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

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Hitler Dead?

If it be true, as the Nazi radio states, that Hitler has "died at his command post in Berlin," then all that can be said is that he was fortunate in escaping a worse fate.

Tha Rake's Progress

Germany has reached the end of her tether in the proverbial Rake's Progress. She has always been a disturber of peace since she first came into existence as Germania in Roman times.

Kaiser William II, though he posed as the apostle of European peace, always insisted on the "mailed fist" and the "shining armour"; and the increase and efficiency of his army, the building of a strong navy, and an attempt to win the sovereignty of the air were the main obsessions of his life.

Coincident with the historical teaching thus falsely outlined was the new philosophy of crude brute force, the doctrine that the state was simply embodied power and nothing else, with no rights save what it could compel by arms, and no duties save those which could be imposed upon it by superior strength.

This striving on the part of historians and philosophers to give Germany root and stimulus for her most grandiose ambitions was seized upon by soldiers and journalists, and in their hands developed into a fierce jealousy of Britain, and an unveiled covetousness for her colonial possessions.

Farm Help Worse

A serious shortage of farm help this year would endanger the food supply in the Maritime Provinces, the Saint John regional employment committee of National Selective Service was informed.

ing help from non-farmers. It was explained by Mr. R. P. Hartley, K.C., regional superintendent, that in the last two years the farmers of the Maritimes had been aided by the help each season of 2,000 members of the armed forces.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The busy Victory Bond canvassers are making their presence felt in our midst.

The politicians are now busy going hither and thither in their interests in the public weal.

The first of May was a little too cool to produce dew, but any maiden could have bathed her countenance in white frost.

The San Francisco Conference is slated to last four weeks, as both Eden and Molotov must be back in their respective capitals almost immediately.

\$443 million is to be spent on the further extension of Britain's electrical supply system. Already the United Kingdom's unique nationwide grid service has made electricity available to 97 per cent of the entire population of the British Isles.

It is estimated that nearly 500 miles of electric cable stretch round H. M. S. Implacable, while enough electricity is generated to light a fair-sized town.

Although the Royal Army Medical Corps has to deal with a much greater proportion of what in the last war would have been described as desperate wounds, today nine out of every ten wounded brought within reach of surgical treatment were saved.

King Feisal II of Iraq, born this date 1935, acceded to the throne on the death of his father, King Ghazi I, April 4, 1939; during his minority Amir Abdul Illah, G. C. V. O., maternal uncle is Regent; Iraq is more commonly known as Mesopotamia, extends from Kurdistan on the north and northeast to the Persian Gulf on the south and southeast, and from Iran on the east to Syria and the Arabian Desert on the west.

War veterans under 21 years with more than six months' service before honorable discharge will be allowed to vote in the June 11 Federal election under an amendment to the war service voting regulations published in Canadian War Orders.

All Premiers are in the same box as Premier Jones. Premier Duplessis told the Quebec provincial committee of temperance at the Legislature building that he regretted ravages caused by alcoholism "and I am ready to take all necessary means to prevent it."

"Gloomy" Dean Inge has been meditating on matters off his beaten track, and opines "the Deity has a sense of humour." "The lack of it," he says, "is regarded as a defect in human character, a defect which it is very annoying to be charged with. Why, then, should it be derogatory to the Deity? Are there not some human beings who, we cannot help suspecting, can only have been made for a joke? But without speculating on the personal thoughts of the Deity, of which we can know nothing, we are justified in believing that just as there is an aspect of reality which we call the Beautiful, which undoubtedly exists, though it has no obvious function in preserving life, so the contradictions in our experience, the clash of Yes and No in which, some philosophers say, 'all things consist' are meant to amuse as well as to puzzle us."

Notes By The Way

But why do members of the diplomatic corps get double-breasted coats? Is it because, being traditionally two-faced, they are also double-breasted? Or is it because they are a race apart, expected to uphold the standards of sartorial beauty and double-breasted perfection while the rest of us bear the burden of single-breastedness? Why is it? We do not know.

Allied mastery of the skies has been so complete for so long that it is difficult to remember back to the days when the Germans were able to send 400 to 500 bombers a day against Britain after the fall of France, when not a ship could move through the Mediterranean or a tank cross the North African desert without drawing an air attack.

An assurance that the blackout, which in its fullest state was "ideal for observation," has probably contributed something to an increase in membership of the Manchester Astronomical Society is a reminder of the many hours which our fire-watchers had time to study the constellations with far more attention than is their normal duty, says the Manchester Guardian.

In the highlands the stream run cold and shallow—clear water over brown cobble. Moss and wood rot are the only things that grow in the late Spring, and in the Summer, with coolness lingering on their brows, the water is clear and blue. They are haunts for the fisherman, the trout, the salmon, the sea trout, the salmon, the sea trout, the salmon, the sea trout.

