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Remembrance

It is good to remember brave and generous deeds and the men who performed them. War is an evil, yet it is also the occasion for courage and sacrifice. The memorial table which is being dedicated by the Summerside Branch of the Canadian Legion is a reminder of both aspects of the human struggle.

The relatives and friends of those commemorated who gather to do honour to their memory are still facing the threat of another conflict, a circumstance which adds bitterness to their feelings of thankfulness. Each must feel an anxious hope that the waste and destruction of war be not repeated, yet to keep faith with those who gave their lives we must stand ready to defend their ideals with whatever means should prove necessary.

Welfare Payments

A C. C. F. proposal that family allowances be boosted 60 per cent to meet increased living costs met with a cool reception in the House of Commons from Hon. Paul Martin, Minister of National Health and Welfare. Mr. Martin took the position that the national productive capacity of Canada cannot at this time carry any further increase in social welfare payments. Further, he said letters his Department received were five to one requests for raising the age limits of children eligible for allowances from 16 to 18 or even 21 rather than increasing the amount of payments.

Canada is now spending a total annual of \$1,500 millions on social security. When coupled with the \$2,000 millions of defence estimated expenditures this year, the total has to be related to the productive capacity of the people of Canada. Nothing would be more regrettable than an impression that there is no limit to what the people can do; that nothing is beyond the capacity of this nation now so heavily taxed.

There are now 4,513,000, children of 1,960,000 families on family allowances costing \$332,150,000 this year, an increase from \$240 millions in 1946.

Old age security payments are well over \$300 millions this year and will increase for 10 years as population ages. (The 1952-53 estimates provide \$322 millions for the 70-and-over "no means test" pensions and \$20 millions for the Federal share of the 65-69 year "means test" pensioners).

Family allowance payments in 1951 constitute 27.7 per cent of all social welfare costs, a greater proportion than in any other country. They take 2.15 per cent of the national income compared to 2.65 per cent in New Zealand, 1.41 per cent in Australia and 0.57 per cent in Great Britain. By the time a Canadian child reaches the age of 16, about \$1,188 would be paid toward its maintenance.

Cheese Support Urged

The Ottawa Citizen finds it difficult to see how the Federal Government can escape offering cheese producers the same type of emergency assistance that is already being extended to the beef producers. In both cases sudden loss of a major export market is the cause of a serious dislocation. Canadian beef cattle are denied entry to the United States for an indefinite period. Canadian cheese will not go to Britain this year because of that country's lack of dollars, and it is still barred from an alternative market in the U. S. (except to a minor extent) because of a quite unwarranted restrictive action taken by Congress in 1951 and still in effect.

To save beef producers from a drastic fall in price as a result of the foot and mouth outbreaks in Saskatchewan, Ottawa has agreed to a floor of 25 cents a pound, and there is also support for hogs. Similar considerations, argues our Ottawa contemporary, should guide the fixing of a floor under the cheese market. The question here is complicated by the fact that cheese is one of several alternative products from fluid milk, and the price relationship between each of them governs the ups and downs of production. There is at present, for example, a floor price of 58 cents a pound for butter. It takes about twice as much milk to make a pound of butter as to make a pound of cheese, so that the price relationship is roughly two to one. This would suggest a cheese floor of 29 cents,

although producers have been talking of higher figures.

Some argue that the cheese floor should actually be slightly lower than 29 cents, in order to encourage a diversion of fluid milk from cheese to butter production and thus remove the need for millions of pounds of butter imports. In any event, a positive effort by the dairy industry to increase domestic consumption of cheese from its present relatively low levels is required.

EDITORIAL NOTES

V-E Day, 1945.

Ten years ago today ended the three-day battle of the Coral Sea in which Commonwealth and United States forces defeated Japan and saved Australia from threat of imminent invasion.

Many inducements are being held out for participation in the Rural Beautification Contest but undoubtedly the strongest is the sight of previous years' contestants' greatly improved homes and property.

At a fashion show at the Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, according to the Ottawa Citizen a highlight of the afternoon was a copy of this Province's gift to our present Queen, a cape of silver fox. The deep slinky skins have made a comeback into favor after a period of indifference.

The efforts of the Federal and Provincial Departments of Agriculture to completely exterminate the already-scarce ragweed would enable us to boast that the whole Province and not merely the National Park is pollen free. A valuable step in this direction would be for as many people as possible to learn to identify the weed.

