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REPATRIATING THE SOLDIERS

The difficulties likely to be encountered in repatriating the soldiers are being made much of in the press and, on the platform. That difficulties will be encountered is to be expected but a country that raised and equipped an army of half a million and sent them to the battlefield may be trusted to bring these men back and provide them with means to provide for themselves. An exchange well says that if some 350,000 immigrants from the United Kingdom, from Northern, Central and Southern Europe, were arriving in Canada, we should not be dwelling on the strain the handling and establishing of the newcomers would throw upon the administrative capacity of the Government. On the contrary, we would make little of that matter and would be enlarging upon the tremendous gain to the country. The return of 300,000 or so of Canada's own sons, most of them in the unimpaired vigor of youth, is a greater good for the country than would be the arrival of five times as many immigrants of all ages and conditions. If waves of immigration from lands where our language, our customs, and our industrial arts are unknown are to

GERMAN PROPAGANDISTS BUSY

In the Baltimore Sun a few days ago there appeared a singular article by a special correspondent who as a member of an American press delegation had visited France and England. It was to the effect that there was great dissension among the Allies. He reported that Foch and Haig were at daggers drawn, and that Pershing had found it necessary to defy the Generalissimo and to insist that the American army should not be broken up. The correspondent of another newspaper who was with the Baltimore correspondent all through the trip, and to whom the same sources of information were open, asserted that he had heard nothing and seen nothing which could be reasonably distorted into the views expressed in the Sun. The American press generally denounced the Sun and the author as

being wittingly or not, a German propagandist. But in a speech delivered in Buffalo a day or so later Mr. David Lawrence, the Washington correspondent of the New York Post, and supposedly an interpreter of President Wilson's views, confirmed what the Sun correspondent had said, and declared that it was common knowledge in Washington.

Germany's surviving hope is that her enemies may quarrel at the Peace Conference and that some of them may champion her cause against the others. It is obvious that she is building on deceiving the United States. If she knew more about the spirit of the American people she would cherish no hope from that quarter. Nevertheless her agents, paid or unconscious, are busy there.

REVISED FOOD REGULATIONS

Changes in the food regulations following upon the Armistice of Nov. 11th in so far as they affect the general public are summarized in the Canada Food Board statement as follows:
 Compulsory restrictions in the amount of flour which may be held in store by dealers, householders, and others have been rescinded.
 The compulsory purchase of a proportion of substitutes for wheat flour has been rescinded.
 The use of substitutes by manufacturers, bakers, public restaurants and households is no longer compulsory but in view of the necessity of conservation and in order to prevent waste of stock of substitutes already on hand, the Food Board urges the greatest possible voluntary use of them to be continued.
 Sandwiches may now be served in public eating places during the noon meal hour.
 Restrictions on the quantity of bread served at public eating places are now removed.

Manufacturers may make and sell doughnuts, biscuits, crackers, Scotch shortbread or cake, and French pastry, provided they use vegetable fats only.
 Manufacturers, provided they do not exceed 40 pounds of sugar to every 100 pounds of flour, may make and sell cakes and biscuits filled with icing so long as they do not increase the total amount of sugar used as allotted.
 Restrictions on the manufacture of wheat in the form of breakfast foods, alimentary paste, buckwheat and self-raising flours, etc., have been rescinded.
 Conservation regulations of beef are still in force and are still important, in view of the requirements at the present time and in the future.
 Conservation of butter and animal fats is still very important. Until the end of the year the regulation of the consumption of sugar will be necessary, after which it is hoped the new crop will be available.

Your Problems Solved

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Dr. Linscott, in this column will help you solve your heart problems—religious, natural, social, financial, and every other anxious care that perplexes you. If a personal answer is required, enclose a five cent stamp. No names will be published; if you prefer, sign your initials only, or use a pseudonym.

"ARE ALL HEATHENS LOST?"
 asks "A Young Christian." This is the conception of many earnest Christians, but it seems to me it is wrong; it certainly is according to St. Paul's conception. (See Romans 2:11-16) Here we learn among other things that "when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves." We also learn that Jesus "was the true Light, which lighted every man that cometh into the world." The real Christ, if not the historic Christ, may be known by every heathen, and all who are true to the light will be saved.

FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT: "An Old-Fashioned Christian" asks "why it is that preachers do not have revivals as in years gone by?" One reason is that there is little said concerning the Holy Spirit and therefore preachers are not filled with the Spirit after a Pentecostal kind, as they frequently were some years ago. Preachers, as a rule do not claim to be filled with the Holy Spirit nor do they realize the sinner's danger and his need for the immediate acceptance of Christ.

