

## Canada's Indians Enjoy Prosperity

Several Hundred "Braves" Have Joined Fighting Forces

The 120,000 Indians of Canada, who have tasted the lean times of depression are enjoying a better measure of prosperity than for several years, Indian Affairs Department officials have announced.

Dr. H. W. McGill, director of the branch who has just returned from a western tour, said that among factors assisting the Indians' economic position was a good fish catch on the Pacific coast and the existing strong fur market with fair supplies of fur-bearing animals in territories where Indians hunt.

In efforts to have the Indians become self-sufficient, officials said that the fur sanctuary arrangements now in effect hold promise of future security for tens of thousands. Under the plan, areas are set aside where fur-bearing animals such as beaver can live in security, free from hunters. When the areas are sufficiently stocked the surplus will be taken off each year by Indians, who will thus be guaranteed a steady income.

Information available to the branch indicated "several hundred" Indians have joined the fighting forces, following in the footsteps of tribesmen who gave good service in the Canadian Army during the first Great War.

## LAMOUR TOO SURE?



Cinema siren Dorothy must be pretty positive of her public to permit publication of a picture like this, snapped as she soaked her saron for a poolside shot.

## Can't Beat Dutch With New Hostel

Dutch seamen continuing in exile their fight against Nazism, have found "a home away from home" in the cosmopolitan port of Halifax.

Known as the Netherlands Seamen's Home, it is a modest brown structure situated on a tree-lined street across from the imposing residence of Nova Scotia's lieutenant-governor. A flag of the Free Netherlands is all that distinguishes it from its middle-class neighbors, but to homesick Dutch sailors it symbolizes the land they are fighting for.

Only one of its kind in the Dominion, the Home was officially opened by Princess Juliana in a simple ceremony shorn of all royal trimmings. It was a reception in the spirit of the establishment—an informal get-together of the fighting men and their gracious heir to the throne.

The home is meant only to accommodate Dutch torpedo victims and seamen absolutely unable to find lodgings. Any of the Netherlands can drop in for a cup of tea, sandwiches or beer, however.

## Britain Will Get Gangsters' Guns

A murderous collection of guns that figured in some of the nation's most sensational gangster massacres and penthouse murders soon will be shipped to Great Britain for the civilian defence forces.

About 500 weapons, varying from sawed-off shotguns to sub-machine guns that chattered out death for some big shot criminals, have been collected by the Treasury procurement division and will be sent to Britain as part of a Lend-lease shipment.

## VOICE OF THE PRESS

ONLY PARTLY TRUE

Miss Dorothy Thompson has given the American people something to think about in her statement that only the United States can defeat Britain, for "if we let England down, we shall break her heart, and that alone could break her spirit." It is, however, true only in part. Miss Thompson recognizes the contribution the United States must make if victory is to be won, but she under-estimates the resiliency of the British heart.

Undoubtedly, it would be a severe blow to Britain's hopes if the promised supply of "tools" failed to materialize. It would be more bitter even than Britain's experiences in the field last year, when the allies on her flanks virtually threw down their arms and left the B.E.F. in a trap. It would be harder to take than the defection of France, an ally turned enemy. But it would not break Britain.

When Prime Minister Churchill declared that "We shall go on to the end, alone if necessary," and "We shall defend our island, whatever the cost may be," he was the voice of the British people. This voice and the spirit behind it have not lost their determination. Might can over-power Britain; no emotional reaction can beat her to her knees.

—Windsor Daily Star.

## NOT LEARNING ENGLISH

With all this drive to have all Canadians learn to speak French, it would be a splendid idea to have all Canadians also learn to speak English. That phase of the bi-lingual problem is being overlooked in the enthusiasm to teach French to everyone.

We were amazed at the number of people we met in New Brunswick and Quebec who could not speak English. Grown-ups could speak only French. We wondered what people not having some knowledge of French would do in these communities.

Many English-speaking Canadians are anxious to learn French, and we believe French-speaking Canadians should also be encouraged to learn English.

