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

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The Nutrition Campaign

The nutrition campaign put on by the Federal and Provincial health departments working through provincial committees and local organizations, is now nearing its close.

There is a famous picture of a boy carrying his father's rooster, which won a prize at a county fair. It is a prize rooster but the boy has rickets—a deficiency disease.

Shadow Boxing

Premier Campbell has again invoked Sec. 172 of the Prohibition Act, which empowers him to hold an inquiry into his own administration of the law.

The Premier's purpose, it is stated, is to introduce amendments at the next session of the Legislature, to "tighten up" the enforcement of the Act.

Why They Fight

One of the most illuminating reports coming out of Russia, says the New York Times, is by Ilya Ehrenburg, Russia's "most powerful" war correspondent connected with the Army paper Red Star.

And what do they fight for, and why? Do they fight for the Communist International, or the world-wide proletarian revolution, or any of the other Communist shibboleths? No, says Ilya Ehrenburg.

Plenty Of Generals

The Canadian Army Overseas has not had the chance to do much actual fighting yet, but, notes an exchange, Canada has surely gone through a lot of generals since the war began.

When there was only a division, Canada did not have so many generals. But as divisions were added and then the army became two corps it meant promotions for many senior officers.

EDITORIAL NOTES

In these days of international censors and stress there are certain matters the censors prevent us publicly commenting upon, so you may take our opinion regarding the weather as read.

Forewarned is forearmed. Beef rationing is in the offing. So the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Gardiner, told the Brandon Board of Trade, declaring that both Canada and the United States will have to ration that commodity to meet new and increasing demands for canned shipments overseas.

Tomorrow, in Churches as well as elsewhere, our thoughts will be with the unfortunate widows and orphans of the brave Russians, who are so valiantly and victoriously fighting "the cause that needs assistance."

Do not let us overlook the heartrending scenes in London as the consequence of the Nazi wholesale murder of innocent women and children. What would our feelings as a community be had Prince Street or Queen Square schools been the victims? Bear in mind, as the Nazis retreat from the East they will have more airplanes at their disposal to raid England.

A U.S.-Canadian agreement provides that each country will grant operating rights to air carriers of the other country, but owing to active encouragement of private airlines by the U.S., and nothing of this sort in Canada, of the ten international services between the two countries, nine are of U.S. nationality.

Seventy-five thousand men have not answered their calls for military service. The figure is a round one, but authoritative. Ontario, with 40,000 of the above total, heads the list of Provinces in the breakdown made for this report.

William Baffin, English navigator, died this date, 1622; served as pilot in a Greenland voyage in 1612; spent two following years in Spitzbergen whale fishing; went as pilot on "The Discovery" in search of the North West Passage for the Muscovy Company in 1615 when he made a survey of Hudson's Straits; in the following year he discovered the bay which bears his name; returned home and then sailed for the East and was killed at the siege of Ormuz helping the Persians against the invading Portuguese; was the first to attempt calculation of longitude by lunar observations.

The Church has no special competence in the field of politics. . . . The function of the Church is not to write the constitution for a post-war world, nor to nudge the statesmen who try to do this. . . . Thus last week, in a voice at wide variance from many others in the Church, spoke the tall, affable Rev. Daniel A. McGregor of the Episcopal Church's National Council, addressing New York Episcopal clergymen.

A Fighting French officer reminds us not to forget the 30,000 anti-Nazi French men and women in France. The 30,000 active De Gaulle's now fighting outside France are more in view, but their part is infinitely less hard than that of the stay-at-homes who are even passively resisting. Few of us can imagine the courage required in France for the slightest gesture of opposition to the Germans.

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Notes By The Way

When the weatherman "freezes" everything—no one seems to say a word about it.—London Free Press.

The Germans have ordered all copies of Shakespeare's works to be pulped. Before the war they acquired him as a true Aryan dramatist, but now as a traitor to his race, they've discovered he isn't really Hitler literature.—London Answers.

Of course a baby brightens the home. They usually have the lights on all night for it.—Brandon Sun.

There has been some criticism of the practice of penalizing the farmer for overweight hogs. It has been pointed out that, with fats greatly needed in Britain, the overweight hog could do far to help solve this problem. The fear has been of course, that the British consumer, accustomed to the not-too-fat Danish type hog, would, if his likes were not met by Canadian producers, go back to Danish bacon and pork products after the war. One of the hopes has been that Canada could be able to those six hours of this pork market after the war. That is a factor to be kept in mind, but at the same time there is much merit in the suggestion that there be a place for the overweight hog in the war scheme of things, and that it is hardly fair to penalize the farmer when his product falls to meet requirements existing in this respect.—Regina Leader-Post.

The weather is a military secret these days. Sometimes it looks like a secret weapon. Peterborough Examiner.

Some men look on gifts of orchids to efficit women as workers as rather frivolous. At first glance, this gesture toward air raid volunteers in Florida does seem a bit incongruous. Deeper consideration, however, suggests that the action is psychologically sound. No matter how closely women may become associated with industry and other war activities, they are still women. They appreciate the dainty and beautiful things of life, and they still treasure their femininity. The orchid is a thing that appeals to them, and the thought that instead the presentation will be treasured. Few things, in fact, could be such an incentive to continued efficiency.—Windsor Star.

