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The Strongest Memory is Weaker than the Weakest Ink.
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U. S. Ships For Guest Children

One war activity in which the American people seem wholeheartedly desirous of co-operating is in the care of evacuated British children.

The Times points out that the British merchant marine has been under a heavy strain since the closing of the Mediterranean and the substitution of the long Good Hope route which requires three ships where two were used before.

What is more to the point, every British ship must be convoyed. But American passenger ships, which need no convoys, are idle for the most part and could be used for this humanitarian endeavor if the Neutrality Act did not stand in the way.

The Neutrality Act, says the Times, "was never intended to prevent such missions of mercy. Its framers did not foresee the cruel emergency which now condemns young children in the fortress island of Great Britain to face the terrors of a siege without hope of escape."

Dorothy Thompson, noted U. S. Journalist, and others have also advocated such a course, and it is recalled that Henry L. Stimson, whose appointment as Secretary of War was approved by the U. S. Senate last week, has approved such measures.

The Hog Cholera Menace

Prince Edward Island is fortunate in having escaped the outbreaks of hog cholera which have occurred in other parts of eastern Canada, and for which the Dominion Government, by permitting greatly increased importations of American pork into this country since the outbreak of war, must be held largely responsible.

Belated action by the Government has resulted in an embargo being placed on importations of live hogs, but the harm already done may prove disastrous to many Canadian producers.

How Statesmen Acted

It is worth recalling, as the Globe and Mail does in a strongly worded editorial, that in two previous national crises the statesmen of Canada found it advisable to sink politics and partisan tactics.

"The partisan policy pursued by the Prime Minister in face of the gravest crisis that ever confronted Canada is indefensible, but loyal Canadians will carry on in a war effort worthy of a great people in spite of the narrow vision of the Government Leader."

"Mr. King is surrounded by several Ministers who are working energetically to ensure the defense of Canada and ultimate victory for British arms. Events in the not distant future will prove how unwise and unjust is the policy which denies representation in the Government to one-half of the population, which entirely ignores Labor and seizes absolute powers in the name of one party."

Canada is now the only British dominion without a national war government. Prime Minister Mackenzie King stands alone in putting party before national interests.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The weekly half-holiday is here again; hope it will be as fine as its two predecessors.

The quality boys are 'listing up all right, judging by the fine, robust detachments leaving almost every other day for the mainland.

Evidently the principle of 60-40 is in vogue in the appointment of district registrars for national registration—registrar; Liberal, assistant registrar, Conservative.

Should health unemployment insurance come into force it will mean more than likely that the employer will have to contribute 40 per cent, the employee 10 per cent, and the government 50 per cent.

Madame Charlotte Corday guillotined this date 1793. Of noble family of Normandy, she absorbed Roman republican ideas and emulating Brutus, assassinated Marat as the tyrant who had overthrown the Girondists, the party which wished to establish orderly democratic government at the time of the revolution.

It seems there is one fashion law for men and another for women in Oklahoma City. Ralph Yeo's idea that it was all right for men to wear shorts on public streets if women did, didn't coincide with Judge Merrell Siler's. Yeo, 18, arrested Monday after appearing in shorts, was fined \$11 by Judge Siler who then suspended the fine, admonishing Yeo to be more careful of his attire.

The London Daily Express, owned by Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, declares, "There are many attacks on Mr. Chamberlain designed to force him out of the government. But Mr. Chamberlain is leader of the Conservative party. The government led by Mr. Churchill is a coalition government. If the leaders of all the political parties cease to be members, then the government ceases to be a coalition."

The visit of the Primate of the Church of England (Archbishop Derwyn T. Owen) has been greatly appreciated, not only by the members of His Grace's own Church but by the community generally. Judging by his remarks at Rotary he is a staunch believer in the pioneer spirit which was exemplified by the maxim "if you find a thing worth doing, do it with all your heart, and not wait for somebody to come and help you, financially and otherwise. The Anglicans here certainly have been and still are, in the forefront of all worth while movements."

