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The Strongest Memory is Weaker Than the Weakest Ink.
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No Time To Relax

The fear has been expressed in some quarters that the coming Victory Loan appeal will be handicapped by the feeling of complacency which has arisen with the rising fortunes of the Allied troops in Europe...

Potato Pit-Storage

In Maine, where the potato crop is estimated at 65,000,000 bushels, there is talk of employing pit-storage to meet the shortage of potato-houses and the slow movement by rail...

Newfoundland's Prosperity

Were it not for wartime transportation restrictions, our trade with Newfoundland should be greater this year than it ever was in the past. The war has brought unprecedented prosperity to the Ancient Colony...

Notes By The Way

Then there's the farmerette who mends her hands at bridge whenever spaces are trump. —Brandon Sun.
And, of course, the patriotic bride and groom make the salvage depot their first stop to get rid of the shoes and linens. —Christian Science Monitor.

dollars—a sum out of all proportion to pre-war revenues. Will it be necessary to retrench on social service expenditure, or resort to borrowing again? Perhaps the question can be solved by a sound rehabilitation programme.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The welcome sound of the City Clock is heard again after a four months' vacation.
Sure sign of Allied victory when the wavering neutrals announce in which direction their sympathies lie.

Western farmers can be fooled about many things, says the Letter Review, but no one is going to fool them into believing anything except that wheat trading was suspended in Winnipeg, to keep the price of wheat from rising.

A wage ceiling which does not prevent such an important group as farm labour from obtaining increases is scarcely a contribution to preventing inflation. After all, when wages rise as in the case of farm help, it is not likely that the farmer can avoid raising his prices...

Allan Ramsay, Scottish poet, born this date 1686; published several collections of poems, but is best remembered as the author of "The Gentle Shepherd", a dramatic pastoral of the realistic type; in 1746, largely through his efforts, the first regular theatre was opened in Edinburgh; he revived vernacular poetry, and prepared the way for Ferguson and Burns.

No amount of political skill can save labour, Quebec, or the Prairies for Mr. King at next election, says a Toronto exchange. The Prairies can be won for Mr. Bracken. In B.C. and the Maritimes, they seem to have about equal chances.

Because of the necessity of sending aircraft to the Middle East, Russia, India and China through West Africa, British West African colonies have been intensively developed during the war. Aerodromes were built rapidly...

Cattle breeders from Canada and the United States paid more than \$40,000 for 47 pure-bred shorthorn cattle, picked from three Ontario herds, at a dispersal sale last week at Unionville, Ont. The cattle were picked from herds owned by W. J. Russell, Unionville, K. C. Gray, Gornley and Stanley Douglas, Caledonia. Biggest prices of the sale, \$2,500 each for three head, were paid by the Ontario cattleman. The cattle brought an average of \$940. Top price for the Stanley Douglas herd, which averaged \$652 a head, was \$1,925, paid for a cow, Brownlaid Non-pareil, by R. Kelee, Maryville, Miss. Bulls owned by W. J. Russell averaged \$1,107 and cows, \$1,077. Six cows sold by K. C. Gray averaged \$1,375.

What this country needs, to paraphrase Tom Marshall's famous bon mot, is more hard candies. Try and get them to put in the boxes you send overseas, if you don't believe it. A recent news item reports that manufacturers can begin making hard candies in some quantity again. That's really good news. A generation ago when the family went to town Saturday evening to do the week's shopping, hard candies were a part of the ritual of shopping. Father took a personal interest. Mother might pretend that such triviality was beneath her nose, but she was tolerant about it. After Father had bought the kernels, a bag or two of grain, a sack of cattle salt, some nails, a hammer handle, and a bolt for the cultivator, and Mother had swapped the eggs and butter for a spoon of No. 60 black thread, a paper of common pins, a dozen safety pins, a red hair ribbon for Mary and a blue one for Alice, a pair of stockings for John, a piece of gingham for a new apron, ten pounds of sugar, a pound of coffee, and the other nickels' worth in green, rectangular paper-wrapped in plastic. Mother chose a orange-flavored fat disk. Dad's candles lasted. A box of chocolate on the living-room table may possibly hold out more than one day. But ten cents' worth of hard candies, carefully

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TELEPHONE TO WOOD ISLAND

Mr. Well Sir, I have at last succeeded in getting some information for the public from the Northumberland Ferries Limited on why the telephone is not down on the wharf at Wood Islands so the public can get the news. I know of the regulations re phoning information about ships at sea, but that does not stop the placing of a phone on the wharf.

I may state that I did make enquiries about the cost of connecting the head of the wharf with the farm at the top of the approach, even if it is a rural line, and was advised that a number of extra posts would be required at a nominal cost. So you see I have been interesting myself for the benefit of the Ferry Company.

Now that the subject has been opened the travelling public would like to know why there were only two trips a day made in May, June and October. It is during the spring and fall months that a phone is badly needed at Wood Islands and Mr. Mutch wouldn't have been called and wouldn't have been a prophet if a phone was there.

