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

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Business in The Maritimes

Reviewing business conditions in the Maritime Provinces, the Bank of Nova Scotia monthly review reports increasing activity due to wartime demands. The forest industries have continued to operate well above the previous year's levels, manufacturing has been very busy; port activity has been unusually great for the summer season, and the construction industry has been occupied with numerous defence projects.

The forest industries have been especially active. In most cases pulp and paper mills have been operating on a full-time basis. Lumber mills have enjoyed a very busy season as a result of increased demand for the product. Timber control which has been a heavy burden of plantations and especially from the Dominion Government for military purposes. Stocks of lumber are quite low and the prospect is for an exceptionally large winter market.

Other industrial operations have reflected mounting war orders. The steel mills have reached capacity production. The coal mines have experienced an enlarged demand locally for shipping and for bunkering and, though shipping facilities have impeded shipments to Ontario and Quebec, a large rail movement has been going forward. Shipyards have been rushing work on the naval programme and car, ship and furniture have been busy.

The business climate, however, is not one of general expansion. The fortunes of the farmer have varied widely as between different areas, and fishermen have experienced little or no improvement. In addition, the tourist trade from the United States was somewhat smaller than last year, though there was a larger influx of visitors from Ontario and Quebec.

Except for apples, crop results were generally fair and food supplies appear adequate. Livestock production has increased this year, more cheese has been produced and lamb output has been maintained. The apple crop, however, was extremely small—around 900,000 barrels, as compared with a 2,000,000 barrels in 1939. With the British market virtually cut off, the Nova Scotia Marketing Board is purchasing the crop and in turn will be selling it to the Dominion for all export 1,000,000 barrels at prices equivalent to 80% of average quotations for 1936-38. The potato crop was officially estimated to be slightly above average. Prices are substantially lower than a year ago.

Sinai And The War

While Italian troops strike through Northern Egypt toward the western side of the Suez Canal, the eastern side of the great ditch can be protected by British forces and supplies moving by land from Palestine. The region through which this protective movement can be made in a matter of hours, says a bulletin from the National Geographic Society, is the Sinai District of Egypt, the territory over which the children of Israel wandered for forty years on their journey in the reverse direction, from Egypt to Palestine. "War activity there will probably be confined to the northern section near the sea-coast," continues the bulletin. "Cone-shaped Sinai, geographically a part of Asia—least politically a province of Egypt, forms a land-bridge between the two largest continents, used by armies and caravans for thousands of years. The supposed path of the Children of Israel in their flight from Egypt loops across the southern half. The high peak of Jebel Musa (the mountain of Moses, also called Mount Sinai; Mount of the Decalogue, and Mount of the Law) on this route is often identified as the mountain on which Moses received the tablets of the law (the Ten Commandments). Across Northern Sinai lies the route of the much-travelled Biblical road between Egypt and Palestine, a path trod by two Josephs of the Bible, one old into Egypt by his brothers, the other, husband of Mary."

Archdeacon Scott's Proposal

Writing in the Montreal Gazette, Archdeacon Scott, of Quebec, famous and beloved padre of the last war, makes an arresting suggestion. It is that Mr. De Valera, evidently resolved not to lease Eire's naval bases to Britain, might consent to lease the bases to Canada. He writes: "We who in Canada live with and love the Irish (so many of whom have gone overseas, keen in their loyalty to the Empire) feel that something could be done to save the bitter situation. We have nothing to do with the sad differences of Britain and Eire in the past. We are a new nation. French, Irish and British have found a deep heart union, strengthened now by a common danger. "Cannot Canada make a personal appeal to Mr. De Valera to allow her to rent for the duration of the war Lough Swilly and Berehaven on the West Coast of Eire for use as Empire naval stations? I am sure Australia, New Zealand and South Africa would welcome such a move and I am confident Eire would not suffer by her action."

NOTES BY THE WAY

Strange that the man who gladly gets up before dawn to sit or lie in the cold and wet during the duck-hunting season is identical with the individual who absolutely refuses to leave his bed to tend the furnace or bring in the milk. — Brockville Recorder and Times.

The Wichita, Kansas, public library has started a baby-naming service. Those who can't think up a good one, it's all right if they run it on the library system, so that a kid who gets a classic name can turn it in for something not so starchy like "Slug" or "Butch." — Ottawa Citizen.

There'll be no regret if all the German cannon in British Columbia are sent to the smelter and melted up as scrap. The Nazis, for many reasons, would like to have the German war souvenirs returned to them. Let us be forgiving and send these obsolete cannon back to the Germans—in the form of shell cases and bombs. — Vancouver Province.

Ottawa is well-advised in moving to prevent a shortage of skilled labor as a result of compulsory military training. It is estimated that of the 240,000 men called up yearly for training, 30,000 skilled Canadian civilians will join the Canadian Army. — Ottawa Citizen.

