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

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Coordinating Defense Efforts

No time is being lost in implementing the understanding reached between President Roosevelt and the Prime Minister less than a month ago.

Under the Hyde Park arrangement the United States expects to buy from Canada in the next twelve months between \$200,000,000 and \$300,000,000 of materials for the United States defense program.

It seems probable, says the Globe and Mail, that Canada's greatest contribution to North American economic collaboration will be in raw materials like nickel and aluminum.

It is gratifying to note that implementing of the Hyde Park agreement is already under way. It was the subject of a conference in Washington last week at which Canada was represented by Dr. W. C. Clark, Deputy Minister of Finance.

The Shrines Of England

Here is a fine thought from Saturday Night on the destruction of historic structures in London by Hitler's vandals:

"War makes historic structures faster than it can destroy them. The buildings which we have lost were dear to us merely because they enshrined the memory of some great achievement of the human spirit."

The Coming Test

Commending to its readers the magnificent example of unity and co-operation shown by the people of Great Britain, the Winnipeg Free Press says that Canadians are now feeling the heavy financial burden of the war, but sterner sacrifices lie ahead for which we must be prepared.

Much depends, it adds, on the abandonment of all partisan spirit or purposes. Considering what is expected of the Canadian people, of the men on active service, those employed in war industries, voluntary workers and all others—this is not too much to expect from each of the groups in Parliament.

clear knowledge that they are fighting in a noble cause and helping to save the world from a terrible fate. They will need the support of their convictions and their confidence that such a cause cannot ultimately fail.

EDITORIAL NOTES

No fewer than 17 persons have been prosecuted in Montreal to date in connection with the draft evasion scandal there.

The Canadian Bacon Board announces that a licence from the board will be required after May 31 by any packer or other person who slaughters hogs or processes pork for distribution in the domestic market.

M. P.'s have, unfairly and unconstitutionally, they maintain, been mulcted war tax on their parliamentary indemnity, and here is the reaction of Mr. Leonard O'Brien, representing Northumberland, N. B.

From July 1, 2,200,000 workers in this country will pay weekly dues ranging from 9 to 36 cents, and their employers will make their contributions to the fund, dollar for dollar.

It is somewhat amazing to find certain people claim that we have a greater population than we can support. Nothing of the sort. The trouble is that the occupations are not sufficiently diversified, thanks to the wrong-headed policy pursued since Confederation, driving almost all industries off the Island except agriculture and fishing.

Graduates of the Commonwealth Air Training plan are 100 per cent. efficient, Air Commodore G. E. Brooks told the National Fire Protection Association convention at Montreal.

Income tax collections in the fiscal year 1939-40 revealed there were 27 persons in Canada with net taxable incomes of \$200,000 a year or more.

\$50,000 to \$60,000—139.
\$60,000 to \$75,000—121.
\$75,000 to 100,000—102.

Blitz-fighting British Tommies haven't time to be lonely. So 25,000 kindly Britons who yearned to brighten the lives of lonely soldiers by being "Pen Pals" will have to put their fountain pens away.

Archibald Philip Primrose, 5th Earl of Rosebery and 1st Earl of Mid Lothian, British Statesman, died this date 1929. As a boy at Eton he was asked his ambition; he replied "I have three, to win the Derby, to marry a millionaire and to become Prime Minister."

NOTES BY THE WAY

As a courtesy to the many Americans, Norwegians, Poles, Australians, New Zealanders, Britons and all other members of the Canadian Allied Forces training in Canada an order has been passed by the Ontario Government granting free fishing rights to non-resident members of the Active Service Forces.

Employers as well as wage-earners are required to concede something in the interests of war production. Neither side is likely to be asked to sacrifice more than the men who are enlisted on active service.

On several occasions The Mercury has referred to the fact that many children are walking the streets at night, when they should be in their beds.

Everything has got topsy-turvy in this chaotic world, it seems. "It is one of the paradoxes of the war that interest rates in the United States should have declined steadily during a period of rising national debt," remarks Business Week.

The West Riding Farmers' Union executive committee passed a resolution asking for Government assistance in the protection of the next corn harvest, by the provision of fire-watchers for the fields.

Figures which have just been released as to the consumption of apple juice in Canada show what a well-conducted campaign of publicity can accomplish. Production has doubled in the last year.

The grave seriousness of the intensified submarine campaign against British shipping—a campaign which we have been repeatedly warned by the British in possible position to know, is likely to increase rapidly in violence.

