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NOT OUT OF THE WOODS

When the outlook on the western front was very dark, and the Germans driving forward first at one point and then at another, and dependent people were asking if the Allies had any reserves to prevent threatened disaster, while the situation in Russia was very gloomy, this newspaper contended that we should take a new grip of our faith and believe that complete disaster for the righteous cause of the Allies was utterly impossible.

Today, with the initiative in the hands of the Allied commander and the enemy forced to relinquish practically all the gains at such tremendous cost since March 21, this paper would emphasize the warning against over-confidence, or any belief that the Germans will soon be pushed back to the Rhine and the war brought to an early end. There is no ground at all for such an assumption. The Allies have gained a great victory, and are still making headway, but the enemy succeeded in withdrawing the greater portion of his troops and war material and will presently make a determined stand on a strong line of defence. He cannot be annihilated at a blow, or his trained millions whistled down the wind. He must be worn out by long and continued pressure. There is no doubt of the final result, if the people at home are as devoted to their duty as the men in the line of battle. And that is just the point. There must be no relaxation of war-effort. The longer the war lasts the more terrible the sacrifice, and it will be the action of the people at home that will determine whether the end is to come within a reasonable period or be unnecessarily prolonged. We are not yet out of the woods. There is great cause for rejoicing at the changed aspect of the war, but we must still think war, talk war and concentrate on war work.

ALTERNATE EXHIBITIONS

The Maritime Merchant favors alternate exhibitions in Halifax and St. John. There will be no provincial exhibition this year in Halifax, and perhaps not next year. The exhibition buildings were destroyed in the great explosion, and homeless people are now temporarily housed on the grounds. St. John cannot have an exhibition this year, because grounds and buildings are in use for military purposes, and the like may be true next year. In the meantime the Merchant thinks this is a good time to get together and make such an arrangement as would in the future provide one big fair each year in these provinces. We quote—

"It was argued in the past by the directors of the Halifax exhibition that alternate years with New Brunswick would be of no use to Nova Scotia; that their fixed charges for carrying on were almost as great, whether the fair was held or not. We do not know whether this would obtain in the future, but in our opinion it does seem a pity that not got together and made an arrangement whereby they should each have an exhibition in alternate years. It does not seem to us impracticable that the machinery of one province could be utilized by the other province when it needed it; that is to say, the year when New Brunswick was having its, the manager for Nova Scotia, Mr. Hall, and his staff, would be loaned to New Brunswick, and the following year Nova Scotia would have the help of Mr. Porter of St. John and his staff. They might, in fact, be New Brunswick and Nova Scotia have an interprovincial commission, although we sense difficulties in the way of this that do not submit themselves in connection with the mutual loaning of managements. There is no doubt whatever that something needs to be discovered which will put more pep into the Halifax exhibition. We are not speaking now of the horse racing or the scenes in the midway, but of the departments that are properly described as exhibits, and perhaps the scheme of alternating between St. John and Halifax would be the thing that would do it. St. John would surely want to beat Halifax, and Halifax in turn would want to outstrip St. John. The rivalry engendered between the two places would not only make for a greater interest in supplying exhibits, but in a greater attendance of people, because loyalty to their own city would demand it. However, the prospect of another exhibition in Nova Scotia is still so far away that perhaps it is a waste of space to discuss it here. It will not be this year; it will not be next year, and it scarcely seems probable that it will even come to pass by the following year. Even if it come to Halifax it will not, we understand, be at the old site, for this, we are informed, is to be used as a part of a great development of another nature. But in whatever place, on whatever site, or at whatever time, the Nova Scotia exhibition is next held, we suppose New Brunswick will be taking advantage of the opportunity to improve her position in the exhibition world, and with a clear field for a year or two she will probably reap a great advantage. We have heard some suggestions that when a new provincial exhibition is established in Nova Scotia, it should be at some other place than Halifax. We fear that such a scheme is not feasible. It requires a large number of people to make an exhibition successful, and these will not be secured in the smaller places. Besides in the smaller places they would find it impossible to cater to a large number of visitors except at the greatest inconvenience to the local inhabitants. We think, therefore, that if the exhibition is to go on, it must be located at Halifax, and if we want the competitive spirit that will make it a success, we should try to have alternate years with St. John. Such competition would bring out the genius of the two places towards making both exhibitions in their respective towns, successful. Without it we doubt if success is possible."

