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SPIRIT OF UNREST.

The Toronto Globe, in commenting on the spirit of unrest which now prevails throughout Canada from end to end, has this to say:

"The spirit of unrest in the country must be apparent to the most unobserving and unreflecting Canadians. Even the contented classes must recognize that something is radically wrong. The people are in anything but good humor, and their irritation is growing and spreading. Their discontent is not in any degree war-weariness. It is not due to any sacrifices imposed by the war. Canadians would cheerfully bear any burden laid upon them if they were convinced that it was necessary or helpful to the cause for which they are fighting. They do feel, however, that the burden is not fairly distributed, and that their sacrifices and exertions do not count as they should in the sum total of Canada's effort.

"While the cost of the barest necessities of life in the average household takes an increasing proportion of its income, leaving little or no margin, the people are incensed by the spectacle of huge profits being drained into private pockets—profits created by the war conditions which press heavily upon themselves. They see mushroom fortunes grow out of the making of war material which they must pay for in the end. More exasperating still, they see millions being made out of the handling of foodstuffs, which have advanced in price beyond their reach. The anger at these inequalities is by no means restricted to wage-earners. The weight of the war has fallen as severely upon the salaried classes and all whose incomes have expanded little or not at all."

The Globe very truthfully points out that in all undertakings related to the war, such as flour mills, packing houses, cold storage plants, there should have been a system of national control. The owners should have been given to understand that they are servants of the state and should have been allowed a reasonable profit and no more. The angry mood of the country springs from failure to properly organize Canada for the war and exact services and sacrifices from the rich and poor alike. The people realize that they have had a raw deal from the Borden government, which has yielded to the monopolistic influences of the big interests which placed it in power six years ago.

Boodling patronage, pull and favoritism have been rampant even in military affairs. It was not until the government found itself in a very deep hole that it made overtures to the Liberals with a view of forming a union administration. The call came too late and was very properly rejected by the Liberals.

The feeling of unrest throughout the country is deep-seated, and it will take something more than the old Tory "loyalty" cry to stampede the voters into supporting a government which is directly responsible for the abominable conditions which prevail.

The strike of the employees of the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company seems to have put some life into Hon. T. W. Crothers, Canada's minister of play, who announces that he is going to get after the company with a "big stick." The Great Northwestern Telegraph Company, it might be explained, is a subsidiary of the Canadian Northern Railway Company, and headed by one Zebulon A. Lash, of Toronto. It is scarcely likely that Mr. Lash and the Tory magnates who are associated with him, are losing any sleep over the threats which Mr. Crothers is making. In this connection it might be recalled that the G. N. W. Telegraph Company did Hon. Bob Rogers a good turn some months ago by destroying copies of certain telegrams which passed between Ottawa and Winnipeg.

Toronto Telegram (Cons.): What is the difference between a war profit made out of horses and a war profit made out of hogs? The profits of a war traffic in hogs are enormously greater than the profits of a war traffic in horses. The tragedy of a complete downfall rewarded the drover, J. R. Fallis, former M. P. P., for Peel.

The crime of the drover was the making of money in war profits. The triumph of continued exaltation rewards the kings and princes of the packing house industries. The virtue of the flour mill, the packing house and the cold storage specialists is making millions in war profits. If J. R. Fallis could not stay in a representative position and make millions in war profits out of hogs, flour, eggs and other food products? Canada cultivates a miserable, cowardly variety of political virtue.

St. Catharines Journal: Evidently the Borden government has adopted all the old sayings and rolled them into one, such as "to the victor belongs the spoils," "everything is fair in love and war," and "the end justifies the means, etc." There cannot be a shadow of doubt that the franchise act, or, as it is called, the war-time elections act, was designed a deexecuted, thus far, with the sole purpose in view of winning the election. Sir George Foster so admitted in the Commons, but instead of calling it by the above name the Hon. Arthur Meighen should have labelled it the "war-time rejections act."

Under the Borden government's win-the-war policy, the working people of the country are bled white, while the William Davis Packing Company, headed by Sir Joseph Flavelle, is able to gather in a profit of \$1,800,000 in one year on a paid-up capital of \$2,000,000.

