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

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The First Requirement

Liberal apologists are much concerned lest criticism of the King Government be used by Lord Haw Haw or some other Nazi broadcaster.

As if Hitler's agents were unaware of these things!

In England they have learned that making clean the outside of the cup and platter for the benefit of Nazi broadcasters is not sufficient for salvation.

"Thou blind Pharisee, cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter, that the outside of them may be clean also."

The quotation is not from Liberal campaign speeches.

A Clearcut Issue

As election day approaches the issue becomes clearer that what the people of Canada will decide on March 26th is whether a National Government irrespective of political affiliation shall be in control of the administration of Canada for the period of the war or whether we shall continue under a purely partisan system.

There is no party politics in enlisting; none in ploughing the fields for greater production; none in subscribing to war funds; none in contribution to the Red Cross, Salvation Army, Legion and other charities; there is no politics among the women who knit and sew for our soldiers and sailors; why then should there be party politics in Parliament when Hitler and Stalin of Russia challenge our democratic free governments and British people everywhere?

The present Prime Minister has betrayed his type of mind in declaring that party government is the only kind that is needed in Canada at this time, and with the strange implication that he is the only one who is fitted to be its head.

Exploiting Canadian Patriotism

A motion picture on Canada's war effort was advertised by the Vancouver Liberal Association as "a graphic record of accomplishment which is, in great part, the work of our British Columbia minister, Ian Mackenzie."

"This," says the Vancouver Province (Independent) "is playing election politics and exploiting the patriotism of Canadian men and women in this war with unblushing effrontery. It is mean enough to arouse a reaction quite the contrary to that desired by the people who have lent themselves to such tactics."

Silent As A Clam

With the election only a couple of days away, it would be expected that all Liberal cabinet ministers would have been heard from. But Fisheries Minister Michaud, who is a lawyer from a lumbering district—where is he?

He has been as silent as a clam about his department. Seeing that not so long back he was rapped over the knuckles by Liberal newspapers and at least one prominent Liberal Senator for being incompetent to hold his job, it is no wonder Mackenzie King is keeping Mr. Michaud in hiding.

One Liberal paper (the Eastern Chronicle) suggested it was no use telling Mr. Michaud he should resign; he should just be "thrown out!" Yet he is still holding down one of the most important portfolios in the cabinet so far as the Maritimes are concerned.

This is the man who in conjunction with our own incompetent Liberal representatives allowed \$500,000 voted by Parliament to rehabilitate the fishery industry lapse unexpended a couple of years ago. Between them they didn't have the initiative to devise ways and means of utilizing the money properly. The result was that many additional thousands had to be expended in fishermen's relief.

Inactive Mr. Michaud got the job which should have gone to the late lamented A. E. MacLean in 1935; which is just another example of the discrimination practised against this Province under Liberal rule.

Manion's Youth Policy

At the enthusiastic Conservative meeting at the Sporting Club on Tuesday night, Messrs. McLure and Hyndman both emphasized the importance of Dr. Manion's proposal to appoint a Ministry of Youth Welfare to work in co-operation with the Department of Labor and other departments concerned in the problem of unemployment.

Dr. Manion's youth policy has been criticised as an election-eve gesture, but the facts speak otherwise. It was hatched in July, 1938, immediately after his election as leader of the National Conservative Party, that Dr. Manion announced his intention to establish a Department

of Youth. Now, as leader of the National Government party, he has continued to emphasize the vital importance of such a department to be included in his cabinet if elected on March 26.

In accordance with the recommendations of the Purvis-Moore Commission (ignored by the King Government) Dr. Manion proposes to take steps to organize the Employment Bureaus of Canada and to include Youth Employment Bureaus which will work in close co-operation with agriculture, industry and commerce to assist in placing all our young men in gainful employment and to disseminate employment information throughout the country.

Is not this a policy well worth pursuing, even in war time? Its importance in solving our post-war problems will be still more apparent.

Farm Implement Prices

What about that promised reduction in farm implement prices on which Mackenzie King got into power five years ago?

