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LIMBURGER LOSES GLAMOUR

Limburger cheese is losing some of its aroma through new manufacturing processes. It will soon be refined enough to appear in decent company—Kitchener Record.

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TWO-YEAR LICENSES

Next year's motor licenses are black on yellow, "the most arresting color combination known to science." Why not save money by maknig them good for two years or the duration of the war?—Toronto Telegram.

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UNPASTEURIZED MILK

Compulsory pasteurization of milk is again under attack by producers in Western Ontario. It may be assumed that none of them has ever visited the wards of a sanatorium and seen the small and perhaps crippled sufferers from those forms of tuberculosis which sometimes originate, with other diseases, in unpasteurized milk.—Brockville Recorder and Times.

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PRESERVE COUNTY HISTORY

Canadiana is much to the fore these days, and it is desirable that the history of each county in the prvoince should be preserved. At a recent Women's Institute convention it was proposed that every member should write down the history of their parents, and, if possible, their grandparents. This would accomplish a great deal in preserving data, and we would add that some of the tales that have been told us of the deeds done by our forebears should also be incorporated. Our recent pioneer story competition brought forth a great deal of interesting lore of early days on the Bruce Peninsula, which is now available for the files of historians.—Canadian Echo (Wiarton).

Farm Column

(Conducted by Professor Henry G. Bell of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, assisted by various members of the faculty of the O.A.C.)

Q.—Would you kindly tell me what chemicals contain the greatest amounts of available nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash, to be used in a fertilizer?—"K.K. —Perth Co."

Answering yours of recent date which has been referred to my attention, I would say that as to nitrogen carriers, urea contains the largest amount of available nitrogen, 45% in all. It takes up moisture very rapidly and tends to form a sticky mass. It is neutral in reaction.

Sulphate of ammonia is the next highest nitrogen carrier, carying about 20.5% nitrogen. This is definitely acid in its reaction.

There is a combined concentrate known as ammo-phos which carries 11% nitrogen and 48% phosphoric acid.

Nitrate of soda carries about 15% nitrogen.

As to phosphoric acid there are 16% and 20% grades which carry 16 or 20% available phosphoric acid respectively. The combined form ammo-phos to which I referred above, carries 48% available phosphoric acid.

As to potash, a common form, muriate, carries 50 to 52% potash and sulphate carrying 48 to 50% potassium.

Potassium nitrate carrying approximately 44% potash and 16% nitrogen was on the market some time ago. Since this is used in the manufacture of explosives, I doubt if it will be available for use in fertilizer under present conditions.

Last year some potash salts carrying 60% potash were offered, but I do not know whether this will be on the market this year or not.

"Shell Shock" Is Misnomer

Cornell Neurologist Suggests Calling War Neuroses by Different Names — Avoid "Hero" Complex

Substitution of the term "nervousness" for that of "shell shock" was advocated by Dr. Foster Kennedy, professor of clinical neurology at Cornell University Medical College, New York, in an address at Montreal recently.

Shell shock, Dr. Kennedy said, had a "pitifully romantic sound." Actually it covered a variety of the neurotic symptoms in wartime which would better be described as nervousness. This would avoid making the man who was suffering from a neurosis feel that he was a hero.

Twenty-Seven Young Canadian Fliers Receive "Wings" In Colorful Ceremony

It was a proud day for 27 young fliers of the R.C.A.F. when they received the coveted "Wings" of the R.C.A.F. at a special ceremony at the Trenton air station. Group Captain L. F. Stevenson is pictured, TOP, pinning the "wings" on one of Canada's future aces. Eleven hundred officers and men, BOTTOM, witnessed the ceremony, which will send the 27 youthful fliers high into the air to learn the art of aerial warfare.

Puck Chasers

Topics of the Ontario Hockey Season

— PERSONALITIES—

Frank O'Brien, new captain of the Toronto Goodyears, has been in Senior hockey for seven winters. He started with Consols of the old T and Y Mercantile League. O'Brien until last season was a good left-winger. He now plays the defence.

Referee "Beef" McKay of the O. H. A. Senior staff was one of the hardest hitting defence players to come out of Hamilton. Teamed with the famous "Red" Farrell, now a tobacco salesman around Barrie, McKay rounded out Tigers' blue line threat.

Gooney McGowan, of Port Colborne Sailors, is the oldest player, for service, in the Senior O. H. A. "A" ranks. He played many winters for Hamilton before moving to the Canal town.

Bobby Laurent, young defence player with Goodyears, was a blueline partner for Johnny Crawford, now with Boston Bruins, with the Junior West Toronto Nationals who won the Memorial Cup in 1936.

Paul Mundrick, Winnipeg lad playing centre for Goodyears, is just 20 years of age. This is his first Senior year.