—Windsor Daily Star.

## CANADIAN RICE

Our correspondent at Trent River tells of a typical Indian encampment on Slaughter Island where four tents are pitched for those who are taking off the annual crop of rice. The Indians will go in a canoe, and paddle into the rice beds. There they bend the tops over the canoe and with a stick beat out the rice from the tops. Primitive perhaps, but a very direct way of saving the rice. The Indian perhaps could show his white brother several things when it comes to providing something on which to sustain life without going to the store and paying for it.

—Peterborough Examiner.

## WHEAT GERM

We were told the other day, as a piece of inspired news, that the reason the millers take out so much of the wheat germs from white flour is that "too much would be harmful." Gracious me! As though our ancestors, the pioneers in this country, weren't twice as hardy as we are and got all the wheat germ there was in their old grist mill process!

—Elora Express.

## NO PULL IN AIR FORCE

Doesn't look as though there was much pull or influence used in our R.C.A.F. when Air Marshal Bishop's son goes through training depot with the rating of ACZ, which means in army language just a buck private.

—Peterborough Examiner.

## MAGGIE AND JIGGS

Make of this what you will: At the Salina (Kansas) fair, a lady won a rolling pin throwing contest, and in a later event her husband won first prize in the 100-yard dash.

—Brantford Expositor.

## ADD UNUSUAL PROFESSIONS

The new woman, says one of the same, is equally at home in business, in sport and in government. A few of the truly versatile are at home at home.

—Winnipeg Tribune.

## NAVY FOR HAY FEVER

Suffer from hay fever? They join the navy. There is no hay fever on the Atlantic.

—Kitchener Record.

## Another Billion Pounds For War

The House of Commons recently voted a new war credit of £1,000,000,000—\$4,450,000,000—asked by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Kingsley Wood, to meet the rising costs of the war.

British war expenditures now are running to £11,000,000 (\$48,950,000) a day, the chancellor said.

The current expenditures are more than 50 per cent higher than during the peak of the First Great War, when they ran £7,500,000 a day.

With careful practice, anyone with vocal cords in normal condition can master the ventriloquist's art.

## SCHOOLGIRL IN TRAINING



London school girls are now being recruited as trainees for the services, the arms factories and nursing. The new organization eligible for girls of 14 to 18, will be called the Girls' Training Corps, and is under auspices of Mechanized Training Corps. Above, Miss Joy Vieider wears the uniform of the new Corps. The "V" badge on the hat stands for the fifth group of the Corps.

## Saving Ontario's Natural Resources

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### WILD DUCK GROUPS

The wild ducks found on this continent are divided into a number of groups that we shall take in order. The first group is the surface feeding ducks and the Ontario species of the group are blue-winged teal, green-winged teal, mallard, black duck, baldpate, wood duck, pintail, gadwall, shoveller and European widgeon. The next group contains the diving ducks and includes the ring-necked duck, lesser scaup, greater scaup, redhead, canvasback, golden-eye, bufflehead, old squaw, three kinds of eiders, three kinds of scoters and the harlequin duck. The ruddy duck is placed in a group by itself. The final group contains the mergansers and consists of three species.

The surface feeding ducks are for the most part northern breeding birds and appear in our waters as migrants. They might well be called dabblers or tip-ups for they feed along the shore either dabbling in the water, or with upturned tail and head immersed, probing the bottom. They dive but little and when under water are said to use both feet and wings. They feed upon snails, crawfish, insects, and roots of aquatic plants. The "graters" on the sides of their bills act as strainers, and, after probing the bottom, the mere act of closing their bill forces out the mud and water taken in with the food.

This group are good sporting birds. They are not often found in large flocks, and our waters, seldom exceed fifty birds to the flock. They decoy readily and when surprised spring from the water with a bound, and on whistling wing are soon beyond the wildfowler's reach. Next week I hope to write more about this group.