The new Germany is in competition with us in the butter market in London, dumping a surplus at a cut rate. The West German Government has approved the export of 1,500 tons of stock-piled butter to Britain at a special reduction of two-thirds the normal German price. The butter will be sold for 38 cents a pound compared with the West German wholesale price of 55 cents a pound.

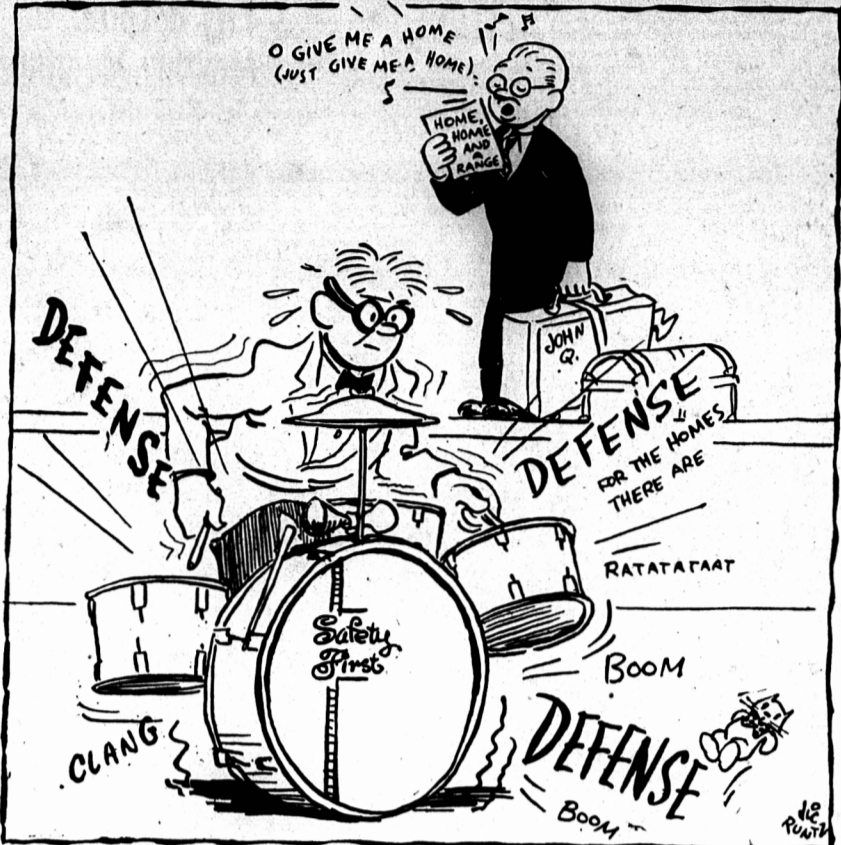
Harry S. Truman, thirty-third president of the U. S. A., was born this date 1884. Clerk, farmer and soldier in turn he was elected county court judge in 1922, senator in 1934 and 1940. He was elected vice-president in 1944 and succeeded to the presidency when Roosevelt died April 12, 1945, in his fourth term. Truman took part in the Potsdam conference, authorized use of the atom bomb and was active in organizing the U.N. and NATO.

One interesting and perhaps unexpected consequence of the appointment of a Canadian to the post of Governor General of Canada, says Saturday Night, is the fact that the use of the term "His Excellency", in the press certainly and probably also in conversation, has diminished sharply in the three months of Mr. Massey's tenure. Canadians obviously cannot be expected to look on Mr. Massey as a new figure in their public life. He has been a figure in it for quite a long time, and always as Mr. Massey.

A distinctive Canadian touch has been given the ceremonial cap worn by the swordbearer to the Lord Mayor of London. Known as the Cap of Maintenance, a brand new number has been fashioned from the skins of eight Canadian natural sable and presented to the city corporation to mark Sir Leslie Boyce's year as Lord Mayor. The cap, worn by the swordbearer at every official function, is the traditional eight inches high, has a flat crown of royal purple velvet and a lining of black silk. Much more elaborate than its predecessor, it has also been made mothproof.

