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EDITORIAL

Fortunate Youth

We watched this week a group of twenty-six lads bound for the Y.M.C.A. camp on a Georgian Bay island. We had overheard conversations of boys who were planning to participate in this two weeks' outing. It seemed that for this group Santa Claus came twice a year.

The event in the boys lives is arranged by the Acton Y's Men's Club. Last year was the start. This year a larger group go to a camp with much better facilities. The cost was brought to a minimum and expenses are bolstered by donations; the annual play and a lot of effort put on by the men of the club who are remunerated only by the satisfaction of making a contribution to the lives of young Canadians.

Acton is indeed fortunate in having the organization and citizens who carry out this work. The community is fortunate in having the Y. M. C. A. established here. It is but indicative of the broad outlook that the Y and the club have, that participation in the camp was not restricted to boys who are Y members, but was open to any boy of Acton and district. Acton youth are fortunate and as one of the parents of boys taking part, we say a public thank you to those who arranged the camp and we know that other parents join with us in commending the Y.M.C.A. and the Y's Men's Club.

Materials for Tools

The importance of certain types of machine tools in this war has been frequently emphasized. For the lack of these the manufacture of important articles of war is often held up. It is comforting to learn therefore from the correspondent of the New York Sun that great strides have been made in developing facilities for production of these much needed tools. A year ago, he says, the machine tool industry in the U.S.A. had a capacity for \$200,000,000 of orders; in 1941 that industry had developed a capacity of \$650,000,000 of orders.

Another light on salvage comes from Baton Rouge, Alabama. Police Superintendent Steve Alford there made the statement recently that 1,200 of legal slot devices had been seized and smashed up, and that they had yielded between 5,000 and 6,000 pounds of metal, chiefly aluminum, sufficient to build a military aeroplane.

War Savings as Insurance

Busy as she is in a life or death struggle, England is not overlooking her economic future as she goes "all out" to thwart the vicious ambition of Hitler. Her citizens have been and are storing up a staggering total of war savings against the day when the last shot is fired and millions of Englishmen must turn around and readjust themselves to peaceful occupations. Nor is that all. Just recently, the British government has imposed income taxes on very low wages and salaries, which are to be restored to the workers after the war is over.

Shrewd Canadians will see in this savings program a worthy example to be followed in their country. The wise citizen will not only measure the amount of this purchase of war savings certificates in terms of what that money means in helping our government to fight this war; but in terms of insurance for himself and his family.

The man who asks himself, "How much cash am I going to need after this war is over?" is going to buy as many War Savings Certificates as his income permits. More than that he will then see more concrete reasons for doing without some of the pleasure and other luxuries in which he now indulges.—Bowmanville Statesman.

To Facilitate Border Crossing

The American government has taken an important step to facilitate travel of Canadian residents of the United States to Canada for holidays. The re-entry permit that cost \$3 and took 30 days to secure has been supplanted by a border crossing card for which no fee is charged and which can be secured without delay. The only thing necessary is three photographs size 2x2 inches and application to any office of the United States Migration and Naturalization Service.

This order refers only to Canadians resident in the United States and does not affect American citizens who, of course, are entitled to come to Canada without passports, re-entry cards, border crossing cards or anything else. All they need are the usual documents such as birth certificates or tax bill receipts etc., which would establish their status as American citizens when they are re-entering their own country.

Small Towns Are Honest

The current number of Reader's Digest, under the title "The Repair Man Will Gyp You If You Don't Watch Out," tells an amazing story of a survey recently conducted in the United States of garages and repair shops in that country. The two investigators travelled 14,516 miles in all parts of the Union in an automobile which was put in perfect running condition before they started. They called at garages and service stations to see whether they would get a fair deal or would get gyped and this is what they found. "Three out of five garage men will overcharge, lie, invent unnecessary work, or charge for work not done, for new parts not needed, for parts not installed."

It is rather a sorry story, but whether or not it is paralleled in Canada, it is hard to say. It possibly is. But the point of the story we were particularly interested in was that part of the survey which dealt with the small towns. The comparison between small towns and cities in the United States is probably the same in Canada.

The survey shows that in the large cities like New York, Washington, Miami, New Orleans, Chicago, San Francisco and several others, the gypps predominate 62 to 20. Small towns and small garages were much more honest than large towns. Places with less than 10,000 population proved twice as safe for the motorist as places over 10,000 which overcharged or deceived in 70 per cent. of the test cases.

