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The Strongest Memory is Weaker than the Weakest Ink.

SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 1940.
Loss Of The "Fraser"

The war was brought home to Canadians yesterday with Premier Mackenzie King's announcement in the House of Commons of the sinking of H.M.C.S. Fraser off the mouth of the Gironde River, near Bordeaux, France.

The loss of the Fraser is a reminder of the magnificent work which the Canadian Navy has been doing since the outbreak of the war in patrolling Canada's Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

School Holidays

School days are over for two long and glorious months, and the youngsters are preparing to make the most of their freedom.

Let us be thankful that the younger generation in Canada can romp and play during this critical period in world history.

When Thieves Fall Out

Alarmed at the continued progress of Russian troops into Rumania, Hungary is reported to be preparing for invasion of the opposite Rumanian frontier.

There is a simpler explanation, however. It lies in the fact that the Nazi and Soviet dictators are both hungry for loot, and are equally ruthless and unscrupulous in their methods of acquiring it.

The Right Note

This from "The Orderly Sergeant" in the Legionary appeals to us as gospel truth, and we have pleasure in reproducing it.

That being so, I've got this kick to make. All through these months we've been carrying on a sort of "hush-hush" business. No bands, no parades, nothing but gloom in all our military stuff.

another the exuberance of the ordinary youngster in an atmosphere of solemn "hush-hush." That's all baloney. The business is a serious one, of course it's serious.

Does anyone care a real cock-eyed cuss whether we've got nice battle rompers for the boys or not? We all know darn well there aren't enough uniforms for 'em; that there may not be enough equipment at the moment.

What we need, troops, is to get lotsa pep an' go into this thing, forget our self-consciousness, forget all about blaming this guy for this and that.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The optimist may have his faults, but he anticipates the heaven which the pessimist dreads.

The trial and acquittal of the Seven Bishops (Archbishop of Canterbury and six others) at the instigation of James II this date, 1688.

The City streets are being repaired and made ready for Summer and Fall traffic, which all hope will be unusually heavy.

One thing may be said for our Tourist Bureau—it knows the best kind of publicity to attract tourists and other business.

The weather man has come under the ban of the farmer again—he is giving too much rain and too little heat for the hay crop.

Now that Hon. Mr. Dunning has gone, so evidently have our harbour improvements and Wood Islands-Caribou Ferry.

Elizabeth Barrett Browning, poetess, died this date 1861.

All actual heroes are essential men, and all men possible heroes.

Reports from England declare that the churches are crowded as never before in history.

Hon. Horace Wright very naturally would prefer "a picnic" to Ottawa to staying at home to supervise the Plebiscite Vote.

Some one suggests that to insist upon the Government fulfilling their promises and completing contracts for essential work would look like "hogging."

A sharp advance was recorded in May in the exports of Canadian eggs when the total was 1,187,280 dozen valued at \$289,226 in comparison with 1,84,826 dozen valued at \$41,557.

The new Maritime Territorial Regiment to be known as the Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island Regiment will include the following:

Last week Japanese Minister of Foreign Affairs Hachiro Arita announced that by request of Germany and Italy, Japan had assumed the "protection" of German interests in Singapore and Italian interests in Shanghai, Hong Kong, South Africa, Colombo.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

The Americans are beginning to feel very uncomfortable. They have realized that modern war is a new kind of game and nerve.

Elbert Hubbard's "Phyllis" once devoted its back cover to the hand-lettered admonition: "To escape criticism, say nothing, do nothing, and be nothing."

Arthur B. Purvis, Canadian, who is chairman of the Anglo-French Purchasing Commission has a New York apartment 36 floors above Central Park.

Farmers are complaining about the price of cheese and other farm products. Did you ever stop to think about the predicament we would be in if England was defeated and the British market lost to our agricultural products?

Forsthyia has been adopted by British Columbia as the borough's official shrub and is being planted along boulevards, in the parks, and even in window boxes.

A young lady schoolteacher was recently stopped in Detroit for driving through a red light and giving a ride to a passenger.

So far as W. L. M. King's statement to the House of Commons with respect to the cooperation with Great Britain, it will be welcomed by a majority of Canadians.

Meeting two farmers the other day the opening conversation was with respect to the farming prospects. "I never saw a crop and hay prospects," said one.

