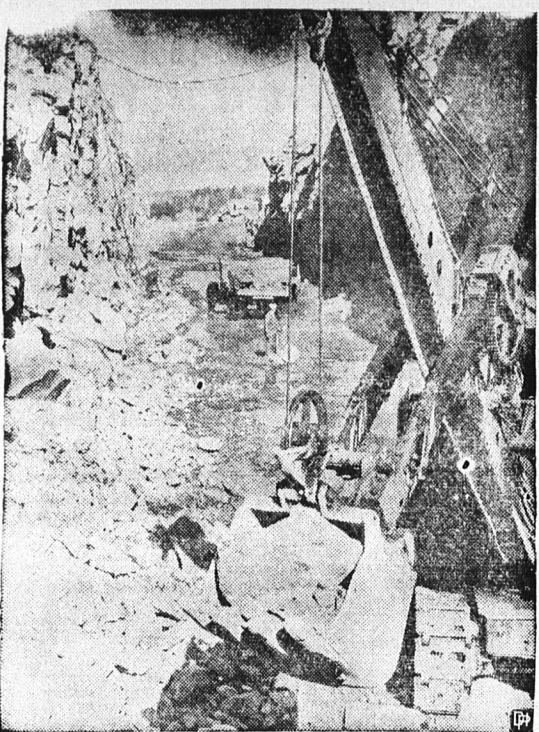


PATRIOTISM COMES FIRST. A GIFT OF WAR SAVINGS CERTIFICATES OR STAMPS WILL START SOMEBODY

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MAN-MADE RIVER GORGE Waters gathered behind the big dam on the Madawaska river will race through this channel, carved from the solid rock. On their way down the 150-foot drop to Cabotage lake they will turn two huge generators, pouring 54,000 horsepower of additional energy into the war plants of Ontario. With 80 per cent of Canada's industry dependent upon electricity, such developments are of vital importance in turning out the tools of war.

QUEEN'S CANADIAN FUND DONATIONS

Repeated bombing raids on British port areas and the industrial midlands has attracted fresh attention to the frightful suffering of the many thousands of civilians in Great Britain who are harried from shelter to shelter and finally driven into the open country by successive raids. Eventually places are found for them all, places of relative security, but their belongings of all kinds are destroyed. The task of emergency feeding alone is difficult. The task of setting them up once more with some quantity of clothing and bedding is much more difficult.

The Dominion campaign, which is officially known as "The Queen's Canadian Fund for Air Raid Victims." Every dollar contributed to the Queen's Canadian Fund goes without deduction to the Lord Mayor of London for distribution to the homeless and needy. Contributions from this Province should be forwarded to the Royal Trust Company, Charlottetown, which reports the following receipts to date:—

Received yesterday:— Charlottetown (P.E.I. No. 1) Branch Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., \$50.00. The About Town Club, Summerside, \$50.00. Total to date \$5,325.57.

High Quality Seed Utmost Importance In Potato Growing

It has been proved beyond question, over and over again, that quality seed is of the utmost importance in successful potato production. The average yields in Canada are far below what they should be considering the favourable climatic and soil conditions in potato-producing areas. One important reason is that too large a percentage of the fields are planted with medicine seed, frequently the pick-outs from a poor crop of table potatoes. Anyone expecting a bumper crop of high quality potatoes from such seed is trusting more to luck than good management. Luck plays a very minor part in potato production; good manage-

ment, interest and work are the important factors. Table potatoes will grow, of course but it should be remembered that diseases increase rapidly, especially virus diseases, and the more of these diseases in the field, the more they will be spread by various insects and the smaller the yield will be. The big mistake many growers make is to conclude that any potatoes of good appearance are good seed. That is definitely not the case. Apparent soundness constitutes no guarantee of freedom from diseases for potatoes carry viruses unrecognized in the tubers but which, nevertheless seriously affect the yield and quality of the crop. The place these diseases can be seen in is the growing plant and that is why seed potato certification is based principally upon field inspections.

Certified seed potatoes are potatoes that have been grown expressly for seed purposes. Diseased plants are pulled out as they may appear, and there is obviously much less for the plant to carry to the rest of the crop. The fact remains that certified seed averages very much higher in yield and quality all over the country than do potatoes which do not meet certification requirements. Healthy plants, too, will benefit more from the fertilizers which may be used. It is not economical to waste fertilizer on unhealthy plants.