Our farmers know the answer! Hay mowers cost \$115.50 last season as against \$96.00 under Bennett.

Binders \$267.00 as against \$210.00 in 1935. Manure spreaders \$205.00 as against \$135.00 at that time.

In these three essential farm implements alone an increase under Mackenzie King of \$140.50.

The Better Way

As a reason for opposing National Government Hon. Mr. Ralston says it is very necessary that there be "the check and curb of Opposition criticism and inquiry so that Government will, as they say, keep on the rails."

If Mr. Ralston was more familiar with Island politics he would know that this theory is anathema to the Campbell Government.

Moreover, it didn't keep the King Government "on the rails," because at the first threat of Opposition criticism and inquiry Mackenzie King scuttled Parliament.

A better "check and curb" would surely be a government constituted along non-partisan lines, which would be amenable to criticism, and representative of all our people.

EDITORIAL NOTES

One more day, and that a statutory holiday, before our Easter election.

The \$200 a day plus living and travelling expenses' candidate is rather an expensive luxury for an agricultural community.

Tomorrow Easter Sunday when all good people, politicians and others, will go to church in celebration of the Resurrection.

"Carpet baggers," is the epithet applied in Britain to candidates who hail from here, there and everywhere in search of a seat to raise themselves by their shoe strings.

One thing nobody can dispute Messrs. McLure and Hyndman, Drs. MacDonald and MacPhee have the interests of this, and no other province, foremost in their thoughts and minds, and are not distracted by other interests, monetary or otherwise.

Viscount Milner born this date 1854—one of the greatest Imperial statesmen of the 19th and 20th centuries, he trained innumerable outstanding statesmen and diplomats, including John Buchan, Baron Tweedsmuir, who was known jocularly as "Milner's Kindergarten."

Charlottetown is not the only airport centre that has suffered under the Mackenzie King Government. The Halifax Chronicle (Liberal) says the attitude towards Nova Scotia in the matter of Trans-Canada Air Lines is "completely lacking in sympathy" and that the public is tired of having to depend on feeder lines to link them with a so-called national system.

Evidently Senator Sinclair has been accompanying Dr. Grant to offset some of his more outstanding blunders. At Georgetown he told the electors that it was not against the Government but Dr. Grant that the returned soldier, Mr. Jay had a just grievance for illegal dismissal. Similarly at Souris he told the electors, in spite of Dr. Grant's assertion to the contrary that it is not the intention of either the Dr. Manion National Government or the Mr. Mackenzie King Liberal Government to enforce conscription.

Mackenzie King's lieutenants are bragging of having saved "national unity" in the Quebec provincial election. The fact is that they entered that contest to restore the unity of Quebec Liberalism and to get their Liberal machine men back in the Quebec political trenches in preparation for the retreat from vulnerable positions in parliamentary debate to the camouflaged defenses of a general election. Anything but heroic was their threat to resign their seats at Ottawa—to quit their posts on the Liberal anti-conscription ramparts—if Duplessis won.

One thing this election has demonstrated—the inadequacy of the radio as a substitute for public meetings. Only those vitally interested listened in. A politician took the trouble to ascertain from a cross section in a particular district the effect of a broadcast. Result—Eleven had no radio; 16 were not interested in the speaker's views; 3 were not home at the time, 8 did not tune in, 3 listened in part, one listened to the whole. And this is not merely a local experience. Sydney Post-Record says: "Report says that both major party headquarters at Ottawa express themselves as dumb-founded over the proven ineffectiveness of political broadcasting in this campaign, and as being resolved to revolutionize their publicity methods before another general election rolls round. Meanwhile this one has been lulled almost to a comatose condition by the sad swan songs on the air which have become the order of the night since the campaign commenced."

NOTES BY THE WAY

Noah had no mines to fear. No planes to bomb his ark. There were no submarines: about more ruthless than the shark: And yet we feel that Noah would have had the sub or plane as a matter of fact. He built the ark, the rain, rain rain. — Toronto Star.

