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"The Strongest Memory is Weaker than the Weakest Ink."

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The Confederation Spirit

Under the heading "Again at Charlottetown" the *Winnipeg Free Press* deals editorially with our Confederation celebration. Our Winnipeg contemporary regards it as "exceedingly appropriate" that Prince Edward Island should invite the Dominion and the Provinces to send representatives to participate in the commemoration of the historic Charlottetown conference; but "there may be a twinkle in the eyes of some of the delegates as they recall the little paradox of Charlottetown being the birth-place of the Confederation project, and of Prince Edward Island stoutly refusing to have anything to do with the plan when it was drawn up, or to come into Confederation until six years later, after Manitoba and British Columbia had been welcomed into the fold."

The success "in spite of difficulties" of the Confederation pact is the theme of the Winnipeg paper's editorial; and in this connection it says: "Now we contemplate the rather amazing fruition of the proposal first broached at Charlottetown three-quarters of a century ago. There were visions, in the Confederation discussions of the extension of the new Dominion into the vast western territory beyond the Great Lakes. That actually came very soon. Then the growth of national spirit and the evolving Canadian autonomy. But nothing in the lifetime of this Dominion affected it so profoundly as its participation in the Great War. Its utmost powers were dedicated to a cause which it believed to be just. In a resolute and united effort, Canada played her full part. Canadians stood together in the struggle and they bore together the overwhelming sorrows of the war. Out of the conflict came a new nation. Canadians were conscious of this. Soon the complete sovereignty of Canada, a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations, was written into the law. Canadians are now fully responsible for the control of their external, as well as internal, affairs."

Conditions, says the Free Press, have changed since Confederation, and adjustments in relations between the Dominion and the Provinces have been suggested as necessary. Can we deal with these matters calmly as Canadians all, with reason and equity and with the ideals of a united nation before us? Everything, it is emphasized, depends on the spirit in which these questions are faced.

The British Army

Announcement is made of the first call in Britain of men under the new Conscription Act, providing for 200,000 to be trained this year.

According to the Ottawa Journal, the existing British military force to date is as follows:

British regular army	226,000
Army reserve	125,000
Supplementary reserve	24,000
Territorial army	500,000
Indian native army	160,000

In the above list, the figure for the British regular army includes the part of the army in India, 60,000 strong. The army reserve is composed of ex-regulars, still able-bodied. The supplementary reserve is composed of ex-regular officers, available for training of new forces if needed. The Territorial army is composed of volunteers, fairly well trained. The Indian native army is largely staffed by British officers.

The whole is small enough in number compared to the numbers of trained men armed by the chief European nations; still, it is not inconsiderable in itself, and is very considerable in its potentialities. Accompanied by tremendous naval strength and by an air force which now is probably not second to any other in the world, it is enough to cause some thinking in the dictators.

World Wheat

In 1938, Canada harvested 350 million bushels of wheat. The carry-over had been reduced to 23 million bushels so that supplies for the year aggregated 373 million bushels. With home requirements of about 100 million bushels, 273 million remained available for export and carry-over, a total which would have presented no difficulty had normal conditions prevailed in world markets. But conditions were not normal —supplies were heavy and resistance to imports was maintained through subsidies, tariff restrictions and import quotas in many markets which had in the past absorbed substantial quantities of Canadian wheat.

The United States crop last year was 931 million bushels, the second largest on record. With a carry-over of 154 million, total supplies for the crop year amounted to 1,085 million bushels, of which 375 million were available for export and carry-over after full allowance had been made for domestic utilization Net exports, under the Government's export subsidy programme, are expected to reach about 100 million bushels, leaving stocks of 275 million at the end of the season. Of this, 200 million bushels were segregated to offset the reduction in the coming crop under the Agricultural Administration control programme. With a carry-over of 275 million bushels it is considered that supplies will be ample to meet all anticipated requirements.

In Australia, 150 million bushels of wheat were harvested against 188 million in 1937-38 and a five-year average of 155 million bushels. Adding a carry-over of 50 million bushels and deducting 55 million for domestic requirements, supplies available for export amount to 145 million bushels. Shipments for the season are placed at 90 to 95 million bushels so that it is anticipated that the carry-over into the coming season will show little change from that of last year. According to the Food Research Institute of Stanford University, this "may be regarded as a significant reflection of marketing policy, for at present Australia is the only large exporter without direct governmental intervention in the export business."