About six hundred thousand bushels of certified seed were sold in Canada last season, indicating a growing interest, but still far short of what might be expected in view of the fact that only about one bushel in every twelve planted in 1941 was of certified standards. Nearly three times as much seed was exported to foreign countries. The additional freight and tariff charges increased the cost in other countries, but the growing foreign demand clearly indicates its value in the opinion of the growers there. Potato growers usually wait until the seed goes in the spring before giving much thought to their seed potato requirements. When certified seed is very plentiful supplies can usually be secured until late in the spring, but it would not appear wise to delay placing orders this season, for there were ten thousand acres less certified in Canada this year than last and the short potato crop here and in other countries, together with the present higher price level, might easily result in a scarcity of certified seed next spring. Under present conditions it is most important to avoid waste effort. One good way to secure maximum returns is to plant only the best seed obtainable.

The first step forward towards producing better table potatoes is to plant certified seed. Such seed is sold locally by most of the potato dealers and established seed houses, or may be purchased from the seed growers direct. Lists of growers are obtainable, free from the Plant Protection Division, Dominion of Agriculture, Ottawa, or from the local District Seed Potato Inspectors listed at Charlottetown, P. E. I.,

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Our NEW LADIES HAIR brushes are works of art in brush making. The handles are Transparent in Pastel shades each in Gift Acetate box. Prices up to \$4.50

FOR MEN Hair brushes come mostly in singles some with handles others just regular, in rare woods and best ones in Gift Acetate boxes. Prices up to \$4.50

JAMIESON'S DRUG STORE

CENTRAL GUARDIAN

This column is reserved for news of local interest, but advertising of a new way nature may be inserted at 5 cents a word, strictly payable in advance.

CONFEDERATION LIFE INSURANCE

CROSLEY Long and Short wave Radio \$39.00. Toombs Music Store. L-49-12-23-11.

TOBOGGANS, Skates, Sporting Goods. Rogers Hardware. L-607-12-19-20-22.

CHRISTMAS PLAY and specialties tonight 8:30 at the Grand Theatre. In aid of British war children fund. Admission 25 cents.

MANY HAPPY RETURNS—Mr. Frank L. Dillon was receiving congratulations yesterday from numerous friends on the observance of his 60th birthday.

TRAIN LATE—The late train did not arrive in the city until after midnight last night. This was due to heavy traffic on the mainline where the service was delayed five hours making connections.

POLICE COURT — In the Police Court yesterday two soldiers charged with taking and operating a motor vehicle without the owner's consent pleaded guilty and were remanded until Wednesday for sentence. A drunk and disorderly was sent to jail for 60 days.

ELECTRIC IRON Special \$3.15. Toombs Music Store. L-49-12-23-11.

QUARANTINE LIFTED — The quarantine at Beach Grove Military Training Centre was officially lifted yesterday. Dr. B. C. Keeping, deputy minister of public health since last night. The camp was placed under quarantine over a week ago following an outbreak of scarlet fever. Three soldiers were ill with the disease but since then no new cases were reported. One case was also discovered at the local airport about the same time and no others have been reported there since. Following the discovery of a case in the last week, no new cases have been reported.

TO START SERVICE—Maritime Central Airways planes were grounded yesterday because of unfavorable weather conditions. It is expected that the Magdalen Islands service will be started for the winter sometime before the middle of next month. During the winter this is the only means of communication with the outside world for the isolated Gulf Islands. The S.S. Leval conveys mail and passengers to the Magdalen during the summer months calling at Pictou, N.S. and Souris. This service will soon terminate for this season.

TO KEEP ROAD OPEN —Royal Air Force snow plows will co-operate with the Provincial Government plows this winter in an effort to keep the roads from the Airport to Savage Harbour cleared of drift. The Air Navigation School's bombing range is situated in Tracadie Bay nearby and as constant practice is carried out there it is necessary to maintain communication by road if possible. However, if weather conditions prevent keeping this stretch of road open, it may be necessary for the R.A.F. to have their own personnel near the range to keep records of practice.

ENJOY CONCERT—The Charlottetown (P.E.I. No. 1) Branch Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., \$50.00. The About Town Club, Summerside, \$50.00. Total to date \$5,325.57.

