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

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Spreading Disunity

In his speech in Charlottetown Hon. Dr. Manion referred to the despicable campaign which is being waged against him by Liberal candidates in Quebec...

What they mean, apparently, says the Ottawa Journal, is the "unity" of the Liberal party; the maintenance of that party in power by a "solid Liberal bloc" in Quebec...

In the last Parliament Mr. Mackenzie King's Government was in a minority of at least 500,000 votes in English-speaking Canada...

Mr. Mackenzie King knows, and Mr. Lapointe knows, that as a rule English-speaking Canada divides its support fairly evenly between the two major parties...

Could anything be worse for Canada? Anything worse for national unity?

The first public man to raise the anti-conscriptionist cry in this election was Mr. King himself. He did it in his first radio speech...

"Independence"

There are, says the Sydney Post-Record, two ways of locating the almost exact position of The Montreal Star on the political fence in this election...

Gross Misrepresentations

Liberal candidates and supporters have reiterated, ad nauseam, the statement that Dr. Manion criticized Mr. King for "calling an election"...

If Mr. King, or any of his Cabinet, has given the public an intelligent explanation, not to say a plausible apology, of January's sham show of a mock session...

"The Staff Of Life"

Wheat provides sustenance for the greater part of humanity; war plays havoc with its production and distribution...

"With five months still to go, the end of the crop season in Canada is expected," says Saint John Telegraph-Journal...

"The huge Canadian reserve stocks may fill an acute need during the next year in Europe where the situation is said to be serious because of unusually low temperatures...

great bulk of the crop is winter wheat, that is, wheat harvested from seed which is sown in the fall and remains in the ground during the winter...

"Severe damage to winter wheat in Europe, says one account, will mean tragedy to millions of people. The continent consumes about two billion bushels...

"The territory under German control has a population of some 90,000,000 people and annual wheat consumption requirements of approximately 275 million bushels...

EDITORIAL NOTES

Five working days till the Easter Election.

If it be true that prayers do not win elections when grafters are around, Lent will have had little effect on the direction of political events.

The stormy blasts have played into the hands of Mr. Mackenzie King as expected to interfere with public meetings both here and the mainland.

Right Hon. Neville Chamberlain, Britain's Prime Minister, born this date, 1859. He will ever be remembered for his peace flight to Munich...

Barbados has relaxed its import restrictions on Canadian goods. Cancelling a previous order whereby imports into Barbados were prohibited...

The irrefragable George Bernard Shaw suggests a "cure" for the depression in art would be for the artists to charge £5 for "coloured" pictures...

The Soviet Union was busily engaged in diplomatic dealings with Sweden last week over the extent of that country's support for or neglect of Finland...

Here are some word teasers from a correspondent of "The Kalends". When the English tongue we speak, why is "break" not rimed with "freak"?

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NOTES BY THE WAY

The increase of a mill and a half in the local tax rate stands. After careful reconsideration, the City Council has approved the 40-mill rate...

Mr. King and his supporters are evidently finding a considerable difficulty in finding a considerable difficulty in finding a considerable difficulty...

The relations between ministers and members have been very friendly and the Government's attitude has been greatly stimulated by the respect the Prime Minister has shown for Parliament...

Sunshine, which has been absorbed by luminescent power and "caned" by being frozen in liquid nitrogen...

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Sir James Frazer has discoursed amply on the priest-king and god-king in Tibet. In the eyes of one of the most curious of these beings is enthroned He is only 6. During his minority a regent will act for him; act honestly, ment will be in solid gold or one hopes and for revenue his charge. Such incidents have occurred. Our dispatches from Lhasa show us a pageant whose splendour reminds us of the Renaissance and the Arabian Nights...

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Public Forum

SOLDIERS' CAMPAIGN LITERATURE

Sir,—Under the camouflage of an anonymous letter the Liberal organ alleges that in the election contest during the last War Liberal campaign literature was "not allowed" to reach Canadian soldiers in camp until after the election.

I was in charge of the literature department of the Union Government in this Province during the campaign referred to, and all its overseas literature was prepared by me and mailed under my personal supervision. I first inquired carefully as to sailings of overseas mail steamers, dates of shipments and delivery, in order to time my mail so as to reach the battlefront a few days prior to the election...

The delay, therefore, was not the fault of the Post Office authorities BUT OCCURRED IN THEIR OWN COMMITTEE ROOMS, WHERE THEY FAILED TO MAIL THEIR LITERATURE IN TIME TO REACH THE FRONT FOLLOWING THE REGULAR COURSE OF THE MAIL SERVICE.

The charge made anonymously in the Liberal organ that there was interference of some kind is a libel on the French and English postal authorities that they would stoop to subvert their postal laws for the benefit of any political party. It is equally a very serious reflection upon that patriotic French Canadian, Hon. T. Chase Casgrain, representing a Quebec City constituency, that he too was in complicity to interfere with Canadian postal regulations for political purposes.

It comes back then to this Province,—an infamous libel upon our own highly respected Mr. John F. Whear, who was Post-office Inspector at that time. It would be criminal to charge Mr. Whear with having interfered with the postal laws in this Province for the benefit of Union Government candidates! The implication in the Patriot that all these parties joined in a conspiracy to subvert the postal laws is inconceivable. The records of the Post Office are available, and will confirm my statement with respect to the dates of mailing, of steamer sailings and delivery.

Incidentally, Mr. L. E. Prowse represented the Liberal Party at the Front on that occasion. He made no such complaint as has been raised in the Patriot anonymously.

