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EDITORIAL

Must Have Results - - -

The people of England are evidently getting restive. They do not like their armies having to retreat. They are demanding more action and yet more. For months there, has been some criticism of the conduct of the war and newspapers have been outspoken. The dynamic personalities of Churchill and Eden have kept them from being even more outspoken.

Five or six weeks ago one paper published an article by Major General J. F. C. Fuller in which he was critical of the Greek campaign. He makes it clear that his criticism was intended to be constructive and that there was no desire to cause disunity. He quoted Mr. Menzies:

"But the greater our difficulties the more imperative it is that we should stand firm, that we should be united, resolute and energetic. It is our job to fight the battle and to win it and we shall do that best by looking forward and; not back." That is his idea to fight to win and not to fight to lose. He asks for greater frankness on the part of the government: "The truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth is what we want. If good we will embrace it; if evil, we will face it like men."

General Fuller urges that all our strategy be based! on the fact that we are an empire of the sea, whereas Germany is an empire of the land. That means that the most important thing is the winning of the Battle of the Atlantic. The second is the security of Egypt.

An outstanding feature of the article is stress laid upon the value of machines rather than men just now. He argues that an army of four million men is not needed but, instead, there should be an army of 20,000 tanks and at least 20,000 aircraft. Every move should be measured in terms of shipping and the nation as a whole must follow suit.

Concluding the general says: "We are besieged. This is an invested island. Yet better starve than surrender. Therefore, we must be prepared to eat less, wear less, and; enjoy less, all so that we may win more and more."

Sweet Simplicity - - -

Thornton Purkis, a Toronto advertising man who, takes a wide interest in national affairs wrote an article for Toronto Saturday Night in which among other things he says:

"Canadians are being asked to participate in their own defence without risking so much as a pin prick--by buying Victory Bonds.

"We don't know how lucky we are! So far we have suffered very little from this war. If we had to endure, however briefly, some of its danger we might come back filled with enthusiasm for the 'sweet simplicity of the three per cents'.'

"The simple fact is that most of us are better off financially than ever we have been . . . We havn't gone without a cigarette or lipstick as the result of war. We should be grateful that we have a Victory Loan to invest in. We shouldn't need persuasion to invest.

May Be Last War - - -

The same writer believes that if Canadians don't buy! Victory Bonds to the tune of at least a billion dollars, we don't deserve to be in this war. "Think of it!" he says. "It may be the last war that any of us will ever have a chance to do anything about. If the Germans win (which I refuse to consider possible) it will. And when the democracies win, which they will, despite their stupidities, it is to be hoped that the lesson given to the totalitarian states will last for generations.

"The present conflict is not only a war, it's a revolution; and the revolution is taking place concurrently with the war. We either put up the money to keep the war overseas or we face the consequences. As Mr. Churchill said 'without victory there can be no survival'."

Career of Wilhelm From Time of Accession to His Defeat and Flight Following First Great War

would take command of the ship of Germany, Austro-Hungary and of state himself. Concern was felt Italy weakened. in Europe. But, before this, he ling Emperor."

livered his famous "Divine right" to her universities. speech. He said he regarded the welfare of the German people as Morocco situation in 1904. France his "responsibility and conferred was striving for expansion there: by God;" that it was his duty "to the Kaiser spoke up for independincrease this heritage for which ence of the northern Africa sultanone day I shall be called upon to ate, picking a time when France's give account." He added: "Those European ally, Russia, was engagwho try to interfere with my task ed in its disastrous war with Ja-I shall crush."

based on opportunism. While the France's "paramount interest" in occupying the attention of the world he obtained a rich conces-1898. He got Portuguese colonies in In return for withdrawal, he got a

"Open Door" policy in China was Morocco was established. sion at Kiaochow from China in Africa when Portgual was hav-



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ing financial troubles; bought the Caroline and Ladrone Islands from Spain at a moment when that country was exhausted after its war with the United States; protectorates over colonies in southeast and east Africa were dissolved and became German crown colonies; he acquired a foothold in the Samoan Islands.

Alongside peaceful progress Germany built up an army and navy based upon universal service. "Deutchland Ueber Alles" superseded "Die Wacht Am Rhein" as the na-Bismarck, "the Iron Chancellor," tional song. He preached "Der Tag," had been at the helm for some time the day when Germany would get before Wilhelm II became Emporor her place in the sun. Diplomats in 1888 and the country felt in Europe built up ententes and alsafe. For a time, the untried Em- liances to maintain "the balance peror, who was then 29, took coun of power." The triple entente of sel from him. Gradually, a breach Great Britain France and Russia appeared; Bismarck was dismissed hemmed in Wilhelm's realm and and the emperor announced he grew stronger as the triple alliance

Meanwhile, Germany moved forvisited various capitals in Europe ward in culture, science, trade and and became known as "the travel industry. Articles "made in Germany" were known in all world At Brandenburg, in 1890, he de- markets. Foreign students flocked

War clouds appeared ever the He developed a colonial policy pan. Trouble was staved off after

In 1911 Wilhelm startled the world by sending a warship to Agadir to "protect German nationals." slice of territory in the Congo reg-

The Kaiser always took pride in his trade of Zanzibar in the Indian Ocean to Great Britain, in 1890, for Helgoland in the North Sea. He immediately fortified it heavily and it became an outpost of the German navy guarding the strategic approach to the Kiel Canal.