Family Allowances

(Orilla Packet and Times)
There are rumours that the first instalment of a social security programme, the Dominion Government is considering "family allowances" for children. The immediate cause for taking this step at the present juncture is the hope that thereby it may be possible to forestall the demand for higher wages to meet the increasing cost of living, and so to aid in the family allowances are included in both the Beveridge plan for social security for Great Britain and the proposals submitted to the C.I.O. They take the form of payment of a monthly allowance to parents towards the cost of maintaining their children. The average allowance talked of is \$7 to \$9 a month, which is in line with the recommendations in the two reports.

The case for family allowances rests on the fact that, while it is in the interest of the state that men should marry and raise children, the man who does so is to some extent handicapped, in the conditions of modern life. The result has been the tendency to restricting families to one or two children, and to childless marriages. Yet it is not practical to have wages based on the size of a man's family. As Archbishop Temple himself remarks, "it is difficult to say that every man, even though unmarried, should be paid at a rate needed by another man who has children." The state is interested in the welfare of the child before it is born; various direct, medical and other services their assistance where needed before and during school years, and education is free, even to the extent of supplying books. It is contended that this is not enough. And experience, in the form of the "baby boom" which has threatened the future of the nation, bears this out.

It is not, however, considered desirable to relieve parents of responsibility, or to make the total allowance a workman can get sufficient to relieve him of the desire to work in order to receive more income in the form of wages. Mr. Marshall seems to prefer starting with the first child, but he does agree that to pass it over would be more desirable than other proposals for keeping the outlay within practical limits. Like Sir William Beveridge, he is also partial to grading the allowance according to ages on the grounds that a child of 13 to 16 years costs a great deal more to maintain than an infant. Thus he would start at \$5 a month up to 5 years and go as high as \$12.50 for boys and girls of 15 and 16. The average he places at \$7.50 a month. From the feelers coming out of Ottawa, apparently the disposition hidden and used on a regular schedule, used to last a week. On these days of enforced economy for many we'd be glad to see them back. —Christian Science Monitor.

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September winds have stolen across the fields and towns. Unhinged the leaves and scattered the red and gold around. Nipped the ears of tasseled corn and withered all the flowers. Then shook the ripened pods about in the cool evening hours.

And now October stands and reaches past the hills. Splashes crimson on the maples; the summer's song bird still; Lays a fragrant haze of smoke along the distant wood. And covers fields and meadows with a brown autumn hood; Spreads a padded cloak of snow across a cobalt sky. Then tints their filmy edges with sun-gold stolen on the sky;

October watches, soundless, as a little thread of blue chimney tops—then fades in paler hue. The crystal air is thin and clear and still—above it all, And we are left to wonder at the glory of the Fall.

Income Tax Allowances

Presumably the allowance to widowed mothers would cease or be modified, if there were children's allowances. And the present allowance of income tax of 106 a year would almost certainly be withdrawn, which would mean that income tax payers would gain nothing from the family allowances as long as the present tax continues. At present the anomalous situation is that the state bonuses the children of the rich, but not those of parents in too low an income bracket to pay income tax.

The present pay family allowances does not meet with the approval of some of the labour unions. They fear that such payment might increase the demand for higher wages. This is probably the very reason that the Government has been considering beginning family allowances at the present time. Since they will be payable to all families, rich and poor, and the total annual payment to all families, rich and poor, and the total annual payment is estimated at \$180,000,000 a year, it seems hard to understand why the placing of this money in the hands of the public for spending will not defeat the very object the Government has in mind, that is to meet the demand for higher wages brought about by increased spending power—unless, indeed, in the case of higher brackets the bulk of the money is taken back in taxation.

Family allowances would, however, be a boon to parents, and large families would bread winner in the lower wage brackets. Properly made use of, they would go towards eliminating the poverty that has so devastating an effect on youth. There is not much question that they will soon be made a reality. Archbishop Temple has declared the case for them unanswerable. Whether, however, it is wise for the Government to introduce such a radical measure at this juncture, and mix it up with the price ceiling dispute, may be open to question. Though it would appear that a radical measure at this juncture, and mix it up with the price ceiling dispute, may be open to question. Though it would appear that a radical measure at this juncture, and mix it up with the price ceiling dispute, may be open to question.

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CANADIAN FLAX OF HIGH QUALITY
The quality of Canadian flax in comparison with that of other countries is very favorable, states the Dominion Department of Agriculture in a report on Oil Seeds Investigations. Iodine in the oil content is important. In a study of four varieties of flax grown at 54 stations from Alaska to Mexico, the iodine number from the samples grown in Canada exceeded those from any other region except the Great Plains and Northern Prairies regions where most of the U. S. crop is grown, the Canadian

DANISH KING
STOCKHOLM, Oct. 12 (AP)—The Germans at the personal request of King Christian X have released his personal physician, Prof. Eric Warburg, arrested in a roundup of Danish Jews, in the Danish Press Service said today. King Christian X, who is recovering from a summer illness, the services of Warburg, who is credited with saving the monarch's life during a summer illness.

GREEK DERIVATION
The word anchor originated from the Greek word anachos, an anchor or hook and the old Greek anachos were in this form.
How Are Your Eyes?
If you are having symptoms of strain—headaches, sore eyes or dizziness—consult a specialist. At your service with years of experience and a thorough refracting service. Call in and discuss your difficulties. Write or phone for appointments.

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