About the "nerviest" individual that the election campaign has so far produced is the Communist candidate standing in the St. Mary's division of Montreal on a platform of bringing back from England the "Crest" and "Crest" have crossed the Atlantic.—Brookville Recorder and Times.

With the earliest of the Essex County farmers already on the way to market, growers are enthusiastic about the fast start this season. The heavy shipments don't begin for another three weeks or so, but the "cukes" will soon be coming steadily to the tables of Canadian homes. — Windsor Star.

There is a suit going on at Pittsburgh for \$25,000 because part of a girl's finger was snapped off by a timber wolf at the zoo. And Jim Curran, in his Suit Star, has always been telling us that a wolf had been in the zoo, at least, made a start on the young lady. —Peterborough Examiner.

Have the well-meaning innocents who cry "Stop this war now!" considered what their brand of peace would mean to this country? It would mean the destruction of everything that Britain stands for—and everything they pretend to stand for. The British government has taken certain measures against underground subversors. They have been far too tolerant of those who are openly preaching it. — London Daily Mail.

The alcohol scheme in Ireland has taken satisfactory shape from the agricultural and industrial and the economic point of view. In accepted measures, having in effect which they were originally created, the factories are purchasing from the farmers all surplus potatoes. They can also work any surplus of potatoes, which are being supplemented and are being imported from other countries. Even in years when there is a good market for potatoes, substantial quantities are outgraded for use as animal feed. The distilleries provide a useful outlet for these outgraded potatoes. Moreover, farmers often prefer to avoid the high cost of certifying potatoes, by delivering them to the distilleries from the fields to the factories. The total production of alcohol in Ireland is approximately 1,500,000 gallons per annum. From one ton of washed potatoes, having an average starch content of 14.7 per cent, 22.9 gallons of undenatured absolute alcohol are obtained and from one ton of high-test molasses, eighty-eight gallons of alcohol are produced. The ordinary commercial molasses give fifty-eight gallons. — Brandon Sun.

Gentlemen, it is not your fond desire or mine that can alter the nature of things. By contending with us, you will only get what you shall ever get—but defeat and shame! I did not obey your instructions. No, I conformed to the instructions of truth and nature, and I will continue to do so. I am, Sir, etc.

Adolf Hitler in his Munich speech declared that Germany would have won the Great War had he been at the helm. The nation's leaders then, he declared were "second rate." But in his Wilhelmshaven speech on April 1, 1939, he said: "I would not sell my mother's picture. Neither would I sell my fanfare. I have sympathy for those who on account of poverty or ignorance, are their own worst enemies. But I have none for the agents of the big interests, who come to our capitals—ear to the ground—ready to offer the 'shinews of war.'" Having fallen for this, the Government is enslaved and obliged to buy the goods from such people, whether it be road machines or the product of the still; and that at an enhanced price. This is one way to sell our Province, and in a similar way our fair Dominion.

The money spoken of, going through poll committees, may get side tracked and not bring in the full harvest of votes that had been expected. But to sum up other results, the young voters coming on, learn more about graft in one campaign than their homes and churches could teach in the past five years. Example counts more than precept. Jesus said something

NEIGHBOR'S house caught fire the other night, and he nearly lost his senses. He ran around getting in every one's way, and shouting: "My stamp collection! Get stamp collection out! Get stamp collection out!" Well, they saved the house, so he didn't lose his stamps—but he learned his lesson all right.

"He did what I had told him to do many times—went to the agent of the National Fire Insurance Company of Montreal and got a Stamp Collections Insurance Policy that protects his valuable collection at its actual value. If you have a stamp collection that's worth money, don't depend on luck to save it. Get the National Fire agent now—and take a load off your mind."

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Public Forum

PROFANANDA

Sir—Instead of Right Hon. Mackenzie King censoring the speeches of his political opponents, he should rather censor some of the C. B. C. broadcasts, notably one in last Monday morning's March 18th, news, in which it was stated that "Canada was drawing nearer to the United States and drawing away from England and Imperialism. Is this American propaganda or Nazi? I presume the latter. Is there any other nation in the world that would tolerate such unpatriotic, derogatory and false utterances to be widespread. I am, Sir, etc.