CANON MALONE IS SPEAKER —The legend of the Wandering Jew was re-told in the city yesterday in an address by Rev. Canon E. M. Malone. The myth of the Jew who wanders the earth until the return of Christ was the topic of his talk at Rotary luncheon. Mr. A.L. McPherson presided. Net profits amounted to \$2,215.22 from the recent auction was announced by Mr. J. E. Richardson. Judge H. L. Palmer, Provincial President of the Boy Scout Association announced that the proceeds of the apple day auction amounted to \$300.

PURCHASE A FINE LOT OF FURS—Mr. S. T. Gallant of Charlottetown since returned from the Federal Fisheries Department has been raising silver foxes in his garden as a hobby. And he's raising good ones, as evidenced by the fact he sold yesterday his entire lot of furs to Mr. Fritz Weisler and Mr. W. Chester S. McLure. Three skins of the lot were especially fine and were purchased at a price of \$65 each. Mr. Weisler left today for Montreal for the Christmas Season. He will return to Charlottetown the first week of January.

ROADS BLOCKED — A heavy ground drift prevented any attempt at opening highways in the country to motor vehicles yesterday. Government snow plows did not venture out on any of the main roads but kept the highway leading from the city to the Airport and the Military Training Centre clear over the weekend succeeded in blocking all the paved highways as well as secondary roads which are reported to be piled high with snow. However, weather permitting, the plows will be sent out today in an endeavor to clear the

Kenville, N. S., Fredericton, N. B., 32,200 acres in Ontario, 29,900 acres in Alberta and 5,800 acres in Manitoba. From this total area, 825,000 tons of beets were harvested which yielded 213,602,500 pounds of refined sugar or approximately 10 per cent of the Dominion. This was the highest amount of beet sugar ever produced in Canada in a single year, the previous highest being in 1939 when it was 169,220,300 pounds. The value of this refined beet sugar increased from \$8,063,300 in 1939 to \$10,853,700 in 1940. The processing and refining are not yet available. Five factories process beets for sugar in Canada, two in Ontario,

Federal Cabinet Changes



Hon. Norman McLarty, Secretary of State



Hon. Pierre F. Casgrain, Justice of Quebec Supreme Court



Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labor



Wilfred Gagnon, Likely Minister of Transport

roads for wheeled traffic. The majority of city streets were all open for cars yesterday as the City plow was on the rounds Sunday. The storm failed to disrupt the operation of trains yesterday and they all arrived in the city only about a half an hour late. All carried plows, while a plow preceded the Borden train to clear the line.

Indoor Forcing of Rhubarb (Experimental Farms News) During the winter months the use of fresh vegetables is denied to the average home owing to the high price of imported produce. For a long period of the year if vegetables are to be included in the daily diet, reliance must be placed upon the stored and canned product.

Rhubarb constitutes an exception to the general rule. The healthful and appetizing vegetable can be readily forced in many homes providing a continuous supply of edible stalks from December to March inclusive. All that is necessary is a cellar maintaining a fairly uniform temperature of from 58 to 60 degrees Fahrenheit together with a supply of rhubarb roots suitable for forcing, says L. C. Young in Dominion Experimental Station, Fredericton, N. B.

Light must be excluded and the temperature held as closely to 58 degrees Fahrenheit as possible. At this temperature the first picking will be ready in approximately four weeks and the harvesting period will continue for four or five weeks. At temperatures approaching 70 degrees picking may commence earlier but the harvesting period will be considerably shortened and the stalks too long and spindly. Low temperatures delay the harvest and produce stalks too dark in color.

Four or five large roots will supply the needs of an average family. If these roots are brought in at intervals of three weeks a constant supply of rhubarb may be had throughout the winter months.

WHEN THE WAR CLOUDS CHANGE TO SILVER F. H. MacArthur My comrades all are sleeping sound tonight, love. The guns no longer set the skies aglow. I lay awake and think of you and of days we spent together long ago. I fancy I can see the rolling prairie, with waves of golden wheat across the plain. And you, sweetheart, in all your youthful beauty. Come tripping down that path Our lovers lane. Though far away across the mighty ocean, My thoughts like buds in spring-time do unfold; And have the same fond measure of devotion For you, my love, as in those days of old.

I fancy it is evening in the West-land, That lovers stroll 'neath Western skies so blue. Which calls to mind our love cut on the prairie And brings sweet dreams of "Home Sweet Home" and you Refrain: When the war clouds turn to silver I'll be coming home to you. For my fairest prairie flower, You have always been true-blue; But tonight my heart is r-nely. And my thoughts I can't define; When the War Clouds change to silver, Will you change your name for mine

two in Alberta, and one in Manitoba. It is expected that a new factory will begin operation in the Province of Quebec in 1942.