Once again the Chinese of our community have revealed the general nature of their attitude toward the West. From the toll of their own hands in the fields, they have gathered tons of vegetables and other foodstuffs. The root cellar of the Royal Inland Empire, they took up a cash collection and handed this to the institution as a donation. Workmen and for every pound of produce they grow and have less of the world's goods than most, their gift is all the more handsome. This is not a Chinese gesture on the part of the Chinese. They have strived consistently to hold up their end. They have contributed generously to Red Cross and other projects, and have achieved a per capita average in the recent Victory Loan that outdied some other sections of the community.—Kamloops (B.C.) Sentinel.

May an "old woman," who being nearer eighty than seventy can rightly claim the title, protest against the term being used to denote, with contempt, men of feeble character, and general lack of mental qualities? In your report of Mr. Austin Hopkinson's M. P. remarks in the House "disassociating himself from women who call their husbands with a capital 'W,'" the speaker said "they tend to fall into the hands of old women, mostly of the type of those who are today all ages are sharing with the burdens of war, and they are able to do so because they inherit a five percent freedom from them by their nobility of marriage. Many like myself, who are broken to enter the fray as our brothers are resisting. Few of us have done it with character, to quietness and self-effacement. The other sex."

Not all the heroes in this war are in the armed services, or even in the merchant marine. Incidents are constantly cropping up to remind us of the gallantry of people who are seldom heard of or thought of. A brief item tells of the remarkable record of the 30,000 active De Gaulle's now fighting outside France are more in view, but their part is infinitely less hard than that of the stay-at-homes who are even passively resisting. Few of us can imagine the courage required in France for the slightest gesture of opposition to the Germans.

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As To A Drydock

Our local contemporary, the Island Farmer, in his last issue, shows every symptom of having had a dream in which it has been "seeing things." It waxes enthusiastic over one of these "if reports are correct" "dramatic" proposals to build a greater drydock than they have long been agitating for, both by the Charlottetown Board of Trade and through the medium of letters in the press.

Our contemporary at the same time seems to lash itself into something akin to a state of frenzy because the Summerside Board of Trade did not try to secure the dock instead of Charlottetown and declares that the Summerside Board of Trade was evidently "asleep at the switch" when it failed to gain for this town the boon so long sought by the Charlottetown Board. It suggests that the Summerside Board of Trade should have campaigned "right on Hon. Mr. Ralston's doorstep" until Summerside had been granted the dock instead of Charlottetown, which, by the way, according to certain officials who should know, has not yet secured the dock.

In passing, we may say, that if the drydock in question is ever granted to the Island it should logically—apart from all other considerations—go to Charlottetown, as there they have the only machine-shop installation in the province sufficiently equipped to construct such a structure, and fittings as would be involved from time to time in its operation and maintenance. We trust that they may eventually be so fortunate as to secure it. It would be quite an asset to the province when repairs are needed to such craft as the C.G.S. Brant, small coastal vessels, corvettes, etc., which work could very well be handled by a firm like Bruce Stewart & Company.

For the information of our contemporary and others who may not know we may say that it is only a matter of but a few weeks since the Summerside Board of Trade, in regular session, passed a resolution requesting the Charlottetown Board of Trade's request for a drydock.

As a matter of fact the type of dock that the Charlottetown Board have been requesting was a mooring railway slip of 3,000 to 5,000 tons capacity and not a floating dock of 10,000 tons capacity as conjured up by the Summerside Board. Such a construction would cost millions of dollars, an expenditure that would be entirely unjustified for the service rendered.

The Secret of Russian Success

The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics is unique among the nations of the world in that its principles of government are founded upon and strictly executed on the basis of the scientific method. It is also the world's greatest political organization, in chronological order, the philosophy of Hegel, Marx and Lenin. Hegel, the "philosopher's philosopher," never dreamed that one day, years after his death, another intellectual giant would appear who, by standing Hegel's philosophy "on its head," would be able to charter a course which, continued by Stalin after Lenin's death, has caused the Russian Revolution to become the most powerful force in the world. Later, in this series, it will be necessary to elaborate on Hegel's contribution to the success of the world's first Socialist state.

The "Bible" of the Soviet Union is the "Bible" of the world, "Capital," for Marx is the genius whose penetrating and powerful denunciation of capitalist economic conditions and the social system which the whole political and economic structure of the Soviet Union is based upon. The central pillar of that foundation is his Theory of Surplus Value.