Italy's imports of coal during the first five months of this year, according to Mr. J. L. Goshie, United States Vice Consul at Rome, were approximately 500,000 tons under the total for the corresponding period of 1939. The opinion in Rome, however, is that if Germany is able to continue her land shipments Italy will not be faced with any serious shortage.

The question of help by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States in carrying on the missionary activities of the Church of England because of the war will be taken before the general convention of the Church which will meet in October in Kansas City. In a letter asking the advice of his fellow bishops on how the Church could meet the challenge of war and its resulting evils, Bishop Tucker disclosed that one English missionary society had appealed for material aid. He added that he regarded the situation of the missionary work of the English Church as a paramount importance to the Church in the United States.

According to U. S. A. Senator Norris, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover is "the greatest publicity hound on the American Continent, doing more injury to law enforcement by his publicity-seeking methods than any other one thing in his department of the Federal Bureau of Investigation." He was referring more particularly to the prosecution of 16 alleged Communists for conspiring to overthrow the United States Government. "It is not true that we can resort to the methods that he resorts to and have success with the efforts to preserve human liberties. It is just as necessary that we give a Communist a fair trial as we give a Methodist charged with a crime."

NOTES BY THE WAY PUBLIC FORUM

"It may sound foolish to you," said a local business man on Saturday, "but I never felt so optimistic about the outcome of the war as I do today!" It does not sound at all foolish to the Advance. Instead, it is logic, realism, the common sense. — Timmins Advance.

Mike Carozzo — who might long ago have been swept up with the tons of miscellaneous refuse that characterizes the refuse dumps of Chicago's streets and alleys, save for the fact that he controls the boys who are alleged to do the sweeping — has been indicated, along with some other so-called "labor leaders," on charges of conspiracy in restraint of trade. — Chicago Daily News.

"Thanks for invitation, all well here. Do not invite to em-barrass him, but because we don't want to lay ourselves open to the charge of taking some 'Chero' material, we give the name of the recipient of this cable from Scotland. He is Charlie Macleod, and the cable was received in answer to a cabled offer to bring some small number of men over to Canada for safety. They're now taking the danger overseas. — Kirkland Lake News.

The tragic treason of King Leopold to his people and his Aches recalls an incident in the career of his father in 1914. The Belgian Army was in full retreat towards the Yser, exhausted and battered, and the King, who was physically exhausted and depressed in mind. Anything might have happened. Colonel Tom Bridges, as he was called, was in the situation, but in a motor car to British Headquarters, and when the King and Colonel arrived at St. Omer, there was Sir John on the staff, each of them with his gun, to welcome the visitors. A cocktail, then a bath, and then a cheerful dinner, and physical exhaustion and mental depression disappeared. From that moment there was never even a whisper of surrender. We probably wanted and did not have, a successor to Tom Bridges on this occasion. — Ottawa Journal.

Bow Bells in London, under which all cockneys are born, which are said to have summoned Dick Whittington to be their Lord Mayor of London, which have greeted the kings returning in triumph, and the foreign conquest, will no longer be broadcast by the BBC. And what's more, all the church bells of London will be silent until the end of the war. Charge it up as another penalty of war that London bells are silenced. It seems enemy planes can pick up their chiming and develop bomb over the towers where the sweet and low sundown music as Grey described it, has its happy birth. If Bow Bells sound, they won't be broadcast. And no church tower has a signal matins over the air, or tell the world that morning at 7, or that curfew tolls the knell of the parting day. The hushed bells of England are still silent until some as yet un-identified hour of victory permits them to peal again over the fields of Sussex and the backwaters of Limehouse. One remains confident that one day, let us say at evening, Bow Bells, in the name of the Thames, and that in far-off Devonshire people will be called to the little church to offer a prayer of thanksgiving for salvation. — Providence Journal.

