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The Strongest Memory is Weaker than the Weakest Ink.

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Did Labor Minister Strike?

Some mysterious ongoings are reported from Ottawa. In the midst of a series of strikes it was announced the Minister of Labour Mr. McLary, was going on holiday.

PROTECTED PLACES:

Sec. 3 of the Regulations as published September, 1939, provides: "If, as respects any premises, it appears to the Minister of Justice to be necessary or expedient, in the interests of the safety of the State or the efficient prosecution of the war, or for maintaining supplies and services necessary to the life of the community, that special precautions should be taken to prevent the entry of unauthorized persons, he may by order declare those premises to be a protected place for the purposes of these Regulations."

SABOTAGE:

Sec. 27 of the Regulations (Sept. 1939) provides: "No person shall do any act with intent to impair the efficiency or impede the working of any vessel, aircraft, vehicle, machinery, apparatus or other thing used or intended to be used for the purpose of any of His Majesty's forces, or for any undertaking engaged in the performance of essential services."

Mr. Hanson in England

The Opposition leader Hon. R. B. Hanson and his Conservative associates appear to be doing useful work in London, comments The Montreal Gazette. They went to the Empire capital to see the war effort of the British Commonwealth at closer quarters, to learn at first hand what is being accomplished, what tasks have yet to be undertaken and the character and magnitude of them, and the extent to which the support given by the Dominions, that of Canada particularly, measures up to actual and probable requirements. They undertook this mission on their own initiative, and so far as is known at their own expense, their avowed purpose being better service to Canada as members of the House of Commons and of the party charged with the greatest responsibility, next to that of the official party, in the direction of public affairs, the discussion of public business. No other opposition group in any part of the Empire has undertaken a similar task since the commencement of the war, or so far as can be recalled, at any other time. The action of these Canadian parliamentarians is unique, but so are the circumstances.

An Unpredictable Campaign

In no campaign since Hitler's war began, says an exchange, have military forecasters been so much at sea as in the momentous struggle now raging on the Eastern front. Every important prophecy by military experts outside Russia has been falsified by subsequent events. Few commentators indeed seem even to have an intelligent perspective of the Russian battlefield, or to understand the true significance of what is occurring on any of the major sections of conflict. As a consequence, exultation and despair, dizzy hopes and depressing fear, have alternated almost every week since early summer in at least unofficial military circles at London and Washington.

But through it all, the confidence of the Soviet authorities has remained unshaken, as far as the final outcome is concerned. Moscow has in fact become increasingly optimistic as the struggle has progressed. It is perfectly obvious that neither Stalin nor his High Command has had even a passing attack of nerves since the conflict began. A grim and resolute determination, not only to repel the invader, but to annihilate Hitler's armies and crush Germany to earth, features the most recent statement Stalin has given to the world. Both sides are now preparing for the awful ordeal of a winter war in a country whose winter climate is far more bitter and rigorous than anywhere else in Europe. And east of the Urals an even more forbidding battlefield awaits the invaders if they ever penetrate that far.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

Is there any movement afoot for an air cadet unit in Charlottetown?

A gasoline shortage indicates that the war is beginning to make its presence felt.

To whom it may concern. Thanksgiving Day this year will be observed on Monday, October 13th.

Just four more days to enter the monthly instalment plan for payment of next year's income tax.

The New York fur market is booming now that our quota has been filled. Last week's sales realized higher prices than any previous ones this year.

It is unkind though wonderfully realistic of an Ottawa correspondent, to describe those attending a meeting of Prince Edward Island civil servants, as "Island evacuees"—driven from home for a living!

An opposition newspaperman's life is not exactly a happy one here, but it might be worse. In Oslo, Norway, Fredrik Ramm, editor of an independent newspaper, has been sentenced to life imprisonment for criticizing the Quisling government.

The whole of Britain's sugar ration is now produced from beets by British farmers. An official of the Ministry of Agriculture made this announcement recently during a tour of the harvest fields controlled by a County War Agricultural Committee in Southern England. What has become of British West Indian cane sugar?

There is nothing like being specific and detailed. Wilson Eubanks, a truck driver of Jacksonville, N. C. received a letter addressed as follows: "To the truck driver living in Jacksonville, about one-half block from A.B.C. store and market who drives a truck which delivers food to the colored CCC camp and who picked up a hitch-hiking soldier and his wife near Wilmington on Monday, Aug. 25."