It is also alleged that our Union Government literature contained threats that the Canadian Corps would lose its identity "and a whole lot more bunk like that."

I have still a copy of the letter sent to our soldiers and nurses on behalf of the Union Government candidates. It contains no threats of any kind. The arguments advanced are as pertinent to the need of a National Government today as they were in the last War. I beg leave therefore to quote the appeal in full. It read as follows:

"To the brave defenders of Canada and the Empire across the Seas: Lady and gentlemen electors of Queen's County: In common with every section of Canada, Prince Edward Island is in a contest for winning the war. Sir Robert Borden, after much patient labor, has succeeded in forming a Union Government, composed of the ablest men of both parties, with the single aim of upholding the honor of Canada and rendering the best services to our Allies, as well as relief to you brave men at the front. We have been chosen the standard bearers for Queen's County in support of this great patriotic 'Union Win-the-War' Government, and our determination is to stand for active prosecution of the war, and the welfare of those who are risking their lives in our behalf. We shall keep these two objects constantly before us, knowing as we do the limitations of our success, compared with your sacrifices, rich in deeds of glory, valor and renown, which will always endure you to Canada. When this terrible war is over, it will be our aim to secure you a proper recognition of your splendid services, providing for those who suffered in person or means, because of devotion to King and Country. In closing, leaving you under the protection of the 'God of Battles,' we ask you to give us your hearty support for the Government now formed for the more active prosecution of the war, and relief for our brave but weary soldiers, who have done so much for us."

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POLAR BOUNDARIES CANBERRA — (CP) — A map of Antarctica has been produced by E. P. Baylis, of the Department of the Interior, showing political boundaries, an innovation in South Polar maps.

ICEBREAKERS NEAR MONTREAL MONTREAL, March 14—(CP)—Icebreakers clearing the St. Lawrence River channel approached to within a few miles of Montreal today and officials expressed belief they would be up at Montreal East tomorrow.

E. A. FOSTER Central Drug Store. A Fine Assortment of Easter Novelties. Just Received At The Central Drugstore. These include many varieties of: CHOCOLATE HENS ROOSTERS EGGS—BUNNIES EGG CUPS CANOES CUP & SAUCERS FRUIT & NUT EGGS DECORATED EGGS All from 5c to \$1.00. We have never shown a more complete line of these goods and we know you will be pleased with any purchase you make. These goods are made by Smiles 'N' Chokies and Moirs and comprise besides novelties a nice lot of Chocolates in EASTER PACKAGES from 25c UP CALL EARLY E. A. FOSTER Central Drug Store 10c PER FIG.

REFRESHING... SATISFYING Wrigley's Spearmint CHEWING GUM SWEETENS THE BREATH. Treat yourself daily to healthful, delicious Wrigley's Spearmint Gum. The chewing helps keep your teeth clean, bright and attractive, and the long-lasting flavor helps keep your breath pleasant. Chewing relieves tension and aids your digestion too. Enjoy it after every meal. GET SOME TODAY!

and with a firm determination on our part that in this great struggle we will do our duty, whatever it may be, to the very end." —Robert L. Borden.

"We must win the war, nothing else matters."—Premier Arsenault.

Who will challenge the truth of the foregoing statements, or deny that they afford an inspiring contrast to certain campaign appeals now being made on behalf of Mackenzie King candidates? I am, Sir, etc. L. P. TANTON.

RELATED BROADCASTS Sir:—Listening over the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation at 12 o'clock last night they announced that the Government could supply a booklet on Health. They said that one of the rules for good health is plenty of sleep. I wonder if the Mackenzie King Government through their broadcasting at 12 to 12.15 at night care whether we get plenty of sleep or not? This news broadcast should be no later than 11 o'clock (Spud Island Time) to give us a chance to go to bed and sleep. Then we would not need their booklet on "Plenty Sleep." I am Sir, etc. "SLEEPY"

MILLIONTH TILE EAST PATERSON, N. J., March 15—(AP)—Robert De Spirt, who will lay his millionth tile next in the Queen-Midway Tunnel under the East River, figures he has been on his knees eight hours a day for 5,000 kneeling hours in the last four years. He says his knees are a half-inch thicker than they were and are "worn square."

NEW CHURCH IN WARTIME SPOTLAND, England.—(CP)—A new Roman Catholic church, dedicated to St. Vincent de Paul, was opened by Dr. Henry Vincent Marshall, Bishop of Salford. A wooden structure with a tile roof, the church seats 500.

APPLETON, Ont., March 14—(CP)—Fire of undetermined origin today caused \$10,000 damage to a branch building of the Appleton Woolen Mills. Firemen succeeded in preventing the flames spreading to the rest of the plant. The damage is covered by insurance.

BACKACHE OFTEN WARNING Backache may be the first sign of kidney trouble. When your back aches, look to your kidneys. Don't fail to heed this warning—it is too important. Take prompt action to correct backache, or its cause. At the first sign of backache turn confidently to Dodd's Kidney Pills—for over half a century the favorite remedy for kidney ailments. 107. Dodd's Kidney Pills

For a Delicious Cup of Orange Pekoe Tea Mr. Tea Pott Says: Use BRAHMIN Full Flavoured Tea

THE LONG ARM OF THE LAW HICKEY'S BLACK TWIST CHEWING MANUFACTURED BY HICKEY & NICHOLSON TOBACCO CO. LTD. CHARLOTTETOWN