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Parliament Meets

Members of Parliament meeting today are unhappy about money, reports an Ottawa exchange. Their \$4,000 sessional indemnity ran out before the last adjournment.

The last short session was that one day affair, Jan. 25, 1940. The Commons met at 3 p.m., argued all afternoon about the Liberal Government's war effort.

The nature of the confidence vote is interesting. The Canadian Parliament has never used the positive Confidence Vote as does the British Parliament.

An Imperial Dedication

In the Chapel of St. George in Westminster Abbey hangs a memorial tablet to the million dead of the whole Empire who fell in the last war, and above it are draped the flags of the Dominions and of India.

As the Times points out, the Abbey Church of Westminster belongs to no diocese. It has for many generations been accepted as a sacred possession common to all the British peoples.

faithfully interpreted public opinion in the Empire by seizing every opportunity to clothe this universal sentiment in institutional form.

Inexplicable

The King Government's attitude on the conscription question has reached the stage where it is incomprehensible to everybody.

This statement, barring its characteristic wordiness, seems clear enough. But on Nov. 15 we got a different statement of policy, issued officially by Defense Minister McNaughton.

How troops can be "disbanded" without allowing them to take advantage of civilian jobs at civilian rates of pay is not explained.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Canadian Navy Week. T. B. Campaign now calls for attention.

Parliament resumes today under sensational circumstances, caused by a split in the King Government.

Will Government appointment of Governors, Senators and other patronage jobs hold good should the King Government decide to go to the country immediately hereafter?

The recent prevalent southeasterly wind has brought mildness and dampness in its train. But we need not worry, it is not unusual to have a snowstorm on St. Andrew's night, the 30th of the month.

It will be too bad if we lose the airport population, together with a large proportion of Bruce Stewart & Co.'s ship workers all about the same time.

The Curtin Government has decided to establish the motor manufacturing industry in Australia. It will ask all interested parties to submit proposals and if none are satisfactory, it will probably set up a corporation itself.

The Canadian Army has been inactive since the conclusion of the sticky fight to clear the Scheldt estuary and open the port of Antwerp for Allied shipping, which, alas, has not yet been accomplished.

Sir Martin Frobisher, English navigator died this date, 1594; was first Englishman to attempt North-West passage to Cathay; sailed in command of a small expedition in 1576; reached Labrador; following year set out with a larger expedition, but returned on account of a discovery of supposed gold near Hall's Island in Frobisher Strait; made another unsuccessful attempt in 1578; with Drake made a profitable expedition to the West Indies in 1585; distinguished himself against the Spanish Armada in 1588, and knighted for his services; was mortally wounded during an assault on a fort near Brest.

Woe betide! The Scots are declared to be a dying race, at least in Scotland—that is the conclusion of a Government committee appointed to consider the post-war provision of housing in Scotland just published in London.

I like Eisenhower. He reminds me of what one might honestly call a "typical American." Richard L. Tobin writes in "Invasion Journal." He speaks with a Texas-Kansas accent, dropping endings, leaving out a few 'r's, being very colloquial and friendly in his speech.

Notes By The Way

Castor oil, the production of which has reached a high level in Brazil, has several advantages over other oils. It is particularly suitable for aircraft engines in view of its high flash-point, its resistance to heat, in addition, its percentage of residue and its solubility in gasoline of benzene are both very low.—Brazil Bulletin.

We cannot expect that Canada's post-war tourist trade will come to us without effort or considerable expense because there is every evidence that other countries will be seeking tourist business just as eagerly as we will.

One of the most gratifying facts of Canada's wartime experience is the absence of grumbling about the rationing of goods.

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PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open to the discussion of subjects of general interest. The Editor reserves the right to edit and to delete material.

"BOOTLEG LATIN"

Sir—I should like to offer a modicum of comfort to some of your recent correspondents who are distressing themselves quite needlessly about Latin (and also files) in our common schools, meaning, I take it, our one-room rural schools.

Isn't it time we stopped boxing shadows, and swatting mythical phantasms, and diagnosing the whole of our schools as suffering from a disease which does not exist?

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There is still a nice selection of COATS to choose from in SPORTS STYLES and FUR-TRIMMED. Come in and look them over. The FASHION SHOPPE, 61 George St.

Parliament's Gravest Hour

(Globe and Mail) Prime Minister called the House of Commons into session without any suggestion of its purpose.

Many Like Him

(Australian Newsletter) He came into the depot (said the District Naval Officer) and wanted a new issue of uniform.

I looked at this young survivor and "What ship were you on before that?" I asked him.

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was the end. She poured the smoke-screen over her country, and immediately dashed her country, and the Yarra. It was a four-inch gun, a Jap cruiser and four Jap destroyers, and later carrier-based aircraft, who filled her with steel and then exploded for four hours. Thirty-four men survived, and these men drifted for 14 days on two rafts. At the end of the days only 13 were left. They were picked up by a Dutch steamer. This lad was one of them.

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