# VOICE OF THE PRESS

### THE WRONG ATTITUDE

A point has arisen in connection with the current war savings campaign that needs to be straightened out. It is this. There are persons in Canada who are refusing to purchase the stamps because they object to the Government's general war policy. They seem to feel that they either have to condemn or accept the whole thing; they cannot separate in their minds the Government's fiscal programme from other aspects of its conduct of Canada's war effort. At the best, persons of this type can be accused of blind, foolish pig-headedness. At the worst, they are Fifth Columnists. There are a great many Canadians who are sharply critical of some parts of the Government's war leadership, and since they live in a democracy they are perfectly entitled to hold and to express their opinions. But any person who uses such arguments to affect his own or other people's purchase of War Savings stamps is guilty of a serious offence.

—Cornwall Standard-Freeholder.

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### SCOTTISH DOCKERS' WORK

The United States, and to some extent Canada, is beset with strikes in defence industries, or industries affecting defence work, fomented by union leaders who are taking advantage of the emergency to apply the screw to employers and to the governments. It is interesting to note the kind of thing that is happening among British working men.

A freighter arrived at a Scottish port laden with food. It was important that she be unloaded and reloaded and proceed on her way. The boss called the stevedores together and said: "Will you work the clock around until this ship is unloaded and reloaded?" "Aye," they shouted. No hesitation, no quibbling, no arguing about extra pay. They just did the job.

Another day they unloaded another ship and reloaded the cargo into trucks which were soon on their way to various parts of the country with goods, the stevedores creating an all-British record for speed.

Perhaps it makes all the difference being "in the front line" as King George said, and 3,000 miles away from it.

—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

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### Christmas Giving

This year, more than ever before, wisdom and good judgment should rule in the selection of Christmas gifts. It should be a season when useless or frivolous giving is strictly banned.

Emphasis is being placed on the necessity for reducing the purchase of non-essential goods. People will naturally want to give presents to their friends, and they cannot be expected to confine themselves to war goods, but there should be a more careful selection than usual, with every consideration being given to the usefulness and practicality of the gifts purchased.

—Windsor Star.

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### TEST FOR GOSSIP

Next time you hear a piece of gossip, it might be interesting to try this formula. Say: "Do you believe it to be true? Would you be willing to put it in writing so I can check on it?" In most cases that would be the end of what may be only an idle and untrue rumor.

—Kitchener-Record.

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### EYE-OPENER

Christmas trees are being sent from the United States to the mess halls of Greenland and Iceland for Yuletide celebrations. And for generations children have imagined that those far places were the home of Santa Claus and his reindeer!

—Hamilton Spectator.

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### CITY COWBOYS

Cowboys in Atlanta had to call on city police to round up three steers that escaped from a rodeo. That sibilant sound you hear is the shade of Buffalo Bill snorting into his beard.

—Windsor Star.

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### LIFE AND THEN SOME?

Optimism of a rare kind is manifested by a prisoner who was sentenced to two terms of life imprisonment and asked the judge if they ran concurrently.

—Hamilton Spectator.

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### FLOWERY LANGUAGE

"The submarine that sank the Ark Royal is in turn accounted for by the corvette, H.M.S. Marigold. That is prompt action and saying it with flowers."

—Hamilton Spectator.

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### FROSTY EVENTUALITY

On the Russian front now they are pretty nearly realizing the celebrated eventuality of "hell freezing over."

—Vancouver Province.

There are 108 recognized breeds of dogs.

## GENERAL PRICE VIEWS MANOEUVRES

Maj.-Gen. C. B. Price, of Montreal, commanding Canada's 3rd Division, watches manoeuvres in Britain in which troops of a New Brunswick regiment receive supplies from aerial transports. With him are members of staff. Under the plan, advance units in the field receive munitions and food by parachute from low-flying aircraft.

## Not Gas Saver But Gas Maker

A motorist in England was asked if he had tried a new atomizer which is said to have petrol consumption.

"Rather," he replied. "It did all the makers claimed for it, and saved fifty per cent of my petrol. I also bought a new carburetor which saved thirty per cent, got another brand of petrol which saved twenty per cent, and some special sparkplugs which save another ten per cent.

"Then I took the car out for a test run, and I'm dashed if the petrol tank didn't overflow before I'd gone five miles.

## Nazis Stole Plane Ride Was Brief

Two German airmen escaped from a British prison camp, stole an R.A.F. bomber and were recaptured when they were forced down near an airdrome more than 100 miles from where they started.

The Germans posed as Netherlanders on way to bomb ships off the coast but that skeptical intelligence officers made them take off their flying coats and found that they had carved identifying buttons from wood and covered them with tinfoil.

