

THURSDAY, JUNE 27th, 1940

THINGS TO FORGET

If you see a tall fellow ahead of the crowd... If you know of a tale worth telling... Would cause his proud head to in anger be bowed... It's a pretty good plan to forget it.

Twenty Years Ago

From the Issue of The Free Press of Thursday, July 1st, 1940

Dominion Day. This is 'The Free Press' birthday as well as Canada's—forty-five today. Acton sent a large quota to the Centenary Garden Party at Boston Church last Friday evening.

The commodious new brick garage for Dr. Cox, on Main Street, is nearing completion. Dr. Cox is quite proud of this addition to our town's business places.

William Cutting met tragic death on his farm on Monday evening while cutting poles in the bush. He was impaled by roots and clinging earth on an overhanging tree. Death was instantaneous.

A memorial shield, in honor of the members who fell in the war was unveiled at the Methodist Sunday School last Friday afternoon. Capt. Rev. W. L. Findlay, of Knox Church, delivered an inspiring address on the heroism manifested by our soldiers, and Miss Isabel Howie, of Listowel, gave an impressive address on our duty as Canadians in making Christian-Canadians of the foreigners who settle in Canada.

BORN. HAWES—At Selkirk, Man., on Tuesday, June 15th, 1920, to Dr. and Mrs. M. S. Hawes, a son.

DIED. CUTTING—Suddenly, at his farm on the 84th Line, Esquimaux, on Monday, June 26th, 1920, William Cutting, of Acton, in his 50th year.

SUBMARINE CABLE WELL PROTECTED

A typical submarine cable consists of five parts, according to the Canadian National Telegraphs, who have cable service connections to all parts of the world. The central copper wire which carries the electric current is about 1/8th of an inch in diameter. In the new Western Union-Anglo permalloy cable, the fastest which the ingenuity of man has yet devised, the central core is wrapped with a thin, narrow tape of a new magnetic alloy of nickel and iron, called permalloy.

This central portion is protected by an insulation of gutta-percha. Cables laid more than fifty years ago in depths of more than two miles have been recently lifted for repairs, and the gutta-percha is found to be in perfect condition. Over this is applied a "serving" of several layers of tarred jute or yarn, and over this an armor of as many as 18 galvanized steel wires to protect the precious conductor from damage by ships' anchors and the many straits to which it is subjected. The outside covering of a cable is a wrapping of tarred jute yarns.

BALL BEARINGS GRADED IN TRANS-CANADA SHOES

A hundred-thousandth of an inch makes a difference in aircraft instrument ball bearings and the grading of the tiny spheres is one of the most important jobs in the Winnipeg shops of the Trans-Canada Air Lines. The balls, cleaned with high test gasoline or carbon tetrachloride and highly polished, are placed between two quartz optical flats which have been cleared in alcohol. A master ball is used for the standard and a little piece of wire held by sensitive fingers moves the others around, selecting them for uniformity of size and trueness of sphericity.

THEN YANK AWAY

Dentist—Are we ready to proceed now, Judge? Judge—Not until you swear to pull the tooth, the whole tooth, and nothing but the tooth.

JUST SO!

"I hear you have adopted a baby?" "Yes, he is two months old—a little French boy." "Why choose a French one?" "When he begins to speak, we shall have an opportunity of learning French."

There is no other tobacco just like CIGARETTES

Acton's Family Album

Turning Over the Pages, Week by Week, and Looking on the Faces of Those Who Were Familiar to Many Here in Other Years

HOW MANY OF THESE CAN YOU RECALL?



LAST WEEK'S PICTURES

Last week's pictures were more taken from the historical booklet of the United Church. No. 1 was James Brown, well known lumberman and prominent citizen of Acton. He died in California several years ago.

No. 2 was James Moore, a resident of Acton all his life, prominent in church and business life of the community. No. 3 was Richard Hamilton, a member of the Building Committee of the Methodist Church.

The Canadian War Effort

A Weekly Review of Developments Along the Home Front — Week of June 14th to 21st

SUMMARY

This week in the Canadian Parliament was one of the most historic in its record. The principal decisions made both in Parliament and in the departments of Government can be summarized as:

