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

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 1942.

Let Us Beware!

It is a custom of long standing, indeed, since
Noah built the Ark, for arm-chair critics to dic-
tate to the powers-that-be how to conduct affairs
in time of trouble.

Everyone must heed the advice, nay, threats
of the Prime Minister in the House on Wednes-
day. There can be no mistaking them. Each of
us is on the front line, not of defence but of off-
ence, is regimented, and must obey or take the
consequence of disobedience in time of war.

Japan's Naval Losses

A computation has been made at Washington
of Japanese naval and merchant shipping losses
up to the end of the third week of March. This
shows that the United Nations have either destroyed,
probably sunk, or seriously damaged no fewer
than 85 Japanese warships.

Serious as this toll has been, Japan's merchant
shipping losses are relatively much more severe.
It is estimated at Washington that between
400,000 and 500,000 tons of Japanese merchant
ships have been sunk or damaged.

The pre-war figures with regard to the Japanese
navy show 13 battleships, including two
35,000-ton craft believed to have been finished in
1941. One battleship, the Haruna, was sunk
and two others have been damaged.

Japan's aircraft carriers numbered 12, accord-
ing to the same pre-war tabulation, including two
which were finished in 1941. There are also an
unknown number of merchantships which have
been converted into plane carriers, but their ag-
gregate capacity is small.

Japan's submarines at the beginning of the war
were estimated to number 77, of which nearly
20 were plane carriers. Some authorities say that
Japan's U-boat strength numbered 125 in Decem-
ber, 1941, but this is largely speculation.

of Japan's capital ships are old. Eight were
commissioned before 1920.
Notwithstanding the discouraging tenor of the
news from the Southwest Pacific, it is obvious
that Japan's navy has received far more formid-
able blows than it has delivered and that the
enemy losses exceed those of the United States.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Definite plans are being developed for the
defence of Charlottetown in the event of a raid.
It is noted bicycle importation is to be sub-
sidized—there will be more people on two wheels
this year than on four.

There is hardly a job left for able-bodied men
to enter except the Navy, Army, Air Force,
farming and other essential occupations—as it
should be.
Congratulations to the local railway officials
including Mr. D. B. Bishop, Freight and Pas-
senger Agent in getting rid of the congestion
at Borden and Tormentine. It was necessary and
essential before S. S. Prince Edward Island
goes off for overhaul.

Eire, with 150,000 of her sons already en-
rolled in the British Army, "will officially be in
this war from the strategic time comes." Mr.
Grattan O'Leary, editor of the Ottawa Journal,
predicted in addressing the 108th annual banquet
of the St. Patrick's Society of Montreal. In
the meantime, Mr. O'Leary declared, a commis-
sion of 15 British and 15 Irish officers are
engaged in distribution of armament in Eire, now
that British officials are no longer afraid that
firearms might fall into the hands of the Irish
Republican Army. "Irish arms on Irish shoulders
will never attack England as long as deValera is
head of Eire," the guest speaker claimed. "It is
sheer preposterous nonsense to think that de
Valera is pro-German."

Four companies making container materials,
and Mr. H. J. Badden, pleaded guilty to charges
brought following an investigation under the
Combines Investigation Act some time ago. This
is the second of the two combines cases brought
against the paper box group and the companies
supplying materials for the industry. The first was
decided some months ago and an appeal against
the conviction has since been thrown out by the
Supreme Court. It is understood that decision to
plead guilty in this second case was largely due
to the previous decision and a result of failure
of the subsequent appeal. Fines totalling \$17,000
have been imposed upon the defendants by
Mr. Justice Roach in non-jury assize court in
Toronto. Fines were imposed as follows: Hinde
& Dauch Paper Co. of Canada, \$2,500; Bathurst
Paper & Paper Co., \$5,000; Brompton Pulp
and Paper Co., \$5,000; Gair Co. of Canada, \$2,500;
H. J. Badden, \$2,000 or two months.

