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The Farmer And Europe

A committee of 11 nations meeting in Atlantic City has recommended to UNRRA that governments adopt food rationing programmes where necessary and that as far as possible members of the United Nations live on a share-and-share-alike basis during the current food crisis.

This does not mean that rations in Canada would be reduced to the level of Europe. There are too many factors involved to do this but what it does mean is that Canadians will be asked to cut consumption of products which can be shipped overseas and which are immediately necessary to sustain life on that continent.

The most obvious commodities in this class are wheat and coarse grains and in this department Canada is ahead of her commitments. But this will not excuse any lessening of effort on the part of Canadians. The commitment was a minimum. The limit is a limit imposed by our resources in grain and by our capacity to transport it overseas.

The special committee further asked in its recommendations to UNRRA that producing nations attempt to ensure bumper crops this year, that they divert all possible surplus from livestock feed to human consumption and that the use of grains for beverages be drastically curtailed.

The greatest fear now is the fear of crop failures in the producing countries. Even a partial failure will have an immediate and terrible effect. The answer is to sow the greatest possible acreage to grain and thus provide the greatest possible insurance against area failures.

This is a crisis policy, but the circumstances justify it. People are starving this year, now. It will be small consolation to Europe to know that we are ensuring ourselves a good crop in 1947 when they will not be able to enjoy it.

Everything that is being recommended now is to meet a situation which exists now and will continue through the next few months. The fact of importance in the present discussion is the lives of people in Europe.

Immigration

Discussing the question of immigration, "Torch", official publication of the Canadian Corps Association, makes the plea that, when the barriers are lifted, care shall be taken in the selection of people who are allowed to come to this country. "The Torch" thinks that immigrants who are accepted should show a willingness to serve their adopted country "all out" in time of war and peace and should show a genuine desire to become useful citizens and fit into the customs and practices of the country.

The Canadian Corps publication continues: "We do not want citizens with a lingering fondness for Fascism or Nazism. We want new citizens who are imbued with the desire to become members of a democratic society where all men have equal opportunities and a desire to make use of them."

Consideration by the authorities at Ottawa of a more liberal immigration policy is being more or less looked upon as a foregone conclusion. With Canada's wide open spaces and other countries over-crowded, the movement of people to this country is a logical procedure. It is important that the government should profit by mistakes of the past. As "Torch" remarks, "if we are going to admit new members to our family, let us only let in those who will soon work side by side with us to make Canada worthy of the future which lies in store for her."

A Warning For The Future

In considering that the secret information which found its way into the Soviet Embassy at Ottawa flowed in so free a stream, there is cause for aroused surprise. For some four years the stream flowed on, apparently without observation, suspicion or interruption. There are only two possibilities to consider, each of them seriously damaging to those they may affect. In the first place, did no one know what was taking place, for so long and so freely? In the second place, did anyone have knowledge, yet failed to take action, or was prevented from taking action?

Now that the Royal Commissioners have submitted their third interim report, says the Montreal Gazette, there would seem to be an occasion for inquiring what the purposes of this investigation actually are. There are, of course, the aims of uncovering the organization and of punishing those who proved unequal to the trust placed in them.

But do these exhaust the purposes of the investigation? For these purposes, important as they unquestionably are, unfortunately are restricted to what has happened and cannot be

revoled. Of more practical importance would be the use of the information obtained to establish a change of policy to prevent similar practices from taking place in the future, and indeed at the present time.

For the report makes clear how the transactions took place. As the Commissioners state of one of the accused, his associations with "Soviet agents" dated back at least to 1935, and it was this fact that made him "easily" receptive to the suggestions of Messrs. Zabolin and Rogov. The report also states that a number of the accused used together to discuss the theory and practice of Communism and to pass on secret information they had in their possession.

But the same conditions that made these persons easily receptive to the suggestions of the Soviet agents, do not appear to have made the Government as easily receptive to the risks of appointing such persons as the custodians of our most secret information. Indeed, a final touch of absurdity appears in the disclosure that one of the accused was for a time a member of a committee charged with "the grading of documents from the standpoint of security."

Notes By The Way

We can't get excited over the resumption of two mail deliveries daily. The postman has always seemed able to carry enough bills to our door in one trip. -Windsor Star.

Hydro officials will bury forty tons of barbed wire along the banks of the power canal near Niagara. Such wire has its good uses, during drought years, and it is forever a symbol of ruthless oppression. -Hamilton Spectator.

In the old days few farmers were in their beds after 5 o'clock in the still clear of the morning. The Fort William Times-Journal. But on such farms the blinds are down at the latest. The old-time farmer, after putting in 10 or more hours in the fields, often spent another hour or more at supper, making, doing the chores and taking a whiff with the hoe in the kitchen garden.

The B. C. divorce mill continues to grind out its collusive decrees. There is a rigid formula about it. Evidence goes in one end and the evidence comes out the other. Even the evidence is monotonously the same. The only variety is that of the evidence is true. The man who is the purpose or downright lie. That is because marriages go on, but the law is so constructed that unless adultery is alleged—Vancouver Sun.

Another vital change in our national characteristics is the trend towards female domination. At present there are more men than women, except among the very old. The experts tell us, there will be more or more women in all age groups above 50 years. Later on this trend will show in our country. The calculations are based, of course, on present trends. They may be changed temporarily by substantial immigration. They may be changed permanently by a rising birth rate, if we can achieve it. -Windsor Free Press.

