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The Ruthless Savagery of the enemy against whom the Allied-free peoples of the world are fighting to make freedom and human rights secure in the world must be kept in mind now more than ever that crafty efforts are being launched from Berlin in the hope of averting the doom of the German system of autocratic militarism, which has mercilessness and treachery as the breath of its nostrils and which shows no pity to the wounded and the helpless, and wreaks its lust of cruelty upon women and children. Some recent records, authenticated beyond any possibility of question, are set forth in the article "In the Cruel Grasp of Germany," in this issue.

Canada's biggest industry at the present time is war. The manufacture of materials used specifically for war purposes has assumed enormous proportions. But this is not all. The war has profoundly affected almost every phase of enterprise in the Dominion from farming to making pianos. This shifting of the basis of industry, together with the necessity of increased production and of conservation, has necessitated corresponding changes in government activity. In "Canada's War Machine," Edward W. Reynolds, a frequent contributor to The Guide, outlines the present government organization for coping with war problems.

The C.S.G.A. at its annual meeting, held in Ottawa last month, made far-reaching changes in its regulations. The clause in the regulations which required seed growers to maintain a plot grown from hand-selected seed was struck out. This important change is fully outlined in the report of the meeting on page 23 of this issue.

John W. Ward, associate editor of The Guide, who was recently wounded while fighting in France, has sufficiently recovered to wield his pen again. On page 34 appears a vivid account of the trials of a soldier digging trenches under fire. The pliebian shovel vies in importance with the rifle in the great struggle for human liberty. Mr. Ward has been doing his share with both, but his many friends will be glad to learn that in the meantime he has not forgotten how to wield his pen.

The Prevalent Influenza, which everybody calls the Spanish influenza, though there is no warrant for the name, is dealt with in an article in this issue, which gives some useful and necessary information in regard to its symptoms, its prevention, the care of those who catch it, and precautions which should be taken in caring for them.

Milling Corporations' Profits are dealt with in an editorial in The Guide this week, apropos of the figures set forth in the statements laid before the recent annual meetings of the shareholders of the Ogilvie Flour Milling Company, the Lake of the Woods Milling Company, and the St. Lawrence Flour Mill Company, which will be found in the Business and Finance section of this issue.

Dr. Salem Bland has recently been in Ontario, where he attended the general conference of the Methodist church. Owing, presumably, to a delay in the mail, the material for the religious department has not arrived this week. We hope to resume publication of "The Deeper Life" in next week's Guide.

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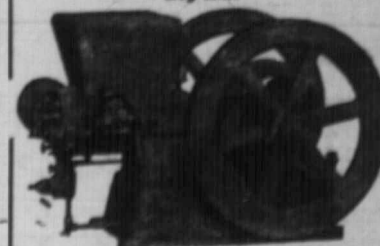
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