An U.S. ambassador says Hitler looks as if he had a malignant disease. My dear sir, he is one.

## VALUABLE TIMBER TREE

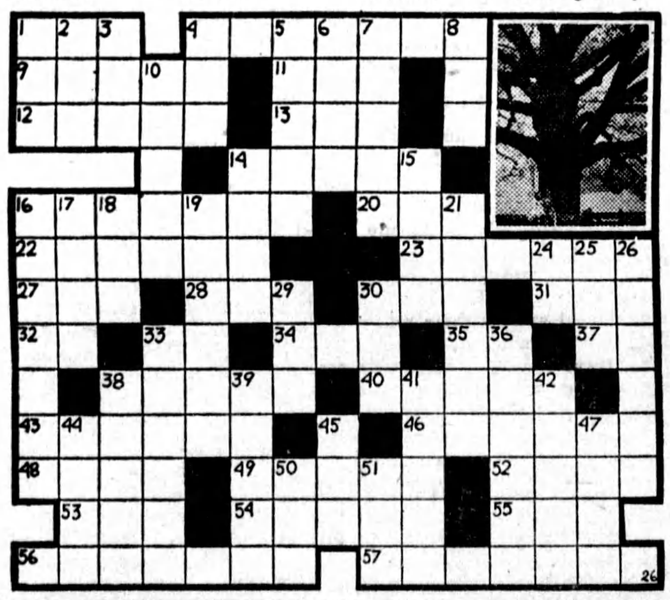
**HORIZONTAL**

1 Pictured timber tree.
4 It belongs to the genus ——
9 Good-by
11 Duet.
12 Kind of bean.
13 Cotton picker
14 Sand dunes.
16 Violent dreads
20 To weep
22 Awn.
23 Redress.
27 Frost bite.
28 Little devil
30 Simpleton.
31 Peasant.
32 North America (abbr.).
33 To prosper.
34 To perform.
35 Mulberry tree
37 Railroad (abbr.).
38 Waistcoats
40 Leers.
43 Tidier.
46 Church officials.
48 Strong wind
49 This tree's fruit.
52 Sand.
53 Solar orb
54 Giver.
55 Bird of prey
56 Bugs.
57 Twisted cord.

**VERTICAL**

1 Grain.
2 Fuss.
3 Relatives.
4 In so far as.
5 Rims.
6 Destruction
7 Pine fruits.
8 Heaven.
10 Water cress plants.
14 Minute quantity.
15 Rail (bird).
16 Its fruit is used in —— leather.
17 Assam silkworm.
18 Laceration.
19 Indolent.
21 To happen.
24 Neuter pronoun.
25 Spike of corn.
26 It is a valuable hardwood —— tree.
29 Right of precedence.
30 Indian.
33 A catch.
36 Rocky declivities.
38 Price.
39 To exchange.
41 Elder Japanese statesmen.
42 Sawlike organ.
44 Comfort.
45 To peruse.
47 Skin.
50 Kind of lettuce.
51 To putrefy.

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**



## THE WAR - WEEK — Commentary on Current Events

# Against Swift Japanese Attack America Presents United Front

"We will not only defend ourselves to the uttermost but we will make it certain that this form of treachery shall never again endanger us . . . With confidence in our armed forces, with the unbounded determination of our people, we will gain the inevitable triumph." In every American heart there will be an echo of these words of President Roosevelt to Congress when he asked that body to declare that "a state of war exists between the United States and the Empire of Japan."

The United States has for years sought by diplomacy and later by economic pressure to halt Japan's policy of aggression. A month ago a final attempt was launched in Washington with Japanese diplomats to forestall the impending collision of national policies, which would inevitably lead to war. No agreement could be reached but still Japan's "peace" envoys expressed the wish to continue negotiations. It is now known that while they talked peace Tokyo prepared for war. They talked peace in order to gain time to launch a surprise attack on the United States most powerful naval base in Hawaii, without the formality of declaring war. The President said "Our enemies have performed a brilliant feat of deception, perfectly timed and executed with great skill."

Clearly Japan chose war not because she had no alternative but because she was determined to carry on her policy of aggression. The United States, on Nov. 26th, offered Japan a formula for peace in which they were willing to negotiate a trade agreement with Japan and to free Japan's frozen assets. They demanded, however that Japan withdraw her forces from China and Indo-China. In her reply, Japan flatly refused to get out of China. She favored a trade treaty and the removal of freezing restrictions but nevertheless rejected the whole proposal as a basis for negotiations. War was what Japan wanted, not peace.