Sir Robert Borden's object in trying to form a union government is to create a split in the Liberal party in order that the Tories may have some slight chance of securing a new lease of power. He knows that in a straight party fight his government would be licked out of its boots.

Through Our Sieve

It is awfully hard to get rich according to methods prescribed in books.

Some men don't mind getting it in the neck if their neighbors get it just as hard.

These balmy days are nicely calculated to lull us into procrastinating optimism regarding our coal bins.

No doubt it is the military influence that impels the tailors to try to tack a belt on every coat.

Wanted, for the Kaiser's diplomatic service, more or less able-bodied gentlemen who can't write.

The food controller is about as popular as an umpire who has just given a close decision against the home team.

The farmer these days isn't the bewhiskered old goat he used to be, so we darsent blame the high cost of living on him.

In Russia's darkest hour, Kerensky married again, thus doing his best to increase the world's stock of happiness.

You may have noticed that one girl no sooner breaks a man's heart than another comes along and bandages it up.

Robert Underwood Johnson as head of a committee of poets, is to raise \$100,000 for the American ambulance corps. These are strange and revolutionary times. Think of poets and \$100,000 flocking together!

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Marine Pfd.....	87 1/2
Union Pac.....	128 3/4
U. S. Steel.....	109
Air Brake.....	179
Kenn.....	40
Marine Com.....	28 1/2
Reading.....	81
Rubber.....	59 3/4
Studebaker.....	45 1/2
Bethlehem.....	163 3/4
Wool.....	47 1/2

MONTREAL:

Civic.....	71
Detroit.....	110 1/2
Quebec.....	17
Toronto.....	65
Braz.....	39 1/2
Cement.....	58 1/2
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NEW PRINCIPAL FOR QUEEN'S

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Montreal, Sept. 29.—Rev. Dr. R. B. Taylor, minister of St. Paul's church, Montreal, has been offered and has, it is said, accepted the position of principal and vice-chancellor of Queen's University, Kingston, Ont., in succession to the Rev. D. Gordon, D.D., LL.D., who is retiring from the position owing to bad health.

Dr. Taylor was born in Scotland and came to Montreal in 1911.

Mr. Grout on Trip.—Mr. H. C. Grout, general superintendent of the Atlantic division of the C.P.R., left for Wisconsin last evening. He will spend about three weeks there. Mr. H. J. Humphrey, superintendent at Brownville Junction, will be acting superintendent.

Mr. L. H. Jacobs of Montreal, is a guest at the Barker House.



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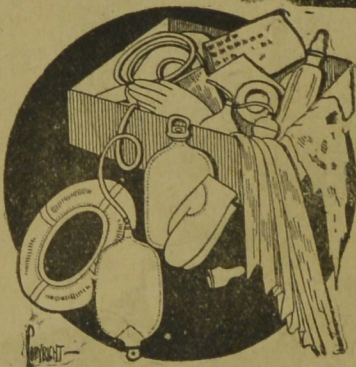
There will be a special meeting of the Ashburnham Branch of the Red Cross Society in the rooms of the E. W. V. Association on Monday evening, October 1st, at 8 o'clock. All members are requested to be present as business of importance is to be taken up with the House Committee of the E. W. V. A.

(Sgd) LUCY A. ANDERSON,
President.

NOTICE OF MEETING

A joint meeting of the Ashburnham Branch of the Red Cross Society and the Fredericton Labor Council will be held on Tuesday evening, October 2nd, at Union Hall, Regent street, for the purpose of disposing by auction of a number of prizes left over from Labor Day festival. A full attendance is requested.

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(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Ottawa, Sept. 29.—Official announcement is made that the Military Hospitals Commission will erect a six hundred bed convalescent hospital on property adjacent to the Macdonald College, Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Quebec. McGill University will be associated with the commission in the project.

His satanic majesty would soon have to shut up shop if he did business on the C. O. D. plan.



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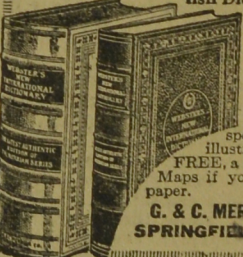
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