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## THE EUROPEAN WAR HAS RE-CREATED AMERICAN LIFE

BY DR. C. A. EATON

Correspondence of Toronto News New York, Sept. 14—No event beyond its own borders has so profoundly affected the United States as the present European war. It is not simply a matter in trade losses. We are used to the ups and downs of business, and are acquainted with all forces of social and political experiment and unrest. This goes deeper, penetrating to the moral consciousness of all classes, and waking a response as surprising as it is reassuring. The sickening horror of the thing rests like a cloud upon city and country alike—men talk of little else. Everyone is studying history and geography and strategy. Even those circles hitherto given over to froth and frivolity exhibit an occasional gleam of moral sense under this gigantic stimulus.

### UNIVERSAL OBLIGATION

We are not at war, but we might as well be from the point of view of business. In 1896 Mr. Bryan was confident that this Government could and ought to coin silver at the ratio of sixteen to one, "without regard to any other nation on earth." Millions of intelligent men agreed with him. And the millions who successfully opposed his proposal were fully as stout as he in their disregard of any other nation on earth. Now, how pre-historic all that seems. We are in the world and of the world, and everyone is convinced that we can do nothing without regard to any other nation. This war has destroyed provincialism in national thought here and there everywhere. Whatever else it may do or undo, it has already recreated American life. Our citizenship takes on a new dignity and value in proportion as this sense of universal obligation

finds lodgment in public and private thought.

### BUSINESS IMPROVING

The business situation is clearing, but is still far from satisfactory. The banks and the Government are acting in harmony, which is a new thing under the sun. Schemes are being considered for the paying of our foreign debts without draining America of gold. The President has presented to Congress a request for a special war tax to meet the impending deficit of a hundred million due to the war. We are at peace, strictly neutral, with nothing to hinder taking the abandoned trade of Germany in South America and elsewhere. But—we have no ships, and those offered for sale are belabored with diplomatic and political bombshells which rob them of their usefulness.

During August, according to the financial journals, no less than twenty-three corporations, representing \$300,000,000 of stock, either reduced or passed their dividends. Rumors are abroad that still greater losses may be expected. Everywhere workmen are being discharged—and economy has become a conscription in domestic as well as business budgets. We are in for troublous times and, for the most part, the people are facing the situation with fortitude and hope.

### "THAT GERMANY IS WRONG"

In one way the war has revealed the nature of American opinion as nothing has done since the civil war. There is a resolute adherence to the original judgment against the German position. I never saw so little feeling manifested over grave issues. There is no expression of antagonism towards Germany. If anything there is a sense of sadness and sympathy. But the American public is thoroughly convinced that Germany is wrong in this conflict. One hears everywhere tributes to the efficiency and courage of all the armies, except the Austrian, but always there remains the moral certitude that the issue of the war will demonstrate the fact that the German idea of militarism is a menace to mankind and must be gotten rid of now at any cost. The almost frantic press campaign in the interests of the German position creates an unpleasant impression and is resented by the public here. Never has there been called forth a finer expression of the democratic ideal than is afforded by the editorials of all classes of American newspapers. Perhaps we may discern here the force which shall some day supersede armaments in the arbitrament of international disputes. Although America is polyglot beyond most nations the standards by which public opinion is formed on great issues are those of Great Britain.

### DEMOCRATIC IDEAL

American public opinion favors the allies today, not because of any overmastering affection for either Great Britain or France, but simply because the American democratic ideal of life is for liberty as against autocracy and would therefore settle its contentions by appeal to reason and justice, rather than by blood and ruin wrought by the sword. In a democracy ideas are mightier than armies, and no cause can triumph until it has won the moral assent of the people. The American people are more impressed by Sir Edward Grey than they are by the Kaiser and his armies. They believe that Grey is the spokesman for all that is best in the free people of Britain. They believe that the Kaiser speaks for an outworn system and not for the toiling thinking, dreaming masses of his country. They admire his strength and his organizing gift but they believe his face is towards the past and they hope for his sake and for the sake of the great German nation, that he will fail in his attempt to become the war-lord of mankind. For well they know that if his legions were to crush the free people of France and Britain, there would not be room enough in the world for the American idea and the war-lord idea.

### THE TOLEDO ELECTRIC SCALE

One of the most interesting and attractive exhibits at the St. John Fair this year, was the booth advertising the famous Toledo Electric Scale. These scales are used by a great many merchants throughout the Maritime Provinces, all of whom are more than delighted and satisfied with them. Several of our own leading grocers in Fredericton have invested in a set and are very much pleased with them. Mr. H. N. Cockburn of 25 Mill Street, St. John, is the scales agent for the company. He claims business excellent. Only a few months ago this company opened a large establishment in Germany at the cost of twenty thousand dollars, which amount they expect they will lose on account of the war.

### CANADA'S NEW PARK

Old Trading Post Stood in Midst of Beautiful Forest Tract

Forty-seven years ago two adventurous young Englishmen, Viscount Milton and Dr. Cheadle, after passing the winter in a Saskatchewan forest set out from Edmonton to cross the Rocky Mountains and to reach the Pacific coast by the overland route. After a most laborious journey, attended with much hardship and of much danger, they accomplished their purpose. They crossed the Rockies by way of the Yellowhead Pass, which accurate surveys have since determined to be the easiest passage through the mountains, and is the route followed by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway on its passage over the great divide. On their journey they arrived at Jasper House, an ancient landmark, even at that time, in the geography of this part of Canada. One hundred years ago Jasper House was one of the most important trading posts of the Hudson Bay Company in all the far North-west. It was built in the year 1800 by Jasper Hawes, who is frequently referred to by the early explorers of the upper Rockies.

The site of the old trading post is now the centre of Jasper Park. This playground of scenic beauty and largely unexplored area has been set aside by the Federal Government of Canada and will be preserved in a state of nature so far as such condition is consistent with the purposes for which the reserve is created. It will be open to the holiday-maker and the tourist; to the explorer, for much of it in detail is still an unknown land to the student of nature, to the artist and to those wishing to study at first hand the problems of forestry in a country where forests will be preserved in their natural state.

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### HOW DO YOU SLEEP

Most people sleep on their sides, with the knees drawn up. Elephants always, and horses commonly, sleep standing up. Birds, with the exception of owls and the hanging parrots of India, sleep with their heads turned tailward over the back and the beak thrust among the feathers between the wing and body. Storks, gulls, and other long-legged birds sleep standing on one leg. Ducks sleep on open water. To avoid drifting shoreward, they keep paddling with one foot, thus making them move in a circle. Foxes and wolves sleep curled up, their noses and the soles of their feet together. Hares, snakes, and fish sleep with their eyes wide open. Owls, in addition to their eyelids, have a screen, that they draw across their eyes to shut out the light, for they sleep in the daytime.

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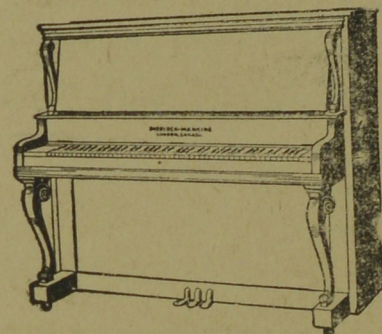
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