LOYAL CANADIAN

WAR VETERAN'S STATEMENT Sir—In the Patriot issue of March 21st, a letter by a party calling himself "A Veteran" makes the following statement: "Living veterans are the ones who can give reliable information." Well, Sir, I can give the information quickly and accurately. I was in the trenches. I had been in action around Paschendale and I had been granted a furlough which I intended spending in Scotland. My C. O. gave me a new ticket to go and ask me if I wished to vote before I went on my holiday. There was no question of co-ercion, and no attempt made to influence me in any way. I am, Sir, etc.

FIFTY MEN ARE TAKEN FOR A RIDE

Sir—Many citizens are wondering why the new trucks of the Canadian National Railway pick-up and delivery service have been driving in the streets of Charlottetown for the last couple of days. The explanation is that it is just another attempt by the Liberal politicians to fool the voters. They are in the line for a Railway job after the election. However the old game is being played again. A number of Railway officials are being compelled to assist in trying to hoodwink the voters. The word was passed out that several men would be required for the new service, and in many cases Liberal committee men were obliged enough to contact the list of victims, advise them that the party would be glad to recommend them to the Railway. I am, Sir, etc.

DERELICTION OF DUTY

Sir—From the far off Pacific Coast comes the cry: In a recent address by H. H. Stevens Conservative member for Kamloops, the following message was given referring to the present Party in power: "Since the outbreak of the war the administration has been marked by a degree of hopeless incompetence and inactivity. The policy of duty unparalleled in Canadian History." Many other things are evident, amongst these WASTE, stands out most prominently. The present Campaign is perdition as a glaring example; wire millions of dollars will be thrown away, and for what? To alleviate the election desire and insatiable appetite of one Party Leader? To create an opportunity, already existent, by Radio and other means, to tell the people what the King Government has done? An Election was not the peoples wish by any means. Useless Expenditure has no excuse plausible or otherwise. Neither has useless extravagance! Was the National Banquet for Mr. Mackenzie King at Toronto, where invitations were sent out Dominion wide to Liberal representatives celebrating his leadership of the Party over a period of years, and to which certain Liberal members from the Coast went by commodious air travel, furnished at the expense of the working people of Canada? Mr. Hepburn, once loyal supporter of this regime, refused to attend and requested his entire cabinet, to do the same. Neither has useless or Wanton waste of the country's products. Where in British Columbia Milk has been poured out in countless gallons, rather than used in fruit crops have been left to rot in B. C. orchards rather than sell at a price that would not pay for box-wood and shipping. This and many other like this could have been readily overcome; firstly by zoning the country into areas which could not produce the commodities grown in others, where at the harvest season there was such a surplus supply, that not only was the market swamped, but the price was far below the cost of production of the commodity; then the approximate acreage of the crop could have been ascertained, the proportion for export divided in a way that would bring the grower the most profit, and the complete balance of the crop, apart from immediate requirements in areas adjacent, held in properly constructed warehouses with the best transportation facilities, to be distributed to the zones where those commodities were not grown, as required. Does not this come under the Dept. of Trade and Commerce, internal and external and the Marketing Board? They do not seem to have the ability to devise means of real constructive building, where people are suffering enormously from the lack of competent ways and effective means to help them market their orchard, farm and dairy products at a profit. Where are the soldiers who fought through the Great War of 1914-1918, took up land on the Prairies under the Soldiers Civil Reestablishment in thousands and who through lack of co-operation and proper help, have been abandoned, until the number has dwindled to a few hundreds. There was a remedy that could have been put in operation here also, which would have made their lives a success instead of a failure. Here in the Maritimes we are faced with a situation, that is known from the Atlantic to the Pacific, Pork being sold on a market—"At a loss to the farmer"—"Not to anyone else" "This is just one more instance of the failure before the eyes where Government Marketing is concerned, not good business by any means. Any order taken however dumb can supply at a loss, so long as the source of supply is available; what firm or organization, either public or private, would counter-act such a feeble and incompetent way of approaching a market of such huge proportions, and with such unlimited resources? "Not one" from the Atlantic to the Pacific in this or any other country. That type of supplying does not show either efficiency, ability, or any common sense. The Govern-