"The enemy seems to have accepted defeat," says a cable from British army headquarters in France, referring to the battle area between Focoucourt and Roze, where the Germans are now endeavoring to hold their ground but giving no signs of a counter-attack there or elsewhere on that front. A bulletin by way of Amsterdam says that the Soviet troops are evacuating Moscow. These are two very significant items of news.

In July of last year the Germans sank 534,839 tons of Allied and neutral shipping. Last month only 270,000 tons were sunk. Last month, also, the tonnage built was 280,000 tons in excess of that destroyed. The tonnage sunk this year is fifty per cent. less than for the like period last year. The submarine is beaten.

Both sides on the western front are reported to be gathering strength for a resumption of heavy fighting. The Allies still have the initiative. Both British and French made some gains yesterday.

The Allied advance on a fifty-three-mile front in Picardy has reached a maximum of fifteen miles and is not yet stopped.

DUKE EQUALS WORLD'S RECORD

New York, Aug. 14—Kahanamoku, the Hawaiian swimmer, equalled his world's record figure of fifty-four seconds for the hundred yard swim in a seventy-five foot pool in winning that event at the Federal Rendezvous Carnival in Brooklyn tonight.

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RECENT DEATHS

The death of Miss Fanny Symonds, second daughter of the late Edward and Frances B. Symonds, occurred at an early hour yesterday morning at her residence, 4 Peters street. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon and the burial will be from Christ church cathedral, Fredericton, this afternoon.

Woodstock, N.B., Aug. 14—A telegram to-day to N. D. Lister announced the death of his son, Guy, through accident in England. He left here a few months ago with a draft from the 6th Battery. No particulars concerning his death have been received. For several years he worked with his father in the barber business and was a well-known and popular young man.

Mrs. George Sowers of Burton died yesterday in the Victoria hospital in Fredericton. She was sixty-one years of age and is survived by her husband, six sons and four daughters.

Grand Falls, Aug. 13—James Harley, an old resident, died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Caldwell on Saturday afternoon. His death was very sudden, as he had not been ill and was out only about two hours before he died. After coming in, he lay down and went to sleep. Mr. Caldwell noticed a change in

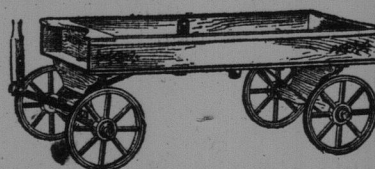
his breathing, and when she called him he was unable to answer. He never rallied and died in a short time.

Sydney, Aug. 14—The death of Rev. T. Chalmers Jack, D.D., for twenty-two years pastor of St. Matthew's Presbyterian church, North Sydney, occurred this morning at St. Matthew's manse. Dr. Jack who was a son of the late Rev. Lewis Jack was born in St. Stephen (N. B.), in 1851. His early school days were spent in St. John and he was a graduate of the University of New Brunswick. Later he studied theology at the Presbyterian College, Halifax, and was ordained in 1879. Prior to going to North Sydney he was minister of the Presbyterian church at Maitland for seventeen years having held only two pastorates since entering the ministry. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. A. S. Rosborough, who resided with him at North Sydney, and by one brother, Rutherford Jack, of St. John.

News of the death of Mrs. Sarah Flanagan, relict of the late Martin Flanagan, and eldest daughter of the late James Hamilton, of Moncton, was received to-day by her brother, H. F. Hamilton of Moncton. She resided many years in Richibucto, removing from there to take up her residence with her sons in Montreal. She is survived by two sons.

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