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

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Ottawa Please Note

The authorities at Ottawa would do well to note the emphasis placed at Washington on the necessity for maximum food production at this time.

Farm production has increased 32 per cent since the war began but still greater production is required "regardless of surpluses."

There has been a great drop in hog production. The farmer's confidence must be strengthened with price support, he says.

One half the civilian supply of top-grade beef was sold on the black market, until 20,000 small slaughter-house operators were compelled to register and be inspected.

Almost three quarters of the civilian supply of chickens are sold on the black market, but that is more difficult to control.

While urging the farmers to produce to the utmost, the Secretary says that the Government must help them to do so by making proper allowances for agriculture as it does for industry, and giving it a just share of men and materials.

Tax Burden Continues

Those who look for substantial tax reductions, now that peace is established, may be storing up disappointment for themselves, as there appears to be little hope that the easement in this connection will be other than meagre.

Relief from a considerable portion of the excess profits tax is likely this year, as the Government favours this being done to encourage private enterprise.

How Japan Went Astray

Termining Japan "the victim of the most colossal miscalculation in history," the Ottawa Journal says.

The war lords of Tokyo thought they were choosing their moment with great skill. They attacked the United States and Britain at a time when the German hosts were at the gates of Moscow.

If Russia then had collapsed Japan might have realized her ambitions to chase the white race out of the Pacific and dictate peace terms at the White House.

ese expected to win the war, but Germany let them down, the fates were against them. Russia fought on and Hitler's Eastern adventure slowly was turned into a ghastly failure.

But for the catastrophe they now confront the Japanese cannot blame Hitler, cannot say they were led astray by what looked like a good opportunity.

Clearly the old Japan had no place in the world order of peace and co-operation which must be established if civilization is to survive.

EDITORIAL NOTES

It is all over, including the shouting, but the effects remain.

This is looked upon as the real high-mark day of Old Home Week.

Toll for the brave! The brave that are no more.

Now let us all rejoice and be glad that we are neither Huns nor Japs, as we might, but for the Providence of God, have been.

Chief White of Summerside Police complains that he is short of staff, only himself, Sgt. Schurman and a special officer being on duty.

The late Mr. John A. Dewar was one of the outstanding men of our time. Of deep convictions, he could not swerve to right or left of the line he considered the path of duty.

From the beginning of the European war until its end, the British Government bought \$2,000,000,000 worth of Australian wool.

A recent survey shows that fifty-four per cent of Americans go to bed at 10 p.m.; by 11 p.m., 81 per cent of those queried were in bed, and by midnight a total of 95 had been accounted for.

Stage coaches were introduced in England this date 1650 to travel between London and Liverpool twice a week, but not without opposition; a petition to parliament denounced them as "the greatest evil that has happened of late years to the Kingdom, mischievous to trade, and destructive to public health, those who travel in them contract an idle habit of body; become weary and listless when they ride a few miles, and are then unable or unwilling to travel on horseback, and not able to endure frost, snow or rain or to lodge in the field."

Notes By The Way

We're all broken up over the fact that production of Rolls-Royce automobiles can't be resumed for several months.

One editor reveals the secret of how he writes his editorials. He has the Bible to the right of him, a dictionary to the left of him, a typewriter in front of him, the wastebasket, a chair, a chair under him and debris hanging over his head.—Kitchener Record.

Within two days three accidents have been reported which were caused by war souvenirs. A child shot itself with a souvenir rifle; a woman shot herself with a souvenir pistol; two farmers were injured when a souvenir shell exploded.

Something more than wishful thinking is required. About the best way to avoid future wars is to be prepared to deal with them in their incipient stages.

Count Ciano reveals in his diary now running in this newspaper that Mussolini's army was unable to take the field when Hitler started the war in 1939.

The following plaint from the Dauphin Herald will undoubtedly strike a responsive cord in the hearts of many motorists: "Please, Municipal Government, be sure to do something about bringing back the two car licence plates not later than the end of August."

On the terrible Sunday of Pearl Harbor there were 7,695 United States ships on the water. Today there are more than 100,000.

Churchill's war services, which are as highly regarded in Britain as elsewhere, have been reasonably regarded by the British electors as a criterion of his capacity to give the peacetime government a majority of the people's desire.

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PUBLIC FORUM

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

UP IN THE AIR OVER P.E.I.

Sir—Is an old statement, the Island—what Island? Well, there's only one—that is P.E.I.

Now speaking as a "foreigner" I wonder how many P.E. Islanders know the Island as the writer going back to 1907, driving the Island by horse and sleigh and buggy from Tignish to Souris, then by auto, well at least I knew what you have. Do you? There has never been a doubt in my mind as to why our forefathers with the foresight and eye for the beautiful and beneficent called the Island the Garden of the Gulf.

I am, Sir, etc. A.G. PHILLIPS Hantsport, N.S.

Japs' Costly Delay

(By James D. White, Associated Press Staff Writer)

Japan squandered the lives of more of its people by dawdling over surrender terms while bombing of the homeland raged on but defeat evidently has not changed the Japanese mind.

Double talk did not cease until the last possible moment—the moment when Tokyo officially acknowledged that the Emperor was accepting the Potsdam declaration.

While all nations waited, Dornel broadcast to the outside world an account of people weeping in front of the palace, and apologizing to the Emperor for their failure to win his war.

Between times Dornel broadcast other items. One was about Japanese Sumo wrestlers digging roots to make aviation gasoline. Another was about two new wonder drugs to heal the burns of air raid victims.

That sounds fine, but Tada goes on to say that all Japanese should abide by the imperial decision as a revelation of God and call for a new "culture through science" and a new religion.

Finally, Dornel transmits a "radio order" by bureau Tokyo to whole speech. Why put it out, then, unless to impress listening Allied monitors?

What is the meaning of all this backing and filling, this chatter of pine roots and wonder drugs and pep talks in the midst of solemn exhortations to stand firmly as a united people behind the Emperor?

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Master of human destinies am I. Fame, love, and fortune on my footstool, I walk; I penetrate Deserts and seas remote, and, passing by Hovel, and mart, and palace, soon or late I knock unbidden, once at every gate.

—John James Ingalls.

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