Since the days of the hardy pioneer up until a few years ago every man with a family seemed to have a small house in the city, a small, spartan, but a deep-singing pride swells in him, escapes in a decision to build a home in the country. He is not alone in this. Many thousands are in a financial position to build homes for themselves but, instead, they take the attitude of the early days of the landlord or otherwise. What was once the natural duty of the citizen has been passed on to the state.

The use of the products of Canadian forests and farmers' woodlots for direct war purposes may be less obvious than in some other cases, but they are many and varied. The Quebec Chronicle-Telegraph asserts: Wood pulp alone is used extensively in the production of high explosives, such as cordite and gun cotton, replacing cotton linters at about half the cost. From the same wood, cellulose acetate dressings and hospital wadding are made to heal the wounds of soldiers. The so-called "dissolving" pulps are also transformed into rayon, cellophane, and pulp-based plastics, from which are produced synthetic yarns for tires and parachutes, gas-impervious clothing, impervious wrappings for intricate machines, wrappings for perishable drugs, chemicals and food, housings for radio aircraft, artillery and naval instruments, and other articles, replacing cotton, silk and metals. Paperboard is used in containers for shell cases, ammunition, gun barrels, machine parts, and other military supplies. In place of metal and wood, building board or wallboard replaces lumber in the construction of barracks, hospitals and other buildings.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the expression of opinions on questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

"THANKS TO HIS HONOUR"

Sir—As I read the report of the transactions of our government, I'm led to wonder if we are living in the time that the Bible tells us of, when the people would wax worse and worse.

The greatest physicians in the world inform us that intoxicating liquor is a harmful and either nervous or health, so why should our Government have a rum shop? Is it the supply base for all the "stiffs" who are in the woods? Why not instruct the officers of the law to empty the contents of this liquor into the sea?

Many try to make us believe that the standard of our people is lifted high, they will rally around it. In our Army, it is a very serious act if one of its leaders betrays his trust in the hands of his enemies. It looked like a well-planned act of our politicians, that they should have a real cleanup, and make our Island a place to be proud of?

Are we doing our best at home? If the standard of our people is lifted high, they will rally around it. In our Army, it is a very serious act if one of its leaders betrays his trust in the hands of his enemies. It looked like a well-planned act of our politicians, that they should have a real cleanup, and make our Island a place to be proud of?

"Hans Puffler" The Rival Villain?

(By Lane Norcott, London Daily Mail satirist, and not to be taken too seriously.) It can now be revealed that the farther Allied troops go into Germany the clearer it becomes that the German people have a real dislike for the Nazi regime and hated the war.

Who, then, is responsible for this unwelcome situation? It is not the German people, but the man who has put the Fuehrer in power and kept him there against the wish of the kindly German people? Fortunately that is revealed to us. It was a small, bespectacled little fellow named Hans Puffler, of Bad Muckstein.

It was Hans Puffler, secretly and unknown to the German people, who had the details of our National war effort, which is highly creditable to the people. But the effectiveness of this expensive propaganda largely has been nullified by the halfhearted mismanagement and culpable inadequacy of our so-called manpower policy. Moreover, episodes like the dismissal of Mr. Ralston from the Cabinet because he advocated unlimited conscription for overseas, and the anti-draft disturbances at Drummondville, Que., and other places have created a most unfavorable impression in the United States about the ardor of the Canadian people for prosecuting the war to a victorious conclusion.

Undoubtedly this unfavorable feeling must have been deepened by the announcement of our Prime Minister that Canada's contribution to the war in the Pacific would be kept as a purely voluntary basis. A large body of the American people have all along been more concerned with the trouble in Europe, and the American casualties in the long series of bloody battles fought to great islands in the Pacific from the Japanese have been very heavy. But Canada's is a Pacific power and as Mr. Gavin pointed out being nearer to Japan than the United States, should be even more interested in the suppression of the evil war lords of Japan. Britain, which is far distant from

ATMOSPHERIC INSTRUMENTS

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An Unanswerable Protest

(Globe and Mail) The latest proof of the harm done to the prestige and name of the King's Government's vacillating and piecemeal policy on manpower comes from a speech delivered by Mr. Mordy in the House of Representatives at Washington by Mr. L. H. Gavin, a Republican member from Pennsylvania.

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The Canadian people want uniformity in their Government's policy. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinion of correspondents.

The Poet's Corner

NORMANDY MOON The moon is gold over Normandy. Where you lie muley still. It shimmers gold in the wheat. The field you stopped to till. You plowed and sowed and dreamt in its long. The day before you went. I wondered, and dared not ask my son. If you knew what it meant. But now you know, since you dream in its long. And Normandy is old. Her breast has pillowed the brave the strong. Since August moons were gold. —Julia May Courtney, in The New York Times.

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