A pair of shells of the Australian giant clam, used as holy water fonts of St. Sulpice, Paris, weigh 500 lbs.

## Hallowe'en Party Hermits And Cider

Hallowe'en parties are always such fun that nobody cares a hoot what they have to eat. Simplest stunt is to lay in a stock of apples and nuts and old-fashioned penny candies with molasses on them. Then bake a batch of hermits and serve them with ice cold cider. The hermit recipe which follows is simple — just make sure you have plenty of them.

### HALLOWE'EN HERMITS

1/3 cup butter  
2/3 cup sugar  
1 egg  
3 tablespoons milk  
1/2 cup All-Bran  
1 3/4 cups flour  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon cloves  
3/4 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/4 teaspoon mace  
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg  
1/3 cup chopped seeded raisins

Blend butter and sugar thoroughly; add egg and beat well. Stir in milk and All-Bran. Sift flour, baking powder, salt and spices; add to first mixture with raisins; mix well. Chill. Roll dough to about one-eighth inch thickness; cut and bake on greased baking sheet in moderately hot oven (400° F.) about 12 minutes. When cookies are cool, frost with orange colored confectioner's sugar frosting, with raisins for pumpkin-face.

Yield: 2 dozen cookies (2 inches in diameter).

## Secret of Growing Tall Tomato Plants

Clean water and lots of it is the secret of growing eight-foot tall tomato plants complete with an abundance of large appetizing tomatoes, according to J. A. Pautz, of Hull, Ontario, who has four of these plants well over eight feet high.

Mr. Pautz has a garden 50 feet long by 20 feet wide at the rear of his home. In it he plants everything ranging in size from onions to squash. Every night with the aid of a garden hose he sprays water on his garden for half an hour.

"I plant them, give them lots of water, and leave the rest to Providence," Mr. Pautz tells neighbors who marvel at his success as an amateur gardener.

Trumpeter swans are the largest migratory waterfowl in North America.

## Across The Ocean In Bomber Plane

It Isn't Much Fun But You Will Get There In A Hurry

R. K. Carnegie, staff writer of the Canadian Press, does not recommend flying across the Atlantic in a bomber as a pleasure trip. Their chief claim for consideration is that "they will get you across the Atlantic in a terrific hurry."

Before the passenger gets on he has to sign a paper, the meaning of which is that if anything goes wrong the passenger has no way of obtaining redress. That is not unusual as reporters have often had to sign similar papers when going into places where they might get hurt.

On ocean lines they will not sell you in the truck shops because they do not wish it to be parked afterward beneath chairs and so on. The person going on a bomber is advised to chew it, and to use ear plugs or other material to plug the ears against the roaring of four huge motors. There is also the instruction to move about as little as possible as there is not much space. Some of the beds are set up high so that those who have to move about can crawl under, and Mr. Carnegie says if a passenger has not crawled for some time he will soon begin doing it on a bomber.

Then it is necessary to have a flying suit with a parka on the top which comes over the head. It is a warm and well-stuffed thing, and it is needed because the air is likely to be just around the freezing point, and there are no radiators on which one can sit and there is no stove against which one can prop the feet for warmth.

Elsewhere there are mattresses on the floor for those who wish to sleep—or try to sleep. Mr. Carnegie says on one trip seven crawling passengers took two trips a-piece over him during the night. No one talks because it would not be possible to hear on account of the roar of the motors. One merely lies on the mattress and waits for the end of the trip. But it gets you there in a hurry, and it brings you back the same way.

—Peterborough Examiner.

## Canada's Help Inspires Britons

Sir Norman Birkett Says "Voice of Dominion" Sustains Civilians

"It is a wonderful thing, an inspiring and encouraging thing for the people in London, Coventry and the other bombed cities in Britain when they are being called upon to go through their ordeal, sometimes with everything gone but their unbroken spirit, to hear the voice of Canada coming over the waters saying 'We are with you,'" said Sir Norman Birkett, who was a guest of the Canadian Bar Association recently.

