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men with their missiles and faster-than-sound Lightning fighters pointing toward the U.S.S.R. rather than across the white cliffs of Dover toward the continent.

Their mission will be to defend the British V-bomber bases and the Anglo-United States early warning radar system at Fylingdales in Yorkshire. Use of manned fighters will continue as long as there are manned bombers and enemy reconnaissance aircraft.

But if Britain's wartime fighter groups are to be disbanded, they will not have gone unscathed. Far from it. The names of their pilots are inscribed in history. Their deeds are on record in many films and stage dramas as well as books. And for many Canadians who went through Hitler's war there will be undying memories of those air battles, high above London, where the fate of civilization was being decided.

Staggering Implications

Some idea of the tremendous power and influence wielded by department heads in the U.S. federal government may be gathered from the contract which was awarded by Secretary of Defence McNamara to General Dynamics Corporation, and which is now under investigation. The contract amounted to \$5,455,500,000—more than was spent in 1933 on all the operations of the federal government under Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The contract was for construction of the TFX, a supersonic tactical aircraft for use by all military services. A fuss was kicked up because Mr. McNamara did not give the contract to the lowest bidder, General Dynamics' bid was \$100 million higher than that of the Boeing Company.

As pointed out by Washington commentators, there is reason to be concerned when such staggering power can be exercised by any bureaucrat. A contract of these dimensions could not only make or break the largest of industries—it could make one state highly prosperous, or another depressed. Only an exhaustive investigation can show whether the decision, in this case, was made wisely or foolishly, impartially or under political persuasion or pressure.

Mr. McNamara's reputation stands high for honesty and good judgment. But the case inevitably suggests the danger that a man in his position, who might be lacking in scruples, could pull something which would make the famous Tea Pot Dome and Billis Sol Estes scandals look like petty offenses.

Nigerian Experiment

It is interesting to note that a scheme in which 58,000 young men are being trained in modern farming methods has been launched by the government of Western Nigeria, in cooperation with a team of experts from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. The scheme aims at transforming the country's traditional farming practices and setting the pattern for a new type of farming.

Agriculture is by far the largest sector of Nigeria's economy. It provides a livelihood for more than 80 per cent of the 35 million population, produces all the food for the country and 90 per cent of its exports.

Under the Western region scheme, farm institutes and farm settlements are being created where the newly-trained young men become tenants of a "farm unit" growing such food crops as cassava, yams, sorghum, maize, peas and beans, as well as cocoa, rubber, oil palm and coconuts. Each settlement or village consists of about 200 families and is organized on a cooperative basis.

The Nigerian government is going into this project in a thorough manner. It is building the houses and providing the capital, basic equipment, seed, fertilizer and animals required for the establishment of each settler. Farm units are leased to individuals for 49 years. An experiment worth keeping in touch with, for it could revolutionize the way of life for a great many human beings.



FISHING THROUGH THE ICE

THE GULF STREAM

Warm Waters Flowing Northward

National Geographic News Bulletin
The Gulf Stream, the Stream's direction, and its temperature are not primary climatic factors in determining the climate of Europe, writes Henry Stommel, of Woods Hole, Mass., Oceanographic Institution, in his comprehensive book "The Gulf Stream."

STRANGE CURRENTS

Paradoxically, Europe would be colder—not hotter—if the Gulf Stream should begin to flow faster. The effect would be not to carry more warmth but to lighten the barrier about the Sargasso.

EARLY OBSERVATIONS

The fastest current ever found in open sea—almost 11 miles an hour—was measured off Florida in the Gulf Stream. In contrast, a normal current laces along at a pace of 1/2 mile to a mile, and as a rule the Gulf Stream seldom exceeds four to five miles an hour.

PUBLIC FORUM

HOSPITAL AID APPEALS

His Excellency, Bishop Melancon MacEachern, has asked that I use your facilities to congratulate the people of Prince Edward Island on the enthusiastic support of our hospitals.

REV. A. E. PIERCEY, Secretary, Charlottetown.

CAUSEWAY REPORT

Mr. Cullivert has done in your valuable paper to ask someone to inform me, as to whether or not the report on the feasibility of the Northumberland Causeway has been tabled in the House of Commons.