Paris represents something the Nazis can never appreciate, something which they instinctively feel is beyond their grasp. It is thought, Paris with its gay life and its sunshine, its little cafes, its eager smiling life, its dignity, its sanity, its mantle of freedom which belongs to everyone who dwells within its charmed circle; the Opera, the Louvre, the glory of Notre Dame, the restlessness of the Place de la Concorde, the Trocadere, the Eiffel Tower, the Bois de Boulogne, the Montmartre, the Tomb, the Comedie Francaise, the Moulin Rouge, and all the galaxy of place names which comes to mind when Paris is discussed. All this is a texture of life and joy, and the Nazi mind, the Hun mind, will destroy the bricks of this glorious city but the spirit will live, or if it perishes, then all this civilization of which we have been so proud and so much too certain, will also pass away. — London Free Press.

If he becomes a Minister of the Crown now, will be for two reasons, his great talents, and the fact that St. John Church and the patriotic impulse to serve Britain in an emergency. Lloyd George as a Minister will strengthen the Government and stimulate the national morale. His advent in the Cabinet would also be applauded in all parts of the Empire. With all his temperamental faults, his contentiousness and controversial asperity, the dynamic little Welsh statesman, despite his four-score years, is still capable of making a real contribution to the effective waging and winning of the war. He ought to be in on the job. No Briton has a better right. — Sydney Post-Record.

Cabinet Ministers or military chiefs may be impudently but seldom that they charm or win affection. The people have before them many examples of the sternest virtues, but few which appeal for their sympathy and ingenious charm. But Queen Elizabeth has gone about her duties in war as in peace, a shining example of effective but unobtrusive devotion — just, dignified, sensible, encouraging. — Christian Science Monitor.

In a book published last week, "A Life in an African Tribe," there is reported by the author, who received from a native boy employed as a messenger in a Johannesburg newspaper office. In his own way this lad harks back to the days of the great white man's tribulation—I wish to tell you I have dropped my love with Miss R-K—of Making. I did so because I discovered she was too much of herself, and she was very expensive to marry, hark when ever we want we should buy sweets or chocolate at 4s 6d lb. What do you think of that? And we should always travel by taxi instead of by tram or bus at 5d or 3d, but taxi at 2s, oh no. I had to cut it off. — Banffshire Journal.

But if Brit-in's allies have forsaken her, she may flow go forward, concentrating on her own affairs and her own territory, she care in the knowledge that she Herak.

Amid the tremendous shocks of Germany's offensive one feature of British journalism has not yet received as much attention as it deserves, says the Christian Science Monitor. It is the columns of news, but it is one of those little things that reflect the temper and fibre of a people most eloquently. Excepted, one has been to read in the British press full text of German war communiques. German news and interpretations might be disputed in the columns of news and commentary. But the hostile communique was spread out for all to read without a single deletion. One has an idea that a people which can take the worst of its news with so little sugarcoating will not be easily beaten. It is just when every citizen can see the worst interpretation of the situation without being reduced by censorship to feed on uncertain rumors, that resolution to change the bad news into good news.

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The Poets Corner

BUSH ABOON TRAUQUAIR
And what saw ye there?
At the bush about Traquair?
Or what did ye hear that was worth your heed?

I heard the cushat croon
Through the gowden afternoon,
And the Quair burn singing doon
to the Vale o' the Tweed.

And birks saw I three or four,
Wi' grey moss bearded ower,
The last that are left o' the birken shaw.

What mair a summer e'en
Fond lovers did converse,
Thae bonny, bonny gamin's that are far awa'.

Free maun a but and hen,
By murland, holm, and glen,
They cam' yin hour to spen' on the greenwood ward;

But long has laed and lass
Been lying 'neath the grass
The green, green grass o' Traquair kirkyard.

"We Accuse"
"Future," published by Poles of United States)
We accuse the Nazi government of exploiting their present position of conquerors in Poland by inflicting upon millions of people unnecessary suffering.

