LEARNS HER LESSON WELL

Actress Norma Shearer, who took skiing lessons from Martin Arrouge, learned to love her teacher, with result that marriage date is set.

A Weekly Column About This and That in Our Canadian Army

Once or twice I have let my temper run away with me in these columns and have said a good deal of what I thought about a number of Canadians who didn't seem to know that we are fighting a war.

Of course that "good deal of what I thought" was said in a manner not calculated to enrich the vocabularies of compositors —if compositors' vocabularies can be enriched — but, nonetheless, despite its moderation my language was intended to conceal none of my thoughts on the subject.

It is only fair then that having found something to boast about I should do my boasting with even less reserve than my crabbing.

And it is something to boast about!

At the risk of boring you with stories about the Reserve Army I am going to tell you what happened yesterday in my battalion. Because that unit is representative of the whole Reserve Army and what happens in it is being duplicated all across the country I am not going to name it.

Yesterday, in keeping with the set-up of the Reserve Army, we were ordered to hold a full day's workout in the open. Yesterday, I might mention, was Sunday. Unfortunately the weather was not only inclement — it was a downright, day-long "soaker."

We are not fair-weather soldiers by any means, but when your men are old-soldiers, "C" categories or youngsters you think twice about "hardening" them to the extent of risking a high percentage of pneumonia cases, so our commanding officer decided upon lectures and demonstrations indoors until the weather cleared.

But the weather didn't clear!

In due course, when he felt that a full day's work had been done, the O. C. decided to dismiss the parade. That was all very well but he hadn't counted upon the eagerness of the new recruits.

Through their instructors these men asked if they might have some more instruction, taking advantage of a wet Sunday to bring themselves to the point where they could the sooner join their companies and get on with there regular training.

No one ever refuses a request of that kind and, since the basic training of recruits is the province of the Regimental Sergeant-Major and myself, we asked for volunteer instructors and carried on for an hour and a half.

Without question I have never before seen people work so hard when they weren't compelled to do so. At the end of the period as an experiment I asked the recruits if they wanted to go home or, after 10 minutes for a smoke, would like to work another hour. Only one man elected to go home —and that was because he had been on the night shift in the munitions factory and had worked all the preceding night.

When the time comes for active defence of Canada we'll have the satisfaction of knowing that men like these will have our safety in their care.

And, mind you, there is no fooling about this Reserve Army of ours. The terms of engagement are for the duration of the war or, in the case of the men in the lowest age bracket, until they are old enough to volunteer for active service.

Of private soldiers, 45 days of training each year are required. These are divided into: 15 days in camp, 10 full Sundays, 60 nights —considered the equivalent of the remaining 20 days.

Non - commissioned officers, warrant officers and officers are required to put in 10 extra days of training which brings their quota of drill nights up to 90 — plus their work as members of committees, orderly duties, etc.

"No fooling" seems to be the proper description, doesn't it? Especially in view of the way the new recruits feel.

And don't let anyone tell you that middle-aged folks can't learn new tricks. You should see the progress made by men who have never before run into squad drill or the manual of arms.

It's not particularly easy to learn how to march, how to turn, how to change step or how to throw a rifle around so as it's always under yuor control — but these men are doing it and doing it faster than we did as young recruits 25 years ago.

Now let's come to the uniformed Individual Citizen's Army. We are going to have to learn new tricks, too. We are going to have to learn what our fathers and mothers did a quarter of a century ago, that wars can't be won without sacrifice both in the front line and on the home front.

The casualty lists so far have been infrequent and small. Both those conditions will change. Our sacrifices on the home front have been infinitesimal. What's a little gasoline when none of us should be driving cars? What do tea and coffee matter when there is an abundance of milk and good, healthful hot water? And why use sugar when explosives to blast our enemies can be made from it?

We cursed the profiteers in the war of 1914-1919. This time, through the operations of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, we can curb them before they get started.

It's up to us — let's do as good a job on the home front as the Individual Citizen's Army in khaki will do when McNaughton is allowed to point his "dagger" at the heart of Berlin.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON 36
THE ALCOHOL PROBLEM: PAST AND PRESENT

In Ancient Sodom—Genesis 13: 13; 19:23-25; Deuteronomy 32: 31-33. In Ancient Israel—Amos 6:1-7.