"IS OUR TIME TO DIE FIXED?"
 Miss Curiosity asks. The time of our death is a contingent event; with rare exceptions I do not think that God himself knows when that time will be. The length of our lives, barring accident and heredity, depends upon our observance of the laws of nature. Even those two exceptions can to a great extent, be controlled by caution and the proper care of our bodies. The average man and woman may be as young in spirit and more fertile in mind at seventy than at thirty if life has been properly lived. Alas! that most deaths are practical suicides; people die before their time through the abuse or neglect of their bodies, and the non use of their minds.

BAWLER SAID SOMETHING

Bawler admired his wife immensely and incidentally his wife's singing. At the party, when Mrs. Bawler was asked to sing "There is a Garden in My Face" the husband glowed with pride. It didn't matter though she had a face like that of a hippopotamus and a voice like that of elephant. He sat beaming as she sang.
 When about half-way through he whispered to his neighbor:
 "Don't you think my wife's got a fine voice?"
 "What?" said his neighbor who was a bit deaf.
 "Don't you think my wife's got a fine voice?"
 "What?"
 "Don't you think my wife's got a fine voice?" roared Bawler.
 "Sorry," said the other, shaking his head. "That awful woman over there is making such a frightful row I can't hear a word you say."

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WHAT'S THE USE?

What's the use, dear heart, of sighing
 Just because the skies are grey.
 And the bright things that you dream of
 Never seem to come your way?
 Storms and shadows make the sunshine
 Afterwards more dear and bright.
 Joy of dawn can only follow
 After dreary glooms of night.
 What's the use of weakly yielding
 To a foolish fit of "blues"?
 Whistling's better far than weeping—
 You can whistle if you choose.
 Wherefore magnify your troubles?
 Wherefore minimise your hope?
 Viewing virtues through the wrong
 end
 Of Love's mighty telescope?
 What's the use of dull despairing
 When you've fought so hard and
 failed?
 After countless disappointments
 Heights of glory oft are scaled.
 Obstacles, mistakes, and failures
 Stepping stones may prove to you
 Courage, then! Nor faint nor falter
 Till you win your Waterloo.



PRIVATE JOSEPH BROWN, M. M.

Mrs. W.R. Brown, of Mt. Albion had received two letters from the Canadian Red Cross and the Militia Dept. at Ottawa advising her that her son Frances Joseph Brown, has been wounded. The visitor to the Hospital referring to Pte. Brown, who it might be mentioned was wounded three times, once in the throat, once in the knee and this time in the forearm, says he is now in the Yatch Club V. A. D. Hospital and that he is making good progress. Private Brown has proved an excellent soldier. Crossing over with the famous 55th he threw up his stripes to go to France as a private and there won the Military Medal for bravery. The Guardian joins with the many friends of the family in the hope that he may be fully restored to health and an early return home. Mrs. Brown has a second son Sydney in France, he having one over with the 105th Battalion and who fortunately has come through the war unscathed.

NO UNION YET

Sir: The statement appearing in the press to the effect that a Maritime Sunday School Association had been consummated in Moncton recently is rather premature to say the least. As our readers will remember this proposition was considered in Sackville, last August by the joint committee representing the Provincial Executive committees of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island respectively. It is true that at this meeting a basis of union was agreed upon but this was subject to the approval and sanction of the annual Provincial Association conventions—the one court having authority to pass upon such a proposition in this democratic institution. As owing to the influenza epidemic, no conventions were held in either Nova Scotia or P. E. I. no vote authorizing the consummation of union has been taken by either of these provinces. I understand however, the old Provincial Executive committee of Nova Scotia voted to enter the union and it was representatives of this committee and regularly authorized representatives of New Brunswick who met recently in Moncton and who are reported to have consummated a Maritime Union.
 Now Sir, I make bold to assert that a Maritime Union has not yet been effected. There is an important, if small factor necessary to its existence left out, and that is Prince Edward Island. We had no convention here, neither has our Provincial Executive committee yet voted on the basis of union referred to above. Did our Executive vote to become a party of the union it would not then commit this Province to it as its vote could be annulled by any annual or social convention of the Island association called to consider it. A union effected on such a flimsy foundation would not be workable in my judgment as it would be wanting in responsibility and confidence on the part of the association as a whole—two very important considerations in financing. However, we are endeavoring to arrive at something that will approach the real authority as nearly as may be under the circumstances. We have asked the District Association officers to meet and pass judgment on the question and to forward their findings to the Provincial Executive for a guide in dealing with the matter. Let it be clearly understood by all our workers that the union if effected, will bring about changes in which our vote shall be outnumbered four to one as they come up for consideration. Take notice that the meeting held in Moncton changed two of the proposals forming the basis agreed upon by the representatives of the three Provincial Executive committees. Instead of fifty members constituting the executive committee it will include fifty besides the officers and presidents of county associations. Instead of biennial Maritime conventions an annual Maritime was decided upon with Provincial association conventions in addition. This will make too much convention, in my opinion. While we cannot have too much of a good thing we may have a



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