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"The Strongest Memory is Weaker Than
the Weakest Ink."
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Cows And Butter

The suggestion made at the Dominion-
Provincial Agricultural Conference at Ottawa
that the butter ration may be reduced early in
1947 coincides with record sales of Canadian
dairy cattle for export to the United States.

During 1946 Canadian breeders of dairy cattle
sold more cows and heifers to United States
dairy men than ever before. The reason is that
there is no price control on butter in the United
States and that it is now selling between 90
cents and a dollar a pound there, whereas in
Canada we have a price ceiling. Our dairy-
men, realizing that they could not get a butter
price comparable to the American level, decided
to make a profit out of their cows while the
selling was good.

The Halifax Vacancy

Respecting the Federal vacancy in Halifax
City and County, Mr. Gordon B. Inor, now the
sole Liberal member for the constituency, has
announced after a telephone conversation with
Ottawa that the by-election will "not likely be
held in the near future, and certainly not in
time to have the new member take his seat at
the opening of the Parliamentary session."

Selected Immigration

Addressing a luncheon of Montreal Chambre
de Commerce, His Excellency Mgr. Joseph P.
Charbonneau, Archbishop of Montreal, pro-
nounced himself in favor of "a reasonable im-
migration policy" to shelter the homeless and
starving people of Europe. These immigrants
should be selected so that they would not, after
arriving here, proceed to "threaten our institu-
tions and traditions," he said.

Normandy Prelude

An enthralling article in an English maga-
zine describes the meticulous preparations made
for our Normandy invasion landings. These in-
cluded aerial photographs of the selected
beaches, elaborate examination of the ap-
proaches, adventurous expeditions to investigate
the nature of mysterious mine defences, and so
forth.

presarios were undaunted, however, and a third
trial was made.
The monster was duly launched from an
LCT, reached the beach, mounted the slope,
and then veered and made unmistakably to-
wards the distinguished spectators. A "shoot-
ing stick and an ADC", observes the writer of
the article, "being but poor defences against
an attack of this weight, several senior officers
were constrained to run for their lives. It was
a moving sight, but it finished the Great Pan-
jandrum, who now sleeps deep in the File of
Abandoned Projects. May he rest well, his epith-
etoph, to echo the sentiments of the Duke of
Wellington: 'I don't know what he'd have done
to the enemy, but by God, sir, he frightened us!'"

EDITORIAL NOTES

King George VI born this date 1895. Long
live the King!
We have now two propositions before us to
put over successfully—an art circle and a citi-
zen's day, one for the children, the other for
immigrants who have come to cast their lot
among us.

At the end of September the number of
pensions being paid in Canada was 204,175; at
the same date 14,119 persons were receiving
pensions for blindness.

It is not possible to please everyone; while
farmers and Water Commissioners welcome the
damp weather, the Forum and lovers of out-
door sports deplore the set-back to their win-
ter's sports.

In the Maritimes, Moncton, Fredericton and
Saint John are forging ahead with Federal Gov-
ernment patronage—they have an active mem-
ber in the Government—while here we are more
or less stuck in the mud, having no one in the
inner circle at Ottawa to vigilantly look to our
interests.

Tycho Brahe, Swedish astronomer, born this
date 1546; discovered star Cassiopeia whist
resident in Germany where he became director
of the observatory of Uraniborg; later, because
of friction with King Christian IV, he removed
to Prague, where in conjunction with Kepler he
worked assiduously in delineating the heavens;
his chief work being Astronomical Instauratae
Mechanica.

With reference to the alleged delay in get-
ting contact with the telephone exchange on
the occasion of the Davis and Fraser fire, it
should be explained that the delay was not due
to any fault of the central exchange but to the
fact that the night engineer apparently tried
to get through from the operator's set at the
switchboard in the packing plant, which was
the only part of the plant's telephone system
not affording through connection. There were
several other phones in the building which
could have been used but were evidently not
thought of in the excitement.