The 1939-40 world wheat crop is expected to be substantially smaller than the record outturn in 1938-39 largely as the result of the reduced acreages sown in the United States and India. This decrease in production, however, may be largely offset by the much heavier carry-over in prospect on July 31, 1939, as compared with last July.

Editorial Notes

Marconi, Father of Wireless, died this date, 1937.

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Another good half-holiday for the stores, and "a peach" of a day for the Maritime Fire Fighters.

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Today the Farmers will be "at home" at the Experimental Station, and guests of honour—(50% discount)—at the Confederation races.

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A group photograph of the Confederation Fathers' descendants taken on this historic occasion would add immensely to the value and interest of our Confederation Museum.

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Owing to the neglect of the Federal Government to start work on time, the Hon. Mr. Howe was unable to carry out his part of the Confederation programme today, viz. the inauguration of trans-continental flight from the new airport. The old story—laissez-faire.

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A watchful eye should be kept on the faker fraternity in the Square. An esteemed subscriber advises us he has watched their tactics, and assures us that it is a thousand to one against the Island patrons winning. Then there are the "welcome rosette" fake—supposedly for charitable purposes, all the proceeds from which walk off with the salesladies when they return to the mainland. Why should these things have been permitted?

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One just wonders what was discussed at that precedent-breaking meeting of the Federal Treasury Board in the Confederation Chamber, when five portfolio members of the dying Mackenzie King Cabinet were in attendance. It could not possibly have had anything to do, of course, with election prospects here in particular and in the Maritimes generally. Still one wonders, when there are present in the city three Maritime Premiers ready to give their advice on local questions at issue.

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The Province of Quebec is borrowing $30,000,000 in the United States. The continued attacks against the city of Montreal of late years do not appear to have harmed the credit of the city, and, of course, of the province, in the London market. The bondholders have always been paid, and are being paid, their interest. The huge expenditure of the provincial Government for farm loan credits, while troublesome for the Government, appears to have kept farmers on their farms, rather than send them into Montreal to get the dole.

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If the Queen failed to commandeer an Island on the Pacific Coast, Her Excellency Lady Tweedsmuir did not. Sphinx Island, in Tricomali Channel in the Gulf of Georgia, has been presented to Her Excellency by the British Columbia Government. When Her Excellency visited Fairbridge Farm School at Cowichan some time ago she expressed the desire to arrange a camp for children on some gulf island. The Government has made her, for this laudable purpose, a free grant of the four-acre island, which had reverted to the province.

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A further step in the proposal sponsored by the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities envisaging a frontal attack on unemployment through a nation-wide campaign to stimulate industrial expansion will be taken on July 24, when a delegation representing the Federation will once more meet in Ottawa with Hon. J. L. Ilsley, Minister of National Revenue in his capacity as acting Minister of Finance. By that time Hon. Mr. Ilsley will have submitted to his Cabinet colleagues the suggestion outlined to him by Mayor Stanley Lewis of Ottawa, president of the Federation, that the Dominion Government summon a conference of financial and industrial interests, as well as provincial and municipal representatives, to examine the unemployment problem and "explore all possibilities for increasing urban employment."

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According to the Vatican correspondent of the New York Times, for a few minutes during a public audience the Pope lost the Ring of the Fisherman he was extending to the crowd to be kissed. The seal ring slipped off the second finger of his right hand into the hand of a man who had pressed forward to kiss it. The crowd was so great and was pushing about so hard that Pius himself did not notice it at the time. He continued to walk forward and the embarrassed individual with the ring did his best to make himself discreetly heard and restore the holy object. It was some minutes before the Pontiff missed the ring and turned back in surprise, which permitted the man to restore it. Vatican circles in that connection recalled a recent similar incident. After one of those public audiences at which there are usually some 2,000 to 3,000 people, the Pope discovered that he had lost one of his cuff-links. It could not be found in the audience hall. A few days later His Holiness received an anonymous letter containing a 1000-lire bill sent by the individual who had found the cuff-link. He said he wanted to keep it as a remembrance of the Pope.

NOTES BY THE WAY

A few years ago there were few machines flying over thickly populated centres, but lately the numbers have increased until the air is filled with their drone. Planes between outside points and the main airports are not the offenders. Their pilots usually maintain a high altitude. The offenders are the joy-riding machines and those operated by civilian trainees from the flying fields on the border of the city. These planes constitute a flying circus. They leave their home fields and fly south over the city's northern residential districts then they wheel and return seldom at greater heights than 2,000 feet and often as low as 1,000 feet or less. Flying of this nature over cities ought to be prohibited at less than 4,000 feet altitude. — Toronto Telegram.