Once, while President, George Washington made a trip through New England. At one point in the journey, the President's party was slowed down for a while.

One point which is not yet altogether clear is whether and to what extent the tens of thousands of refugees now in this country will be pressed into the public service.

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They Can Be Wrong

The air is filled with all sorts of exciting stories about the war. Few of these stories are confirmed. They enjoy a circulation of a few days and then fade into oblivion.

These are trying times when it is important for all of us to avoid unnecessary excitement or hysteria. It is important that we should proceed with a reasonable calm.

Some "home news from abroad" appeared recently in The New York Times. It was mentioned by the Toronto Globe and Mail and since then has spread elsewhere.

It is quite a story. But it has a weakness: it is utterly false. France is not being overrun by the Germans. Nor was there a sudden departure. The Earl of Athlone did not arrive in Canada aboard a British warship.

The Spirit Of Gambetta Lives

In General Charles de Gaulle the people of France have a new Leon Gambetta. At any rate, history is repeating itself with unusual fidelity to background and circumstance.

De Gaulle has emerged from the debacle and humiliation of Bordeaux to become the symbol of freedom and virility of the real France, to rally the Empire overseas to carry on the battle at the side of Britain.

Leon Gambetta, apostle of liberalism and foe of Louis Napoleon's arbitrary and corrupt regime, revealed against the humiliating surrender to Bismarck.

Though a lawyer and not a professional soldier, Gambetta organized an army of patriots and he might have triumphed had not black treachery raised its hand with the sudden collapse of resistance at Metz.

What treason, a spineless, luxury-loving bureaucracy and corrupt leadership tried to undermine the fibre of France in the period of 1870, so have the same factors of political degeneracy operated to drag the France of 1940 through the mire of shame and betrayal.

But just as the France of the period of Louis Napoleon produced her Gambetta to reclaim the nation, so has the France of today produced her Gambetta to reclaim the nation.

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DISTRICT SUPPLEMENTS

During the past eight years the supplements paid the teachers by our districts have decreased by about ten thousand dollars.

In many districts teachers were compelled to teach for a salary less than their class of license called for in the School Act.

Owing to a greater demand for young men and women in the Civil Service, in the army and other occupations, due to the war, this surplus is gradually disappearing.

As a result of this there will be more opportunities for teachers now teaching for less than their license calls for, to secure positions in schools paying higher supplements.

It would therefore urge every parent and ratepayer, interested in the future welfare of our province, to attend their school meeting next Tuesday, determine to restore the supplements to their former level.

Some of the benefits which would result are, namely:—
1. It would demonstrate to the public the value of an education.

In schools where teachers are being sought, it would be an aid to securing the services of better teachers.

It would show the powers that be that the people are behind the teachers.

The Poet's Corner

I saw great Cobbet riding,
The horseman of the shires;
And his face was red with judgment,
And a light of Ludite fires.

And south to Sussex and the sea
The lights leant up for liberty,
The trumpet of the seaman,
The hammer of the squire;

For bars of iron, rust, away, rust
Away, rust away,
Rend before the hammer and the
Horseman riding in.

His horse—hoofs go before you,
Far beyond your bursting tires;
And time is bridged behind him
And our sons are with our sires.

A trailing meteor on the Downs he
rides above the rolling towns,
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teachers, and are willing to do their share in bringing about a just wage for teachers. I am, Sir, etc. HELD IN SWEDEN. LEICESTER, England—(CP)—Capt. John Shields has been informed his son, 2nd Lieut. J. Gillies Shields of the Leicestershire Regiment, has been interned in Sweden, with several other ranks of the same unit.

MT. ALLISON BLDGS. DISTRIBUTION DEPOT FOR REFUGEE CHILDREN. SACKVILLE, N.B., June 28—(CP)—Plans were made here today to use buildings of the Mount Allison educational institutions as a receiving and distribution depot for 150 to 200 refugee children from Great Britain who are to be placed in homes in Westmoreland, Albert and Kent counties.

Daily War Survey (Canadian Press) The term "war of nerves" once used to describe the state of suspense and fear apparently created deliberately by Hitler is taking on a new meaning in both Germany and the United Kingdom.

Should there be thousands of cases of nervous breakdown and mental disorder hospitals would become rapidly congested and a shortage of labor might develop to hamper war production and the carrying on of essential services.

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