ment, who are taking off the tables in many instances meals the children of these same Patriots of Canada, should be eating, but their having to buy growing and fattening foods for hogs at a high, and rising price on an open market, and sell the product at a loss where price at dock is governed or set. With no immediate or definite restriction in sight regarding this situation. Is the price between the farmer and the dock also regulated? Does the packer get the price to the farmer, and have the balance without any check there? No wonder the farmers are asking on every hand, where are we heading? No wonder there are so many vacant farm homes, and, reaching out, by some—even at their own disadvantage—to rent or purchase adjacent or nearby property in order to grow more, in hopes of overcoming their "known losses," in other ways; no wonder there is a continuous trek to other parts in hopes of finding better conditions, and to the cities where some are getting a meagre existence, though without the worries of a farm business on their minds. No wonder we have all this and more, where such conditions exist. There is a Remedy!

The Peoples Representatives are firstly elected to see that such appalling conditions are overcome. What have they done? What are they doing? Presumably nothing much. Ask the Farmer! HE KNOWS! We affects his pocket affects the whole country. There is no use in throwing good money after bad, subsidising is not the way. There is supposed to be a Marketing Board! Is this Department composed of men who know how to market, to sell who have the interests of the producers before them, or are they just a few more of these who by their Political affiliations and Party Politics have elevated themselves into a position of trust, in which they have no capabilities? It would seem likely; or they would exercise enough intelligence to find out the basic cost of production first, especially here in the East where conditions governing hog-raising are the hardest hit, investigate the spread in price between farmer, (the buyer or packer) and purchaser, then do the real selling on a sure market, afterwards at a profit to the farmer. Canada! Where are you going? Have you not had enough of waste? Enough indifference? Enough extravagance? Enough useless expenditure? Enough incompetence? Too many flamboyant gestures of Party

Politics without results? No doubt when we know what the Per Capita tax will be, we will be dumbfounded. It is time that real Representatives of the People have drawn a line of demarcation across the books of Headquarters, started afresh, and audit all that has preceded. "Ring out the old, Ring in the New" Let us be finished with the type of Politics which is nothing more than a housing for those who want to further line their pockets at the Peoples expense, those who when they are elected, go to Ottawa, or to our Provincial Legislature and from whom we hear nothing during the greater part of their term of office. Cannot you see? Or are you still content to run yourselves into the "Mortuary of dead hopes." of People who will begin to consider when it is too late, for another four years, to voice any opinion in what they desire in "Good Government."

On the 8th inst at 1145 E.S.T. we heard the Premier discuss at length certain phases regarding the location of British air bases in this country and the training of British air Pilots. The whole fifteen minutes was taken up in indulging his own position, and by trying to show the public where Dr. Manion was wrong. Would it be possible that the interested parties might have seen someone else in the whole of Canada than the Premier? The Minister of Defence for instance—or others who might have been trying to do the Country some good? Not one second of the time was devoted to proposals, suggestions, or definite solutions, for any one of the many intricate problems confronting the Nation, and vitally affecting her people.

Canada! If ever there was a time in our history, when National Unity was imperative "It is Now!!!" A positive and effective means of unity, concentrating the full Nations weight behind our war efforts, of combining the intelligence and business ability, but to show the world, and most especially those who would love to see a National Government that we in this country of Canada, as a People, are whole heartedly and unflinchingly forwarding every effort to assist the Motherland and at the same time building within our own land for the Future, and with integrity. I am, Sir, etc. J. R. C.

PASSES AT MONCTON MONCTON, N. B. March 22—(CP)—Andrew Holland Jones, 72, prominent real estate and insurance broker died today following an emergency operation last night. Minard's kills pain.

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