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EDITORIAL

May It Flourish

We cannot refrain from offering our commendation on the action of Acton business men in getting the local association active again.

While such organizations in the past have had their shortcomings, none can say that they did not do good work in building and maintaining this community.

Acton Will Not Fail

In the war appeals that have been made in Acton the town and district have made a splendid response to all these worthy causes.

Young Lives on the Home Front

A sixteen-year-old Woodstock girl was killed in a motor accident recently. Following the accident an hotelkeeper of Tavistock was fined \$50 and costs when he pleaded guilty to a charge of supplying liquor to minors.

Up in Barrie a seventeen-year-old lad was sent to jail on three charges of breaking and entering premises. Drinking was blamed and the judge declared, in passing sentence, that "certain Barrie hotels are due for a clean-up long overdue."

Just two instances of young lives lost or ruined by the present liquor out of control policy in Ontario. Many more could be cited. The papers carry them every week and almost every day.

If Premier Hepburn finds time hanging heavily on his hands, he has work to do in the Provincial field in cleaning up this mess. Hotels in Barrie are not the only ones long due for a clean-up.

Honor Mother.

Next Sunday is Mother's Day—a day on which to honor the best friend that anyone will ever have. It's only a little thing to pay special attention on one day to one who pays or has paid special attention to you on many days.

But on Sunday next thoughts of mothers and mothers' memories might well be given a place. It was Washington Irving who wrote of mother's loyalty thus: "A father may turn his back on his child; brothers and sisters may become inveterate enemies, husbands may desert their wives; and wives their husbands. But a mother's love endures through all; in good repute, in bad repute, in the face of the world's condemnation, a mother still loves on, and still hopes that her child may turn from his evil ways, and repent; still she remembers the infant smiles that once filled her bosom with rapture, the merry laugh, the joyful shout of his childhood, the opening promise of his youth; and she can never be brought to think him all unworthy."

And it is such loyalty that we honor on Mother's Day.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Wear a flower on Sunday in honor of mother or mother's memory.

The gross value of production in the artificial and real silk industry in Canada during 1938 amounted to \$23,871,992.

Canada's domestic exports during March had a value of \$82,720,453 compared with \$69,269,525 in the same month a year ago.

Retail sales of gasoline in Canada during 1939 amounted to 807,666,000 gallons, compared with 762,740,000 gallons in 1938.

It seems that the color scheme for next year's motor license plates has already been decided upon. They are to be white with green letters.

Most every home is going through that upsetting period of spring housecleaning and when its finished well we suppose there will be some things missing.

Those gardeners who examine every shovelful of earth minutely and stoop down and pick things out of the ground and drop them into tin cans, aren't the variety who have the early potatoes.

Donning a soldier's uniform does not allow special privileges for flouting the law. This has been experienced by the soldier stationed at Guelph who stole a car after he had been given a lift by the driver.

Central electric stations in Canada produced 2,367,031,000 kilowatt hours in February as against 2,214,174,000 kilowatt hours in the same month a year ago. Considering the shorter month this shows a daily increase over the 2,526,143,000 kilowatt hours in January, 1940.

Some \$2,850,000 now is going each month into the homes of men on active service with the Canadian forces, according to the Department of National Defence. The number of beneficiaries has reached 55,000. These payments comprise assigned pay and allowances to wives, children, parents or other eligible dependents.

Contracts for \$3,000,000 for completion of the Queen Elizabeth Way between Toronto and Niagara Falls have been let. The twelve mile section of highway between Acton and Milton promised to have attention by three differently named political parties. Over a period of twenty years still remains a gravel roadway. That section has a record in many respects.

WHAT OTHERS SAY

"We cannot borrow next year's shells from our own people: We have to produce and pay for what we need as we go along."—Graham F. Towers.

An iron-clad by-law to prevent the operation of pin ball and slot machines has been passed by the Shelburne village Council. The by-law sets an annual fee of \$1 to license and regulate victualing houses, ordinaries, restaurants and houses where fruit, fish, oysters, clams or victuals are sold to be eaten therein, and places for the lodging, reception, refreshment of the public, and provides for the revoking of such license. Clause 2 of the by-law stipulates that no such licensee shall operate or permit to be operated any slot machines, pin ball games, or any other device which may be considered a game of chance or of mixed skill and chance, or may in any way be considered a device for gambling.—Haver Post.

Ontario News of the Week

By Muriel McDonald

Of all the decisions to be made at the forthcoming session of Parliament, there will be one of particular interest to all citizens of Ontario that is making its way through the House of Commons.

For a good general idea of what we may expect the House of Commons to do within the next few weeks, it might be well to recall the British budget, brought down by Sir John Simon on April 23rd. Sir John dubbed it a "Day Bill" and then some.

With Canada attempting to operate on a pay-as-you-go plan while its war costs keep on soaring, the government is reported faced with the necessity of spreading the burden of payment so that everybody is contributing a proportionate share. How this will be done, of course, remains a government secret until budget day rolls around, but it is no secret that the heaviest of taxation will reach into the purses of each and every one.

