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Even the comic papers have learned that John Barleycorn is a war-victim. Mars is apparently putting the finishing touches upon the fate of the liquor business. As we come to this regular quarterly temperance lesson of the Sunday school, which is to be studied topically, we find ourselves in the position of a friend of mine who is a leader in American social service. Commenting a few days ago upon the condition of the temperance reform he wrote, "Things are moving so rapidly that it is all one can do to keep up with the progress of the movement, much less try to lead it." The speed at which the saloon is being driven from trench to trench, from position to position, until it is now near to engulfment in the watery sea of obliteration, is bewildering and dazzling and glorious.

War in speeding up everything. Reforms are being accomplished at a breathless rate. "The work that centuries should have done, must crowd the hour of the setting sun." So we read of blow after blow at the liquor trade, each severer than the last, and now the confidence pervades the land that the entire business is to be wiped out quickly, in the interest of military and economic advantage. There seem to be no friends left for John Barleycorn, except the men who profit financially by his continuance.

Fit For Fighting

"Soft" and "Out of Condition," have been characterizations heaped upon the nonmilitary nations of civilization. They were self-indulgent. Ease and appetite held sway. One of the most shameful incidents of the early stages of he conflict was the refusal of a body of British churchmen to give up the use of liquor during the war. They had wandered so far from the Christ-principle of self-denial for the sake of others that they were not so much as willing to surb their appetites for the sake of God and country. The stigma thus placed upon Christianity has been remarked upon by the secular and religious press around the entire globe.

In Canada, and in the fighting zone of Europe, people are becoming more fit for fighting. They have learned the great self-renunciation which underlie all discipline of mind and body. Real preparedness is a thing of the spirit, a state of mind. Success in war, as in all the other battles of life, strikes its roots back into the character of the individual. So long as a people are self-pleasing, and accustomed to put comfort ahead of conviction, the state is in danger.

Here we come directly upon the reason why the Sunday school should study a temperance lesson. We hear a great deal about the economic aspects of the fight against the use of strong drink; and not one word too much. Nevertheless, the issue is fundamentally religious. Its appeal is to the Christian spirit of altruism and vicariousness. For the sake of others the disciple of Jesus, like his Master, denies himself.

The New Kind of Heretics

The person who will not deny his own desires for the sake of his country or his God violates the very genius of the New Testament. They are poor Christians indeed who have not learned to subdue an impulse at the behest of a principle. Their undisciplined lives are doomed to slavery. Only reined spirits reign.

All Christians who are represented by those British ecclesiastics, mentioned above, who refused to abstain from the glass during the period of the war, are real heretics. They are disloyal to the first principles of Jesus. Such selfishness is worse than doctrinal unsoundness. The world knows and cares little about a Christian's creed, except as faith is wrought out into life. But it clearly brands as unchristian all such self-indulgence and self-seeking as has been indicated. The churchman who cares more for his wine than for the name of the Master which he wears, and the business man who puts his dividends above his duty to his fellow men are alike traitors to their land and their Lord. They have not learned the first lesson even of temperance, which is self-control, and the art of holding things in proportion.

The Patriotism of Prohibition

I have been trying to imagine the feeling nowadays of the veterans of the temperance reform movement—the Women's Christian Temperance Union workers and the "eccentric" prohibition advocates who, fifteen or twenty years ago, were but voices crying in the wilderness. Few of them dared to hope to live to see the fulfilment of their dream and desire. Now, statesmen and economists and educators and labor leaders are one in pleading with the nation to go the extreme limit of national prohibition.

What would Neal Dow or Frances E. Willard have said to having as an ally the president of the National City bank of New York, Frank A. Vanderlip, formerly of the United States Treasury? Yet here is an extract from a recent telegram by Mr. Vandelip:

"I believe we are facing a serious test of our national character and efficiency and am firmly convinced that a national prohibition measure would be of transcendent importance in its effect upon the national spirit in conserving and increasing our food supply and in raising the efficiency of the nation. The man-power released from the liquor industries could be directed into other productive channels where the need for labor will be acute and thus be readily absorbed. The needs of the agricultural and industrial situation will make this a peculiarly opportune time to put through a national prohibition law with minimum shock to our economic machinery during the readjustment. The business interests involved should be fairly dealt with, but many of the plants can be readily converted to important industrial uses. The plea that the government revenue will be seriously curtailed should not influence action, for prohibition will induce a national efficiency which will open new and far richer sources of revenue."

The author of the Kebb-Kenyon bill, Hon. Edwin Yates Webb, wrote in a recent Sunday School Times:

"The no-license or dry area now amounts to 2,500,000 square miles of our territory, or 86 per cent. Twenty-five States are now dry, and, out of a total of 2,543 counties in the United States, liquor is allowed to be sold in only 305 of them."

The Pleas of the Empty Flour Barrel

That same statement declares:

"It is a national crime in times like these to have about one hundred million bushels of grain destroyed yearly in the manufacture of intoxicants, when food and other necessaries of life are so high that the average man can hardly buy them, and the poor are wondering whether they must go hungry or starve."

Of all the recent allies to the temperance cause the empty flour barrel is one of the most potent. When the world is threatened with famine it is folly—worse, it is a crime—to drink up eleven milion loaves of bread in a day, with no return to the physical strength of the nation. Seven million men could be fed for a year by the grain that now goes into booze in the United States alone.

On this point Mr. Webb writes:

"There are about 300,000 people engaged in the liquor business in this country, supplying whisky to about 5,000,000 drinkers. It is estimated that our people spend every year about two billion dollars for intoxicants. This stupendous sum is yearly spent for an article which in no way helps the people, but which actually destroys them in body and soul.

