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The Strongest Memory is Weaker than the Weakest Ink.

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Overseas Mail

It has again been necessary for the postal authorities to issue a warning against mis-addressing letters and parcels to members of the service forces overseas.

These details should be carefully noted by all concerned. With regard to complaints of non-receipt of tobacco and cigarettes sent overseas through the parcel post, it is explained that a shipment of 4,000 packages had been lost on a vessel as the result of enemy action earlier in the season.

Molasses Does It

Agriculture's debt to science is always increasing. The quality and value of its products are being enhanced in many ways.

So then it was found that by chopping up the fodder cross, wet or dry, spraying them with molasses and storing them in a silo they would keep perfectly. The molasses, we are told, increases the carbohydrate content, and, through fermentation in the silo, produces lactic and acetic acids, which preserve the silage without reducing the food value to any appreciable extent.

The Australian Elections

When the general election in Australia comes, on Sept. 21, the Menzies Government will have been in office barely seventeen months, writes the London Times' Australian correspondent.

Mr. Menzies assumed office in the teeth of the rancorous personal opposition of Sir Earle Page, then leader of the Country Party. Before the Government had been in office three months his persistent refusal of co-operation had made his position seemingly untenable.

It has not been a happy partnership. Mr. Cameron reproaches Mr. Menzies with having regarded—and, still worse, treated—the coalition as a disagreeable necessity instead of making it a source of strength.

The Government should have the advantage over the Labour Party, which will apparently present, not two, but three fronts to a bewildered electorate.

Speaker and command a bare majority of the House; but to form a workable Government it would have to be united. In the Senate, where the state of the parties is Ministerial 20, Labour 16, the prospect is still more doubtful.

EDITORIAL NOTES

It was noticeable that most of the trees blown down in the city were very shallow rooted.

The Equinoctial gales are coming in instalments this year. Perhaps the war in the air may have something to do with it.

The British are beaten again, says the logical Prussian, and he is puzzled because "they don't know it." As the New York Herald Tribune remarked, "the task of convincing them remains, and it is by far the toughest task Herr Hitler and his cohorts have ever faced."

What about the great new shipbuilding industry for Charlottetown held out as a bribe to us at election time? Has it joined the Wood Islands Car Ferry, the Harbour Improvements, etc. as a mere election promise to "get in" on?

The severity of the wind storm recalls the prayer of the devout old parson who in the midst of a petition for a soothing breeze to dry his parishioners rain-soaked grain was disturbed by the crash of a falling chimney on the roof, and after momentary pause protested, "But Lord, this is fair reideckless!"

There may be a good deal of significance in a name after all. Petain, a station on the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, 87 miles east of Vancouver is going to have its name changed. Railway officials announced recently, the name of the French chief of state would be dropped in favor of "Odium" in honor of Major-General Victor W. Odium, commander of the Second Canadian Division in England. The station was originally named Petain in 1918 after the defender of Verdun in the Great War.

Sir Owen Seamen, poet and Editor of Punch, born this date, 1802; noted for irrelevant and non sequitur versification, but also for poems of a more serious character with decided verve: This was the "Day" foretold by yours and you in whispers here, and there with beery clamours—

You and your rat-hole spies and blustering crew Of loud Potsdamers. And lo, there dawns another, swift and stern, When on the wheels of wrath by Justice token, Breaker of God's own Peace, you shall in turn Yourself be broken.

A Washington columnist puts it this way:—"They are going through hell and behaving like angels. They would rather die on their feet than on their knees." Such descriptive comes racking from American correspondents in London.

Few people in Britain realized the important part that tin played in their daily lives until the Minister of Supply decreed the other day that there should be no more of it. From face powders to canned fruits, candy and preserved vegetables, according to an order issued to manufacturers, the containers for thousands of things will henceforth be made of waxed paper, and it is doubtful if even the wax is the product of the bee, whose honey must now also be served in paper.

As the agreement now stands between the Defence Department and the Canadian Universities students 21 or over will not be called for 30-day training provided they are taking the 110-hour course provided by their institutions.

NOTES BY THE WAY

It would appear from the despatches and radio transmissions that the British people are in more danger from falling Nazi bombers than from falling Nazi bombs.

Ten thousand English plum puddings for American Christmas tables reached Boston a few days ago.

Again a large contingent of Canada's troops has reached port in the British Isles.

The Senate has now passed the Burke-Wadsworth bill for compulsory selective military training.

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Navy Ways

(Special To The Guardian)

Manning Ship consists of the ship's company lining the rail when some honoured visitor is to be received in Canada, or the King passes in his yacht through the Strait.

Captured German airman put a five-mark note in a Spitfire. Fund collection box, and a London despatch refers to it as a "contribution."

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PUBLIC FORUM

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BLUE BERRY INDUSTRY
Sir,—Believing that you would be interested to know what success the Consumers' Canyery Co-operative Association of Mount Stewart has had in regard to the berry industry of this year, I may say that our Department has been assisting those people in every way we could and were agreeably surprised to ascertain today that they had handled throughout the year 195,000 pounds of blue berries from which they had paid from three to three and one-half cents per pound.

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Rent Control

(Hamilton Spectator)
In announcing that the War-time Prices and Trade Board has been vested with authority to control rents, the Dominion Government gives a further assurance to the people of Canada that every effort is being made to keep the cost of living near a peace-time norm as possible with no profiteering to be countenanced.

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ment's action is timely and is also an evidence of its determination to provide for the common well. Food-stuffs, clothing and fuel all play an important part in the family budget, but for the non-owner of property rent is perhaps the item which looms the largest, and when it reaches excessive proportions it can become a formidable and depressing fear.

The Poets' Corner

THE SILENT BELLS OF ENGLAND
The silent bells of England make sad the world today— Hearts that have felt their luring spell in music's magic away.

God grant their tuneful chimes shall ring in peace and joy again!

Of brutal conquerors whose tread sets doom of fearful fate.

O England, in your hour of need, God guide your destiny,

Bulwark with faith your righteous arms and give you victory!

—Marie Briscoe Croker in Montreal Star.

HOW TO COMBAT Rheumatic Pains

Rheumatic pains are often caused by uric acid in the blood. This blood impurity should be extracted by the kidneys. If kidneys fail, and excess uric acid remains, it irritates the muscles and joints, causing excruciating pains. Treat rheumatic pain by keeping your kidneys in good condition. Take regularly Dodd's Kidney Pills—for half a century the favorite kidney remedy.

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