PERSONALS Rubber hot-water bottles need a wash with water to which a little soda or ammonia has been added, every two months, then they never get hard. Having no digestive organs and being big, round, tapeworms cannot eat solid food. Mr. Frank McMillan, fourth year medical student at McGill, has five children, Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. McMillan, His brother Kenneth, Seminarior, at St. Augustines Seminary, Toronto, is expected to arrive tonight.

R.C.A.F. and Canadian Army Casualty list

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 —(CP)—The Royal Canadian Air Force, in casualty list A-143 issued late today, reported 14 men dead or missing on active service overseas, bringing total air force dead and missing since war started to 1190.

Seven today were reported killed on active service; seven were missing on active service. In addition two were listed seriously injured, one overseas and one in Canada.

Following is the latest official casualty list with official numbers and next of kin.

Overseas: Killed on active service: Friesen, Victor Erwin, PO, J7026, Mrs. U. J. Friesen (mother) Medicine Hat, Alta. Pepper, William Marcus, (Jr) PO, J8618, Mrs. W. M. Pepper, (wife) Westmount, Que. Bischofberger, Harold, Sgt., R74903, Mrs. A. Bischofberger (mother) Esquimaux, B. C. Gibson, Jack Lloyd, Sgt., R60253, Mrs. J. L. Gibson (wife) Edmonton, Alta. Owen, Roger Pierson, Sgt., R77460, Mrs. C. F. Owen (mother) Bay-side, N. Y. Feggie, William Johnston, Sgt., R00617, Mrs. W. Feggie (mother) Calgary, Alta. Stewart, John Alva, Sgt., R65342, Mrs. K. G. Stewart (mother) Grand Pre, Kings County, N. S.

Missing on active service: Baker, Walter Merrill, Sgt., R52699, Mrs. W. M. Baker (wife) Montreal. Chamberlain, Gordon Arthur, PO, J15078, S. H. Chamberlain (father) Ingersoll, Ont. Crump, Owen Charles Bellamy, PO, J5132, Mrs. C. T. Crump (mother) Windsor, Ont. Campbell, William Robert, Sgt., R69645, Mrs. W. D. Campbell (mother) Toronto. Heinish, Morton Ralph, Sgt., R76012, N. Heinish (father) 110 Preston St. Halifax. Hewitt, Isaac, Sgt., R64413, R. J. Hewitt (father) Hornepayne, Ont. Ruthven, James Lloyd, Sgt., R72418, Mrs. J. E. Ruthven (mother) Alliston, Ont.

Seriously injured on active service: Pallen, Richard Haviland, PO, J7083, Mrs. E. H. Pallen (mother) Vancouver.

Canada Seriously injured: St. Laurent, Joseph Antoine Emile, Lac, R55585, Mrs. E. St. Laurent (mother) 220 Des Commissions St. Quebec.

Army Casualties OTTAWA, Dec. 22 —(CP)—Five men were reported dead and five seriously ill in the Canadian (active) army's 77th official casualty list, issued late today. This brought to 509 the number of army dead and missing reported officially since the war started. Following is the casualty list with official numbers and next of kin:

Overseas: Eastern Ontario Regiment Laird, Douglas, Robert, Lieut., Frank Laird (father) Parry Sound, Ont.

Infantry Robinson, James Arnold, Pte., P2-2332, Roderick James Robinson (father) Portage La Prairie, Man.

Central Ontario Regiment Allan, Michael Ross, Pte., B9155, Mrs. Margaret Allan (wife) Toronto.

British Columbia Regiment Rexford, Douglas Milton, Pte., K53330, Roy Eben Rexford (father) Sardis, B.C. Richardson, Arthur Edward, Pte., K57540, Mrs. Marion Richardson (mother) Victoria, B. C.

Dangerously ill: Royal Canadian Artillery Swaine, Christopher Byron, Sgt., L63, Mrs. Jessie MacPherson Swaine (wife) Moose Jaw, Sask.

Royal Canadian Engineers Currie, Robert James, SpR, L19-032, Robert Thompson Currie (father) Esterhazy, Sask.

Infantry Ozouf, Harold Johnstone, Pte., H16862, Mrs. Evelyn Carolina Ozouf (wife) Riding Mountain, Man.