A trailer that is a veritable king of the road is available for sale for \$20,000. A house contains every gadget to make life comfortable. It is available for \$175,000. Inguity in housing construction is rampant, is in fact running amok. There is, evidently, only one unfailing rule that the building construction industry is not up to. In a nation crying out for \$3,000 million worth of housing, the ultimate in the extravagant and the fantastic, but it cannot build a single house, suitable for living in and selling for \$3,000.—St. Louis Post Dispatch.

The United Kingdom is aiming at training three times as many building apprentices and craftsmen as at the moment. This is a move for the war. This was trained by the name of Miss Ellen Wilkin. She spoke at the inauguration of a course where building teachers from London and the home counties are to be trained. The pre-war figure for apprentices and craftsmen training was 30,000 a year. The present target is to train 90,000 a year in Britain's technical colleges and institutes. Junior building schools which have taken in 400 have now increased this to between 6,000 and 6,000.—U.K. Information Office.

Veneral disease and its ravages constitute a challenge to the community. The moral aspects are a challenge to the conscience. The social aspects are a challenge to achieve better living conditions. The physical aspects are a challenge to slums and lack of proper sanitation. The prudery which is the chief barrier to the solution of this problem is a challenge to public education. The blindness, sterility and mental decay which veneral disease causes in many cases are a challenge to nationwide application of preventive measures. The pre-natal blood tests should be made compulsory. Authorities should take strong measures to curtail the organized prostitution. Public halls, rooming houses, tourist camps, hotels, and other places should be inspected and checked up. -Winnipeg Tribune.

A recurrent report from England says the brook made famous by Tompkins' poem of that name is in danger of disappearing. The council of Spilsbury, Lincolnshire, is said to be considering a plan to rebury the brook. The plan is to dig up the brook, where the stream is represented as saying, "I chatter, chatter as I flow To join the brook that flows below. For men may come and men may go, But I go on forever."

This literary and historical tragedy may be averted by public outcry, of course, but of hand with modern engineering science taking so strong a hand, one would not give much for the brook's bubbling chances. The moral, if any, seems to be that even brooks should be protected. The only things likely to go on forever are taxes and bureaucratic controls. -Brantford Expositor.

When a Kansas editor printed an appeal for readers not to call the office when they saw a "first robin" he put into type a fact of which many persons have long been probably aware—that the appearance of this member of the thrush family, since it resides in very wintry climate all year, is not a sign of spring. The fact that the Christian Science Monitor, so long ago, is not a sign of spring. The fact that the robin acquired his reputation as spring's advance agent is frequently a "false prophet" that his appearance is often followed by the bitterest weather of the year. It should not cause him to "lose face" especially when humans, not robins, were responsible for giving him his reputation. In any case, he is one of the most friendly of birds.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

PATTERSONS BATTERY ETC.

Sir—A few weeks ago an inquiry was made in your columns as to the location of Pattersons Battery and Tartars wharf, both of which were mentioned as places from which alarms would be given in the event of an invasion in an Act of the Inland Legislature in 1780 then establishing a Militia Force. I intended to supply the information asked for at the time, but forgot it until yesterday. Unfortunately I have now the inquiry before me.

However, Fort Saint George was situated just about on the site of the brick apartment house on the corner of Dundas Esplanade and Water Street. It was also known as Pattersons Battery or Pattersons Fort. This fort was first erected shortly after the two American Privateer ships visited this port on 17th November 1778. The late Benjamin Bremner in "An Island Scrap Book", page 32, states that the fort was known as "Tartars" on account of a warship of that name having been anchored in front of it. I am Sir, etc. T. E. M.

ISLAND PHEASANTS UNLIMITED

Sir—There appears to be a misunderstanding in some quarters with regard to the open season on pheasants. The following facts will, I hope be enlightening: An open season on pheasants will depend on the population of the island, and the time when the sex ratio is in balance. The quotations following are by the best game experts in the U.S.A. and explain the reasons for open seasons: "As with most animal species, the sex ratio of pheasants is about 100% of males to 100% of females. Pheasants may be sexed in the field when about eight weeks of age, and by the time they are fourteen weeks old, they are almost as readily distinguished as are the sexes. "Biological principals of the pheasant population studies—This evidence gathered, it seems that breeding pheasants are the principal positive agencies in increasing the pheasant population. The sex ratio is legitimate, and the sex pressure and environmental resistance are the principal negative agencies. Hunting is legitimate, and it moves the excess over the breeding stock, but no more. "Sex Ratio—in the wild the ideal ratio is, one male to 4 to 5 females. "Regulating the kill.—To maintain a constant population year after year, it appears that no more than 10% of the total population of cock birds should be shot, killed through other causes."

As can be seen from the above, the population must be maintained to insure the best propagation results. An estimated 1200 hens will be on the basis calculated by extrapolation of a clutch ratio of 3.8 birds per hen. The present population would be around 10,500, less mortality of 40% leaving about 6,300 birds. This means that the sex ratio of 5 to 1 would require 1,260 males. This means that we will have a surplus of 5,040 males in the vicinity of 2,500 in regulating the kill so as to insure the best propagation results regarding sex ratio. In regard to the 40% mortality this could be reduced by flushing bars, as moving is the best method in destroying nesting, hens and the clutch. I am Sir, etc. E. FRANK ACORN, Unlimited.

The Poets Corner

FROM "TINTERN ABBEY" The sounding cataract Haunted me like a passion: the tall rock, The mountain, and the deep and gloomy wood, Their colours and their forms, An appetite: a feeling and a love, That had no need of a remoter charm, By thought supplied. -Wordsworth.

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