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The Strongest Memory is Weaker than the Weakest Ink.

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Indignant Liberal Protest

What has the King Government been doing to help the farmers in this section of Canada? Our local contemporary supplies the answer in its issue of yesterday, in a lengthy letter from a prominent Liberal of St. Peter's Bay.

In the opinion of the Patriot correspondent, our farmers should have not only a reduced freight on feeds, but absolutely free water carriage of low grade grains suitable for balancing feed rations.

Again, we read that "this brilliant War Prices Commission tells us to conserve butter as stocks are low, and in order to help us do so it lowers the price and asks the farmers to produce more."

The Coming Conference

An increasingly darker outlook for the Sirois report, which is to be discussed at a Dominion-provincial conference at Ottawa opening on January 14, is seen by the Ottawa correspondent of the Financial Post.

The three Maritime governments, says the Post correspondent, are generally regarded as favourable to the report; at least they will surprise everybody if they come to the conference.

All this, it is believed, "adds up to a prospect which is very bleak indeed for action on the Report at this conference. If the King Government presses the issue, there will be open revolt and the revolt may well involve cabinet representation from Ontario and certainly federal members from that province."

The plan of the conference calls for an open session at which Mr. King and the provincial premiers will state their positions. Thereafter, the conference will continue in camera and, if possible, by sub-committees on various aspects

of the report. So far as Ontario is concerned, the Post correspondent's prediction seems likely to be verified. Only last evening a blast was issued against the Sirois report by Hon. Arthur W. Roebuck, M. P., for Toronto-Trinity, at a meeting of his constituents.

This attitude may reflect the concern of the moneyed interests in Toronto rather than of the taxpayers in general. The transference of provincial tax burdens to the Dominion would be offset by the transference of provincial tax revenues, and there is no essential reason why such an exchange should cripple Canada's war effort.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Tomorrow the first Sunday of the year. Having been informally presented with the key of the city, the Air Force are now one of us.

The roads are good, the trains and airplanes running pretty nearly on time, all of which bodes well for travel and business.

Announcement is made of the Week of Prayer, which begins Monday, and no doubt will be more largely taken advantage of than ever before.

Is it possible that it was the Censor who held up for a whole week, His Majesty the King's acknowledgment of Canada's good wishes at Christmas?

Live births in Canada during the first six months of 1940 totalled 117,876 giving an equivalent annual rate of 20.7 per 1,000 population as compared with 117,006 births and a rate of 20.9 in the first half of 1939.

Marchal Joseph Joffre born this date, 1852. The title had been in abeyance since 1871 was specially revived for him in 1916; "The Man of the Marne." Distinguished for his simplicity of life and character, alertness and clearness of mind, and organizing power; exhibited combination of intuition and reflection, and always took a wide outlook without being obsessed by details; remarkable for sound commonsense, known by his soldiers as "Grandpère," was Commander-in-Chief of French Armies from the outbreak of the Great War until Dec. 1916.

Advertisers who distribute large sums of money in contests are giving thoughtful consideration to several facts. Fact 1 is that about 200 professional contesters have just held their fourth annual convention of the National Contesters Association of New York.

The death of Mr. T. A. Russell, president of The Massey-Harris Co., will necessitate the retirement of Mr. James S. Duncan, acting Deputy Minister for Air, vice-president and managing director of Massey-Harris, from his dollar a year job.

The National Youth Congress, with which formerly the Students Missionary Movement was allied, is now openly anti-British. Consequently a Student League for Progressive Action, advocating all material aid to Great Britain though opposing United States entry into the war, "now," has been formed in New York by a group of undergraduates attending two college conferences.

NOTES BY THE WAY

What it all tells is that we need more of kindness, more of charity, in our political controversies. Most of us, after all, are more foolish than evil; all of us, in our own way, according to our own lights, and subject to our own limitations, work toward the same goal.

Recently in his column in the True News, my good friend, Timothy Standish, in commenting on my remarks about Sunday, manifests the usual inconsistency of the standpatrons on the Sunday movie question.

A great many people are asking what has caused the industrialists to change his mind about war help to Great Britain. Only last July Ford would not make grants for British war planes.

I should like to take up the challenge of a statement made on the German wireless during the last few days. In some of my talks I have laid emphasis on the fact that the Britishers the world over subscribe. Don't we all hate war just as Ford does? — St. Catharines Standard.

The Rector of Stoke Parish, England, has the problem of non-church attendance on his hands. After listening to certain reasons why his parishioners were lax, he turned these to account, arguing that these same excuses might be used for non-attendance at the films.

Films of the destruction of Coventry are now being shown in motion picture theatres in this country as they reveal scenes that are beyond description. The American people were shocked when despatches from England told of the bombardment of Coventry, but the words of the correspondents were inadequate. It is through the films that the real story is told.

A good deal is being said these days of morale in Germany, of the solidarity of the Nazi youth behind Hitler and of the opposition of the young of the German department, of Germans to Hitler's party and its aims. The subject arouses speculation as to the degree of the Nazi terror and to what extent this has restricted the mental expansion of the youth in the Third Reich.

PUBLIC FORUM

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

WHY NOT BONUS POTATOES?

Sir.—The Ottawa Government has pegged the price of butter. It is much decline must the farmer accept, but if he four or five cents per pound? And, will the peg be pulled out again to suit the cold storage speculators?

FARMER

Sir.—Never have I noticed the truth of the old saying "Competition is the life of trade." In the past six weeks during the marketing of furs.

THE BOOM IN PELTS

Sir.—The decision you report arrived at by a meeting of farmers held at Kensington on Thursday night, January 2, for the purpose of giving consideration to the proposed "Sheep and Swine Marketing Scheme," now before the Executive Council for disposition.

FUR FARMER.

SIROIS REPORT

Sir.—With reference to the Sirois Report that will come up for discussion shortly at Ottawa, there seems to be a very wide difference of opinion, for example:— The ex-Premier (Liberal) of Nova Scotia, (now a Cabinet Minister from Ontario) at Ottawa) did not seem favorable to the Report.

TAXPAYER

The guardian shells are vying with the stars That gem the farthest mystery of night. While on the wakeful earth there shines no light But that of sudden fire War leaves its scars On palace, cot and sacred shrine, and mars The gentle dark with many a cruel sight. Blazoning the vilest arrogance of might Which rules until a greater Might debars.

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