Admittedly if the United States became involved, the situation would be completely changed. A British-French-American alliance to protect their mutual interests in China, and more especially to keep the Pacific from being dominated by Japan, would almost certainly bring Russia into the combination, and we would then have irresistible military and naval strength on our side. Under such circumstances, it would be most unlikely that the Axis would turn at all. It would feel that this was an exceptionally poor time for it to try conclusions with the Democracies. We should have peace with honor and a fine sense of security, and Japan would be sent back to her legitimate sphere of influence. — Montreal Star.

The United States cannot really be indifferent to what is going on in the North China treaty port. The issue posed there involves the future of all foreigners everywhere in China. If Great Britain and France can be brought to their knees at Tientsin, and compelled to accept the far-reaching demands laid down by the Japanese authorities as the price for ending the blockade of the British and French concessions, a precedent of extraordinary significance will be established. It would mean that Japan's fiat would be law throughout Eastern Asia and that foreigners would henceforth be permitted to live and trade in China only on the sufferance of the island empire. — Washington Post.

Latest fuss involves the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, where superior officers are said to have advised Midshipman Jay Allen Einstein to become Midshipman Jay Allen Elston in order to avoid "the handicap of a Jewish surname." Rear Admiral Wilson Brown has ordered a full inquiry though why one should be found necessary isn't quite clear. Jews themselves — particularly those in the public eye — have for years been adopting other names for business and social reasons, and have apparently found that it helps them get ahead. The entertainment field presents the most conspicuous examples of this in such people as Jack Benny, Ben Bernie, Walter Winchell, Samuel Goldwyn was Sam Goldfish, Bobby Breen was originally Isidore Borsuk and George Raft was George Ranft Muni Weisenfreund became Paul Muni, the Wuppermann boys are now Frank and Ralph Morgan, Gus Prinz is Frederick Wells and the Fannie Zilverspitch of yesterday is the Franciska Gaal of today. — Harrison in Windsor Star.

Alexandra is taking A. R. P. seriously and recently staged a realistic air raid with all the fitments, including the exploding of a bomb in the centre of the city, all preparations were made as if the raid were a real one, and the results appear to have been satisfactory showing that all concerned in passive defence work know their jobs. If anything about A.R.P. could be amusing, it would be the worry that the bomb occasioned beforehand. However ridiculous it might seem, many inhabitants of the city were terrified at the notion, and special reassurances had to be issued through the Press, pointing out that the "bomb" would make a lot of noise but would be absolutely harmless, would cause no damage and of course, no casualties. During the practices Alexandria took on quite a military aspect, with Egyptian troops on guard over public works and Egyptians and British motorlorries, cars and motor cycles passing at every moment through the streets, the Staff headquarters of the garrison having been transferred for the occasion to the centre of the city. — The Sphinx, Cairo.

The Marquess of Donegall, who represented a London Sunday newspaper on the King's and Queen's tour of Canada, has returned with a grievance against certain officials of the royal entourage, who, he says, were too busy "playing the courtier" to "capitalize a unique opportunity to humanize Their Majesties in the eyes of the people of Canada." "We can dispense," the journalist-peer tells his United Kingdom readers, "with the obstruction of sycophants whose desire for self-importance leads them to treat press correspondents of world-wide standing as penny-a-liners — not quite gentlemen. Thank heaven, we have as rulers a royal couple whose sweetness of personality and genuineness of character are beyond all wrecking. If ever two people did a job of fantastically hard work—on duty 24 hours a day—they did it. Even petty officialdom couldn't wreck the United States visit because my high-powered United States colleagues decided to overlook what they considered insults and to give those two swell people a good break."—Edmonton Bulletin.

Throwing his hat into the Fed-eral ring, Adrien Arcand of the National Unity party, denounces Jews, Communists, Liberals and Conservatives and "financial democracy." Why not include the Leadership League, the Herridge New Democracy and everything else not of the N.U.P.? — Montreal Gazette.

It is, perhaps, not sufficiently known that under the Criminal Code everyone who "wantonly cruelly or unnecessarily . . . . abandons in distress or, having actual possession or control thereof, in any way fails to provide and supply food, water and shelter for any cattle, poultry, dog, domestic animal or bird in captivity, so that unnecessary suffering or injury is caused to the same" is guilty of an offence and liable to a penalty not exceeding $50 or to three months' imprisonment with or without hard labor, or both. The penalty is not one bit too severe. So when you are going away make full provision for the care of your pets. —Cornwall Standard, Freeholder.