Scarcity of white shirts in Canada was not
permitted to interfere with decorum in King's
Bench Court sitting in appeal in the judicial
district of Arthabaska, Que., recently. When a
lawyer, who said he had tried in vain during
the last year to buy a white shirt, appeared in
a blue shirt to act in a case he was asked by
Mr. Justice Severin Letourneau to leave the
court because he was "improperly dressed." Mr.
Justice Letourneau said no lawyer is permitted
to plead before a court in session if he does not
wear legal robes, and that a white shirt is part
of the dress. The lawyer commented: "Nothing
would have pleased me more than to follow the
custom if I could have found that white shirt
which I have been trying to buy in every store
visited during the last year."

The trend of the times. Britain's present
political policy at home is "drawing America
and Canada closer to each other," Sir Robert
Webster said in an Ottawa dispatch to his Car-
diff Western Mail. Sir Robert, managing di-
rector of the newspaper who now is visiting Can-
ada, said British political policy "is alienating
Canadian and American sympathy for Britain."
He said he found it difficult to make Canadians
and Americans realize Britain had been "hit for
six" in the last war and that it would take time
to get back to anything like normal. Sir Robert
continued: "Less than half the people of
Canada are of British origin and emi-
grants from central Europe during the last two
generations are very anti-British. We must face
the facts. A strong body of anti-British senti-
ment exists in Canada if I am to believe my
friends. . . we were even asked if we would ap-
prove the transfer of Commonwealth headquar-
ters to Canada. Why not, if circumstances could
justify the move?"

Full of years and in the enjoyment of uni-
versal respect, and admiration of all who knew
him, or of him, Mr. John F. Duffy has passed
to his eternal reward. With most of those who
visited Government House in the past half cen-
tury, Mr. Duffy came to be recognized as the
ever-green representative of royalty, meeting visi-
tors at the doorway, and passing them along to
ADC's, etc., for further attention. But it was
Mr. Duffy always he was called, not "Duffy" or
"John", as is the familiar manner of addressing
employees. The reason was obvious. Mr.
Duffy was a gentleman, with all a gen-
tleman's instincts, not ostentatiously obtrud-
ing himself, but invariably giving the best ser-
vice possible in the most respectful, efficient man-
ner practicable. A succession of Governors
were indebted to him for letting them know the
routine of the Vice-Regal residence, and more-
over, one would have been pretty much at sea
socially had it not been for the advice and as-
sistance, quietly and effectively given them by
the permanent member of Government House
staff. God rest his soul.

Notes By The Way

A French singer has been given
ten years in jail because he sang
for the Germans. If we could just
find some excuse like that to dis-
pose of certain juke-box canaries!
—Edmonton Journal.

The passion for fancy names is
spreading to England. A Sussex
chimney sweep now calls himself
"fluentist" and charges six-
pence more per chimney. —Edmon-
ton Journal.

The best answer to shortages is
more production, not merely a re-
shuffling of existing machinery.
The individual who finds his blank-
et too short and cuts a strip off
the bottom in order to lengthen
the other end is foolish, nobody
but himself. —Brantford Expositor.

Mayor Cornett scored a point
when he demanded that the courts
make an example of youths who in-
sult the police. His Worship re-
cognizes that an insult to the police
uniform is actually an affront to
our whole fabric of law and order.
Police officers are instruments of
the law in the same way as the
Judges and magistrates. —Vancouver
Province.

It's staggering, but a group of
co-eds in Boston have voted Eisen-
hower the "most exciting man of
1946" in competition with Sinatra.
This sort of thing could be danger-
ous, if it became a continent-wide
thing. If girls of that age start thinking
rationally, what will they be like
when they're adults? —Woodstock
Sentinel-Review.

A sombre sidelight on the effects
of the current housing problem on
veterans was recently given by a
psychiatrist in charge of the men-
tal hygiene division of the New
York veterans' centre. He reported
that many mentally ill veterans
might easily have recovered with-
out medical treatment and shock
from battle experiences if they had
not run into distress and frustra-
tions caused by the housing short-
age at home. Many are now receiv-
ing treatment and some will require
it for a considerable time for set-
backs in mental health that might
have been prevented by better liv-
ing conditions. —Toronto Daily
Star.

