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

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Conscription: A Necessity

Evidence that Canada's war effort will be materially accentuated was given in the House of Commons yesterday by Prime Minister King. Most important of the Government's proposals is to conscript the manpower and wealth of Canada for home defense, leaving recruiting for overseas service to be maintained on a voluntary basis at present.

Australia's Effort

Australia's determination to assist Britain's effort in the air is being brought rapidly to realization by the development of her new aircraft industry according to official announcement the Commonwealth is already manufacturing the locally-designed Wirraway, a single-engine second-line fighter, at the rate of six a week.

War And Gold

The United States now holds more than nineteen and a quarter billion dollars' worth of gold. The total gold reserves of the world are estimated to be twenty-five billion, of which France has two billion, Britain less than one and a quarter billion, Italy \$193,000,000, Germany \$29,000,000 and all other countries combined about two and a half billion.

In 1923 the debt was funded at eleven billion gold dollars payable in 66 years, which meant that "Uncle Sam expected to be paid, and John Bull engaged himself to pay, all the gold on earth for a paper loan worth two billion at gold prices."

EDITORIAL NOTES

Would peace terms, which are secret and incommunicable, by any stretch of the imagination be termed honourable?

Welcome to the members of the Women's Institutes now in Convention. They are of more importance than the average housewife who is, or ought to be, the economist in the family.

It will have been noticed that even in the Hon. Norman Rogers funeral procession, as illustrated in our yesterday's issue, the only one out of step was Prime Minister Mackenzie King.

Field Marshal Earl Haig, Commander-in-Chief during the Great War, born this date, 1861: From Order of the Day, 12 April, 1918: "Every position must be held to the last man; there must be no retirement. With our backs to the wall, and believing in the justice of our cause, each one of us must fight to the end."

An airplane capable of carrying six passengers and a pilot, in addition to light bombs, has been donated to the French Government by Harry Hammill, former British war pilot and now manager of the Austin Municipal Airport.

An esteemed subscriber in St. Eleanor's takes exception to the Guardian describing the Prince County new airport as being located at Summerside. He says it is at St. Eleanor's, four miles from the town mentioned.

Initiators of the plan in the U. S. A. for universal training are the New York Times's Colonel Julius Ochs Adler and Manhattan Lawyer Greenville Clark, whose Military Training Camps Association set out to raise \$250,000 to promote acceptance of a peacetime draft.

Advance in the construction industry is a salient feature of recent business activity in Canada, according to the Canadian Pacific Railway. Contracts awarded in April doubled in value as compared with the same month of last year.

What will Russia do? Perhaps we are now to be treated to another exhibition of hesitation, this time on the part of the third dictator. At the breaking speed with which the conflict is widening, Stalin's intention cannot remain long obscure; but while he wavers, the battle Italy has frivolously begun in the southeast—a battle of enormous range and risks—will not be fully joined.

It is worth placing on record, writes "Augur," that Signor Mussolini, in spite of his relationship with Herr Hitler, even today would have remained neutral had the Allies stuck to their original decision to ration his oil supplies.

NOTES BY THE WAY

There has been open scoffing in Japan at wild reports of stupendous building, and 12 super-warships on the stocks at once is obviously beyond the capacity of Japanese shipyards ever.

Commencement of construction of the million dollar Brantford Airframe of the Commonwealth Air Training Scheme, serves as the illustration of the fact that this major Dominion project is now going forward in accelerated earnest.

Yes, the English have their faults. But by and large they are a fine and substantial people who have stood for liberty and justice, who have been concerned with ideals, who have used their brains with restraint, who have tried to spread justice and civilization. They are inheritors of the tradition of Shakespeare and Milton and William Pitt and some of the great statesmen of the American culture.

This man Hitler seems to be worse than the ogres we read about when we were young; even worse than the monster with which children if they did not go to bed somewhere in their make-up these people had a human streak and that nobody would do anything with this man. He's all unreason, a monster and nothing else.

Some think that because a law is broken it should be repealed. Shall we repeal the Prohibition Law because some people break that law? If so, then let us repeal the law against bigamy as it stands in the eyes of some bigamists.

IN TIME OF NEED

Sir:—At a time like this when there is so much gloom owing to the conditions, when there is so much uncertainty in regard to employment and relief work, nevertheless, there is sometimes a silver lining to the dark cloud.

The Admiralty, War Office, and Home Office are considering a Society that would adopt for the Services a visitor to protect the eyes. The visitor was invented and perfected by Sir Richmond Cruise, who had been a member of the Royal Flying Corps.

There should be no apology for bursting into print about this year's display of lilacs in Winnipeg. Anyone with half an eye can see that the lilacs are about the best yet. Was it rain at the right time or warmth at the proper moment that has made the lilacs so blue, white and purple?

The German writer, Egon Friedell, was spending some time in Italy. One day he received a letter from his friend in Vienna. The letter had been mailed with a stamp, and Friedell was obliged to pay a small fee in addition to the postage.

The Navy Department like other government agencies, is enmeshed in reams of red tape, and like other agencies, has resorted to the fastening of such instructions as "Urgent," "Special," "Priority," "Expedite" on certain documents in an attempt to insure their delivery to proper destinations in something less than an eternity.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion of subjects of public interest. The Editor reserves the right to accept or reject any correspondence.

THE END AND THE MEANS

Sir:—Does the end justify the means? I would say no. Who would say that Mussolini is justified in making war on friendly nations because he wants a big place in the sun? Possibly his venture is to make himself master of the Mediterranean. It is often that men do not succeed in their plans, which are based on unrighteousness.

If the end justifies the means, there should be no law against stealing or even murder, but the end never justifies the means. I owe a debt of \$1,000. Shall I stab my friend in the back, take his money, and pay that debt? This would be the end justifying the means.

RAINFALL AMPLE FOR CROPS

OTTAWA, June 18.—(CP) Rainfall has been ample for crop growth throughout Eastern Canada during the past two weeks, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics said today in the second of a series of seven telegraphic crop reports.

MALCOLM McNEILL

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Just Between Us

On a poet's lips I slept, dreaming like a love-dept in the sound his breathing kept; Nor seeks nor finds he mortal bliss. But feeds on the aerial kisses Of shapes that haunt thought's wilderness.

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Editor "Bill" White

(Ottawa Journal) In one of his press conferences this week President Roosevelt spoke of the "great work being done by Bill White" with his series of articles "Stop Hitler Now."

Who is this "Bill" White, seemingly so well known to the President? He is William Allen White, editor of the Emporia Gazette, a man who, although he has never worked on a big city newspaper, or edited a big city newspaper, is the most famous editor in the United States.

Emporia is a small town in Kansas. There for something like half a century "Bill" White has worked shirt-sleeved in the sanctum of the Gazette, writing homely pieces for his paper, chatting with his subscribers; a first citizen of a town of plain American people.

Perpetual Militarism

When President Roosevelt was asked what he thought of Hitler's emphatic repudiation of the suggestion that the Nazis might attempt an invasion of the Americas, he replied cryptically: "It brings up recollections of the President's amplification of his statement by remarking that he would, if he wished, 'enlarge upon it with dates and names, going back over quite a period of years.'"

NINE GOOD RESTS, ANYWAY

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., (CP) In 38 years of married life, Mrs. J. C. Burris says she has baked five morning, except at birth of her nine children.

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