Not every one has the imagination to concoct an excuse such as this. "Well, sir, I was in town ready to catch the train to camp," said a Corporal when he was called on the carpet for being late for duty, "and a band came by, stopped and just before I boarded began playing the national anthem. I, of course, came to attention and stood there. Meanwhile the train pulled out."

The withdrawal of Royal Naval activities from Nova Scotia, and the substitution of R. C. N. and, prospectively the U. S. A. navies, should release the S. S. Charles A. Dunning commandeered from the Northumberland Ferries Ltd. Will it be restored? That would be one way of solving the shortage at Wood Islands and Cariboo.

A correspondent, who recently lost his beloved, suggests the following verse for comfort, and reconsecration to those whose dear ones have made the supreme sacrifice "over there":

"The wind of death
For them hath slain life's flowers;
It withereth, God grant,
All weeds in ours."

A complete sermon in itself!

Sims Reeves, England's greatest tenor vocalist, born this date, 1818. He maintained an unrivalled reputation, both in opera and as a ballad singer, from the age of twenty-five till nine years before his death in 1900 at the age of eighty-two. He specially excelled in oratorio, in which he appeared in all the leading cities of the European continent, as well as in U. S. A. His last appearance was in 1891 at the age of seventy-three.

Premier Ramsay MacDonald visited Washington to discuss with President Roosevelt the agenda of the World Economic Conference. Then Germany was showing signs of developing a war programme, and President Roosevelt is said to have shown his guest a report his Secretary of Commerce had just received from an American attaché at the Berlin Embassy giving alarming details of Germany's underground operations. The British Prime Minister seems not to have been impressed—hence our present unpreparedness. The attaché was Douglas Miller, the author of the second non-fiction best seller of today, "You Can't Do Business With Hitler"

Less gasoline, reduced motoring, fewer garages. One of the largest parking and servicing garages in Montreal the Royal Garage at the foot of McGill College avenue, has been sold and will discontinue operations as a garage at the end of this month. A manufacturing company is acquiring the property and will make the building its headquarters in Montreal. Operated by the CIC Parking Garages, which also has the Mansions and Drummond-Street, garages, the Royal Garage was built in 1925. It has eight storeys and a basement and can accommodate 450 automobiles. It has been ever since its opening one of the official garages of the Royal Automobile Club of Canada. The Mansions and Drummond Street Garages belonging to the same company will carry on all the services formerly rendered by the Royal Garage

NOTES BY THE WAY

The one country in Europe with a legitimate complaint on the score of "aggravation" is Switzerland. It does not complain. Switzerland today by warring nations, holds fast to its sovereignty, and has for 650 years. The ancient Romans knew Helvetia. They failed to conquer it. Remains of Roman roads still exist in the south, together with stones from Roman walls, but the mountaineer kept to their Alpine peaks and held back the invaders. — Stratford Beacon-Herald.

A recent study of old age pensioners in the United States shows that when there is work to be had, workers prefer to be paid "under the table" than to be on the U. S. Social Security board in the U. S. has reported that about 25,000 persons who had retired at the age of 65 and were in receipt of old-age benefits, have dropped the benefits and gone back to work. In addition, a large number on reaching the age at which they could retire have continued to work. — Toronto Star.

Mr. Quentin Reynolds well-known American correspondent, before his recent return to London, was received by Mr. Roosevelt. While he was in the President's work-room Mr. Roosevelt asked leave to pass through a telephone call to London. Mr. Quentin Reynolds was surprised when he heard that it was to Mr. Churchill. He was even more surprised when, after a conversation, the President said, "I'll hang up now. My three minutes are up." — London Calling.

According to one of the latest anecdotes from Norway, a young sailor in Bergen was sitting on his front porch reading a day-old copy of the London Times when along came an agent of the Gestapo. The mere sight of this newspaper was enough to enrage the German, but when he discovered how recent its date was, his wrath boiled over in guttural invective. "How did you get possession of that verboten and paper?" he roared. The sailor replied "I subscribe to it." — News From Norway.

Kentucky's city of Lexington has given much study to a problem that affects other cities where there are many trees. When the leaves fall they litter the lawns and streets. What to do with them is the problem. The city council is raked up and hauled away to be dumped in waste places. Not so in Lexington. There the leaves are raked and baled. After baling there is a demand for them. Florists and gardeners haul them away and convert them into fertilizer. If the demand is not sufficient to take care of the product of the baler the city finds economy in hauling away the leaves and burning them. The idea appears to be worth thinking about. — Lincoln (Neb.) Journal and Star.