If a man with an estate of \$20,000 trans-
ferred stock in his business valued at \$2,400 to
his son (says Montreal Gazette) a gift tax of
\$180 would be payable prior to March 31 in the
year following that in which the gift was made.
If the donor lived for three years or more after
the date of the gift, the \$2,400 would not be sub-
ject to Dominion succession duties. If the donor
died during the three year period, the \$180 paid
by way of gift tax, would be allowed as a deduc-
tion against Dominion succession duties. If the
donor had not given his son the \$2,400, and
had lived for 15 years and then died the \$2,400
would be liable to a Dominion tax in his estate
of \$336. It paid the donor to make the gift and
yet, as a result of the gift, the Dominion had the
use of \$180 for 15 years to compensate it for an
eventual loss of \$336 in succession duties. Gifts
will probably not be made to such an extent that
the succession duty tax will be defeated for such
gifts demand a present sacrifice on the part of the
donor to provide a future benefit for his heirs.

John Bright, British statesman and orator, died
this date, 1889; son of a Rochdale Quaker Cotton
manufacturer, took an active part in the Anti-
Corn Law Campaign, and joined Richard Cobden
in the Free Trade agitation which resulted in
what is known as the Manchester School of
politicians—buy in the cheapest and sell in the
dearest market; was admitted member of Glad-
stone administration as President of the Board
of Trade, transferring to the Chancellorship of
the Duchy of Lancaster; as a Quaker pacifist op-
posed Egyptian War, and later opposed Mr.
Gladstone's Home Rule Bill for Ireland and
joined Mr. Joseph Chamberlain in forming the
coalition of Liberals and Conservatives under its
designation of Liberal Unionists:
"The Angel of Death has been abroad through-
out the land; you may almost hear the beating of
his wings." This is no longer symbolic but actual.

The American editor who coined the word
"panty-waists" makes it plain that talking about
ultimate victory will not bring it. We must have
airplanes, ships, tanks and men. The author of
"panty-waists" is a plain speaker. In saying that
men, planes, ships and tanks are all that count
he explains that this means goodbye for the dura-
tion "to all the silly attributes of soft-living."
It means "curtains for rhythmic dancing for
children, fancy commissions for pets and pro-
teges, excessive profits for anybody or any enter-
prise, work-week restrictions and double pay for
overtime, soft berths for bureaucrats, gravy for
labor, racketeers, multiple jobs for inept poli-
ticians, government clinics for social experiment-
ers and government havens for pink-headed ne'er
do wells." Anyone who cares to do so may en-
gage a hall and point to any item on this list that
is or can be anything but a brake on a war ma-
chine. People who are on the list know well en-
ough that they are clogging the works. They
ought to be herded back to the far rear. They
will have to be if the deadly things that have been
happening and are happening now to the United
Nations are not to continue. This is a battle for
the strong. The presence of any considerable
number of panty-waists on the home front in-
tensifies an already too imminent danger on the
front that now counts—overseas.

NOTES BY THE WAY

We predict with awful certainty
a year of the most terrible and
desperate danger in which this
continent more than once will take
on the aspect of a beleaguered
citadel from which only with the
greatest difficulty will be able
to maintain the steady flow of sup-
plies and meet the theatres of
war. It is not unlikely that our
coasts will suffer their own share
of the perils and destruction of the
war. Victory—our ultimate goal
eventually recedes. The length
and duration of the retreat rest
with us. Granted unity and cour-
age, self-sacrifice, stubborn de-
termination, imagination and re-
sources, we will win this
war. But in 1941 it changed in
balance as it did in 1940. But we
must close ranks and stand together
or the next eight months will
speculate free, but ruin.—
Winnipeg Free Press.

Words do not mean much in
these times. The fools who are
guided by the words of Goebbels
and his propagandists should
some day kick themselves for their
credulity. But there is one word
that we should keynote as impor-
tant in this war. That word is "be-
wilderment." Gradual bewilder-
ment is being transferred from one
side to the other. That move-
ment has been markedly accel-
erated during the second year of
the war. During the third year it
will swing over still faster. Like a
boomerang, bewilderment will fly
back to the place it came from:
the enemy. The damage of be-
wilderment is that it makes the
original target "a happy man."
The bewilderment is a very un-
happy state of mind. It is also
which is not complimentary to the
state of mind. She is bewildered
when a wolf appears. Hitler has
boasted of his ability to bewilder
people like a wolf bewilders sheep.
—Johannesburg Times.

