort.

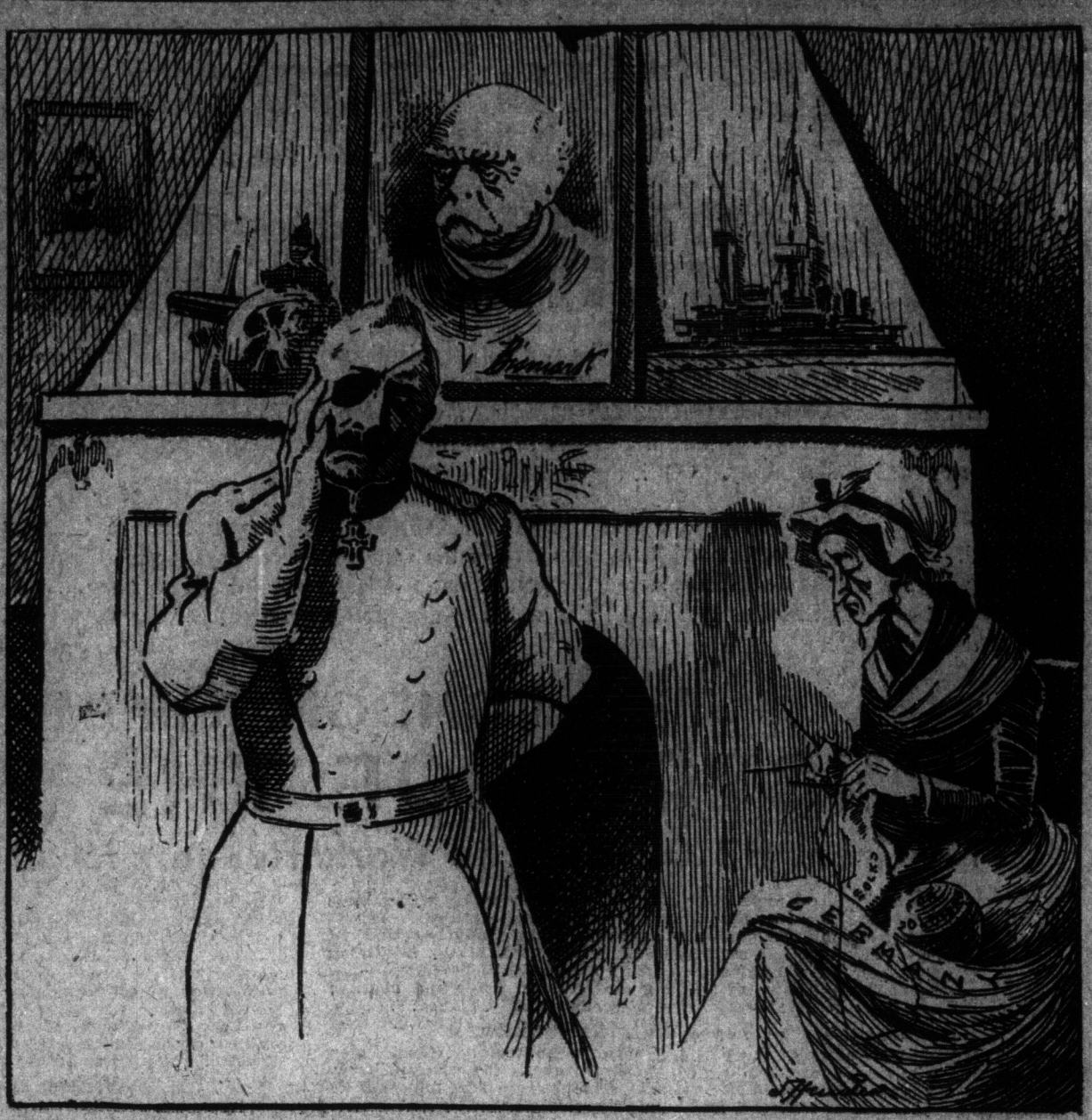
Whatever has been undertaken by the farmer in the endeavor to follow out the suggested policy of expansion of production has been undertaken with the factor of improved transportation in view, and if this be interfered with it amounts to breaching faith in a most important and wholly vital matter. People do not undertake new activities in these days without counting the cost. If the government disappoints the farming community in the matter of improved roads there must be no surprise if the farmer disappoints the government in the matter of increased production.

Even apart from this economic, or at least directly economic point of view, there is the further consideration of the moral effect, which must also have its indirect economic effect upon the country, that if the government sets the example of failing to carry out its deliberately adopted policies it will dishearten and demoralize the whole community to an incalculable degree. We are not aware that the government has any such design, but there have been uncomfortable rumors, and in many quarters there are doubts and fears, and it would be well to have these allayed and confidence restored.

There is no reason why the good roads policy should not be pursued as it was originally laid down, not only in the newer districts in which Premier Hearn naturally takes a personal interest, but also in the districts which must remain for a long time to come the bone and sinew, the heart and marrow of Ontario, the older settlements, which have given the north and west their vigor and vitality.

