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EDITORIAL

The Fair Next Week

Meeting a war emergency is no new experience for Acton Fair, scheduled for next week. It is recalled that Acton Fair was first held in 1913.

And in doing so it is doing a service. Not only is encouragement and impetus given to production of the finest stock and produce but the fair and assembly of countryside will give cheer and encouragement.

Next Tuesday and Wednesday are the days. The year has been bountiful in splendid crops in this section—Exhibitors should be proud to join in making one of the best displays ever seen at Acton.

Plentiful rains throughout the season in this district has left lawns as green and beautiful in September as they were in May.

A Change That Was Needed

Citizens generally will appreciate as well as shop-keepers that a standard set of hours has been adopted in Acton. Just as the office or factory worker is entitled to a regular hour, so is the shopkeeper.

It may require a little more careful planning on the part of housewives. However, just as the by-law regulating the hours of barber shops has become observed and respected, and causes little inconvenience now, so will the new shop hours, soon to become effective, cause little inconvenience to the public generally.

A United Front

Sunday 3rd, Great Britain declared war on Germany. The following Saturday Canada declared war against the same nation. Canadians as a whole anticipated such action and it was a splendid example to all that party lines were thrown aside and Canada went in on a united front.

This whole-hearted support merits also like co-operation from the government. Great Britain expects and will receive real aid from Canada. How best that assistance can be given will no doubt be shown by the Motherland.

Have We Learned from the Last War?

The demands of war twenty-five years ago showed that Ontario could serve best by stopping the sale of intoxicating liquors. It took some little time after the opening of hostilities before this discovery was made.

And then as the years rolled on we forgot of the needs of war time. A new generation came along, and memories had been dimmed by the years. It seemed the popular thing to bring back the days of free sale of intoxicating beverages.

Now we are at war again. And again comes the need for a sober nation to best serve the King and Empire. Surely we have profited from the experiences of the last war sufficiently to again put on the restrictions that will ensure a sober manhood and womanhood, ready and capable of the utmost in service.

Unity of Action

Everyone is anxious to lend a helping hand in the cause that the Empire is fighting for. The anxiety to do a part may lead to an overlapping in some places and a wrong direction of the energy that is needed.

Unity of action will accomplish most. New emergencies are best solved if that unity of endeavor can be obtained from the first. Just as political parties have thrown over differences we will of necessity have to do likewise.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Let's meet at the Fair next week!

Aggregate sales of 1,073 retail hardware stores in Canada totalled \$35,931,800 in 1938, compared with \$34,872,100 in 1937.

Oh well, it was time the baseball season was over anyway. The Fall-Fair-time is here and there is no need of them clashing.

The C.N.E. is over for another year. Acton Fair is the next item on the program. All is in readiness for next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Poland has quite evidently not been as easy to conquer as Hitler anticipated. There are other matters, too, that will not go according to the book.

Those who doubted that Canada would present a solid front had no foundation for their doubts. When the necessity arose, Canada was not divided and evidence has been given in the votes in Parliament.

If the war measures passed by Parliament are to be intelligently used there will need to be a concise presentation of them. Sifting them from the newspaper reports and contradictions will only make for confusion.

The first weeks of the war have made quite evident the fact that it won't be possible to have news flashes from the front every few minutes. Might as well settle down and go about the job that the hand finds to do.

Rising costs seem to be indicated in many lines, but surely these are not of such magnitude that it is necessary to continue in panicky buying. Let those who want to hold have it for a few weeks until the authorities round up the would-be profiteers.

It was really queer where all the stocks of sugar so suddenly disappeared. It has been a big handicap to the housewives in the midst of the canning season and the government would be well advised to invoke its powers in getting the stocks in circulation quickly.

Heard of rather an amusing incident the other day that concerned a man (not in Acton) who had been unable to pay anything on a two-year-old account but produced several hundred dollars in cash to purchase a commodity he knew to be advancing in price. Yes, it may bring some of the funds out of hiding, too.

Ontario News of the Week

By Muriel McDonald

Popular move in Canada, during the first week of the new great war was the immediate functioning of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board at Ottawa.

This does not mean, however, that prices will not move upward. People, through their government, may regulate the conduct of business, but they cannot do much against the old law of supply and demand.

Gasoline companies, for example, are now paying much more to get their crude oil in from the United States because of the difference in the exchange rate and shortly they will have to meet increased tanker charter rates at Montreal and Halifax.

Real bright spot of the week has been the splendid example Premier Mitchell Hepburn has set for Canadians generally. Everyone knows how bitter was his enemy against Prime Minister Mackenzie King.

On the other side of the picture, there does not yet appear to be any genuine move from Premier Aberhart to show the same loyalty to his country. Mr. Aberhart, while committing his Government to a policy of supporting Canada and Britain in the war, tags on behind it a lot of resolutions about credit creation and announces that his Government is still going to continue its own policy—a policy which up to now has been marked by contempt of court decisions and open challenge to the constitution.

It is interesting to reflect what such shift Ontario citizens would give to such a present. It may be that Alberta citizens will rally as they did when the King and Queen visited them and before long repudiate the attitude of their Premier.

In this connection, it will be interesting to watch what happens to Lucien Maynard, in Aberhart's cabinet. Will he be ousted? Or will he resign? Already it is reported that Alberta citizens are up in arms over this proposal adopted by Social Creditors that Canada should not even manufacture munitions for Great Britain.

VALUABLE CANADIAN FOX TRAVELLING TO ICELAND

Canadian fox destined for a new life in distant Iceland are now travelling to their destination in charge of the Canadian National Express. This pair of valuable breeding fox started the journey at Port Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan, travelling by rail to Montreal.

BLACK BASS GO WEST

Efforts to introduce black bass into the waters of Prince Albert National Park in Saskatchewan give promise of success, according to the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa.

BANANAS TWO FEET LONG ARE GROWN IN EAST AFRICA

Bananas two feet long are grown in East Africa.

SCOTT'S SCRAP BOOK



CANADA'S FORESTS

Canada's forests occupy about 783 million acres, or more than one-third the total land area of the Dominion, according to the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa.

During recent years the use of Canada's forests for recreation has reached noteworthy importance. Abounding in lakes and streams, which in addition to their beauty afford excellent fishing, the forested lands are attracting increasing numbers of holiday seekers, not only from the urban centres in Canada, but from the United States and other countries.

Efforts to introduce black bass into the waters of Prince Albert National Park in Saskatchewan give promise of success, according to the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa.

Previous plantings of black bass were made in Lake Waskesiu in 1937 and 1938, and a recent survey indicates that these operations were successful. One natural nest was discovered, and several fish were observed. Reports of catches of small mouth black bass by anglers also support the view that the bass are becoming established in the park waters.

If the introduction of black bass into Prince Albert National Park proves successful, it will mark another triumph for fish culturists rivaling the planting of eastern speckled trout in the waters of some of the mountain parks. The black bass were shipped from Eastern Canada to Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, a distance of about 1,700 miles, in a railway express car, equipped with special tanks. From Prince Albert the tanks were transported by truck to Lake Waskesiu, 70 miles, and to their final destination by boat.

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