The greatest problem will be that
of giving Italy a new soul in har-
mony with that of the New Europe
and Italy, by suffering, modern
Italy has been over the top. The
task pointed out to her by her
greatest thinkers and poets, she
would put the whole civilized world
in a tizzy; by providing the com-
mon sense necessary to make a
politically free and unified Europe
not a mere bureaucratic and diplo-
matic, but a spiritual living
organism with a vision and a will.
By bringing herself up for such a
task instead of moaning over her
lost African Empire, she would
transform her hour of shame into
her greatest opportunity for real
greatness. She would not only
ever find her soul in doing so,
lose it, so that she could give, or
could help to give, a universal self
to the civilized world, in order to
assist in a higher form the
Republica Christiana. —
Crespi in The Contemporary Review.

As should be obvious to anyone,
that while many of our Japanese-
American citizens who have been
born in this country are unques-
tionably good citizens, there is un-
doubtedly a high percentage of
them in whom the ties of blood
and religion are stronger than the
ties of loyalty to the United States
that result from birth in this coun-
try and training in American
schools. Whether that percentage
is ten or twenty percent is of little
consequence. The chance that
there is a percentage of them who
are not loyal to our Govern-
ment is so great that it amounts to
a certainty. Not to recognize it is
folly. Not to act upon it is mad-
ness. Therefore, in the interest of
our own safety, and our people
the 98,000 Americans of Japanese
descent, regardless of whether
they were born in this country or
not, be concentrated in a certain
area for the duration of the war.
—San Francisco Argonaut.

While we follow with strained
attention the fortunes of the cam-
paign in Libya from day to day,
there is one factor that is less
often in the news, though its
operations is incessant and vital.
In an admiralty statement issued
recently it was disclosed that in
the present month enemy ships
were sunk, probably sunk or dam-
aged in the Mediterranean. Of
these, 30 were supply ships, the rest
escorting warships. Accompanying
figures show that in less than four
months 139 Axis ships have been
sunk or damaged in that sea.
This is seawater. Without that
territory and unseeping force at
our rear, our attack on Libya could
hardly have been risked; but for
the Navy, a constant stream of
troops and supplies would have
crossed the narrow seas for the
enemy's reinforcement. As it is,
the support so reaching him has
been reduced to a mere trickle;
and it is to our own Middle East
Command that the constant stream
has been passing in order to be
convoy after convoy through the
waters that Mussolini in an unfortu-
nate moment, described as "Mare
Nostrum" Daily Telegraph and
Morning Post (London).

Aircraft engines are to be made
in Canada. At long last after
months of saying that it couldn't
be done it has become an accom-
plished fact. The news is warmly
welcome and gratifying because it
is, in all probability, the fore-
runner of a new phase of indus-
trial activity that will add much to
the sum-total of Canada's newly
discovered industrial prestige. The
consummation of this idea and
ideal has occasioned a great deal
of satisfaction to Commercial Avia-
tion. This journal has repeatedly
through its editorial columns, cal-
led for definite action in this re-
gard and has never ceased to ham-
mer away on the subject because it
believed that this was the best
possible thing that could happen to
the industry. That its protracted
campaign has at last been fruitful
is an occasion for congratulation
to those who, casting doubt to the
four winds, have had faith. The
people of the Dominion in general
and the aircraft industry in par-
ticular owe this fortunate circum-
stance primarily to the efforts of
the Director-General of Aircraft
Production in the Department of
Munitions and Supply, The Right
Hon. P. Bell, and to the full credit
for this new development be-
cause, from the Minister of Munitions
himself, down to the lowest
executive and staff level, there has
been united and unceasing effort.
—Commercial Aviation. And Air-
craft Production Magazine.