REV. P. F. MACDONALD, Chancellor, Charlottetown.

SEPARATE SCHOOLS

Mr. Cullivert has done in your paper recently there appeared an account of some remarks made by the Hon. Mr. Matheson in the Provincial Legislature concerning the question of Separate Schools.

REV. P. F. MACDONALD, Chancellor, Charlottetown.

Positive Reaction Need Follow With X-Rays

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen
A POSITIVE tuberculin reaction in cattle is a death sentence; the animal is slaughtered to prevent the spread of the disease.

Most adult cases of tuberculosis develop in persons who have had a positive reaction for several years. The reaction is obvious, but there ought to be rules and regulations making it imperative that they have a careful follow-up, including periodic chest X-rays.

Others developed the infection during childhood but it was so mild that the individual was unaware of it. He is contagious and he had active tuberculosis. At any rate, the skin test changed from negative to positive even though they were not necessarily ill.

VISION AND HYPERTENSION

R. H. writes: Does high blood pressure injure the eyes?

Yes. Most of the damage occurs when the blood vessels in the eyes become narrowed and hardened. This in turn affects circulation to the retina. Vision also may be disturbed as a result of stroke.

READING ON TUMMY

N. N. writes: Is it harmful to a child's eyes to read in a prone position?

SORE BREASTS

Mrs. G. writes: Could painful breast abscesses be frequent causes of this symptom?

INFANTS ARE NEW

M. D. writes: I have got so I don't want to meet new people. What would you advise me to do?

STAY AWAY FROM NERVES

Today's Health Head—Talk over your worries with your family or a sensible friend.

FOLLOW OWN ROAD

Tropical army units follow a chemical warfare laid down by their leaders when they form raiding columns to hunt prey.

NOTES BY THE WAY

The only place that a dollar is still worth 100 cents today is in those problems in the arithmetic book—Calgary Herald.

The National Geographic Bulletin reports that "the giraffe has seven vertebrae in its neck. So does the whale. So do people." All of which proves once again that figures can be mighty deceiving.—Ottawa Journal.

A British minister visiting Canada says that for too long the church has been answering questions that nobody has been asking. In these jaded days, if a question has an answer so one wants to hear it.—Peterborough Examiner.

Our Yesterday's

From the Guardian Files
TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO (March 27, 1838)
John Gillespie, Clyde River, leaves today to spend some time with his mother, Mrs. Gillespie and Frank Gillespie in M. A. O. Yukon. He is being met in Vancouver by his uncle, who left the island in the early gold rush days, thirty-seven years ago.

M.C. West, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Selkirk, Ont., Mrs. West and daughter Joan, have arrived at Lunenburg, N.S., where Mr. West has been transferred, as manager of the bank there. Mr. West is a former Islander.

TEN YEARS AGO

(March 27, 1853)
Cited recently for his part in the completion of the new reversible blooming mill of the Dominion Steel and Coal Co., Sydney, N.S., was Robert Roy Moffatt, a native of Mayfield, P.E.I., who has been superintendent of the heavy mills at Sydney since 1888.

DO YOU "THINK" YOU'RE SICK?

What do doctors think of this morbid sickness—why do they blame it on you? It's on TV. In April Reader's Digest read why 78% of women demanding one type of surgery don't really need it! See if you can identify yourself with one of the four main causes of suffering. Get your Reader's Digest today.

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MOLASSES GINGER COOKIES

THIS IS MY ICE BOX RECIPE!

One cup shortening
2 1/2 cups Crutty's Molasses
1 1/2 cups brown sugar
1 1/2 cups flour
1 cup lard
3 eggs
1 tsp. salt

Mix shortening, sugar and molasses. (Use best quality butter to be used in Crutty's Molasses Cookies.) Add dry ingredients in sequence. Knead dough. Refrigerate 1 1/2 hours. Bake in refrigerator until cooled. As required, vary the molasses on ground coconut milk. Bakes in a 350° oven.

It's pure Barbados SUGAR CONTENT BEST FOR TABLE USE...BEST FOR COOKING

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