GOLDEN TEXT.—The way of the wicked shall perish. Psalm 1:6.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time. — The destruction of Sodom took place about 1900 B.C. The final exhortations were given about 1450 B.C. Amos prophesied 784 B.C.

Place.—The cities of the plain were probably at the southern end of what is now the Dead Sea. Moses' last instructions were given in the plain of Moab. Amos was born in the city of Tekoa, south of Bethlehem, but prophesied in Bethel, a city in Israel north of Jerusalem.

God's Judgment Upon Sin

13. "Now the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners against Jehovah exceedingly." This verse is simply an indictment of Sodom because of its awful sinfulness.

23. "The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot came to Zoar. 24. Then Jehovah rained upon Sodom and Gomorrah brimstone and fire from Jehovah out of heaven; 25. and he overthrew those cities, and all the Plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground." Here the Lord is represented as present in the skies, whence the storm of desolation comes, and on the earth where it falls. The question arises, why did God so utterly destroy these cities? One reason might be that He would by this destruction stop the flood of wickedness which must have proceeded from them to all centres of life in the vicinity of the Orient. Secondly, God punished these cities as a warning to others, both in that generation and in all generations to come, of His utter hatred of sin, of his determination to punish it, and as a manifestation of the fact that He has the power to destroy those who live in shameless rebellion against His holy laws.

The Foes of Israel

31. "For their rock is not as our Rock, Even our enemies themselves being judges. 32. For their vine is of the vine of Sodom, And of the fields of Gomorrah: Their grapes are grapes of gall, Their clusters are bitter: 33. Their wine is the poison of serpents, And the cruel venom of asps." These particular verses are found in what is known as the Song of Moses, which proceeded from his lips, by divine inspiration, shortly before his death. The great prophet, soon to leave his people, knowing by revelation some of the great tests that were before them, here desires to bear one great final testimony to the absolute pre-eminence, and faithfulness, and power of God, urging Israel to be true to Him Who was the only true and living God. The word rock occurs in this one passage eight times, and may be called one of the great Old Testament titles for God. In comparing Israel's privileges with the pagan people's round about, Moses reminds the people of God that that which the heathen people pretended was their security and safety, namely their dead idols, was not a rock as Israel's Rock was, to which even their own enemies bore testimony.

Consequences of Sin

1. "Woe to them that are at ease in Zion, and to them that are secure in the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel come! 2. Pass ye unto Calneh, and see; and from thence go ye to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines: are they better than these kingdoms? or is their border greater than your border? 3.—ye that put far away the evil day, and cause the seat of violence to come near; 4. that lie upon beds of ivory, and stretch themselves upon their couches, and eat the lambs out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stall; 5. that sing idle songs to the sound of the viol; that invent for themselves instruments of music, like David; 6. that drink wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief oils; but they are not grieved for the affliction of Joseph. 7. Therefore shall they now go captive with the first that go captive; and the revelry of them that stretched themselves shall pass away."

This entire passage is an indictment not of all Israelites, but of the leading men of Israel upon whom the responsibilities for government and leadership primarily rested. At this time, during the reign of Jeroboam II (825-784 B.C.), an age of military victories and great prosperity, yet at the same time a period of gross wickedness, these men, instead of being actively engaged in attempting to bring about a great revival of righteousness, correcting the abuses and transgressions so prevalent in Israel, were found to be taking it easy on Zion. One of the most terrible characteristics of these evil men, leaders though they were, was their refusal to seriously recognize that inevitably a day of judgment and divine wrath must come to Israel for her continued disobedience. The thought that the Lord has a day in which to judge man frets or frightens the irreligious and they use different ways to get rid of it. The strong harden themselves against it, distort the belief in it or disbelieve it. The weak and voluptuous shut their eyes to it, like the bird in the fable, as if what they dread would cease to be there because they cease to see it.