PUBLIC FORUM

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

ISLAND FRUIT TREES
BADLY INJURED

Sir:—Hundreds of young trees
in Prince Edward Island farm
orchards have been injured by
frost this past winter. Most of
these trees will die unless they re-
ceive prompt and adequate atten-
tion. A careful survey of orchards
should be made at once and all
injured trees marked out for
treatment. The method employed
to repair the damage done to
such trees will depend on their
age and the extent of the injury.
Some trees will be found to have
only small patches of bark re-
moved. Such injuries need only
be cut back to healthy wood and
covered with some protective ma-
terial as grafting wax. When the
injury is more extensive, even
though the trunk is not completely
girdled, grafting should be resorted
to. The form of grafting em-
ployed will depend on the size of
the tree. Those under two inches
in diameter should be cut off be-
low the injured area, preferably a
few inches above the ground and
clef grafted. Such grafts will grow
very quickly and soon make a new
tree. Larger trees are best brace
grafted.
Leaflets describing this work
can be obtained from your Exper-

The Poet's Corner

THE SONG OF SPRING

I come, I come! and to all I bring
The balm of the South and the joys
of Spring.
You can trace my steps where the
sun-warmed earth
Is made most fair by the tulip's
birth.
By the velvet touch of the dew-
kissed grass,
And the whole world waking as I
pass.
Come all you shy ones of nature!
Come!
For the forest and field is now your
territory.
The birds and the bees—each creep-
ing thing,
Come fourth! I say and enjoy the
spring.
Come into the sunshine, dance and
play,
I give you the earth for a holiday.
Come to my banquet, you cars-wom-
en,
There's aalm for the heart in each
grove and glen!
Come from the cares of the shop
and hearth,
And join us here in our Springtime
mirth.
Here you will thrill to Dame Nature's
strains,
And life will quicken in all your
veins.
—F. H. MacArthur.

ly American blood is now pay-
ing for two years' appeasement of
Japan, her oil, scrap iron and
other war essentials. That must
not be repeated with Vicky and its
Nazi overlords. What does the
British department advance in re-
buttal to the charge that Vicky's
connivance at aiding Gen. Romel
in Africa constitutes grounds
for treating Britain's government as
an enemy? — Detroit Free Press.

SLEEP AND
AWAKE REFRESHED

If you don't sleep well
nights are inter-
rupted by restlessness
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Holy Week a service for Men
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The service will begin at 12:05
and will last fifteen minutes
only. The Rev. Canon Malone
will conduct the services this
week. Next week the services
will be conducted by the Rector,
Rev. A. LeDrew Gardner. All
men interested are cordially in-
vited to attend these services.
"Call upon Me in the day of
trouble: I will deliver thee and
thou shalt glorify Me."
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WORDS OF
CHALLENGE

A Thought A Day
For A People At War

"We can't let up in our ef-
fort. We must concentrate
on smashing the Nazis until
our armies are in Berlin, the
seat of Nazi power." — Lieut-
Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton.

imental Station at Charlottetown.
Why not write at once?
I am, Sir, etc.
Assistant to Superintendent,
(Horticulture), Experimental Sta-
tion, Charlottetown.

DR. GRANT'S REPLY

Sir:—In a Guardian editorial
note of the 23rd instant it is stat-
ed:
"The potato growers evidently
ignored Dr. Grant's suggestion that
this Province should advocate that
New Brunswick be developed as a
potato centre."
Now I may say that since the
suggestion referred to was publish-
ed I have received enough favour-
able letters from potato growers to
fill a larger paper than the Guard-
ian and I have also learned that
the total cost of freight, handling
and storage of the potatoes would
be exactly the same, if stored at
Cape Tormentine, as if they were
stored in one of the Island potato
sheds, with the difference that they
could be shipped from Tormentine
at any time during the winter.
This attempt to misconstrue the
meaning of my letters seems to be
the very kind of manoeuvring that
has left the Conservative Party in
the position of being hopelessly lost
in the mist and fog of its own
creation.
I am, Sir, etc.
THOS. V. GRANT,
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