The swift treacherous attack on the United States has aroused the American people. They are as one vast assembly of patriots whose single thought is the safety of their people. United they stand. Gone is every sign of partisanship in the Capitol of the United States, says the New York Times. Gone is every trace of hesitancy and indecision. There are no party lines in Congress. The house-divided-within-itself has ceased to exist in Washington.

Outside the political walls, from every part of the country, from every walk of life, come pledges of support for the Administration. The America First Committee urges "all those who have subscribed to its principles to give support to the war effort" and "pledges its aid to the President and Commander in Chief of the armed forces of the United States." A labor union which had called a strike in an industry essential to national defense rescinded its action. The people of the country, confident in the integrity of democratic institutions have acted with courage, quiet strength and a magnificent display of national unity.

It is conceded that the United States suffered a severe defeat at Hawaii and at other outlying bases. The British have sustained a terrible blow in the loss of two of their most powerful fighting ships, the Prince of Wales and the Repulse, at Singapore. The Japanese bombers and gunners have shown unusual accuracy and the explosion of their bombs must have been extra violent to have destroyed such powerful naval vessels. Can it be that they are using a new element of destruction?

Japan's strategy is apparent; to knock out as much of the Allied fleet and air force as possible in the first swift blows; to disrupt American trans-Pacific air communications by seizing Midway, Wake and Guam, whose defenses have not been completed; to divert British and American naval power to the Pacific, thus leaving the Atlantic lanes freer for Hitler's submarine attacks on British shipping.

In the presence of our allies, continues the Times, we shall find the key to the strategy of the Pacific. Because these allies ring Japan, because they create a natural and inexorable blockade of an island empire which is heavily dependent upon supplies from overseas, it is reasonable to hope and to believe that we can plan a strategy of war in the Far East which will take account of the still imperative necessity of maintaining an uninterrupted flow of strength to the main battlefront in Europe.

But this double task will test our powers to the very limit. Nothing could be more dangerous than a complacent assumption that a victory will be easy. The factor of distance alone enormously increases the difficulty of American operations. There will come dark days and bitter disappointments and a need to prove that we too have the stamina to make our way through blood and toil and sweat and tears. But we have a cause which shines with flaming justice. We have friends beside us. We have incomparably the greatest resources of any nation in the world. We have a united people. We have brave men ready for the battlelines.

Mr. Churchill said that now four-fifths of the total population of the world is "on our side." But he did not delude himself or his people by promising a quick and easy victory over Japan. Instead, he called upon the people of the British Isles to redouble their efforts in the factories to fill the gap which may be caused in the next few months by the diversion of American tools of war.

In the past, he said, we have had a light which flickered. In the present we have a light which flames. In the future there will be a light which shines over all the land and sea.

# RADIO REPORTER

### DIALING WITH DAVE:

It's often the PERSONALITY that makes the show in radio, and that's certainly true of many of the feature programs from CKOC in Hamilton. This is Joe Chrysdale, whose mike work puts zest and interest into such programs as the "Bandwagon," Fridays at 8.30 pm. D.S.T. — The "Columbia Swing Session," Tuesday afternoons at 4.30, and the full hour Saturday show from four to five! Added to these, Joe is the man before the mike in Monday night's "What's on My Mind" quiz feature (8.00 p.m. D.S.T.), and many of the regular shifts of the broadcasting day. You'll like his voice and his friendly personality coming into your home.

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The CBC has begun its fifth year of broadcasting. In the three main departments of its work—first, to keep Canada fully and acurately informed about the progress of the war at home and abroad; second, to do everything it can to help win the war, and third, to provide Canada with entertainment for its necessary hours of relaxation, it is successfully and capably meeting the demands of the Canadian listening public. Your local station is a CBC affiliate, providing you many of the fine and varied programs it originates day by day. In war, as in peacetime, it is building a firm and lasting foundation of endeavour dedicated to the interest and improvement of Canada's Georgia Dey, whose vocal career started way back in Western Canada as a result of talent auditions, has moved far up the ladder of success in Canadian Radio. As Mart Kenney's featured vocalist for a number of years, she gained national renown. For about a year, she disappeared from the Canadian musical scene to return this past fall as the star in "Blended Rhythm" (CKOC-CBC, Tuesday 8.30 p.m. D.S.T.), and has just recently taken the feminine solo spot in Bob Farnon's Thursday night "Musical Beauty Box Show" (CKOC-CBC, 9 p.m. D.S.T.). Lovely to look at — delightful to hear — Georgia Dey!