- 1. An act empowering the Government to mobilize all the effective resources of the nation, both human and material, for the purpose of defence and security of Canada passed both Houses of Parliament.
2. Notification given to Parliament of the intention of the Government to establish without delay a Department of National War Services to co-ordinate existing voluntary war services and to direct and mobilize others.
3. House of Commons agreed to the setting-up of a select committee to consider the Defence of Canada Regulations and to prescribe penalties for infractions.
4. Acting Defence Minister C. G. Power informed Parliament of the intention to enlist 70,000 more men, above the present existing strength of the active service forces for service at home and abroad.
5. Canada heard, through the Prime Minister, that Canadian troops are now in Iceland and in Newfoundland for the purposes of the defence of those islands.
6. Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Munitions and Supply, announced that construction already had been commenced on two munitions projects, announced last week.
7. Anti-tank and anti-aircraft shell production, it is announced by the Department of Munitions and Supply, has been increased by more than 30 per cent.
8. Registration of all man power is to proceed immediately.
9. Canada agreed to accept and to establish camps for aliens now in detention in Great Britain, and for prisoners of war also held there.
10. School children of Great Britain presently to the number of 10,000 to be received in Canada for the duration of the war.
11. Ten principles promulgated by Order in Council to prevent interruption of production or distributive work by strikes or lockouts during the war.
12. Alien appeal tribunal abolished and authority to release those in detention vested in Minister of Justice alone.
13. Nineteen infantry reserve companies for the Veterans' Home Guard to be organized.

COMPLETE MOBILIZATION

Bill 43, which will rank with the most important measures in Canada's history,

empowers the Government to mobilize

All the effective resources of the nation, both human and material, for the defence and security of Canada. A short Act of but six clauses and a preamble, it was passed by both Houses of Parliament on June 20th. Entitled "The National Resources Mobilization Act, 1940," its main provision is to enable the Government to "do and authorize such acts and things, and make from time to time such orders and regulations, regarding persons to place themselves, their services and their property at the disposal of Canada. Clause three of the Act contains a limitation of conscription for service in the active forces to Canada only and the territorial waters thereof, while the time limit of operation is definitely set as "The continuation of the state of war now existing."

NEW DEPARTMENT

Department of National War Services is a new branch of the Government to be set up at once, the Prime Minister has announced. A Minister will be placed in charge. The purpose of the new department is not merely to co-ordinate the activities of existing voluntary war service. It will be entrusted with the duty of directing and mobilizing the activities of thousands of citizens who are seeking practical and useful outlets for their enthusiasm and patriotism. Women's organizations, patriotic organizations, commercial organizations, and many other groups of men and women banded together in the national interest are considered a vast field of activity of spontaneous service. The object of the new department is to help Canadians to help Canada by their free-will offerings generously made and generously continued. The Minister charged with the duties of this department will be expected immediately to establish a Dominion-wide organization of voluntary service, which will be assisted by branch committees in all parts of the country.

MUNITIONS AND SUPPLY

Mr. H. R. McMillan of Vancouver, has been appointed Timber Controller. His duty will be to administer the timber resources of Canada on behalf of the Government in the manner best calculated to assist the war effort. He will work closely with the United Kingdom timber controller, Mr. McMillan is well known throughout the country by virtue of the magnitude of his operations from British Columbia in the export and interior lumber business.

Work is already proceeding on the two large munition projects announced last week. These are being developed in association with the British Govern-

ment. One of these, an \$8,000,000 establishment, is a shell filling plant which will come into production about six months hence, and will employ 2,000 men. Construction work on the new explosive plant, which was to have been erected jointly with the British and French Governments, has also begun. This plant will employ upwards of 2,000 men and will be completed by the British Government, at a cost of \$12,400,000.

Substantial additions to the projected capacity of shell plants now in production have been ordered, while machine tool manufacturers have been instructed to increase the capacity of their plants without delay. Other work to augment the output of the Dominion on essential military supplies is being forward rapidly. The nature and extent of these works is not officially disclosed.

FINANCE

Arrangements have been made for the redemption on October 1st, 1940, of Dominion of Canada registered stock 1940-40. It is outstanding in the amount of \$1,650,000, against which there is a sinking fund of \$2,483,000, leaving a net amount of \$833,000, or 474,000,000 at the current rate of exchange. The ultimate effect of this operation, since it involves the repatriation of a Canadian security now held by British investors, will be that Canadian dollars to the amount will be made available to the United Kingdom for the purchase of supplies in Canada.

LABOR

By Order in Council, a set of ten principles has been outlined to avert labour troubles during the period of the war. These demand fair and reasonable standards of wages and hours where they should apply. Other points are safeguards for protection of health and safety of the workers, no strikes or lockouts, but the settlement of differences by reference to the Government conciliation services or the Industrial Disputes Investigation Act; freedom of union organization, freedom of negotiation with employers by representatives of such unions, scrupulous observance of all agreements, no coercion or intimidation by workers to induce others to join unions, suspension of existing agreements necessitated by war demands, to be made only by agreement between the parties concerned. The Order also suggests that where hours of work must be extended, additional shifts be established rather than the employment of workers for long hours of overtime.

WITH THE FORCES

Official figures of the Department of National Defence place the total of men under arms and in uniforms in the Canadian forces in 113,593. Of this number, 26,087 are now stationed outside Canada in Great Britain, Ireland, the West Indies and Newfoundland. In Canada 84,856 are in the army, 7,256 in the Navy and 15,304 in the Air Force.