A Canadian Press reporter in
Britain finds that nationalist aspi-
rations are strong in Scotland
and Wales, as well as Ireland, but
that the United Kingdom is not as
united as the name might suggest.
Well, there have always been na-
tionalists, and they are usually a
noisy minority, but there are no
signs of any imminent disintegra-
tion of the Kingdom, thank you!
—Brantford Expositor.

Britain's oldest peer, Lord Hayer,
who was christened in his
mother's bedroom because the
doctors gave him only a few hours to
live, has died at Chislehurst, aged
98. He had been regarded a life in-
surance policy at the age of 21, be-
cause of his delicate health. Evert-
ually he became deputy chairman
of the company that insured him.
His was the first will in London
to have a telephone number —
London 9. Knighted by Queen Vic-
toria, Lord Hayer was the oldest
knight bachelor (1875) and the oldest
baronet (1800) well as being the
oldest peer. He was so far as
is known, also the oldest volunteer
in the Kingdom, having been a
cadet in one of Lord Tennyson's
regiments at the age of 12. —
London Daily Mail.

The frequency with which women
are being shocked.
The reason for the increase
in this type of crime is hard to
find. Women must exert great care
themselves and avoid the company
of men who are not well ac-
quainted. They should avoid
walking alone on dark streets at
night unless absolutely necessary.
And perhaps those who commit
these assaults might be discouraged
from the practice if women went
armed with old-fashioned batons
and used them whenever accosted
by a prowler of any type. And
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Even before construction work
begins on Britain's revolutionary
series of Brabazon airliners, de-
signers and engineers in the United
Kingdom are already suggesting
names for the aircraft. "Sometime in
the 'fifties!" The plane of the next
decade, according to the experts'
composite ideas, will be tallest,
shaped like an archipelago and will
have a range of 8,500 miles.
Four years normally elapse be-
tween the drawing board and the
actual construction. —UK Informa-
tion Office.

For 18 hours the citizens of Mil-
waukee, Wis., were as befuddled as
anybody in the U.S. to celebrate
National Air Mail Week the Post
Office Department had piously
installed a loud-speaker inside a
mailbox located on one of Mil-
waukee's main street intersections.
Then they ran a wire to a second-
story office window overlooking the
their suited, plugging the new se-
cure rate and gleefully ribbing
people who dropped letters in the
box. Reactions of the unsuspecting
citizens were immediate and var-
ied. Girls giggled and squirmed
at the deep male voice from with-
in the mailbox recorded their charms
for the benefit of passers-by. Eld-
erly ladies jumped and looked in-
dignant when the same technique
was applied to them. Bewildered
mothers could not tear their off-
spring away from a mailbox which
promised a peek at Widge the
midger sitting inside with all the
envelopes. Older citizens just stood
nonplused or cried at the box to
find out where the voice was com-
ing from. When the drive was over
everybody had had a wonderful
time and the sale of air-mail stamps
in Milwaukee had increased 26 per-
cent. —Time Magazine.

The Poets Corner

EBB TIDE
(A Sailor's Grave at Cloose,
Vancouver Island)

Out of the winds' and the waves'
riot,
Out of the loud foam,
He has put in to a great quiet
And a still home.

Here he may lie at ease and won-
der
Why the old ship waits,
And hark for the surge and the
strong thunder
Of the full Straits.

And look for the fishing fleet at
morning,
Shadows like lost souls,
Slide through the fog where the
sea's warning
Betray the shoals.

And watch for the deep-sea liner
climbing
Out of the bright West,
With a salmon-sky and her wake
shining
Like a tern's breast.

And never know he is done for ever
With the old sea's pride,
Borne from the fight and the full
endeavour
On an ebb tide.

—Marjorie Pickthall (1883-1922)

Old Charlottetown

(And P.E.I.)