Royal Canadian Army Service Corps Tamblin, Carl Peebles, Pte., H3-7752, Mrs. Margaret Jane Tamblin (mother) Holland, Man.

Reconnaissance units Gibb, Andrew Grant Tpr., A21-256, Mrs. Wallace Gibb (mother) Amherstburg, Ont.

CAROLS Songs of joy and praise, often accompanied by dances, have been sung by the English for more than a thousand years, being handed down from the Druids to the Christian Church. "On Christmas Day in the Morning," and "The Cherry-Tree Carol" are found in many languages, with slightly different words.

THE CHRISTMAS WEIGHT "Oh, Mr. Flapperton," she exclaimed, softly, "have you ever felt a dim, uneasy sense of oppression as if mere weight of life were a burden too heavy to be borne by the chained spirit panting with psychic longing to be free. I invariably have such a feeling at Christmas-time," was the callous response, "but I have always attributed it to pudding!"

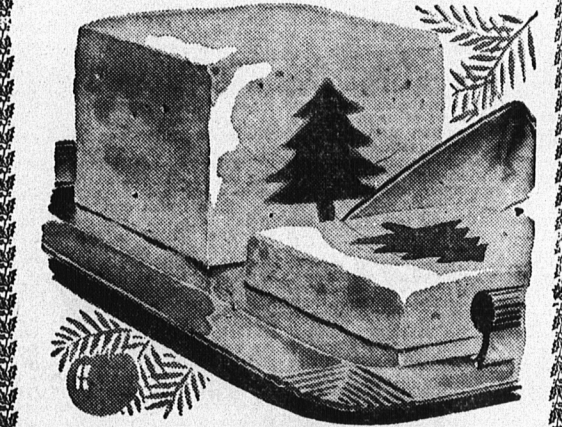


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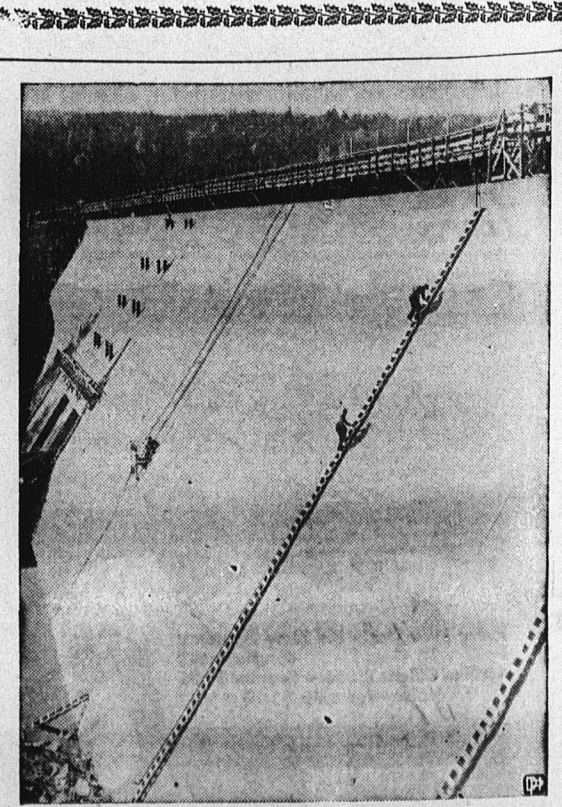
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Scarcely a year ago, the Madawaska river flowed unhindered through this wilderness about 80 miles west of Ottawa. Now the great concrete dam shown in this photo stands ready to hold back the waters and convert their energy into electricity to feed Canada's expanding war industry.

Way back in the dim and distant past the Christmas pudding was a form of porridge in which plums were mixed. It was eaten at breakfast time by the poor country folk. Then it was served as the first dish on the dinner menu in the form of a soup. In time, however, it was thickened until it became a pudding and was relegated to last place on the Christmas menu. Oliver Cromwell would have none of such "gorging," and the plum pudding vanished from the Yuletide table until it was resurrected by Charles—R. H. Clark.

Christmas Home Cooking

Mince meat, plum puddings, dark fruit, light fruit, pound cake and large variety of attractive small cakes, Christmas decorated doughnuts, fancy bread cookies of all kinds. Phone 878. We deliver. Martha Poole, 122 Upper Prince. L-709-12-20-31.