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THE URGENT NEED

Canada must send more men to the front. New Brunswick and the city of St. John must do their share. While we maintain a cheerful mind and insist that business go on as usual, let us not lose sight of the very serious situation of the task of the British Empire in this war.

It is well to provide a large Patriotic Fund, to contribute to the Red Cross Fund, to send relief to the Belgians, and to make large federal and provincial grants to the Mother Country. This war, however, will not be fought by these agencies, but by men. The greatest need of all is that Canada contribute as many well-drilled men as possible to the ranks of the allied armies. It is useless to boast of British courage and French gallantry so long as the British and French armies in the fighting zone are not strong enough in numbers to drive the Germans back from French soil.

It is obviously the duty of Canada to put more men in training, and to see that they are given such vigorous drill as will make them of the most service when the time comes to face the enemy. This is Canada's war just as truly as it is the war of Britain. What would happen to our Canadian seaports and the trade of this country if the German fleet were not bottled up? We say and we believe it will remain bottled up, or come out to be destroyed, but we have believed and expected certain other results which have not yet been accomplished.

The city council does well to make provision to give employment to as many men as possible in the various departments during the winter. There is work both in the water and sewerage and street departments which can well be carried on in winter, and that policy is especially wise for the winter now at hand.

While the Belgian seat of government has been removed to France, hundreds of thousands of Belgian people have sought refuge in Holland, and it is estimated that nearly 100,000 have gone to England. King Albert, in true soldier fashion, remains at the head of his army, and will still be able to strike a vigorous blow against the enemy which has devastated his unhappy country.

A notice of the opening of the evening technical school in Amherst this week for the winter season says that courses are offered in mechanical and machine drawing, architectural drawing, automobile engineering, electricity, dressmaking, shorthand and typewriting, bookkeeping, English and arithmetic. First and second year classes will be carried on in many of these subjects.

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Effective resistance than previous reports had led us to expect. Apparently there is to be much heavy fighting both in France and on the Russian border before the allies can make much further progress. The hope that if the French, British and Belgians could hold the Germans in check in the west the Russians would be able to make a swift descent upon Berlin from the east is not to be realized. It is to be a long war.

CABINET CHANGES

It is announced from Ottawa that Hon. W. K. Nuttall, minister of inland revenue, will succeed Hon. M. E. Borden on the railway commission, and that his place in the Borden cabinet will be taken by Mr. T. Chase Casgrain, K.C., of Montreal. It is also intimated that Hon. L. P. Pelletier, postmaster general, will shortly resign because of ill health, and will be succeeded either by Mr. Albert Sevigny, M.P., or Mr. E. G. Patenaude. There have also been rumors that Hon. Dr. Roche, minister of the interior, would resign owing to illness, but an Ottawa despatch to the Standard today says this is very unlikely.

The cost of living in Canada has advanced since the war began, but it is nevertheless true that a number of great staple foods are reasonably cheap. Thus far the Germans, since they began their retreat from Paris, have been unable to break through the allied lines at any point. We shall soon learn whether they are to be any more successful on their extreme right in the direction of Ostend.

Since the vast majority of the people of South Africa support Premier Botha, the rebellion of a commando under Col. Maritz in the northwest part of the union will not prove a serious affair. This Col. Maritz has always been an irreconcilable, and has been in close touch with the government of German Southwest Africa.

In the province of Ontario the problem of unemployment is being solved to some extent by placing men who are willing to work for small wages during the winter with the farmers. The department of agriculture sent out an appeal to the farmers, asking them to take on men to assist in farm work at moderate wages, and applications are now coming in at the rate of ten or fifteen a day. In many cases farmers offer to pay ten dollars per month with board to inexperienced men, while experienced laborers are offered more. Some farmers, however, are not willing to do more than give an inexperienced man his board and lodging. The department has its staff busy sending out application forms, and appealing to the farmers to show their patriotism by doing the best they can to aid in relieving the unemployment in industrial centres.

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A PEACE HYMN.

Under request of the Federated Council of Churches of Christ in America, the following peace hymn, by Rev. John Hynes Holmes, minister of the Church of the Messiah, New York, was sung in churches of the United States Sunday, Oct. 3. The tune is St. Agnes, by J. B. Dykes.

God of the nations, near and far, Ruler of all mankind, Bless them Thy people as they strive The paths of peace to find. The clash of arms still shakes the sky, King battles still with king, Wild through the frightened air of night The bloody tocsin ring.

But clearer far the friendly speech Of scientists and seers, The wide debate of statesmen and The shout of pioneers.

And stronger far the clasped hands Of labor's teeming throngs, Who in a hundred tongues repeat Their common creeds and songs.

O Father, from the curse of war We pray Thee give release, And speed, O speed the blessed day Of Justice, Love and Peace!

He Won "Darling," whispered the ardent sultry, "I lay my fortune at your feet." "Your fortune?" she replied in surprise; "I didn't know you had one." "It isn't much of a fortune, but it will look large beside those tiny feet."

They Did Higgins—I say, these trunks begin to rust already, and I haven't had them but six months. Tailor—That's all right. You know, I told you they'd wear like iron.

The Cause "What was the cause of your separation, old man?" "Incompatibility. She believed in getting into debt, and I didn't."

Ready-Witted First pedestrian (to man who has just humped into him)—Clammy fellow! Second pedestrian—That's your name, is it? Mine's Brown.

Cured Her "I cured my wife of quarrelling about wanting her own way in everything." "I let her have it."

No Dividing Up Dr. Pillem—Are you going to call a consultation? Dr. Bos—I think not. I don't believe the patient has any more money than I need myself.

BEELGIAN RELIEF FUND Last evening the following were received: Irvine R. Todd, Milltown (N. B.), \$100; James Elliott, \$2; Professor D. L. Peters, \$5 (both of Eshurst, W. A. Ewing, \$10; Mrs. W. A. Ewing, \$10; J. J. Rowan, \$10; J. B. M. Baxter, \$20.

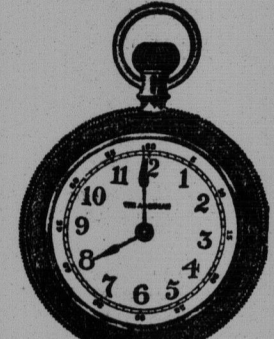
St. Rose's church contribution per Rev. Father Collins \$100; Charles R. Peters, \$5; E. J. Peters, \$5 (both of Eshurst, Kings county); H. W. Barlow, \$5; a friend, \$1; Mrs. Alice M. Ruddle, \$5; and W. Yassie, \$5.

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