While some colonies have found it difficult to balance their budgets in wartime without increased taxation, Trinidad is in the fortunate position of having more than enough to spare. In a summary recently presented to the Legislative Council shows that a surplus of \$1,079,561 was achieved last year, which was more than half a million dollars over the estimate. Revenue under the revised estimate, revenue reaching the high figure of \$15,516,257, while expenditure at \$14,436,696 was \$306,235 below the revised budget figure. The net surplus of \$1,079,561 was divided into \$773,226, since the saving on the expenditure side was marked down for revote. The accumulated surplus at the end of 1940, as distinct from the year's surplus, was \$1,462,165. — Trinidad Guardian.

The Los Angeles city council has made it a misdemeanor for people to get down and out on the streets, or to come in, unless they have some business there. Too much loitering, the council says. Nonsense! Going down to the depot at train-time, or to a hall for a dance, or to a fundamental part of the pursuit of happiness. Maybe it isn't as much of an institution, in the average town, as it used to be when the evening train was almost the only contact of many a villager with the outside world. But the right to go down and see the train come in is a basic one, even if we don't use it so much any more. — Minneapolis Star-Journal.

Under amendments to the petrol rationing regulations, effective July 1 last, private car owners in Australia will be allowed only sufficient petrol to drive a thousand miles a year, and no petrol will be allowed for drive-yourself cars nor for private pleasure boats. Licenses for commercial vehicles and industrial and farm machinery at the same time will be subject to a reduction of 10 per cent. Still further restrictions, effective on August 1, reduce licenses for farm vehicles by half and for commercial vehicles by two-fifths, and the gasoline ration for taxis and private-hire vehicles at 40 per cent, and for tourist vehicles at 25 per cent of their original ration, and a low omnibus and service license of 10 per cent, and farm and industrial machinery 50 per cent of their previous allowances of petrol. The reduction in petrol allowances has reduced the value of motor cars to owners, writes B. P. Power, assistant Traffic Commissioner at Sydney, in reporting upon these recent restrictions. Many owners have decided against taking out registrations for the coming year. In New South Wales alone it is estimated, 82,000 vehicles will be laid up for this reason. The reduction of that number of cars in use will mean a loss of approximately \$4,000,000 in this revenue, besides the increased registration fees and partly from smaller returns from the petrol tax. — Farmer's Advocate.

Whenever tragedy or near-tragedy strikes at mines, here or in any other camp, some newspaper or other assumes that there are crowds milling around the mine gates, including the relatives of the trapped men. This may be true in some other types of mining and in other camps. But it has never been true of Kirkland Lake. Only at the time a rock burst occurs can any crowd be seen at the gates of a local mine, and relatives of the men at work are seldom among them. It is only the curious outsiders who rush in that direction. This practice is gaining such disrepute that the crowds are smaller each time, and well they should be. — Kirkland Lake News.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of the day's news. The editor of the Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Sir—Please allow me space to plead the cause of that poor creature, who is supposed to be a living example of modesty, morality and sobriety, a walking encyclopedia as well as a polished diplomat, and foster parent of the coming generation.

In the past few months practically every class of worker from the street-sweeper to the highest government official has been the recipient of a "cost of living bonus". As usual the teacher has been forgotten.

Now is the time for our representatives the Board of Education, to do their duty. Are they still going to be influenced by public opinion or are they going to take on their rightful duty of guiding that opinion?

Perhaps that disciple of education the doctor, could find time in his already crowded program to come to our aid.

It would seem that even though the cost of living has increased 15 per cent, we are expected to still function properly and do more work as well as pay at every turn on our already meagre pitance.

Now is the time, teachers, to get together and demand that we not be asked to wait for the Federation, although with a little better diplomacy at the helm they would be the better medium of attaining our ends. Perhaps the supervisors would prove themselves of some use by organizing the teachers for this purpose. If this should fail, we have many enterprising teachers among our numbers who would aid in obtaining our just rights. We have here a claim that can not be turned down by any group which has the good of our country at heart.

Let us unite and all put our shoulder to the wheel. Our educational system is the strongest and best in the world. Let our good leaders then see that vital part is kept strong and give us some aid in our important task.

I am, Sir, etc.