When one hears a report showing that 65 per cent. of the garagemen in the United States are dishonest in their dealings with the motorist, it is most refreshing to know that in the small towns honesty is the standard policy. We have always contended that the small town has something to offer in life that a city cannot offer. Certainly it has a neighborliness and friendliness that does not exist in the city. It would seem from this survey that not only are its people more friendly, but they are decidedly more honest. Perhaps it is because they know their customers personally and intimately and must face them day after day, whereas in the city a customer is often just another human being who might or might not even return for service. If the small town has certain disadvantages; then too it has many advantages, and one of them is the apparent honesty of its businessmen. Brampton Conservator.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The long period of dry weather in this locality was broken with a nice shower on Monday. No complaints were heard this year of rain spoiling any of the picnic gatherings arranged.

In our editorial comment last week we referred to the second session of the County Equalization court as taking place last Monday, when it was actually scheduled for Monday, July 15th.

It may seem untimely to state that the great Canadian National Exhibition opens just six weeks from tomorrow and plans for the 1941 Acton Fair are receiving much attention these days. But it's a fact.

A defense tax and unemployment insurance were not sufficient for Dominion Day study. Order in Council (P.C. 7440) seems the latest requiring study by employers. It deals with Canada's Wartime Wages Policy.

The Georgetown Herald is the latest paper to find that a weekly newspaper requires a subscription price of \$2.00 per year to maintain a good standard. Editor Rich recently announced the increase in price.

It is not often that we speak favorably of removing of well developed trees and much tree trimming. However marked improvement has been made in Fairview Cemetery by cutting down several of the large spruce trees and generally trimming of all the trees. The Board is to be commended!

If the United States did as much as Canada in war effort it would have an army of 3 million men, an air force of over 500,000, spend \$22 billion in war this year and \$23 billion on giving aid to Britain. Chesley Enterprise.

The Week at OTTAWA
Specially Written for The Acton Free Press by
BY ALAN HARVEY
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OTTAWA, (C.P.) Fresh announcements on wartime policy and a general acceleration of the war effort are expected to follow Prime Minister Mackenzie King's return to the capital this week after a sojourn through Western Canada during which the concentration issue came up.

In speeches at Calgary and Vancouver Mr. King strongly supported the government's policy of voluntary enlistment. Answering representations from various quarters favoring selective service, he declared it would be breaking faith with the people to depart from the existing scheme.

"How best the voice of the people may again be heard should a situation develop where the peoples representatives in parliament believe there should be a reversal of policy, there will be time enough to consider when parliament itself has declared its views," the Prime Minister declared at Vancouver.

Meaning the people felt the effect of increases in the national defence tax and extension, to all, of spectator entertainment of the 20 per cent. tax on motion picture theatre receipts. The taxes became effective Dominion Day, almost simultaneously with the announcement the government favors a more equitable wartime wage policy for all employees.

Favors Bonus

Labor Minister McLarty said the government favors payment of a cost-of-living bonus of 1.93 a week to 133,000 railway workers in Canada and would like to see all employers follow suit.

Also initiated on Dominion Day were the compulsory provisions of the unemployment insurance plan, estimated to affect at least 80 per cent of the wage earners in Canada. Provisions of the scheme call for regular deductions from employer and employee alike.

Revenue Minister Gibson announced a new agreement with Newfoundland authorities whereby Canadian soldiers serving on the island may purchase cigarettes, beer and other civilian supplies at low prices.

When Mr. King continued his return journey after an inspection of Western Canada's war effort, Conservative House Leader Hanson left on a tour of the West.

Safe arrival in the United Kingdom of the 1st Canadian Army Tank Brigade under Brig. F. F. Worthington was hailed by National Defence headquarters as a spectacular achievement "in full fulfillment of Canada's pledged word to the British government."

One of three formations the Canadian government has undertaken to send overseas this year, the brigade is destined to operate in conjunction with the Canadian Corps.

Recruiting Goes Ahead

The government recruiting campaign for 32,000 men for active service gained impetus when the old custom of military postulations was given a modern twist. Special motorcycle dispatch riders carried parchment rolls urging men of military age to enlist, to civic officials throughout Canada who read them to the public as a modern "roll to arms."