English Expert Says "Hebburn"

(Exchange)

Even an English phonetics authority can't find, in many cases, one general pronunciation for an English name.

The professor of phonetics at University of London, A. Lloyd James, has compiled a volume of pronunciation of British family names, but in many cases he had to give two or more choices because different groups of the same family living in different parts of Britain pronounced the family name differently.

Professor James, whose new book is used as an authority by the British Broadcasting Corporation and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, gives a choice of two pronunciations of the name Hepburn. The Ontario Premier's friends usually call him "Mitch"—Premier Duplessis of Quebec calls him "Meetch"—but Professor James says the name may be pronounced "Hebburn" (which he prefers) or "Hep-burn" (which the Premier prefers).

The English authority on names says the many differences in pronunciation are due to the fact that many in a locality knew, in the days before reading and writing were common accomplishments, how to pronounce a man's name, although they never in their lives would see it written. He thinks that eventually the "traditional" pronunciation will give way under the influence of spelling.

For generations the readers of the great diary writer have differed on how to pronounce the name of Pepys. Professor James ignores proponents of "Peps" and gives the broadcasters the choice between "Peppis" and "Peeps."

Readers of a modern English writer, P. G. Wodehouse, also have a choice. The professor prefers "Woodhowss" with the stress on the first syllable, but he says "Woodoss" also is correct.

They're All The Same

Pity the poor announcer who has the names "Cholmeley" and "Cholmondeley" and "Chomley," all in the same story and yet must differentiate between them. They all are pronounced same—"Chumley."

But the letter "r" gave Professor James more difficulty in compiling his authoritative volume than any other letter. He found that in Southeastern England the letter "r" is silent except when followed by a vowel. "It is pronounced in 'red' and 'very,' but not in 'car' or 'card,'" he reported. "It is sometimes pronounced in 'car' if a vowel follows, as for example, in "The car is at the door.'" After studying the matter carefully, Professor James decided to ignore Southeastern English" and to prepare his volume "for the whole English-speaking world." Otherwise his compendium might not have received the blessing of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

The phonetics authority decided that those who refer to Bathurst (with the 'a' like in 'man' and the may call it either "Bath-urst" stress on the first syllable or "Ba'th-hurst" (with the stress still on the first syllable, but adding an "h" to the second syllable).

For Cecil Professor James prefers "Seesel" to "Sisil," but he says both are correct. Apparently any one who says "Seesil" has not the blessing of this "handbook of verbal deportment to young men whose linguistic behavior on certain social occasions may not lie within the most exclusive canons."

Professor James gives a wider choice for "Greenhough," which he says may be pronounced "Greenoff" or "Greenhoff" or "Greenhoe" or Greenhow" or "Greenhuff" or "Greennuff." He prefers the first choice.

"Hind" may be pronounced to rhyme with pin or find. The "a" in "Galsworthy" may be pronounced as in "aw" or in "cat," and "Doherty" may be pronounced with a short "o" or a long "o".

"Glamis" is pronounced "Glaams" with the "a" soft as in "calm".

The name "Death" may be "Deth" or "Deeth" or "Dee-ath" with the "a" sounded as in "cat", or it may be "Dee-aath" with the "a" sounded as in "calm".

"Perry" is "Pairy", or "Peery", or "Perry". There's a difference also for "Spiers," which may be pronounced with the central vowels as "eye" or as "e". But "Reiner" may have the central vowels as "eye" or as "ay".

Professor James prefers to pronounce "Montgomery" as in "Mongummery," but for "Molyneux" he gives a choice of "Molleeno" or "Mullinewks" or "Mullinew" or Mollinew," and he says "Jamieson" may be pronounced "Jimmission" or "Jaymission" or "Jammisson" with the "a" short as in cat.

The Poets' Corner

FROM "THIS LITTLE PLOT"

Very small is England,
But she is very strong,
And her hand falls heavy
On those who do her wrong.
Slow she is in thinking,
Slower still to move,
But what a mighty force is hers
When it comes to love!

The hearts of all her children,
Spread across the earth,
Beat as one for England,
Thank her for their birth;
The will of all her children,
And each loving hand,
Have raised a wall inviolate
To shield this precious land.

To keep our English spirit,
Our crystal sense of right,
Unsullied from the doctrine
That only force is might;
England is so tiny,
England is so great,
There is no room within her
For a shoddy thing like hate.