Amos now proceeds to enumerate some of the vices which were so characteristic of this period of Israel's history: they began to stretch themselves out upon couches, when they ate, instead of sitting, as was previously their custom (Gen. 27:19; I Sam. 20: 5, 24); they demanded the greatest delicacies of the land for their table; they indulged in riotous revelry, and brought in musicians who played to entertain them at these feasts. With all of this, of course, there was the accompaniment of heavy drinking. The word here translated "bowls" means large bowls, or basins, rather than cups or drinking vessels. The whole scene is one of extravagance, voluptuousness, sensuality, the consequence of wealth in a time of peace when no self-control is exercised. With it all, these leaders, these wealthy people, were not grieved for the moral degradation of their time, nor concerned for those of their race who were less fortunate than they.

RADIO REPORTER

DIALING WITH DAVE:

"The Happy Gang" is back on the air again! And that's just about as good radio news as any radio home could hear! On CKOC —on CBL—on CBO and the stations of the CBC National Network, you can hear the 'Gang' daily at 1.15, for their full thirty minute fun and smiles show. Of course, this year as in years past, Canada's favorite show is sparked by the personality and genius of the diminutive Master of Ceremonies, Bert Pearl, five foot two and a half of sunshine (We're quoting Hugh Bartlett)! Give a listen friends, and bring new happiness to your day, every day, with "The Happy Gang!"

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With September on CKOC and on all your favorite local stations now under way, we can add up a few of the hits that are on their way to entertain you through the long fall and winter. On Friday night of this week, for instance, at 8.30, "Penny's Diary" returns to the air. Last season the show was heard at 8.30 on Thursday nights—so the night is changed, but not the hour. And you can't help but remember Penny Matthews and all her friends—cause Penny is a typical 'teen age girl, faced with all the problems and perplexities of one in their 'teens. There's a Penny in your family, or your immediate neighborhood, and as her adventures are dramatized on the air for your enjoyment each Friday night at 8.30—(CBC — CBL — CKOC), you'll find much of fun-full reminiscence in each laughter-packed episode!

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And from Friday night at 8.30, we just turn the clock ahead an even twenty-four hours to 8.30 p.m. Saturday night, Sept. 5th, and another great All-Canadian-Produced network favorite returns to the air. Stan Francis, Hugh Bartlett and 'OSCAR' all join hands, with a large studio audience, and the mail you've sent in, to "SHARE THE WEALTH!" Truly Canada's outstanding quiz show, Share the Wealth offers almost limitless opportunities for good radio fun and good chances to win cash prizes. So be listening this Saturday night at 8.30—for "Share the Wealth"—the quiz-treat of the radio week!

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Sunday brings to CKOC and stations across the country, a new line-up of stellar shows. Of top-flite interest to one and all, is the new McCarthy show, which gets under way at eight o'clock this Sunday, September 6th. This year, Don Ameche returns to the program as Master of Ceremonies! Edgar's and Charlie's routines will be more varied, guest spots will be calculated to exploit the full fun possibilities of the show, and Ray Noble's music will give it the blend.

Other September on CKOC features which take the air Sunday, September 6th, include a great new afternoon half-hour of superb mystery Drama, "The Mystery Club," 4.30-5.00 p.m. Joe Petersen's boy soprano songs come back at one fifteen, and Charlie Kunz's familiar piano ramblings take a new time, 5.00 o'clock! These new programs, added to the regular headliners, such as Academy Award, Dr. Salmon and Songs our Soldiers Sing, make Sunday on CKOC a truly 'quality' day of fine broadcast listening!

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Newcomer to the Hit Parade—"South Wind," a haunting melody of the southern seas!

May Be Necessary To Ration Butter

Possibility of a shortage of butter in Canada after the present season of heavy production ends was pictured by the Agricultural Supplies Board in a press release which said rationing might be necessary unless farmers see to it that sufficient supplies are available.

"Butter for the domestic market appears to be the dairy product which might be in short supply when the present season of heavy production is over," said the board.

"With a view to avoiding a possible shortage next winter, a subsidy of six cents a pound butter-fat delivered to creameries for the manufacture of creamery butter became effective July 6, and a campaign is under way for increased butter production, particularly during the coming winter and following season.