Vincent Upper, veteran Port Colborne defence star, is one of those double-effective members playing in the Senior O. H. A. "A" series. During the summer Upper plays a rattling good game at second base and even takes his turn on the mound for the Port Colborne Senior club of the Niagara Baseball League.

F. W. "Dinty" Moore, O. H. A. vice-president and referee, played goal for Canada's last Olympic team.

Canada's Foreign Trade Increases

A sharp rise occurred in Canada's external trade in September when the total was $156,020,853 compared with $139,183,821 in August and $129,520,881 in September, 1938, according to a report issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. These figures do not include trade in gold.

Exports in September rose to $82,456,482 from $76,475,742 in August and $73,109,154 in September, 1938, while imports totalled $73,564,271 compared with $62,708,079 and $56,411,727.

Canada's favorable balance of trade in September was $8,892,311 compared with $13,767,663 in August and $16,697,427 in September, 1938.

ONTARIO OUTDOORS

By VIC BAKER

FROM A WATCHMAKER'S BENCH

From a watchmaker's bench and an optometrist's assistance came a fishing lure this year which startled fishingdom and brought keen satisfaction to two ardent anglers who had created their own lures.

The watchmaker, E. Hensler, with the able assistance of the optometrist, Dr. C. Ingwersen, perfected a spoon that swims like a fish and has been used by great numbers of fishermen this last season with excellent results. The two amateur fishing lure inventors started the spoon making for their own use, but found it so effective and so popular that they had to make some for fishermen friends. They are made of stainless monel metal heads and tails with flexible bodies.

Why don't you try making your own artifiicial fishing lures and baits this year and see what satisfaction you get when one of your own creations hooks into and lands one of those big ones?

TOUGH RABBITS

A pugnacious white rabbit with a grudge against humanity claimed two more victims recently at Arnprior, Ontario, according to reports just reaching this corner. Jack Johnson, son of the Editor of the Arnprior Chronicle, told his father that he had been attacked by a rabbit. The editor went out to the yard to see for himself and the rabbit charged without warning and bit him on the leg. The rabbit was finally repulsed with a broom. Other residents have also reported similar assaults from the white rabbit. It certainly sounds hare-raising!

NEWS PARADE...

THE WAR:
Week by Week

Cheer up! It may be a dull war now, but think what wonderful reading it's going to make when the facts come out. They're starting, even now. We've learned, for instance, that the first air raid alarm in Great Britain this year was sounded when a British official flew over London on his way home from a visit to the Duke of Windsor — his plane was mistaken for an "unidentified" enemy airship. We know now, too, why the German invasion of Holland didn't take place the weekend of Nov. 12 — Hitler decided at the last moment to heed the advice of his generals and call it off (because Belgium would support the Netherlands). The inside story's the thing! Be patient and you'll get it, eventually.

As the third month of the war drew to a close the sound of tongues wagging could still be heard above the noise of battle strife. Diplomatic interchange had it all over military action. Russia and Finland "dared" each other; Hungary and Rumania; Germany slammed England; England slammed Germany; Holland protested, Italy railed.

Protest Export Seizure

The Allies' announced plan to seize German exports was responsible for a great deal of the talk. Among neutral countries, the Netherlands were perhaps hardest hit since, during the first nine months of this year, ten million tons of German exports were transhipped through Dutch territory to points abroad. Other nations chiefly to be affected were Belgium, Italy, Japan, Sweden, Denmark, Russia, the United States.

Meanwhile the damage done by German mines, submarines to Allied and neutral shipping was terrific. Biggest sea disasters were the sinking of the British liner Rawalpindi which went down with all but 17 officers and men; the torpedoing of the Polish liner Pilsudski. Rumors flew of mines sown by German parachutes in the Thames estuary, and stories of "magnetic mines" were denied or affirmed daily. Question was: would the Allies be able to administer to Germany the beating they were taking themselves on the sea?

Eyeing Rumania

Rumania was the cynosure of all eyes turned Balkanwards in the twelfth week of the war. Resignation of the Argetoianu Cabinet resulted in the accession to the premiership of pro-Ally Georges Tatarescu. Rich Rumania has to wacth all her territory carefully since so much of it was taken from other countries at the close of the first World War — Bessarabia from Russia, Dobruja from Bulgaria, Transylvania from Hungary. (Germany, too, is interested in King Carol's domain; last week 700,000 Reich troops, fully equpiped for action were reported missing for an attack on Rumania through Hungary). In the same week Italy's efforts to create a neutral Balkin bloc under her leadership virtually collapsed. Hungary refused to join with other Balkan nations until Transylvania was restored.

Air-Training Schools

At home in Canada engineers and aviators were busy selecting sites for the new air training schools on which work would shortly commence. Forty were expected to be opened during the winter, the total raised to 100 during the summer months. Some fifteen of the training centres are in Ontario.