FIRST ISLAND NEWSPAPER

When Governor Fanning came
here as Lieutenant-Governor, in
the year 1786 he found the legis-
lative and governmental records un-
printed and in a state of confusion.
So he induced James Robertson
to come from Halifax and set up
a printing office. Mr. Robertson
arrived in the summer of 1787 and
immediately began the publication
of the "Royal American Gazette
and Intelligence of the Island of
St. John."

The Island was then for the most
part forest. There was not even a
postoffice from which to distribute
the paper, or a regular mail-carrier
to take it to the few outlying dis-
tricts that were inhabited by white
men. It was published fortnightly
in quarto size, three columns per
page, each column about ten inches
long, and it contained the proclama-
tions of the Lieutenant-Governor,
the official advertisements, a few
local advertisements, a few para-
graphs of local news and the Brit-
ish and foreign news, brought by
the vessel last arrived, to the limit
of the remaining space.

The greatest public service ren-
dered by it was the publication of the
terms offered by Lieutenant-Gov-
ernor Patterson under which a
number of Empire Loyalists were
induced to come to the Island and
the means it afforded for the agita-
tion of the Lieutenant-Governor
from the men who at that
time held a proprietary right in
the soil. As a result of the agitation,
so maintained, many of the best
farmers who came from New Eng-
land stayed on the island, helped
to subdue the forest and to build
up an ordered government loyal
to the British crown.

The Roast Beef
Of Old Canada

(The Times, London)

"Well, now," said the waiter to
David Copperfield, "what would
you like for dinner? Young gen-
tlemen is generally tired of beef
or mutton."

Today many elderly gentlemen
might admit to being a little weary
of mutton, but as to beef they would
repudiate the waiter's remark with
the vehemence of a man who has
more will than voice over the
agreement lately made in Ottawa,
whereby British will take all the
beef that Canada can export until
the year 1949.

Once upon a time roast beef for
luncheon on Sunday was an in-
tegral part of home life. Then came
the war and rationing, and Sun-
day luncheon was a fitful, wistful
delicacy at the family table revealed
a joint culled from some meagre
and strangely distorted sheep. There
were always rumors that somebody
else's village near by was a rich
vein of continuous beef, but in
every one's own village it was a
case of beef yesterday and beef
tomorrow that it did harm, to his wit,
and today the epithet "beef" is
seldom applied to those pre-emi-
nently interested in things of the
mind. This may be an unfair infer-
ence from the fact that Sunday
luncheon leads to Sunday after-
noon slumber; but, whatever may
be said against hot roast beef, cold
beef stands patently approved, since
there is about it a fine Spartan
quality; it stands for long bracing
walks in the open air with much
good talk, for plain living and high
thinking.

It is indeed regrettable to be
convinced that "be" are not such
out-and-out cold beef men as we
were since few people eat it



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for breakfast, even if they can get
it. Historians of the future, judg-
ing by the literature of a hundred
and more years ago, will probably
believe that "stags cochenud" in-
variably did so, and there it no doubt
that both Mr. Weller senior and
the coachmen on the Tully-ho coach
to Rugby deliberately preferred
cold beef for breakfast washed down
with tankards of ale.

So many a standard of conduct
we may never reach again, but at
least we may hope to attain to it
at the other end of the day, when
it is "possibly sweetest" at Sunday
supper. There are weaknesses in
the greatest of institutions and it is
one of the mysteries of existence
that food so palpably divine should
become as palpably insipid and de-
pressing when reduced to the form
of sandwiches.

UPGRADE BURMA WORKERS

BURMA —(CP)—The status of
all grades of laborers in Burma is
likely to be raised so far as the
standards of living and salaries is
concerned, said U. Kyaw, Burma's
adviser to the British delegation to
the I.L.O. Conference, on returning
from Montreal.

In The Midst of SUCCESS
You May Suffer DISASTER

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lains attend lectures at St. Mary's
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ent, but at night return to their
camps under military guard.

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