"Where last winter the emphasis was on cheese—since this product was scarce and the butter supply ample a year ago—this winter the emphasis should be on butter.

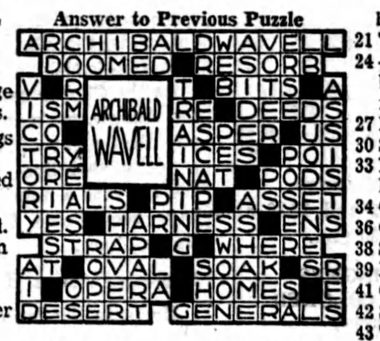
"It is to the interest of Canadian farmers to see that butter is available in ample supply to meet reasonable demand, as otherwise action may be necessary either in the way of rationing butter or of supplementing supplies."

ROSY BIRD

HORIZONTAL

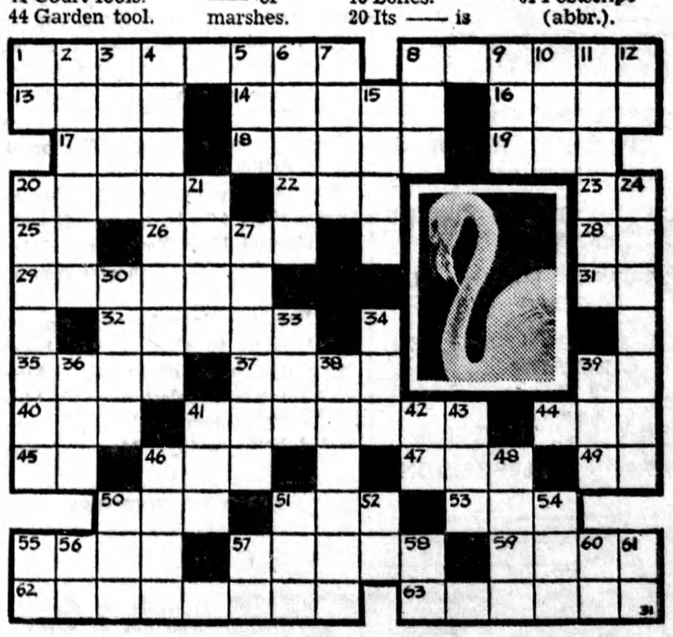
1 Pictured aquatic bird.
8 Serrated ridge of mountains.
13 Genus of frogs
14 Crude tartar.
16 It has webbed ——.
17 Fabulous bird.
18 Abounding in gorse.
19 Sesame.
20 Cones of silver amalgam.
22 Copper.
23 Subsists.
25 Note in scale.
26 To scratch.
28 Spain (abbr.)
29 The most possible.
31 Pronoun.
32 Caper.
35 Spore sacs.
37 Ruined.
39 3.1416.
40 Driving command.
41 Court fools.
44 Garden tool.
45 Each (abbr.)
46 Possesses.
47 Intention.
49 While.
50 Bashful.
51 To regret.
53 Favorite child.
55 To hum sonorously.
57 Maxim.
59 Broth.
62 It breeds in —— or groups.
63 It nests in —— or marshes.

Answer to Previous Puzzle



VERTICAL

1 France (abbr.)
2 Lasso.
3 Soon.
4 Spaghetti.
5 To scold.
6 Old coin.
7 Monster.
8 Sneaky.
9 Lizard.
10 Portuguese coin.
11 Olive.
12 Preposition.
15 Bones.
20 Its —— is bright red.
21 To summon.
24 —— of this bird are found in U. S. A.
27 Fence stairs.
30 Spice.
33 Kind of lettuce.
34 Chewed.
36 Ocean.
38 Swaggers.
39 Blue grass.
41 Gawk.
42 Sun deity.
43 To drink slowly.
46 Man.
48 Plateau.
50 Mountain pass.
51 Fish eggs.
52 Connecting word.
54 Male cat.
55 Before Christ (abbr.).
56 Bird.
57 Musical term.
58 Bone.
60 Above.
61 Postscript (abbr.).



REG'LAR FELLERS—100%

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