We accuse the Nazis of having killed 1,000,000 Polish civilians—men, women and children—by merciless bombardment of open towns and machine-gunning of defenceless people from low-flying airplanes.

We accuse the Nazis of having executed or tortured to death tens of thousands of Polish men, women and children, priests and Jews because they were loyal citizens of their country.

We accuse the Nazis of having killed or exposed to death by inhuman treatment 200,000 innocent Polish children.

We accuse the Nazis of holding in concentration camps ranking Polish men of science and culture, men and women of all ages, the Polish youth and the future of the country, and exposing them to the horrors of physical and moral tortures.

We accuse the Nazis of having deported millions of Poles, men and women, and of having dispossessed them from their homes and of having treated them worse than animals.

We accuse the Nazis of having disrupted Polish families, parted from their parents, children from young girls of respectable families away from their mothers to be used in military brothels.

We accuse the Nazis of inhumanly stopping the natural increase of Polish population by bidding young people to marry, by exposing thousands of children to famine.

We accuse the Nazis of attempting by these methods to exterminate the whole Polish race in order to create for Germany an open living space.

British Industries
(Hamilton Spectator)
Predictions have frequently been made since the outbreak of war that Canada is destined to emerge from this struggle as the largest and granary of the British Empire, with her population increasing rapidly on a selective basis, once peace has been won.

What may prove to be the first flow of the new industrial tide to these shores is seen in the number of inquiries about the Dominion Fearman, Civic Industries Commissioner, has received from representatives of large concerns in Great Britain during the last two weeks. In their conferences with him these men from the Motherland have made it known that there is a desire to transfer many industries to Canada for two important reasons, namely, to ensure a steady output of munitions and equipment for the prosecution of the war, and to establish a favourable centre of distribution to their other dominions and the markets of South America for use when the conflict is over.

From what has been learned so far it is not the intention of these British industrialists to duplicate their plants in Canada, but rather to set up units and thereby expand in this country the policy of decentralization which already has been started in Great Britain. There are sound economic and strategic reasons for this policy. Available factory space may be secured, if adequate; otherwise it is likely that new plants will be erected.

Civic officials and local manufacturers are keenly interested in the new trend and have offered their fullest co-operation in facilitating the transfer of these industries to Canada. Naturally, it is hoped that as many of them as can do so will locate in Hamilton. Mr. E. C. Douglas, chairman of the Hamilton Manufacturers' association, as well as Colonel Fearman, both see advantages for every one concerned in this movement. It will give greater security to the industries themselves, do much to enhance Canada's status as a world trader, and strengthen her general economy for the stresses of the post-war period.

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Too Much War News
(Brandon Sun)
If the Dominion government really intends to put some curbs on the irresponsible radio broadcasts they should move more quickly than now is seemingly intended. If the present lagging in control continues there will be final drastic action needed. Undoubtedly radio war news is becoming a dangerous obsession with a lot of folks. Twelve or more radio news items come over the air daily. They repeat and repeat until the radio addict develops a condition bordering on hysteria in the announcements put the shudder into the announcements, even over the C.B.C. sometimes, and produce the worst cases of psychopathy that break the morale of the morbid radio addicts. Indeed the present radio news broadcasting has produced a type of preoccupation with the war that constitutes a public danger and is breaking the morale of some of the public. Radio-obsessed persons do not or cannot not discriminate between the reliable news and comment, or judge the source of the news poured out over the air waves. Then there is the abundance of foreign broadcasts so easily available in Canada. Many U.S. columnists, radio commentators and analysts have adopted a defeatist attitude to Great Britain in the war. Their guesses on the course of events are given with abandon and in tones that may sound authentic to the morbid war-obsessed listener. In the barrage of so-called news, colored for entertainment and public enlightenment when properly used, it is not infallible, except to the least intelligent. In Canada we should at least know the authority for the war news spread over the radio, for the health, comfort and unity of the people.

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