The writer's position in the modern world is a curious and difficult one. If he is not the statesman or the prophet in embryo, neither is he the philosopher, the educator, the clown, or the sage. He is regarded as a kind of scout or explorer, who on behalf of the more common human aspirations, is pushed on into the jungle of desire and fear or is setting a tentative foot upon the higher slopes of our common human aspirations. — J. B. Priestley in Readers News, London.

It is a curious phase of the immigration problem that Asiatic and Eastern peoples, who are forced their way into Canada, while maintaining the full knowledge that they do not intend to conform to the standards of the established here. We in Canada must be regarded around the world as easy marks. For instance the Doukhobors plead for success against a bi-coastal policy of Russia—Asia—but when we take them in they make life as uncomfortable as possible for us. It is easy to state that the Doukhobors are difficult to dispose of the question. For three decades now we have been patient, then occasionally tough, but always decent. The Doukhobors laugh in their sleeves at our patience and go right on refusing to obey our laws of citizenship. — Vancouver Sun.

My postbag is continually illustrating the old dictum that out of Africa is always coming something new and strange. Here is the latest. A small, rough-skinned lizard of the species known as Kopsmander was sent to kill a cobra near Urvana in Southern India. The cobra, which was only four inches long, lay in front of the snake. Every time the snake struck, the lizard dodged and lit, but it was behind the head. After it had done this six times the snake collapsed. The lizard then walked cautiously round it and nipped it here and there. Evidently the cobra was dead, it scuttled away as if nothing of any consequence had happened. The snake, which was 5 feet long, was killed in less than 10 minutes. In Britain, we know little about snakes; but I have seen an adder violently attacked for a hedge sparrow, while nest it is entered, and both the adder and grass snakes have been killed by hedge-hogs. It is plausibly narrated. — London Spectator.

The fact that a limit of five-miles-per-hour for a time was put upon traffic round St. Paul's Cathedral, pending examination of any injury the fabric may have sustained from the recent bomb, serves as a reminder of the most freakish insurance policy ever taken out at Lloyd's. For many years the proprietor of certain premises in the city insured himself against the risk that the monument might be blown to bits and destroyed. The fear he entertained was probably due to a report at one time that the monument was unsafe, its vibrations being too great for the astronomical purposes to which it was at one time put by the Royal Society. There was never any foundation for this fear, and according to Elwes "its scientific construction may bid defiance to an attack of all but earthquakes for centuries to come. Elwes was not familiar as we are today with the destructive powers of a German bomb. The monument stands a couple of hundred feet from the site of the bakers' shop in Pall Mall where the Great Fire broke out. — Ottawa Journal.

Many Canadian hotels bear the names of notables in the country's history. The name "Palliser" has probably brought more knowledge about the man who travelled over the prairie and made a report that is often referred to in these times, than a school text book. If a visitor isn't aware that Canada once had a Prime Minister named Macdonald and another named Laurier, he gets the information when he asks the reason for the naming of the famous hostelry in Edmonton and Ottawa. At Saint John and Halifax, alongside the sea, it is no surprise that Lord Bessborough and Lord Nelson, names that will be forever associated with the British navy, mark the principal hotels. At Quebec there is the Frontenac, linked up with the discovery period of earliest Canada. Toronto, with its reputation of being more British than the British Isles, does not surprise us in having hotels bearing the names of King Edward and Prince George. Winnipeg also recognizes royalty in its Royal Alexandra, but links up with its past in the other palatial hotel, the Fort Garry. Saskatchewan's new hotel bears the name of a former Governor General, Lord Bessborough, while Regina, the capital, is naturally content with the Saskatchewan. Lethbridge's community hotel carries a name of distinction. The Marquis is not named for a rank in English nobility, but for the wheat that has made Western Canada and this district particularly famous. — Lethbridge Herald.

PUBLIC FORUM

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION
Sir—We wish to announce that the Provincial Department of Agriculture has secured the services of H. D. Long, as forester for the province. We are in a position to have Mr. Long give expert advice to parties who have wood-lots, as to the value of said wood-lots for pit-prop purposes, also to instruct the people as to the proper care of their wood-lots. He is available for holding public meetings throughout the province and any information required of him or letters concerning same should be addressed to the Provincial Department of Agriculture. This is an opportunity that the people have never had in the province, and the Provincial Government, having undertaken this work, we would be glad if the people would avail themselves of the advantages to be obtained by same. I am, Sir, etc., W. H. DENNIS.