"You have to come to Canada for a certain awareness of the war, I was awakened this morning by church bells and for a moment thought the long-awaited invasion was at hand."

"The ties that bind our two countries today are infinitely closer and dearer than ever before. They are such that they can never be broken."

Sustained By Their Purpose The distinguished advocate told his audience Britain had been sustained and inspired in her trials by her purpose which was to see "this evil force abroad in the world shall be finally and utterly destroyed. I do not believe any people British or otherwise, could have displayed such spirit borne by courage alone, though there is something in tradition, no doubt, something in blood."

Britain is upheld by the "spirit of ordinary simple folk who have grasped the idea, never to let it go, that all that is best is in peril. The word liberty is very seldom on their lips but it is engraved on their hearts."

"I would symbolize that spirit," Sir Norman said, "in perhaps the very darkest hour the British people were called upon to go through, the realization France was no longer fighting at their side and the long-awaited invasion was at hand, when, rallied by the immortal words of the Prime Minister, whom the people of Britain believe to have been raised up by God for a very special purpose, their representatives went down to Westminster and passed a bill placing all their persons and property at the disposal of His Majesty."

"Hitler can do a great deal, damage and destruction on an unprecedented scale, but he can never break a nation whose people show a spirit like that."

## THE WAR - WEEK — Commentary on Current Events

### Across Nazi - Conquered Europe The Tide of Revolt is Spreading

"In two years of war," says Frederick T. Birchall, "Germany has conquered and is occupying nine European countries: Poland, Norway, Denmark, Holland, Belgium, France, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Greece."

Of the nine, Denmark and Czechoslovakia, did not resist invasion. Denmark had an open frontier and no army; Czechoslovakia's defenses had already been sold out and her partition begun at Munich. France is actually occupied only in part, but a German dominated government at Vichy holds down the rest. So the general statement stands.

Nazism further dominates and controls five more countries: Austria, already incorporated in the Reich; Italy, the fascist ally whose independence has become a mere myth; Hungary, which half-heartedly tails along with the conqueror; Bulgaria and Rumania which have been literally forced into partnership.

Together the fifteen countries cover an area approximating 750,000 square miles containing roughly 150,000,000. They constitute a vast German prison camp of which Hitler is chief jailer. It is the greatest prison camp of all time.

### Torrent of Unrest

In every part of this vast domain is now rising a tide of unrest and disaffection expressed not merely in passive resistance but in active sabotage of the German war plans — strikes, fires in warehouses, explosions in factories, severance of communications, derailment of trains and attacks on German soldiers and German outposts. Hitler's involvement in Russia, entailing some weakening of the forces of occupation elsewhere, has provided the opportunity and the incentive. The defeated have been swift to take advantage of it.

The German conquerors are meeting with a corresponding wave of terrorism and repression. Arrests by the hundreds, executions by the score are taking place wherever the population shows signs of recalcitrance. Jails and concentration camps are filled to overflowing and emergency tribunals meet daily to pass new sentences, yet the sabotage and resistance continue.

### Dread of Winter

Alongside this situation and doubtless responsible in part for its spread looms a veritably terrifying prospect of penury and starvation for the subject populations this winter. Every country dominated by the German armies has been looted of its reserves of domestic supplies to meet German needs. Every country is on strict rations and the rations grow slimmer as German demands increase.

Another terror threatens as winter approaches. The epidemic diseases which are the product of insufficient food and warmth menace the ill-fed and ill-clad conquered peoples. Typhus is one of these diseases. It killed off 12,000,000 Russians and one-sixth of the Rumanian population in the last war. Tuberculosis, another product of malnutrition, is on the increase and there has been a steady rise in infant mortality throughout Europe.