In addition to the 30,000 men now being recruited for the Third and Fourth Divisions of the C.A.S.P. and other units, organization was given to provide for 40,000 more.

Compulsory training for all Canadians, physically fit and between the ages of eighteen and forty-five, has been made law by act of Parliament. Every Canadian in this group will have the opportunity and the obligation to join the militia service of Canada for purposes of home defence. Overseas service will continue to be on a voluntary basis.

The Canadian Army is to-day much richer in binoculars following a gratifying response of Canadian citizens to an appeal for these instruments by the Department of National Defence. The response exceeded expectations and ran into many hundreds of serviceable binoculars.

During the past week Hon. Col. Allan Angus Magee, D.S.O., E.D., K.C., of Montreal, was appointed executive assistant to the Minister of National Defence. He will be used to assist in the mobilization and training of personnel now being recruited and those to be mobilized under the National Resources Mobilization Act. Col. Magee saw distinguished service both in Canada and abroad during the Great War. He has always taken great interest in militia matters, especially in the Officers' Training Corps of McGill University.

Matron Emma P. Fraser, B.N.C., a distinguished Great War nursing sister and formerly Matron of the Permanent Force, R.C.A.M.C., is in England now as Matron-in-Chief of Canadian Nursing Sisters overseas. Training of the Infantry Reserve Companies of the Veterans' Home Guard will be carried out along the same lines as for the Non-Permanent Active Militia, according to orders sent out to District Officers Commanding by the Department of National Defence. No last week. These are being developed in association with the British Govern-

when on duty. Training equipment will be furnished by the N.P.A.M.

Progress of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan was noted in the announcement of the establishment of bombing and gunnery schools at Picton, Ontario, and Dabo, Sask. Each school ultimately will have more than 60 aircraft and 900 staff and pupils. Responsibility for operating No. 4 Elementary Training School at Windsor Mills was charged to the Windsor Mills Elementary Flying Training School Limited, a company sponsored by members of the Montreal Light Aeroplane Club. The school opened on June 24th. R.C.A.F. supplied fifteen Tiger Moths or Fleet Finches for training. Twelve other aircraft will be made available early next month.

Commander Eustace Brock, R.C.N.V., R. A.D.C., was appointed to the Admiralty in London as Liaison Officer with the members of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve now serving with units of the Royal Navy. He was formerly Controller of Naval In-

formation at Naval Service Headquarters in Ottawa. Lieutenant John Farrow succeeds Commander Brock at the Ottawa headquarters.

CYCLISTS TO VISIT CAPE BRETON HIGHLAND NATIONAL PARK

Cape Breton Highlands National Park in Nova Scotia will be visited by about two hundred members of the Students International Travel Association during the summer of 1940. This organization, with headquarters in New York, specializes in bicycle tours, and comprises university students, professors, artists and instructors in various fields. In former years many of the members have cycled in European countries, travelling by train, bus, and boat, and using their bicycles to leisurely explore out-of-the-way places. They usually travel in groups of from ten to fifteen and make a specialty of visiting localities off the beaten track in order to gain educational

experience for their members.

While in Nova Scotia these cycling tourists will spend considerable time in the new Cape Breton Highlands National Park, where many forms of outdoor recreation, including fishing, boating, bathing, golf, tennis, hiking and cycling along park roads await them. The picturesque fishing villages, adjacent the park, will be of special interest to the touring students. These settlements are inhabited mainly by families of Highland Scottish or Acadian ancestry, who for generations have won much of their subsistence from the sea. Residents of this coast region have retained their native language and a rare skill in handicraft, including the arts of rug-hooking and weaving from native wool spun on ancient wheels. The village of Trigonish and Kelt's harbor are centres for deep-sea fishing, and provide opportunities for visitors to try their luck at angling for scotfish in one of the finest areas for this sport in the North Atlantic.

Large advertisement for 'BILL OF FARE' restaurant. Text includes: 'Only the stoutest heart enters a restaurant and proceeds to order filet of beef, lobster Thermidor or even ham-and-eggs without first consulting the menu card. For here are suggestions to set the taste-buds a quiver... and prices plainly marked.' 'Shopping for merchandise can be pleasantly conducted in the same manner. The advertising columns are in effect a bill-of-fare, with prices that protect as a bill-of-rights. In the leisure of your home, at the breakfast table, you may check and choose before starting to town.' 'And what a varied bill-of-fare it is! Everything your heart may desire, your home may require, and your budget may permit. Presented in a readable and interesting fashion. Sponsored by a merchant whose name you know, whose services you have come to rely upon.' 'Get the advertising-reading habit. It saves time, temper, and shoe-leather, to say nothing of your hard-won-cash. The advertiser's word is as good as his bond. On no other basis could he hope to win and hold your custom.'

MUGGS AND SKÉETER



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