Eel Grass And "Quakes"
(Frederick Gleaner)
Now that eel-grass is giving indication of re-establishing itself along the eastern coasts of this Dominion, with the improvement of the feed of the coastal fauna which may favor it, attention is being given to the cause of the disappearance of the grass. It is stated that a parasite ordinarily tropical, attached itself to the eel-grass several years ago and in a brief period of time killed it—in fact, obliterated it along the coast. This marine parasite did not appear in such northerly latitudes until after a great submarine disturbance of some years ago which caused the disastrous and huge tidal wave in Burin Inlet, Newfoundland, which caught the inhabitants of fishing communities against the precipitous cliffs and drowned many of them. Earth quakes accomplished that great oceanic disturbance, and evidently it is considered the cause of the introduction of the tropical parasite. The influence of the latter continued for five or six years, with the eel-grass practically gone and the migratory wild geese at a loss for feed as they fed usually on that sea plant.

Now a curious fact is chronicled by those who have been observing the wild geese and their habits. The big bird apparently adjusted itself to the lack of eel-grass and has turned to other foods. In the Spring the wild goose eats eel-grass seed occasionally, but in the Autumn prefers to glean cultivated fields for grain or eat the seeds of wild plants inland.

END OF SAFE-BREAKER
MELBOURNE.—(CP) — Regarded as the most skillful safe-breaker in Victoria, Vernon Budge, 38, died in hospital here of injuries suffered when he fell while trying to climb the wall of a building.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

Not another break till Christmas—full steam ahead.

What a lot of Islanders are making a living off (in double sense) the Island these days.

Splendid weather for lifting root crops and Fall ploughing, not to mention filling of wells and marshes.

Another good reason for education. A medical certificate submitted at Highgate, London, the other day, which recorded that a man was suffering from a fracture of the base of the skull and a slight bruise on the brain, added that the better educated a man suffering these hurts was, the more likely was his complete recovery.

A London columnist seeking asylum in a subway shelter overhead the following dialogue and then went to the surface: Young man to girl: Listen! Is that all clear, or merely your mother snoring? Voice from the further side of the girl: Mother is awake and all is clear.

Creamery butter production in October decreased approximately four per cent as compared with the October make of 1939 and decreased 14.0 per cent as compared with the output for the preceding month. During October 22.7 million pounds of butter were produced and during the ten months ending October the output reached a total of 237.0 million pounds. The decrease in the October make occurred only in New Brunswick, Quebec and Alberta.

Cheese production increased approximately 23 per cent in October as compared with October 1939, and decreased 23.2 per cent as compared with the output for the preceding month. The October make was approximately 15.0 million pounds and the total for the ten months, January to October, amounted to 132.4 million pounds. The increase in the October make occurred in all provinces.

Mr. Charles Higgins (55) who was to be buried alive in Derby, Ill., is now on a fair way to recovery. Two doctors pronounced him dead after an automobile smash-up in which he sustained a skull fracture and two broken legs. Mr. Higgins was pulled from a flaming car after it went over an embankment. The doctors believed him dead and he was removed to an undertaking parlor. Sometime later when one of the physicians went to the mortuary, he heard moans and saw the "dead" man trying to get out of a zipper sack in which he had been placed. The doctor administered a heart stimulant and took him to a hospital.

The production of concentrated milk products in September increased approximately 10 per cent as compared with the same month last year and a decrease of 10 per cent as compared with the preceding month. During the month of September 13.6 million pounds of Concentrated Whole Milk Products were manufactured and 3.4 million pounds of Concentrated Milk By-Products. During the nine months January to September 124.8 million pounds of the former and 31.5 million pounds of the latter were produced in condenseries and creameries in the Dominion, making a total of 17.0 million pounds for September and 126.3 million pounds for the nine months ending September.

France's first radio "gag" rule became effective this week with the publication of a decree forbidding the reception of British broadcasts. It also forbids reception of broadcasts from other stations engaged in French "anti-national" propaganda. While reception was banned, penalties were decreed only for broadcasts heard in public places or in streets. Six days to six months' imprisonment, plus 16 to 1,000 francs fine and seizure of the radio set, was set as a penalty. The basic "freedom of the press" law of 1881 also was revised to provide sentences of three months to two years and fines ranging from 100 to 3,000 francs for "offending the Chief of State by publication of slurs or attacks" upon him.

R. L. Stevenson, novelist and man of letters, born this date, 1850. He was an invalid from boyhood—consumptive—and led a very lonely life, except for the company of his nurse, until old enough to travel on the continent. Later he visited the U.S.A. and ultimately settled in Samoa where he died. As a novelist he combined finished style with powerful imagination and remarkable narrative faculty; his essays and poems display originality of thought and charm of style.

Under the wide and starry sky Dig the grave and let me lie. Glad did I live and gladly die, And I laid me down with a will; This be the verse you grave for me! Here I lie where he longed to be, Home is the sailor, home from sea, And the hunter home from the hill."

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