"If this two billion dollars were converted into other industries—and it should be, especially in time of war—it would give back to labor $500,000,000 in additional earnings and wages, and would give employment to 900,000 laborers."

Ready For a New World

Society's case against strong drink has been proved up to the hilt. We know that the booze business debauches politics (a large group of Pennsylvania brewers were indicted a few days ago for political bribing and corruption) and debauches life. It does no real good and imparts no lasting pleasure. Its effects are entirely antisocial. The one rallying cry of the trade, that it provides employment for thousands of persons has been turned into hollow mockery by the war, which has created such a demand for workers and warriors that every man at present employed in the liquor business could find another job within twenty-four hours. We need both the men and the grain that the brewery and the distillery are diverting from the vital channels of the nation's life. Most of all, the world needs the new crop of boys who would be destroyed by the saloon.

There is a new note in all discussion of the temperance question today. For it is clear that we are entering upon a different world order. President Wilson's epochal address to the United States Congress assures that. The organized life of mankind is to be lived on a higher plane hereafter. Democracy's demands are difficult. Its implications of brotherhood and common welfare and united self-sacrifice can be met only by a new spirit among men.

The new world-life will be a sober life, a self-controlled life, a life of highest efficiency. And that can come in no other way than by the spirit of Jesus.

Expert Says Hoarding Is Mistaken For Thrift

New York, May 18. — A warning to women of the United States not to mistake hoarding for war-time thrift has been issued by Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the National Emergency Food Garden Commission. If business is thrown out of its usual course by extreme limitation of expenditures disaster to the country may follow, Mr. Pack declared.

"I meet people every day," said Mr. Pack, "who have missed the point entirely in this food crisis. The other day a woman told me she had discharged her chauffeur and sold her automobile. She said she was trying to save.

"I told her she was doing her level best to damn her country. Now, suppose all the women stopped wearing flowers in thei rhats or bits of lace about their necks. Do you know what it would mean to the workers of the country and to the grocers they buy from? It would mean ruin.

"Our Allies do not want the flower from a woman's hat or the lace from her neck. They want just a little of our food. That is the place for conservation now.

"Let's all go to it as never before and keep business going as usual, for that is a mighty good slogan. The National Emergency Food Garden Commission wants to help housewives produce food f. o. b. the kitchen door, and thus relieve the railroads, in order that they may do other things for the government.

"Do not let hysteria and hoarding be mistaken for thrift in so far as the food uqestion affects us."

WILSON'S UNCLE DEAD

Columbus, Ohio, May 18. — Chas. Scott Woodrow, aged 67, an uncle of President Wilson, died to-day at the home of his son, Thomas J. Woodrow, on Cline road, Briggsdale, a suburb of Columbusl. President Wilson's mother was Woodrow's half-sister. He was a native of Columbus.

Presbyterian Church Is Near National Union

By Associated Press

Dallas, Texas, May 17. — With the election of Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman, of Jamaica, N. Y., former Evangelist, as moderator, late to-day, the 129th general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America, took a step which many of the delegates said went a long way toward furthering prospects for union of the two branches of the church—the North and South. Many delegates contended that Dr. Chapman as head of the assembly would exert an influence toward a reuniting of the two factions which was promising.

Two other candidates were nominated for the moderatorship. Dr. Harlan G. Mendenhall, of New York, and Dr. John B. Rendall, president of Lincoln University, Lincoln, Pa. The vote was, Chapman, 590; Rendall, 139, and Mendenhall, 121. The election was made unanimous by acclamation upon motion of Dr. Robert Johnson, of Montreal, Can. Only one ballot was taken.

Just when, and in what form the proposed reunion of the two church factions will be broached, prominent men of the assembly refused to predict to-night. Action looking to that end might be taken to-morrow, they said, and it might be delayed until later during the nine-day session of the assembly.

Guests Cut Own Bread at King George's Table

Ottawa, May 18.—Guests at the table of King George of England cut their own bread, and this is one way in which the King avoids food waste in his household, according to J. D. Hazen, who has returned from England with Premier Borden of Canada.

With the Premier Mr. Hazen sat at the imperial war conference, and the two were among guests who dined with the English King.

"Everybody in England has enough to eat, but the country has come to realize that no food is to be wasted at this time," Mr. Hazen said. "King George is joining with his people in food enonomy. We were his guests at Windsor Castle, and found that no wine, beer or spirits of any kind were now being used in the King's household.

"The fare at the table has been reduced to the utmost simplicity, and waste is being avoided. For instance you cut your own bread. There is the loaf and the knife, and you cut what you want. This is done to prevent waste. No toast is allowed, because bread once toasted cannot be used again in puddings or other ways known to cooks."

FIELD MARSHAL DIES

By Associated Press

Nice, May 18. — Field Marshal Radomir Putnik, the former chief of general staff of the Serbian army and former minister of war, is dead. Field Marshal Putnik was with the Serbian forces when they retreated into Albania. He had been living at Nice, where he had suffered from a serious illness for considerable time.

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35c Fletcher's Castoria	19c
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25c Red Cross Kidney Plasters	15c
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50c Hudnut's Cold Cream	39c
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75c Mercolized Wax	45c
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25c Packer's Tar Soap	14c
60c Walnutta Hair Stain	29c
50c Djer-Kiss Face Powder	36c
25c Djer-Kiss Talcum Powder	21c
50c Pompeian Massage Cream	29c
50c Carmen Face Powder	29c
50c Kintho Beauty Cream	34c
50c Creme Elcaya	36c
50c Stillman's Freckle Cream	27c
25c Woodbury's Facial Soap	17c
25c Woodbury's Face Powder	17c
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