Marx's theory was arrived at after a long and thorough analysis of all stages of society. He came to the conclusion that all values are created by labour, and as he says, in a primitive society, which the producers are also the owners, and the sellers of the product, the price of the product moves up and down, depending upon the amount of labour which is being created by the producer. That is to say, the value of the product is determined by the amount of necessary labour-time used in the production of the product. Labour-power has also become a commodity under capitalism and is bought by the capitalist on the same basis. But labour is able to create more than its market value, that is, its wages. Now that part of his labour, in which the worker creates the surplus value, that part of his time in which the worker produces the surplus value, the capitalist, Marx calls surplus value. The value created in this time is surplus value and it goes to the capitalist. The object of all capitalist production is to create surplus value for the benefit of the capitalist. The capitalist, who may not be at home with economic abstractions, try to make all this clearer by a concrete illustration, for upon a complete understanding of this theory of Surplus Value the capitalist, Mr. Jones, a worker, to work in a plant 10 hours a day for \$5.00 a week. Mr. Jones' labour-power per hour multiplied by his labour rate, which, in this case, is 10 hours, results in a certain amount of value being created for which he receives from Mr. Brown the sum of \$5.00. But Mr. Brown receives much more than \$5.00 for the value created by Mr. Jones. Let us assume that when Mr. Jones has worked four hours he has created sufficient value for Mr. Brown to offer the \$5.00 Mr. Brown has paid him. That for four hours Mr. Jones has created the necessary time. The remaining six hours Mr. Jones works but does not get paid for.



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not get paid for, Marx calls surplus value. The value created in those six hours Marx calls surplus value and that goes to Mr. Brown, the capitalist. The process of extracting the surplus value is what the socialists mean by exploitation and those who receive this surplus value socialists call exploiters.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of general interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

THE PROBLEM OF INCREASED PRODUCTION

Sir,—In this, my third letter dealing with the subject under discussion, I wish to emphasize the importance of what has already been written, urging that farmers estimate in a variety of detail, rather than on one lone score, the value of increased hog production.

WHEAT FOR WAR RELIEF

Sir,—I was encouraged by that Ottawa news-story in today's "Guardian" (Jan. 7) intimating that "Canada is giving 15,000 tons of wheat a month to Greece, and the transport operations have been going on for about five months."

The Peet's Corner

FROM "THE SPLENDID SHILLING"

Happy the man who, void of cares and strife, In sliver or in leather purse retains A splendid shilling. He nor hears New oysters cried, nor sighs for cheerful ale; But when his friends, when nightly But his wife's Magpie or Town-hall Where, mindful of the nymph Transfixed, his woe and kindled amorous flames, Chloris of Phyllis, be each circling glass Whirls her health, and joy, and equal love. Meanwhile he smokes, and laughs at merry tale, Or pipes ambrosious, or conundrum quaint. But I, whom sipping penny surroundings, And hunger's spite attendant upon With scanty offals and small acid fare, Wretch, I repeat! my meagre corpse sustain; Then solitary walk, or dose at home In garb of woe, and with a warming puff Regale child's fingers; or from tube as black As winter-himney, or well-polished Jet. Exhale mundungus, ill-perfuming scent.

—John Phillips (1876-1706)

to improve the status of the Hog industry in the Province, and he may be deep; concerned about the necessity of doing everything possible to meet the ever increasing demand for meat products of all desirable varieties, and yet be under a cloud of diffidence which he apparently is unable to overcome, at least of his own volition. He may be willing to do his duty as he sees and we see it, but he needs assistance, and in some way or other, he must be assisted. If not, then the responsibility for failure must be transferred to the shoulders of those who have the power to render needed aid is being passed up and evaded. There are hundreds of willing farmer hands in the Province, ready to add to their present efforts, but they must be helped and there is responsibility resting upon some one to provide for these needs, or bear the onus for not doing so.

In his job of "greater hog production" there are four main essentials, each of which has its own variety of detail: First, the will to do the job; Second, facilities with which to do it; Third, the feed requirements for the project; Fourth, the source of supply that will provide the required labor.

These four essentials will form the basis of my next and concluding letter on "Increased Hog Production" which will appear at a later date. I am, Sir, etc. J. A. GILLIES.

BRASIL'S PRODUCTION

The soil of Brazil produces every crop known to man, and every known mineral is found in the country.

BARTOLOME'S JOB

The city of Santo Domingo, now named Ciudad Trujillo, was built by Columbus' brother Bartolome.

IT'S MARINES' JOB

U. S. Marines handle anti-aircraft and secondary batteries aboard all United States battleships and cruisers.

NOTICE

Owing to closing out of our business, all accounts and notes must be settled before Feb. 15.

BARBOUR & MACDONALD Charlottetown 1-21-31

Canada's Official Food Rules

- MILK—Adults, 1-2 pint. Children, more than one pint. Cheese as available. FRUITS—One serving of tomatoes, or of a citrus fruit, or their juices. One serving of other fruits, fresh canned or dried. VEGETABLES—Two servings daily of vegetables, preferably leafy green, or yellow, and frequently raw, and potatoes once daily. CEREALS and BREAD—One serving of a whole-grain cereal and 4 to 6 slices of Canada-Approved Bread, brown or white. MEAT, FISH, etc.—One serving a day of meat, fish, or meat substitute. Liver, heart or kidney once a week. EGGS—At least 3 to 4 weekly. "Eat these foods first, then add these and other foods you wish" Some source of Vitamin D such as fish liver oils, is essential for children, and may be advisable for adults. For further information write to Nutrition Committee, Department of Public Health, Charlottetown. "Radio Nutrition Program Wednesday and Friday evenings 6.30 p.m. over C.F.C.Y."