TEACHER

FINANCIAL, ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL QUESTIONS

Sir—In the past few years I have by letters appearing in the Charlottetown Guardian and Patriotic Newspapers, tried to pass on to the public the information I have gathered from my reading of books by leading authorities on the questions at the head of this letter.

In this letter I will start by comparing the human body and the economic body.

The Human body: The heart of the Human body pumps the blood through the veins into the limbs to keep them alive and when the heart ceases to function the limbs are dying—where this anemia exists some one is asked to give some blood which is injected into the anemic body to revive it.

The Economic body:—The Banks are the heart of the Economic Body which pumps the money or blood into that body. When the Banks cease to function the Economic body is dying of lack of money and the Government borrows money or money from the public and pumps it into the Economic body in order to revive it. But unlike the blood borrowed in the case of the anemic Human body it is taken out of the Economic body by way of taxation to pay interest and provide sinking fund for repayment of the money or blood injected into the anemic economic body to revive it until its heart the Banks start functioning. The effect of this process is that the economic body is kept in an alternate state of anemia or high blood pressure or Inflation and Deflation monetarily.

The better way: The following would be the more effective way to deal with the failure of the Banks or the heart of the Economic body to pump the money or blood into the Economic body. Money borrowed by the Government from the public means transfer of individual credit at the Banks to the Government and makes no difference to the Banks. But if the Government issued cheques for war expenditures free of interest on the credit of Canada, and these cheques pass through the Commercial Banks, the Banks are benefited in that their deposits are increased thus giving them a basis to finance the increased production that will be brought about by the free-of-interest financing of consumption.

The Banks cashing the cheques would be given 1% Federal Certificates for the amount of the cheques cashed and these certificates could be used as coverage instead of gold. The Banks would benefit by the 1% interest due them on the certificates and the Government would save the difference between the 1% and the 3 or 4% interest paid on the Bonds issued to the public for money borrowed from them. The certificates could eventually be redeemed by an amortization fund established out of the

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THE BETRAYAL
The cause of freedom is twice threatened; those Betray it first who compass for their state

No noble river bearing up a freight Of high adventure, but a flood that knows

No purpose but its own, and overflows Till none can wear against it. Yet to abate

That evil by the fear of being great Is worse than death; and freedom's equal foes

Are those mean spirits who forever leech

A narrow safety, who abhor the role Of levity, and for their country's goal

Not service, but a hermitage, must preach, Their waters never to the ocean reach

But stagnate in a marsh that rots the soul. —Warwick Chipman.

WORDS OF CHALLENGE

A THOUGHT A DAY FOR A PEOPLE AT WAR

"The fear of falling short of war material of being insufficiently prepared, of possessing too few guns, and tanks and airplanes, should inspire everyone in whatever station of life he may be and who values the free way of life, to new energy in the war effort."

—Brig-General D. C. Draper, Toronto Chief of Police.

Increased taxable capacity by the increased production and consumption. It should be realized that the money at present being borrowed from the public by the issue of bonds is not all being spent on goods for foods, clothing and shelter but largely for war materials which are blasted into the air.

The Government is spending about a billion and a half dollars a year on war expenditure so that if the foregoing suggestion was adopted the Government would save some 30 million dollars in interest payable annually.

Under the heading "Editorial Notes" in the Guardian of the 23rd September 1941 the following note appeared:

"It stands to reason if the cost of living is advancing at the rate it is claimed the Government must (a) increase the amount of exemptions on incomes and for dependents; (b) increase the separation allowances for soldiers wives and dependents; and (c) make additional allowances to pensioners for all of which the rest of us must foot the bill."

This is good for those benefited but it would not stop the unfair rise in prices of food, clothing and shelter in fact prices would increase still further.

I think the Government should increase their efforts to control the prices of the necessities of life, food, clothing and shelter, etc., instead of granting, as it is doing bonuses to certain people to the detriment of others who, equally in need of it, are not given the bonus.

Undoubtedly the bonuses will increase prices not decrease them, and those persons with fixed incomes will be made to suffer still more than before the bonus system was adopted. The most sound way of controlling prices is by control of goods and services not by unfair money manipulations.

I am, Sir, etc.

Anonymous

Still Advertising

(Brantford Expositor)
The value of advertising, self-evident as it should be, has been proved over and over again. Any who still remain skeptics are in that class because of some unreasonable prejudice or a firm refusal to study the simplest of statistics.

When an individual or a firm has something to sell, the surest and quickest way to effect the transaction is to put an ad, in the newspaper.