In its problem of taxation, the government has a manifold problem. It has first to plan to get all necessary funds for the war from our own people, since money can no longer be borrowed outside the country. At the same time, credits must be established here in enable Britain to purchase her supplies from this country. Moreover, adequate measures must be adopted to make it possible for citizens to have money to loan to their country.

In other words, the task facing Canada is that of organizing its industry so that there is a maximum of employment and production, and then arranging matters with the minimum of regulation so that the wages, salaries and profits arising out of employment and production are spent in a way most profitable to the country.

Some indication of what the government may have in mind has been given recently by Graham F. Towers, Governor of the Bank of Canada. When Mr. Towers did not, and could not, express the view of the government, inasmuch as he has nothing to do with government policy, one statement he made may come very close to the government's objective. He said:

"The people of this country are going to have to think twice before they make expenditures which are not essential. They are going to have to ask themselves, 'Can I do without this article or this service—this cruise or this imported luxury?' We must hope that in a greater number of cases they will reach the conclusion that they can do without these things."

The call to service in the armed forces is one which anyone can hear and understand, but the call to service in the economic front is often not so clear.

Put it another way, we in Canada may find that the war-time budget to be brought down at this coming session will be so exacting in its demands on our pocketbooks, we will not feel that we can afford a high, wide and handsome style of living which was in vogue in Canada during the last great war. It is not likely that munition workers will go out and buy seven-dollar silk shirts as some did in that other war. Nor will company directors be able to build palatial homes with glittering furnishings with the ease that some of them did twenty years ago.

The new budget will, in all probability be a strong call for sacrifice, for a general tightening of the belts, so that in all truth "the young men in uniform

DOMINION LABOR WHOLE-HEARTEDLY BEHIND THE WAR EFFORT

The President of the South African Trade and Labor Council (the chief trade union organization in South Africa) who opened the annual conference in Cape-town on 25th March, pledged the support of the South African trade unions to the Government in its policy. He said, was a direct menace to the existence of trade unions and therefore trade unions would support the War against the Nazis with all their power.

By a large majority the New Zealand Labor Conference, on 26th March, endorsed the statement of way policy outlined by the party on 21st February. In that statement the Labor party and the National Council of the Federation of Labor declared that "in fact to render the fullest support in the fight against Nazism would be to brand the Labor movement as politically irresponsible or worse."

Mr. P. Curran, leader of the Labor Party in the Australian Federal Parliament stated in Melbourne, on 26th March: "We are with Britain against Germany because Germany went to war and set the world aflame. If any nation likes to line up with Germany, we are against that nation."

It is clear that the highly intelligent and politically conscious labor groups in the various Dominions and under no illusions as to what Hitlerism involves and the fundamental issues at stake in the present conflict.

will not be the only representatives of Canada taking part in the battle against dictators.

And if Canadian people take their cue from the dogged determination of the British, they will accept the demands with a grim realization that if we want to fight a successful war, we must be prepared to pay the costs.

STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

Are Being Shipped Through the Minesfields

One of the world's leading craftsmen in stained glass put out the fires of his kiln, where the colors are burnt into the glass, and said farewell to his staff when war broke out eight months ago.

To-day the fires are re-lit, the staff is re-assembled and the London workshop is busy satisfying orders from abroad. The first of the war orders leaves England soon for the United States. It is a great window for St. Paul's School Chapel, Concord, New Hampshire. Another window will shortly be shipped to Canada, where it will adorn the chapel of Wycliffe College, Toronto, another is going to the Scottish Church, Salisbury Rhoads, and yet another to St. Mary's Church, Wellington, New Zealand.

The handicraft which produces the masterpieces in colored glass are those of Reginald Bell. He learned the art from his father, who learned it from his own father before him.

The craft of stained glass came from Europe, where the French called it "Vitrerie" and later the Italians "Vetrate" experts says Mr. Bell. But centuries ago it was introduced to Britain, chiefly through the clergy and it took growth. Craftsmen took so naturally to the art that as early as the 14th century glass painting schools arose all over the kingdom and English stained glass became the most sought after even in the countries of Europe where it originated and where it was already tending to decline.

Medallion windows for nurseries, with portraits of animals, are among recent fashions in stained glass, which is by no means confined to church decoration.

A BRIGHT BIRD

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British Sub Docks with Nazi Prisoners



A group of Nazi prisoners are shown being guarded in a British sub-dock at least four German transport ships, which has been in action during the Norwegian campaign.

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Going West

Daily, except Sunday 8:48 a.m. Saturday only 1:29 p.m. Flyer at Guelph 6:46 p.m. Daily, except Sunday 7:09 p.m. Sunday only 11:43 p.m.

GRAY COACH LINES

COACHES LEAVE ACTON Standard Time

EASTBOUND — To Toronto

8:58 a.m. 9:41 a.m. 11:31 a.m. 12:06 p.m. 3:31 p.m. 5:11 p.m. 8:46 p.m.

WESTBOUND — To Kitchener

8:58 a.m. 12:25 p.m. 2:23 p.m. 4:23 p.m. 6:18 p.m. 8:48 p.m. 9:53 p.m. 11:53 p.m.

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Wine Preservers



Save all cellophane that comes on box covers. It makes the plant live, as cut tips, etc., and cut into tomato plants, dahlias, etc., as string does.