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"The Strongest Memory is Weaker Than the Weakest Ink."

Higher Education

Yesterday's commencement exercises at St. Dunstan's University marked the 91st anniversary of this grand old institution, and served once more as a reminder of the vital part which higher education plays in the life of the nation.

This thought is developed in a resolution proposed by Mr. Karl E. Mundt, Republican representative for the state of South Dakota, which has been referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs in Washington.

It is a matter of great satisfaction that in this Province, despite all the wartime demands to which our people have responded wholeheartedly, higher education has not been neglected.

Bad C. C. F. Defeat

The coalition government of Mr. John Hart, in British Columbia, has won a resounding victory in the by-election of New Westminster, where its candidate, Mr. Byron Johnson, has been elected by a majority of more than two-to-one over his C.C.F. opponent.

The result came as a bitter blow to the C. C. F., which has been busy propagating all over Canada the legend that British Columbia is waiting impatiently for the chance to elect a socialist government.

As a prelude to the Federal election New Westminster certainly can be no comfort to the C. C. F., for New Westminster is almost a part of Vancouver where C. C. F. strength is supposed to centre.

Premier Jones Deposes

To the court now sitting in judgment on the case of Prince Edward Island vs. the Mackenzie King Government enter a star witness in the person of Premier the Hon. J. Walter Jones.

"Hundreds of thousands, perhaps millions—of dollars is due this Province in damages from the Dominion by reason of tieups in transportation service to and from the mainland."

The Premier was referring in his evidence to the loss incurred to Island farmers, shippers and others by reason of the breakdown in our car ferry service in the spring of 1944.

He further declared: "It seems to me that under the terms of Confederation, when something has happened to interrupt our communication for which the Dominion failed to make adequate provision, we have a claim against Canada for the loss sustained."

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This evidence by the Liberal Premier of the Province was given before the Legislature on March 8, 1944, in the course of the Budget debate.

What has happened to this claim for "hundreds of thousands, it may be millions"? Not one cent have we received by way of settlement, and since that time further delays and losses have occurred.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Over Four Million dollars from some 14,000 families for Victory Bonds is going some in an agricultural and fishing province.

Summerside was there with the goods, when H. M. C. S. Queen Charlotte needed a large diesel-powered training vessel for Naval personnel and cadet training.

The Borden Government gave us the first car ferry and the Bennett Government the first paved road to Borden; let the Bracken Government complete the work with a new highway via the West and North Rivers, and a second subsidiary car ferry.

The annual meeting of the Boy Scouts Association is called for this evening in the Court Room of the City Hall when a highly pleasing report of the progress of the movement will be submitted.

A week-end visitor to Charlottetown was Mr. L. S. Shatford, superintendent of The Robert Simpson Eastern Ltd. of which Mr. F. A. Stewart Jones is the special representative.

Mr. King himself put the election issue very aptly before the electors when he said that "you cannot separate the future from the past."

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, English novelist, born this date 1859; studied medicine in Edinburgh under Professor Joseph Bell, from whom he drew the character of his omniscient detective Sherlock Holmes; after writing a number of popular stories, he leaped into fame with The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes; his Great Boer War became a standard work, and his Story Of Waterloo was one of Sir Henry Irving's dramatic successes; in later life he became an active propagandist of spiritualism.

The bow was made in England: Of true wood, of Yew wood, The wood of English bows; So men who are free Love the old Yew-tree And the land where the Yew-tree grows.

In view of Mr. Gardiner's visit will our farmers and politicians note this? Under an agreement made with the Wartime Food Corporation import permits to allow new potatoes to be brought in from the United States will be granted by the regional foods officer of the W. P. T. B. Previously such permits had to be issued by the Wartime Food Corporation.

A further sum of \$501,000, owing Saskatchewan under the 1942 Dominion-Provincial Taxation Agreement, has been held back by Federal Finance Minister J. L. Ilsley, to be applied on the 1938 seed grain debt account.

Under terms of the agreement, a sum of \$1,456,857 was due the province on April 30. The provincial treasury received \$955,857.

Notes By The Way

Surgeons who examined Mussolini after death announced that the ailments which were attributed to him had no physical existence. He had no ulcers, no cancer, and no parasites.

Story of German spy's activities along the St. Lawrence in the early stages of the war recalls to regular travellers on the river at that time the occasional odd character who obviously was not on pleasure bent, nor did he appear to have any ordinary business in view.

In many parts of Holland the Canadian girl to accompany him alone to a dance. He asks her whole family, and of course, she comes along.

I was told the other day of a man who, having had his wallet stolen in a Scottish town, inserted this notice in the local newspaper: "The person who stole a wallet in ——— yesterday afternoon was recognized. Will he please return it to ——— at the address of the recognized person. His property will be restored to him."

President Roosevelt, in his famous speech delivered at Kingston, Ontario, in 1941, stated that the United States would "not stand idly by if Canada were attacked, and this was acclaimed by Canadians as a guarantee of our future protection."

Mr. Stettinius, an overwhelmingly popular figure, was elected to the board of the United States War Relocation Authority.

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"What's wrong with that silly little mind of yours? Eh? What are you thinking about? Queer? Income Tax? Your health?"

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A bibbin winding off the threads of our sun from the spoils of flowers. His hunger is a weightless thing And holier than ours.

Trieste

The request of Field Marshal Alexander, Allied Commander-in-Chief in the Mediterranean, with the full-backing of the United Kingdom and the United States Governments, that the Jugo Slav forces be withdrawn from Trieste and Istria, is based on the British and American view that all dispossessed territories should be the decision of the Peace Conference.

Immediate background: Trieste was brought into the news by Marshal Tito, who, when visiting Moscow, in April, declared in an interview with "Red Star" that it was the wish of the population of Istria that Trieste should become part of Yugoslavia.

Field Marshal Alexander's communique to the Jugo Slav Government, in which he announced that Trieste had been occupied by the New Zealand division and that the German garrison and foreign power, Trieste, was to be returned to the Jugo Slav Government.

Historical background: The spread of Italian population groups along the Adriatic littoral goes back to the time of the Roman Empire.

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Saints and lovers bathed in flame Know far less of flame than he As he hovers in his bliss, A minute ecstasy.

—Robert P. Tristram Coffin.



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Boy Scout's Association

The Annual Meeting of the Association will be held in the Court Room, City Hall, Charlottetown, P. E. I., on Tuesday, the 22nd May, 1945, at 7:30 P.M.

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