Irritations

He irritated Great Britain during the Boer War by telegraphing "Oom Paul" Krueger his best wishes for defence of the independence of the Transvaal, but, nevertheless, maintained strict neutrality throughout the war.

He cultivated the friendship of the Czar of Russia and the Sultan of Turkey; endeavoured, without Crown Prince nominal head of the 'ory." liance with England and France.

In 1908 he gave a startling interview with the London Daily Telewas building up its fleet, not lers. against England but to be prepared In the early war years he kept that the Emperor had reneunced an automobile and sped across the for eventualities in the Far East, up an active show of friendship the throne and the Crown Prince The Japanese saw in this state- with the United States. When Amment a warning that some day Ger- erica refused to embargo munitions many and England might join in a shipments to Germany's enemies, he fight against them.

many in his memoirs, said the Lon- America after the war." At the time don newspaper interview was "a unrestricted submarine warfare was sudden slap in the face." Popular at its height—a step for which the reaction was such that Wilhelm Kaiser was personally blamed by abandoned a projected visit to Kiel Admiral von Tirpitz-it was said he and Hamburg, lest he encounter had determined upon an indemnity hostile demonstrations.

British press mocked him as "the victorious. Meanwhile, most of the winner of the Boer War:" Russian world had become embroiled in the journals said he had dealt "tact- gigantic conflict. lessly and treacherously" with The German navy, his special France and Russia; Italian com- pride, was bottled up and the almentators accused him of attempt- lied blockade slowly strangled the ling to embroil the whole world in life out of the German nation.

that the Emperor finally promised participated, he began to see the not to take future political actions handwriting on the wall. As the except with the advice and consent tide turned against Germany, a of the Chancellor.

ope, for no apparently significant Austria-Hungary had started nereason, aside from distrust of Ger- gotiations for a separate peace: many's policies and sabre-rattling that there was discontent in his speeches by the Kaiser. Yet, in that realm; that Berlin crowds had demfear, when he celebrated his silver onstrated for a republic. Neverthejubilee, he asserted he had only less, he issued a proclamation urgtwo aims—avoidance of armed conflict and the advancement of his people's welfare. He was greeted by some as the preserver of peace in Europe.

The assassination of the heir to the Austrian throne at Sarajevo in July 1914, seemingly did not impress Wilhelm as serious. He went on a yachting trip to the Baltic convinced there would be no international complications. When he came back Austria and Serbia were at war; Russia was mobilizing. He sent a personal telegraphic appeal to the Czar; exchanged messages with his cousin, King George of England; advised Austria to accept British mediation. Nothing developed. The Kaiser sent a 12-hour ultimatum to St. Petersburg.

The World War

On August 1, Germany declared war on Russia; general mobilization was ordered. In the next ten days, as Commander-in-Chief, he sent troops to east and west; personally "CANADA DRY The Champagne of Ginger ales

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success, to wean Russia from its al- army. As his troops overran Bel- On November 9, Prince Max of democrats in turn proclaimed a regium, swept almost to Paris, drove Baden, the Chancellor, urged Wil- public. On November 11 the armthe Russians from East Prussia and helm to abdicate. The Kaiser said istice was declared. crushed Rumania, he exuited and he would deliberate; but the Changraph in which he said Germany showered decorations on his sold-cellor did not wait for the reply.

told Ambassador James W. Gerard: Chancellor Von Buelow of Ger- "I shall stand no nonsense from of \$30,000,000,000 from the United He was called a meddler. The States if, and when, Germany was

When the "Hindenburg Line" was Criticism reached such heights broken, in which American troops crown council was held August 18, In 1913 war talk hummed in Eur- 1918. He was told that his ally,



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visited the battle fronts; made the ing the nation to "fight on to vic- the succession. He said a regency

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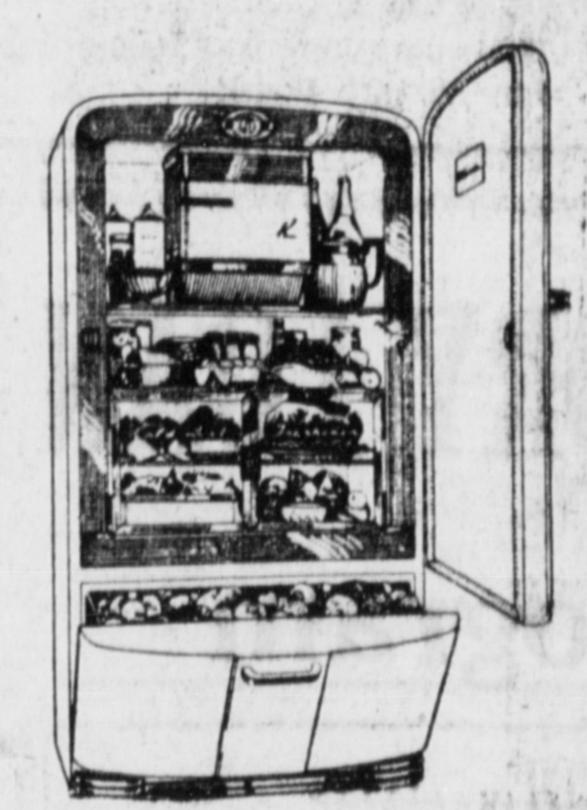
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