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MORE MONEY IS NEEDED TO WIN THE GREAT WAR

Little Chance of an Armistice Until the
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 --- The War is Now Costing the Allies
 More Than Ever --- Canada Will Need
 Every Dollar of Victory Loan Proceeds

It will take a lot of money to end the war. The resistance of the Central Powers is collapsing, but Germany and Austro-Hungary are still strong. One is also safe in saying that there will be no armistice until Germany and her allies accept peace on the Allies' terms. No one knows what lies ahead but the prospects are for considerable more fighting. This much is certain: The war is not yet over. As far as the Allies are concerned, they are at the height of their strength. The war is costing them more than ever.

This is true of Canada, quite as much as of the other countries among the Allies. The 1918 war bill will cost the Dominion \$400,000,000. Today the expenditure is running over \$30,000,000 a month, or in excess of \$1,000,000 a day. If \$500,000,000 are subscribed to the Victory Loan four-fifths of this sum must go to meet this year's war bill. So it may readily be seen that there is strong need for all the money that can be obtained.

Demobilizing the Army

Even if the war were to end this month, it would probably cost over \$225,000,000 to demobilize the Canadian soldiers, 425,000 of whom have gone overseas. It is estimated that they could not be brought home under less than 18 months, or at the rate of about 23,000 a month. So pay and allowances would, over the demobilization period, probably cost \$150,000,000. To this amount should be added over \$20,000,000 for ocean and land transportation. Added to these items the other expenses incidental to maintaining a large army, even if it is not fighting, and it will readily be seen that \$225,000,000 constitutes a low estimate.

Advances to British Government

The chief purpose of the Victory Loan is to maintain the army, but the money is required for many other purposes. As is well known, Canada is supplying hundreds of millions of dollars worth of products a year to the various Allied countries, of which Great Britain takes by far the largest part; but these have to be sold largely on credit, the Dominion Government in the meantime, advancing the money to finance the purchases. Of course the Government has to get the money from the people, and, since only a portion of it can be obtained by taxation, the rest must come through war loans.

Canada today is enjoying unexampled prosperity, which is due very largely to the heavy subscription to the 1917 Victory Loan. By reason of the \$400,000,000 thus placed at the disposal of the Government, it has been able to advance about \$25,000,000 a month to the Imperial Munitions Board, which, to date has placed in Canada orders for over \$1,200,000,000 worth of war materials. One hundred millions were advanced to finance the 1917 wheat crop and a like amount to finance the sale of agricultural pro-

ducts to Great Britain, which included well on to \$40,000,000 worth of cheese.

Will Need All the Money

During the coming year the Dominion Government proposes to do even more than it has done in the past. For one thing the Imperial Munitions Board has half a billion dollars worth of orders in sight, and will probably require larger money advances. Another hundred millions at least will be required to finance the wheat crop and more than that to take care of the exports of beef, pork cheese and other dairy products to Great Britain. Obviously the \$500,000,000 will all be needed.

Canada is well able to subscribe all the money that is required. Today there are over \$500,000,000 more in Canadian banks than were at the outbreak of the war. Last year \$400,000,000 were subscribed to the Victory Loan, but in spite of that the savings deposits at the end of last August was over \$60,000,000 in excess of those at the end of August 1917. The money is needed and the Victory Loan should be readily subscribed twice over.

MANNERS, GOOD AND BAD, AND THE MOVIES

(Chicago News)

"I see where some one has said that bad manners are taught in the movies said Charlie, the picture show usher, to the nursemaid who brought her little charge to see the latest five reel thriller. 'Let me tell you right now they don't have to go to moving picture theatres to see bad manners. There's all the bad manners one wants outside the films.'

"Did you notice that big fat gazabo that nearly knocked you over trying to get a single seat? I wonder if he learned his bad manners from watching the screen. He did not. I never saw a picture showing a big burley rolling down the aisle like a tank going over the top and nearly killing a pretty little nursemaid. If this was my theatre I'd give the ticket taker orders to tap him on the head with a mallet every time he tried to enter.

"Did you ever notice the bad manners on the street cars? You never saw anything like that in the moving pictures. It's bad enough when a man won't give a lady a seat, but it's worse when some of them won't even give a woman a strap.

"And when a lady gets on the car at rush hour and gives the conductor a \$5 bill, what do you see? The conny loses his temper, says he ain't allowed to take nothing bigger than a two and other things. Can you imagine how that lady feels? Suppose it was a pretty little nursemaid like you? If I was there and they pulled that stuff I'd teach them manners.

"And don't think for a second that the men folks are the only ones shy on manners. Oh, no! I've seen women that could take a few lessons. Yesterday I went and bought a sweater—having no one to knit for me—and when I got home I found it fitted me like a tent over a clothes pole. I took it back to exchange. The clerk I bought it from, who seemed so nice at the time, didn't seem to know me when I returned. She sent me to the exchange department.

"The girl there said I'd have to await my turn in line. The line was about half a block long—all women. After working my way to the front after two hours a lady asked me if I would give her my place as she had to hurry home to the baby. I did.

"Then another one got wise and asked me the same thing. I repeated. Every woman in the line followed the example of the first two and I would have been there yet if a floorwalker—a man—hadn't taken pity on me. He could see I was being made a victim of because I was a gentleman. No such manners as I met there were ever seen in the movies."

"Gee, but it's great to meet a real gentleman like you once in a while," said the pretty nursemaid. "Maybe—maybe some day you'll meet a real lady. Well, so long! I must hurry home with the kid. See you again."

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