"If we are worthy of our heritage, we can make this age we are entering a truly golden one." Wing Cmdr. J. Angus MacLean, D.F.C., M.P. for Queen's constituency of Prince Edward Island, said at the 60th anniversary dinner of St. Philip's Anglican Church, Montreal West, on Sunday evening. Speaking on "The Second Elizabethan Period", he compared general prosperity under the first Queen Elizabeth with that under Queen Victoria, and predicted tremendous progress for the second Elizabethan age now beginning. Communism, he said, should not stop the western nations from this general progress, for threats just as great had been faced and overcome in other days. He said "atomic power will be to us what steam and industrialization was to the Victorian era." Wing Cmdr. MacLean urged that more be done to put into practice the lessons of the past, to develop the fine arts and to do away with petty prejudices. The Christian Church faces a great challenge in helping to make the new Elizabethan age one of great prosperity, he said.

Drowned Out By His Accompanist



NEWS ITEM: S. C. Johnston, M.P., speaking in the budget debate, estimates 2,000,000 Canadians lack adequate housing.

Old Charlottetown (And F. E. I.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS From The Islander, November 24, 1951: Mrs. Burris begs leave to inform her friends and the public generally, that she will commence her afternoon dancing school at Terrence Hall, Great George Street, for one term only, on Wednesday, the 6th December. Hours from 4 to 6 p.m. J. & R. Scott, Kent Street, announce they have just imported, for sale, a lot of fancy furs. Parties wishing to make presents to Clergymen, &c., would do well to make an early call.

The "Y. M. C. Association Bazaar, in aid of the building fund," is advertised by Fanny K. Mayne, secretary. Mr. George Bremner advertises a valuable freehold property for sale on Prince Street. John Quirk announces that he has recently fitted up a Steam Bakery on the corner of Prince and Grafton Streets, and specializes in Pilot bread, biscuits and crackers. A. A. Baldwin & Co., hardware dealers, call special attention to their new stock of kerosene lamps and fireproof chimneys. Dr. A. H. Boswell, Pleasant Hill, announces that he intends for the future retiring from his profession, owing to indisposition.

Nathan Davies & Son announce that the City Tannery is again in operation, and will pay cash for any quantity of bark, hides and skins. Peter McGowan, City Clerk, solicits tenders for the leasing of Pownall Wharf, Carvell Bros. announce the departure, alternately every Thursday, of the steamers "Athambra" and "Commerce" for Boston, calling at Pictou, Canso and Halifax en route. Messrs. Matthew Waddell and George Wilson announce that the co-partnership lately existing between them, under the name of Waddell & Wilson, has expired by limitation. Mr. Waddell stating that he intends to carry on business at the old stand, corner of Great George and Kent Streets.

An advertisement from Messrs. Gabriel, dentists, Ludgate Hill, London, assures "parties" at a distance that they may have artificial teeth supplied "in partial or complete sets, by sending particulars of their cases, with the remittance of ten shillings, when the apparatus for taking a model of the mouth will be forwarded with all necessary instructions." They also undertake to "remodel artificial teeth supplied by other dentists which have not proved satisfactory to the wearer."

The Poet's Corner

FROM THE MAY QUEEN The honeysuckle round the porch has wov'n its wavy bowers, And by the meadow-trenches blow the faint sweet cuckoo-flowers; And the wild marsh-marigold shines like fire in swamps and hollows gray, And I'm the Queen of the May, mother, I'm to be Queen of the May. The night-winds come and go, mother, upon the meadow-grass, And the happy stars above them seem to brighten as they pass; There will not be a drop of rain the whole of the living day, And I'm to be Queen of the May, mother, I'm to be Queen of the May. —Lord Tennyson.

JAPANESE STAGE The revolving theatre stage was invented in Japan, where the first revolving stage was installed in 1760.

The Endicott Case

(Winnipeg Tribune) Since James G. Endicott, chairman of the so-called Canadian Peace Congress, stated at Mukden, Manchuria, that U.N. forces in Korea were waging germ warfare and some of the germs may have been produced in Canada, there have been demands in Parliament and across the country that something be done to punish this man. Justice Minister Garson told the Commons last week that his law officers were studying the case with a view to possible action against Endicott when he returns to the Dominion.

Unquestionably Endicott's remarks have roused the ire of many Canadians and most of them would be quite happy if he were to remain on the side of the Iron Curtain where his heart is. Feeling and they will eventually "hang themselves" when he returns to Canada. But the Toronto Globe and Mail has a different idea. According to that newspaper, the best scheme is to let people like Endicott keep on talking and they will eventually "hang themselves." The Toronto Journal commented the other day that "nothing that might have been done to that objectionable character could have damned him so securely in the eyes of the Canadian public as that appalling statement. Never again will his word be taken seriously. Even as a tool for Communist propaganda, he will be just about useless."