It is interesting to note that in Western Ontario was the announcement by the Department of Trade and Commerce that the United Kingdom will take \$500,000,000 of Canadian goods in the next 12 months "provided shipping space is available."

Earlier in the week it was announced that the Dominion government will assist the British Columbia Fruit Board to the extent of \$1,000,000.



H. D. SCULLY
Chairman, War-Time Industries Commission

They Save A Life Every Four Hours

Lifeboat Heroes of Britain's Salt Water Girdle

BY NOEL BARBER
Editor of the Overseas Daily Mail

Every four years in Britain, all through the day and night, a life is saved by men with rough faces, add blue jerseys and a lot of guts. They are the men of the Lifeboat Service.

"Round the salt water girdle of Britain they wait, ready for rescue the merchant seamen of this country, of her Allies when danger strikes them on the greyhull of a U-boat in the black shadow of a Nazi warplane. On the average, they are now saving six lives a day.

In the first eighteen months of the war the men of the Lifeboat Service saved 3,500 lives, more in that vital, vivid year and a half than in the last ten years of peace.

On one single bleak, storm-bossed day, just before last Christmas, they saved 71 lives in 24 hours. From the beaches of the grey East Coast, from the sheltered coves that face the Atlantic breakers on the west, the lifeboats of Britain slid down the runways. On that day alone they made 19 launches.

What did that cost the Service? It is hard to say. Britain has 127 lifeboats, of which 100 are motor boats, dotted around her coasts. Each one is manned by volunteers, 2,000 of them in all, for the only members of the Service who get a fixed wage are the motor mechanics who are always on duty at the station. They are paid £3 to £4 a week. Such full time men are necessary to keep the engines in order.

"Assurance of such a boat, gallant, grizzled men whose faces are wrinkled like parchment, get an honorarium of about £15 a year. This is because they have a good many odd jobs to do, even when there are no services. Every lifeboatman gets compensation if he is injured. But though the men are volunteers and remember nobody can order them to go to the rescue of broken, battered ships. They get paid after each service they make. The scale of payment is an £10 to £15, based on a minimum which is nearly always increased.

The men of the Lifeboat Service have not gone unthanked. Lives have been lost, for the "boats make no distinction between any of the men who serve the sea. They too face the danger of attack by more brutal, but more by machine gun.

At night the lifeboatmen may be seen

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Business Directory and Buyer's Guide for Acton and District

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GET LESSON FROM WAR

TAMPA, Fla., (C.P.)—Hundreds of boys finding a mechanical camp found their quarters, making their report under category of war training, covered with one of the excellent photographs from the war.

BOYS WITH WAR

CAPTION: The Mechanical Training Camp, Atlantic town, and of First 1000 boys and the members of a London from war training covered category of "Boys With War" by the staff of the hospital.

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STANDARD TIME

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Daily except Sundays	8:34 a.m.
Daily except Sundays	9:29 a.m.
Daily except Sundays	10:25 p.m.
Weekdays only	6:31 p.m.
Weekdays only	6:41 p.m.
Weekdays only	6:51 p.m.

Going West

Daily except Sundays	8:34 a.m.
Daily except Sundays	9:29 a.m.
Daily except Sundays	10:25 p.m.
Weekdays only	6:31 p.m.
Weekdays only	6:41 p.m.
Weekdays only	6:51 p.m.

GRAY COACH LINES

COACH LEAVE ACTON Standard Time

EASTBOUND — To Toronto

Acton 7:45 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 2:45 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 8:45 p.m.

WESTBOUND — To London

Acton 7:45 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 2:45 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 8:45 p.m.

GROWS A POTATO

100,000 lbs. of A. King's potato, and the product of a cross between a Dutch and a potato giving potatoes on the stem and large potatoes in the soil, pass the Mexico Radio.

A Mechanized Army Serving YOU

Mechanized and motorized units, these make up the modern army. You have often noted Bell line crews with their trucks along the highway. Those too are mechanized, motorized units, each with a highly skilled crew; each completely equipped with tools, power, material.

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Preventive maintenance, preparedness, experience, and skill—all these all serve to ensure that your message will get through with minimum delay in any emergency—a vital contribution to the country's war effort.

On Active Service Giving Wings to Words