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### THIS N' THAT:

Speaking of Mart Kenney — his CBC feature has been moved around so much lately it's been hard to keep track of it. However, he's now heard Wednesday nights at eight o'clock D.S.T. on the CBC with his time-tested melodic show, "Sweet and Low." CKOC carries the program too!

On being signed for the NBC-Blue's New "Old Gold Show," the Merry Mac's quartet received a congratulatory wire from the home town which simply said "Vocal boys make good."

Bob Hope is going to make records! Which should be a laugh! New Sunday show on CKOC, featuring ageless waltzes and songs is heard at 1.15 D.S.T.

# OUR RADIO LOG

| TORONTO STATIONS | | | | | |
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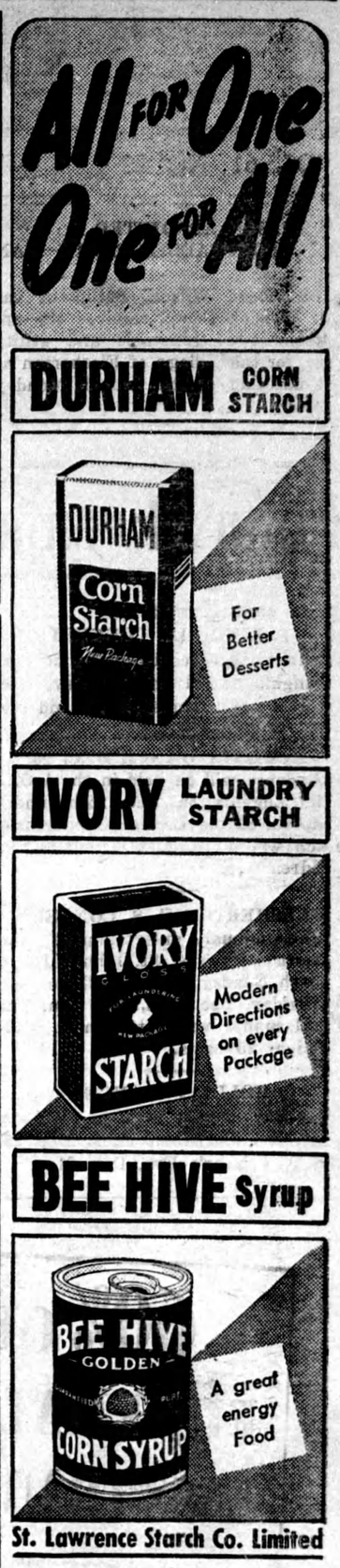
| CFRB | 860k, | CHL | 740k | CJKL | Kirkland |
| CKCL | 580k, | CBY | 1010k | CKCR | Waterloo |
| U.S. NETWORKS | | | | CKAC | Montreal |
| WEAF | N.B.C. | Red | 660k | CKCO | Ottawa |
| WJZ | N.B.C. | Blue | 770k | CKGB | Timmins |
| WABC | (C.B.S.) | | 880k | CKSO | Sudbury |
| WOR | (M.B.S.) | | 710k | CKPC | Brantford |
| CANADIAN STATIONS | | | | CKLW | Windsor |
| CFOS | Owen Sd. | | 1400k | CKNX | Wingham |
| CKOC | Hamilton | | 1150k | U.S. STATIONS | |
| CHML | Hamilton | | 900k | WEBR | Buffalo |
| CKTB | St. Cath. | | 1230k | WHAM | Rochester |
| CFCF | Montreal | | 600k | WLW | Cincinnati |
| CFCH | North Bay | | 1230k | WGY | Schenectady |
| CFCO | Chatham | | 630k | KDKA | Pittsburgh |
| CFPL | London | | 1570k | WBBM | Chicago |
| CJCS | Stratford | | 1240k | WBEN | Buffalo |
| CFRC | Kingston | | 1490k | WGR | Buffalo |
| CJIC | Sault Ste. M. | | 1490k | WKBW | Buffalo |
| | | | | WJR | Detroit |

| SHORT WAVE | | |
|---|---|---|
| GSB | England | 9.51m |
| GSC | England | 9.58m |
| GSD | England | 11.75m |
| GSE | England | 11.86m |
| GSF | England | 15.14m |
| GSG | England | 17.79m |
| GSP | England | 15.31m |
| GSV | England | 17.81m |
| EAR | Spain | 9.48m |
| EAQ | Spain | 9.86m |
| RAN | Russia | 960m |
| RNE | Russia | 12.00m |
| RV96 | Russia | 15.18m |
| WGEA | Schenectady | 15.33m |
| WCAB | Phila. | 15.27m |
| WRUL | Boston | 15.15m |
| WCBX | N. York | 11.83m |



## REG'LAR Fellers—Business Opportunity

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