Footnote: The Nobel Peace Prize for 1939 has gone begging .....for lack of a candidate.

The Book Shelf

"CANADA, EUROPE AND HITLER"

By Watson Kirkconnell

What two and a half million European - Canadians have been reading and thinking about the pre-war crises and the issues of the war itself is here analysed by one who has an unrivalled knowledge of their press. For several years Watson Kirkconnell has followed closely the editorial opinion of the forty foreign - language newspapers in Canada; he has travelled most extensively in the Balkans and in the Baltics in recent years, and has more intimate knowledge of languages, local customs and history than most Canadians.

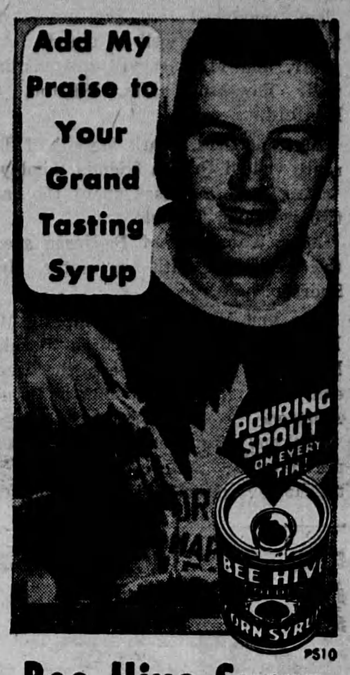
The author was born in Port Hope, Ontario, in 1895. He was educated at Queen's Universty, Kingston, and at Oxford University. Since 1922 he has lived in Winnipeg, where he is Professor of Classics in United College, University of Manitaba.

"Canada, Europe and Hitler"....by Watson Kirkconell .....Toronto: Oxford University Press ..... $1.50.

Canine Bellhop Accepted Tips

"Mark," a big black Labrador dog, which delighted in his duties of a bell boy in the LaSalle Hotel, Regina, Sask., is dead of old age.

Mark used to meet guests as they came in and carry their keys or parcels to their rooms. He even learned to pick up quarters. He trained himself not to bother customers at the lunch counters, and at regular periods went to the kitchen for his meals.



Bee Hive Syrup

Role Of Music: To Give Respite

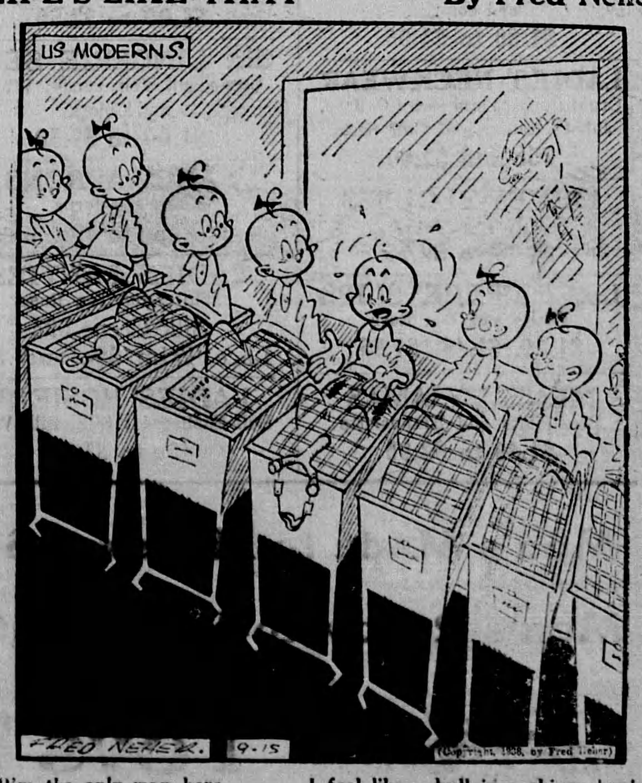
The musician's job in wartime must always be to make music — "the stuff of dreams" — swell above the roar of guns, says Ellen Ballon, noted Canadian pianist.

"War," she adds, "is but an incident in our struggle for a better world — music a never-failing spring of spiritual strength to keep our dreams alive."

Miss Ballon, who made her musical debut in her native Montreal at the age of 3½, went back there November 28 to make what she likes to call her "second debut". She appeared as soloist in her first concert since she broke her foot in a London taxicab accident last year and almost gave up her career.

Miss Ballon has volunteered for Red Cross work. "I hope my job is to play and play and play. My career has taken me away from Canada a lot, but now I am so happy to be back, so that in my own way I might help during these bad days."

LIFE'S LIKE THAT — By Fred Neher



"I'm the only man here. . . . I feel like a bull in a china shop!"

REG'LAR FELLERS—Must Be the Climate — By GENE BYRNES