## America and the World War

Colonel Roosevelt has revised the various articles contributed by him to the Wheeler Syndicate and American magazines on the situation created by the European war, and has reproduced them in book form under the title "America and the World War." A Canadian edition has just been issued by McLeod & Allen of Toronto, and they provide interesting reading, both on account of their intrinsic quality and the vigorous personality of the author. Although primarily intended to awaken the United States to a real consciousness of its place and duty as a world power, the ex-president has much to say, inci-



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## RADICAL ACTION ON LIQUOR QUESTION

Restriction of Bar Business and Regulation of Sales to Soldiers.

## LICENSE COMMISSION

Proposal of Hon. W. J. Hanna to Come Before Caucus Tomorrow.

The most important matter to come before the Conservative caucus on Tuesday concerns liquor legislation, and it is understood that some radical action will be the outcome. Premier Hearn has already indicated that the government's proposals may be looked forward to with more than usual interest. Three distinct measures applying to different phases of the question will be submitted to the members for their sanction.

The first of these deals with further restriction of the bar business by shortening the hours of sale. This time it is understood that an hour or so may be lopped off the evening, and that regulations will be obtained to prevent the excessive drinking of uniformed soldiers.

Under Commission. It is likely that the centralization of licenses under one commission, which has been gaining considerable thought, will obtain the approval of the rank and file of the members. This is the direct proposal of Hon. W. J. Hanna, who planned to remove the administration out of the hands of the government, and relieve the provincial secretary's department of an onerous task. The commission would assume full responsibility.

In the last place a proposal will be made to raise the license fees of all shops and breweries in the province. Such an increase is considered profitable from the fact that the revenue stood practically the same in late years, and an appreciable addition in revenue would be realized. It is generally believed that all this will be approved and will be incorporated in government legislation within the next few weeks.

## PROVINCE TO SUPPLY SEED FOR SETTLERS

Government Bill Arranges for Advance of High-Class Seed to Northern Farmers.

The Ontario Government is preparing to play the part of seed merchant to Northern Ontario settlers. The bill introduced by Hon. W. H. Hearn on Thursday outlines the sanction of the province for the operation of a plan that will provide, at nominal rates, first-class crop seed for newcomers. Experts in the agriculture department will soon begin acquiring a supply to be used in the 1915 crops.

The idea is to give the settler a good start on his work by supplying him with clover, grain and potato seed. The plan will be expected, however, to pay six per cent interest on this advance, and the bill will be taken on his land as security.

To make sure that the plan will work properly and that only worthy characters will be helped, every applicant for the privilege must show the land he has cleared for cultivation. No changes will be taken on a misdeed or a lack of return on the investment.

This plan is a development of that now being applied to the pulp industry by the T. and N. O. Commission, but will ensure, in addition, the growth of first-class crops.

## REV. BENSON TO REMAIN

Manly Benson, D.D., pastor of St. James' Methodist Church, Simcoe, Ont., has been unanimously invited by his quarterly official board to remain with them a fourth year. St. James' Church has had marked prosperity during the three years just closing.

Striking Example. The war afforded an example of an empire losing its own soul in an attempt to gain the whole world. Retri-

## Mrs. Newlywed Says:--

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## LOSES ITS SOUL TO GAIN A WORLD

Rev. J. W. Aikens, Preaching to Soldiers, Characterizes Germany's Zeal.

## SPIRIT OF HATRED

Like That of Mob at Jerusalem the Night Before the Crucifixion.

Hon. Col. J. S. Hendrie, lieutenant-governor with the officers and men of the Fourth Canadian Field Artillery attended a military service at the Metropolitan Methodist Church yesterday morning. The best church service was the command of Lt.-Col. W. J. Brown. About five hundred members of the contingent in khaki filled the centre pews facing the pulpit. The church was thronged in every part. The pulpit was decorated with British flags. The music included "The Land of Hope and Glory," rendered as an anthem by the choir with baritone solo and chorus, and the hymn "God Bless Our Native Land."

Rev. J. W. Aikens, pastor, said that the spirit of hatred now being manifested in Germany towards Great Britain was like that of the mob at Jerusalem the night before the crucifixion. Great Britain had aroused the hatred of the German populace by intervening to protect the weak against the strong; to rescue Belgium from the oppression of Germany. Even had the Kaiser's army attained permanent possession of Belgium it would have been at the cost of lasting disgrace, and centuries after the Germans have been driven back out of Belgium the stain of their attack on the Belgians will remain.

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to the aid of Belgium no matter what

the tempting material profit might have

been. As the men of the Fourth Artillery

Brigade were going to the front to

vindicate the rights of the weak and

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live in the grateful memory of their

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He prayed that God would bless

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The only site for the camp which is under serious consideration. No provision has been made as to the number of men who will take the training, but fully 1500. Various students are willing to receive it.

President Falconer expects to receive an official communication from the militia department within a few days, deciding the matter definitely.