### Unrest in Italy

The Italians are said to be living in fear—fear of the Germans; fear of British air raids; fear of American intervention; and fear of the coming winter. New stringent curbs have been placed on food, clothing, metal articles and coal. About 7 ounces of bread is the daily portion of each Italian. There is a shortage of milk, potatoes, eggs and cheese. Meat has practically vanished from the market. Heat (owing to lack of coal) once imported from Britain, it was ordered, could only be turned on for forty days this winter; last year it was permitted for 120 days. Some coal comes from Germany, but it all goes to war industries.

Italy's natural insufficiency, the British blockade, the drain of the African campaigns, the failure of Germany to send in promised supplies—plus dislike for the Nazis and the lengthening war—were said to be causing serious internal dissatisfaction.

### Churchill's Warning

Mr. Churchill, in his recent speech, warned, that while the enemy was suffering from a very serious shortage in air power, "for the rest he retains the initiative. He has the divisions, the weapons and ample means of transportation in Europe . . . and we have not the force to take it from him."

Again the warning note sounds when he says: "But to enable Russia to remain indefinitely in the field as a war-making power, sacrifices of the most serious and extreme kind will be necessary by the British people, while enormous conversions of plants will be necessary in the United States."

In his reference to the war on the Atlantic, Mr. Churchill provided some reason for optimism. Britain's shipping losses have been cut two-thirds in the past three months, while the slaughter of Axis shipping is one and one-half times that of the previous months and is increasing by leaps and bounds.

There is no despairing word in Mr. Churchill's war review, neither is there any complacency. There is no hint of collapsing German morale or diminishing Nazi supplies. The war has still to be won by harder fighting and heavier sacrifices than ever the people of Britain have experienced.

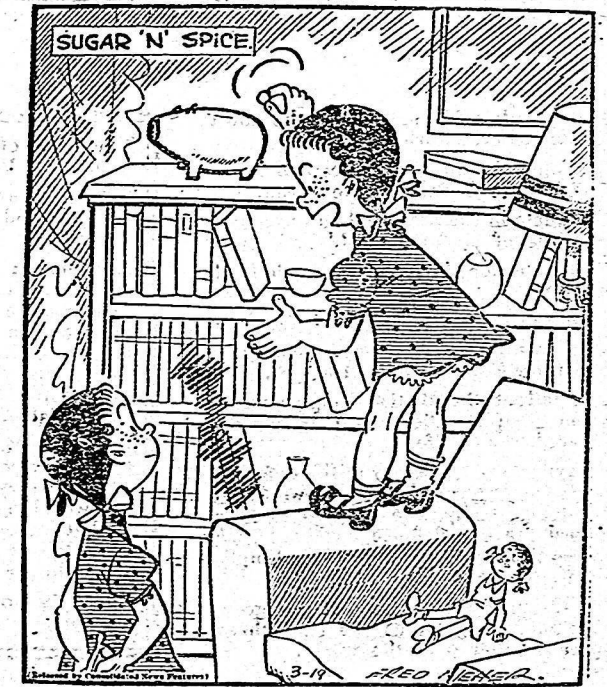
## Transit of Soldiers Across the Border

An agreement has been reached and will be announced shortly, it was reported in Ottawa, between the United States and Canadian Governments that soldiers in and out of uniform will be allowed to cross the border from one country to the other under the same regulations that govern the passage of civilian nationals.

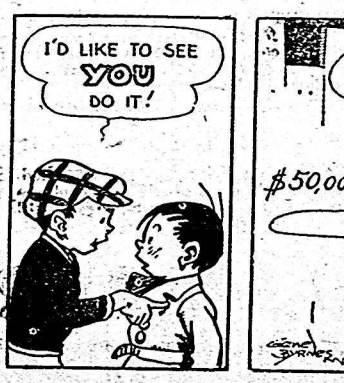
Canadian soldiers going to the United States will need a fingerprinted border crossing card for a stay of up to twenty-nine days and a passport with a United States visa for a longer period.

Americans will be able to come to Canada on production of any paper that establishes their identity.

## LIFE'S LIKE THAT By Fred Neher



## REG'LAR FELLERS—Financial Wizard



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