But advertising that one has nothing to sell is rather new. Many inches of British advertising space in newspapers and periodicals have been devoted, of late, to explanations that war conditions have reduced or wiped out stocks of certain goods. Still other advertisements have been in the nature of public into one's confidence with regard to readers that such and such a firm is carrying on, and will continue to do so.

This is not just another English eccentricity; it represents a common sense appreciation of the existing situation. Taking the public into one's confidence with regard to availability of supplies is helpful not only to the consumer but to the producer, and it insures a better feeling among all concerned.

Psychologically, keeping the name of a firm or a producer before the public is good business, and if a brand is forced off the market temporarily there is that much more reason for intensifying the publicity effort.

Another consideration has been

The Summary Facts Of Plane Output

(Financial Post)

For the first time, complete information is made available regarding the production of the various units of the Canadian aircraft industry:

Canadian Associated Aircraft — Handley-Page Hampden medium bomber; maximum speed 265 m.p.h.; range 1,700 miles; bomb load 4,000 lb.; production rate per month 15; completed 63; order 160.

Canadian Vickers — Stranraer flying boat; maximum speed 165 m.p.h.; range 1,250 miles; production rate 5 per month; completed 28; 40 to be built.

Fairchild Aircraft — Bollingbroke reconnaissance bomber; maximum speed 295 m.p.h.; range 1,900 miles; bomb load 1,000 lb.; production rate 15 per month.

Noorduyn Aviation — Harvard II; maximum speed 206 m.p.h.; Noorduyn 170 m.p.h.; present rate of production 20 per month; projected rate 30 per month.

Canadian Car — Hurricane; maximum speed 335 m.p.h.; present rate of production 15 per week, maximum rate 25; produced 487; order 1,250.

De Havilland Aircraft — Tiger Moth, Menasco Moth; completed 641 Tiger 126 Menasco, 10 Menasco Trainers since outbreak of war.

Fleet Aircraft — Model 163 Finch, built 500; Model 60 Fort, production started on 200; in 18 months prior to war 39 produced, in last 18 months 452 built; 133 assembled and 75 engines overhauled; 34,280 produced, 1,150.

Expansion of the aircraft industry of Canada from the pre-war position in 1939 shows an increase in floor space from 385,550 square feet to 2,511,750 square feet. If the addition of 390,000 square feet under at the Malton plant of National Steel Car is added, the total, by the end of 1941, would reach 2,901,750 square feet.

In regard to personnel: Before the war 2,217; increased to 28,750 today. Adding 2,625 for Canadian Associated Aircraft the total would be 31,380, and with an addition of 2,900 employees at Malton in 1942, up to a grand total of 34,280.

Pre-War Today
Canadian Vickers 325 2,500
De Havilland 62 2,020
Fairchild 120 4,000
National Steel Car 500 2,600
Federal Aircraft 6,000
Can. Car & Foundry 783 7,426
Noorduyn 188 2,870
Fleet 313 1,830

Totals 2,271 28,750

It's An Ill Wind

(Ottawa Journal)

One of the good stories of the war has just filtered through from one of the remote islands of the outer Hebrides. Some months ago a British merchantman was wrecked on the reefs of Eriskay. Since then the surrounding seas have enjoyed a period of conviviality unknown before in all their history.

For the vessel was laden with the panoply of whisky, not the raw spirit, but rare mellow stuff, the best Highland distilleries could yield for the millionaire tables of New York and San Francisco. Good news like news travels apace.

From Lewis from Harris, from Skye and even from the mainland the little boats came — such a flotilla as has not been witnessed since

mentioned by Mr. W. B. F. Ferrierson, London advertising man, says that sustained advertising keeps alive the newspapers, and without newspapers the only alternative would be a Government-run press. This is something neither like British advertiser nor consumer wants. Advertising, even when it is only to say "Temporarily Out of Stock" is thus serving far more than just a commercial purpose in Britain.

SWEDEN'S "MUST"

STOCKHOLM (CP) — Sweden must be prepared for anything to happen," said Defence Minister P. Ahlstrom, "the only course left for her is to organize and maintain a strong military defence as possible."

HORRIBLE, SAYS MAJOR

CARSTAIRS, England — (CP) — Registering objection to abutting for slaughtering horses. Major Basil Montagu thought it a "horrible idea that a noble animal like the horse should be eaten by conscientious objectors."

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