The United States is pledged to give Britain all possible aid, and the factor is of the utmost importance—has brought from numerous quarters protests, couched in the most candid terms, against the continued maintenance by Valera of his attitude of cynical neutrality.

Australia finds that it has 100,000 fewer children under fifteen than it had several years ago. This discovery has alarmed the Government and the people of Australia, and they are resolved to do something about it.

McNaughton's Views

(Sydney Post, Record)
General A. G. L. McNaughton, Commander of the Canadian Active Service Force in Britain is quoted in an interview as saying: military occupation of Berlin after the war will be necessary.

He endorsed what Defence Minister Ralston said in his recruiting speech last week: the need for Canadian soldiers in Britain which he described as the beleaguered citadel of the Empire.

Decision to extend facilities of the Sydney steel plant, including the re-tilting of the plate mill, will bring deep breaths to the Cape Breton industrial community, where this move has long been sought.

Public funds helped to build this plate mill in the First Great War. The greater part of the mill is still intact.

With the outbreak of war, Nova Scotia's steel-making facilities assumed a new importance. Various agencies told the government about the importance of industrial facilities in Pictou county and Cape Breton.

MANCHESTER — (CP) — Twenty thousand fire-watchers, between the ages of 18 and 30, have registered for duties in air raids in this manufacturing city.

LONDON — (CP) — An officer alleged to have borrowed sixpence from a non-commissioned officer and failed to return it appeared here for court-martial.

EXAMINATION
Fitting and Supplying Glasses
H. J. MABON
OPTOMETRIST
Montague, P. E. I.

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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.

WOODCOCK CONSERVATION

Sir,—In the midst of preparation for defence conservation becomes a foremost patriotic duty now when the wealth of nations is consumed in violent conflict, when millions of helpless people are suffering cruel want and actual starvation it behooves us to guard our natural resources from waste and extravagance in any form.

The pressure of world sorrow makes anything that will sustain the spirit infinitely precious. In woods and hills, streams and lakes, birds and flowers are rich not merely to be sung about.

Three of the things our friends to the south of us are advocating this year are: no shooting any kind after December 15th; hunters to be limited to one geographical area; and no open season on Woodcock. A man who shoots a single bird in his country of a thing of beauty which can never be replaced.

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WORDS OF CHALLENGE

A THOUGHT A DAY FOR A PEOPLE AT WAR

"In my judgment... aid must be supplied without hesitation to Great Britain and those other countries that are resisting the sweep of the general conflagration." — Cordell Hull, U. S. Secretary of State.

The Poet's Corner

EVER HE LOVED THE WAYS OF BIRDS
Ever he loved the ways of birds,
Robin,
The snare as you,
And now he weaves wild patterns
Across the sky
As wild birds do;

So high, Robin, that you shall never know
Such sleepless height.
Nor brush so close to sheaves of stars
As he, at night;

So far, Robin, so many miles he
By a clump of trees,
On an open plain,
Returning like a wearied homing bird
When it is dawn.

But if, so young and loved, in storm he falls
To earth to sleep
Ever shall I, who too love ways of birds,
This comfort keep—
He shall fall to sleep as the wild birds do.
Sweet leaves his bed,
While curtains of the wind he loved
About his head.

—Dorothy H. Duchemin, in Saturday Night.
(Note: This poem was the only entry to receive Honorable Mention in the Women's Canadian Club of Toronto poetry competition of 1941.)

OFFICER ACQUITTED
LIVERPOOL — (CP) — Acquitted by a court-martial of charges of inciting assaults on conscientious objectors Capt. F.K. Wright of the Pioneer Corps said he had "thought it my duty to suppress a mutiny."

BAG TWO AT ONCE
GREENVILLE, S. C. — (CP) — Having changed the driver while police trailed the car two men were arrested and convicted of drunken driving the same car at the same time.

MOONSHINE BY DAY
LEXINGTON, Ky. — (CP) — When it's springtime in Kentucky it's moonshine, too, but revenue officers report much of illicit distilling has switched to daytime operation nowadays.

TWAS NAPOLEON'S LOOT
PARIS — (CP) — Armor breastplates and finely carved helmets which Napoleon took from Vienna have been returned from Paris to Vienna.

Hats worn back of the head or straight-on-the-head, or being less seen than when introduced earlier in the season.

MO' 'EM DOWN!
The battle cry of Charles McCarthy is a good slogan for this time of year. In other words don't let any grass grow under your feet. Its good advice also to stick to old and tried friends in whom you have gained confidence through experience. Among many a man's friends can be counted the always steadfast.

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