That may be. On the other hand, Endicott has not been taken seriously by the great majority of Canadians for a considerable time. But that apparently has not marred his usefulness to the Communists. It should be borne in mind that Soviet authorities carry on a two-fold propaganda—one for home consumption and one for export. Endicott is still quite useful to the Soviet home consumption department even if he has lost some of his bloom in the export market. If short, even though Endicott may have hanged himself in Canadian eyes, he is still a lively character behind the Iron Curtain. Mr. Garson and Mr. Pearson should keep looking in the law books to see if there is not some way of "hanging" him in Manchuria and points west.

While the Royal Mint today manufactures all metal coin in Britain, there were about 70 English mints in A.D. 1,000.

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The Age-Old Story

For God speaketh once, yet man perceiveth it not. . . . Yes, his soul draweth near unto the grave, and his life to the destroyers. If there be a messenger with him, an interpreter, one among a thousand, to shew unto man his uprightness; then he is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found a ransom. . . . He shall pray unto God, and he will be favourable unto him; and he shall see his face with joy: for he will render unto man his righteousness. . . . Lo, all these things worketh God oftentimes with man, to bring back his soul from the pit, to be enlightened with the light of the living.

They Cheered

(St. Catharines Standard) Canadian soldiers of the 27th Brigade at Hanover and British troops on the call of General John Harding gave a great roar which echoed around the countryside as they cheered the departing of General Eisenhower, who returns to the United States June 1. Jet planes whined overhead and a 17-gun salute was fired in honor of the five-star General.

General Eisenhower told the men they were committed to one of the most important duties conceivable—that of being the bulwark and shield of civilization. His very brief speech was ended in one word: "Goodbye." It is conceivable that General Eisenhower may some time in the future address the troops again, in particular, the United States troops. And the hope is that it will be as President and Commander-in-Chief of all United States forces, the world over. How truly the United States is now carrying a great part of world responsibility is shown by the unanimity of the N.A.T.O. behind any new Supreme Commander for Europe whom President Truman found fit to appoint. General Matthew Ridgway of Japan has secured the call. It is important to note, as well, what General Eisenhower said about Ridgway and his Chief-of-Staff, General Gruenther. They were the "finest combination the American services can produce for the European command." It is a

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Notes By The Way

Barbara Ann Scott's apartment was broken into, and is described as being left in a shambles from the looting. The dictionary says a shambles is a place or scene of slaughter. But the word is being misused so much that it is taking on a new meaning.—Toronto Star.

Recently this newspaper received a complaint. A child of five years had money from his mother to buy an ice cream cone. When the child reached the store he had a change of heart, and instead asked the merchant for some matches. The request was granted by the thoughtless clerk, who saw no harm in this minor sales transaction. Later the child was discovered lighting the matches on the street, completely oblivious to the danger of setting his clothes on fire.—Cornwall Standard-Freeholder.

"Only" is a tricky word. "I only rise to speak for a few minutes" says an MP getting on his feet in the House of Commons. "I only," meaning he and no other rises; or "I only rise" and meaning he does nothing but rise to speak, doesn't run and jump and skip about. Had "only" been put in another place the MP would have said he was rising "to speak only," that is, he had no thought of singing or doing gnomersaults. But put the "only" after "for" and we have the member's intention clearly—"I rise to speak for only a few minutes."—Ottawa Journal.

A blow for lovers of the romantic is a story published by the Spanish newspaper La Voz de Espana on present-day conditions on the Island of Mas-a-Tierra, off the coast of Chile. This, according to most authorities, was the desert island where Robinson Crusoe was shipwrecked and spent so many lonely years. According to the Spanish paper, progress has caught up with Mas-a-Tierra and its population of fishermen with a vengeance.

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PROFESSIONAL CARDS

Professional cards for various lawyers, accountants, and other professionals. Includes: Gaudet & Hazard, A. Walthen Gaudet, J. A. McGuigan, Palmer & Haslam, J. S. Taylor, Chas. R. McQuaid, J. A. Carruthers, Dr. W. R. Carson, Dr. A. L. MacIsaac, Allison M. Gillis, H. R. Doane and Company, McDonald & Joyal.