—Dorothy Jacob in "The Empire Review."

FLYING INSTRUCTIONS

WINNIPEG, July 19—Canadian women pilots may be used as flying instructors in the event of a national emergency, Wing Commander A. T. Cowley, R. C. A. F., Ottawa, said here today in an interview. At present there are 40 Canadian women who have trained as pilots, he said.

That Body of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

EATING MORE CALCIUM—LIME FOODS PREVENTS EARLY FATIGUE

The one outstanding criticism by food experts of the ordinary diet found in the majority of homes is that it does not contain enough minerals, particularly calcium or lime.

Perhaps you have thought of lime only as being one of the necessary elements to form the bones and the teeth, and of some use in tooth powders, and to overcome an acid condition of the blood and tissues.

One of its most important uses recently discovered is that it is a real heart stimulant or tonic.

Dr. P. Martin, Basel, in the Swiss Medical Journal reports his studies on the influence of calcium during the training of athletes. "The young athletes were mostly city dwellers who lived in modest circumstances and whose food was frequently deficient in calcium. Moreover, working in offices during the day they had little opportunity to benefit from fresh air and sunshine.

Dr. Martin made a test on young runners who ran 400 metres or about a quarter-mile. Of a group of twenty-seven athletes, fifteen underwent training without use of calcium; the other twelve were given large doses of calcium during the five months of training (December to April)."

The reports of the results of the tests at the onset and the end of the training showed that the heart rate of the athletes was not only less in those using calcium but came back to normal (after running the 400 metres) in much less time than the athletes who had not used the calcium.

This proves that fatigue of the heart is less from doing a certain amount of work in those who use calcium regularly as compared with those not using calcium.

It is not suggested that the average individual should use calcium in its usual drug form — calcium lactate and calcium gluconate — although calcium preparations are greatly used in those who are tired and run-down physically.

The suggestion is that most normal individuals would do well to simply use more of the foods that are rich in calcium such as dairy products — cheese and milk; egg yolks; green vegetables — lettuce, cabbage, turnip tops, spinach, cauliflower, carrots, string beans, turnips, parsnips, fresh fruits — strawberries, raspberries, rhubarb, oranges.

OXFORD WOMEN WIDEN RIGHTS

OXFORD, England, July 19 — (CP) —Discussing their grievances at the first Oxford Parliament, the Oxford Women's Branch of the National Union of Students made proposals that women undergraduates should be:

Free to return to college any night up to midnight without having special permission and to be free to go out without having to state where they are going;

Allowed to invite men visitors to their rooms any day between lunch time and dinner, and into common rooms until 10 p. m. without special permission;

Allowed to provide alcoholic drinks at mixed parties in college;

Allowed to live in unlicensed lodgings under the same conditions as men undergraduates;

Allowed to take part in the theatrical productions of men's colleges.

The Oxford Parliament accepted the proposals.

CHOSEN CANDIDATES

HAMPTON, N. B., July 19 — (CP)—At a Conservative nominating convention here today Dr. E. T. Kennedy, Sussex, Hugh MacKay, Rothesay and Harry McMackin, Havelock, were chosen as candidates in Kings County for the next provincial election.

LABOR STRIKE SETTLED

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., July 19—The Harlan County, Ky., soft coal dispute was settled today in an agreement reached by the County Coal Operators' Association and officials of the United Mine Workers, Congress of Industrial Organizations Union.

Check Discharges From the Bowels

Bowel troubles, although happening at any time of the year, are more prevalent during the hot summer and early fall months.

Summer Flu is one of the worst troubles, but diarrhoea, dysentery, colic, cramps and pains in the intestines, or any looseness of the bowels should have immediate attention.

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Farmers and Weed Control

The Provincial Government, being very much concerned about the prevalence of weeds throughout the farming districts, more particularly in regard to wild mustard, have decided to inaugurate a series of experiments to determine whether anything can be done to eradicate these obnoxious weeds. The Department of Agriculture has sent, where they could, an amount of Cyanamid to do approximately one acre, asking the farmers to keep record of the time at which it was applied, the condition of the mustard at the time of application, whether it was well in blossom or just coming out, and to reply to the Department of Agriculture the effect it has on this particular weed.

Hoping that we can get some information that will be of benefit to the Department and to the farmers throughout the Province as to whether this treatment can be followed during another season effectively.

W. H. DENNIS,
Minister of Agriculture

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