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EDITORIAL

It's Worth Proven

The annual report last week showed that Acton Fair continues to be a community event of real importance. Only true worth could make this institution continue to show progress no matter what circumstances it meets from year to year. The depression years of course had an adverse effect but with freer circulation of money the reflection is seen in the fair's finances.

A comparison with the financial statement of Acton Fair and those of many communities much larger shows that the local institution is really a big fair. In a town of 4,000 population the gate receipts of the local fair are not half of those here. It is also noted that Erin with even a smaller population than Acton had gate receipts much in excess. Proving apparently that the size of the community matters little, but more effective is the attraction and progressiveness of the fair and those who direct it. Acton Fair has established a reputation for a splendid event. That reputation has been built up over a period of years. As the directors accept the challenge to each year make it better we can see more growth and popularity for the event and a wider service to the community it serves so well. It was commendable that from its funds the Fair Board were able to help both in the Victory Loan of last year and again in the one scheduled for next month. Its interests are diversified but all devoted to the up-building of a section of a greater Dominion.

World-Wide

Figures, reports, pictures, in fact nothing adequately conveys a true picture of the work the Red Cross carries on—not only at home but the world over. This thought kept continually coming up as we listened at the annual meeting on Saturday night of the local Red Cross. Perhaps that was the reason that more did not attend—convinced that the job was being well done and possibly a bit tired of meetings.

We see and read about what goes from the work rooms and we know something of the local activity. But the work of this organization is world-wide. And it is the international aspect of which we are apt to lose sight. Only through the Red Cross is it possible to send parcels to prisoners of war. It is through this organization that communication is established with prisoners. It is the sign of the Red Cross on the battlefield that shows every combatant that that group or vehicle are on an act of mercy.

And it was the Red Cross which was the first organization to be ready to step right in as soon as war was declared. There are many more things that make the Red Cross distinctive in its work from other splendid organizations doing a real job in these times of war, but none of them have as wide a scope of service.

Rich in Fund and Experiences

THE ACTON FREE PRESS Fund for the London, England Sick Children's Hospital is closed and the statement of the fund is going forward to the War Charities Department and the bank draft to the Hospital.

Started on an appeal from Lord Southwood accompanied by a little box of rubble from the bombed hospital, we had little thought that this extra fund would amount to over \$500. There are so many worthy funds these days claiming attention.

Conducting the fund from the office here backed by a splendid committee it has been one of the rare experiences that will always be remembered. Little

folks who sold refreshments on a Saturday afternoon; school and Sunday school children giving up Christmas treats to help organizations planning events and smaller groups putting on efforts that netted considerable amounts; individual and group subscriptions; making of articles whose sale brought in money are just a few of the things that bring memories of self-sacrifice that made the fund one we will long remember.

There were some splendid large contributions and there were many more that came in made up of pennies, and nickels and dimes. It was the spirit back of them all that leaves a very pleasant recollection. Not many of those who helped will ever see the hospital. Some of those who did contribute have seen it and know of its splendid work both in times of peace and incurring on under the difficulties of war. To all FREE PRESS readers and all who sent this fund over the top our thanks for them in their time of need.

Give Vent to Your Emotions

War as waged by a country like Canada is a strange combination of soft-heartedness, steely determination, and a false feeling of frustration.

We read about and reflect on Nazi atrocities. The Huns bomb old ladies and little children out of cities into the highways in order to choke the roads and impede the military movements of their enemies. Nazis and Japs seize innocent people as hostages and shoot them down when their fellow countrymen dare to oppose Nazi oppression.

These inhuman acts sicken us. Loving peace, we grow tender as we realize that but for geographical reasons, Canadian mothers and Canadian children might be similar victims of these bestial races.

Out of that softness of heart rises a great personal urge to stamp out these tyrants—to make the whole world free for decent human beings.

And then comes the moment when some in Canada feel frustrated.

That shouldn't be. Those of us left back in Canada can fling our dollars into the war effort with as much vigor as Canadian sailors, soldiers and airmen apply to the battle at the front. And those dollars are as important as the operations of the military forces overseas. Every dollar subscribed to the Victory Loan means another step forward towards the end of brutal tyranny.

Fight with your dollars as the Canadian boys fight with their machine guns. Don't hold back your fire.

All Must Be Licensed

A plan to inform business men about price ceiling regulations by sending bulletins to all firms under licence to the Wartime Prices and Trade Board is announced.

"Every business which has already applied for or obtained a Wartime Prices and Trade Board licence is now on the mailing list to receive these business bulletins," explained C. R. Morphy, Director of Licensing. "As each new application for licence is received, the name of the applicant will be added."

Apart from the legal requirements which made it obligatory for every licensee to notify the Board after March 31 of any change in name, ownership, or character of his business within ten days after such change, such notification will enable the Wartime Prices and Trade Board to keep its mailing list for information up to date.

Every person who buys for resale, sells or offers for sale any goods must obtain a Wartime Prices and Trade Board licence, unless he has already obtained one under a previous Board licensing order. Farmers, gardeners, livestock and poultry producers, and fishermen, need no licence unless buying for resale. Operators of private boarding houses and employees of persons or firms themselves subject to licence are also exempt.

EDITORIAL NOTES

"There's no such thing as junk any more."—U. S. Price Administrator Leon Henderson.

Even at three-quarters of a pound of sugar per week one ought to still be able to keep sweet.

In the matter of also Victory Loan Acton Fair can give leadership by being the first to make application for investment. Its activity is not confined to agriculture alone.

That run for sugar on the retail stores on Monday was certainly not the thing for patriotic folks to do. It's such actions of a few greedy ones that brings compulsion on everyone.

The Second Victory Loan will soon be available. Investment in Victory and Canada is the safest and soundest that can be secured. War Savings Certificates or Victory Bonds are of equal importance and equal value. It's just a matter of which suits you the best.

Whether one agrees or not with the plan of taking a plebiscite on what attitude the government is to pursue, it seems hardly necessary to resort to the abusive adjectives used by the Premier of Ontario in giving vent to his feelings. The office of head of Canada's banner province should stay above the level of the street brawl.

The Week at OTTAWA

Specialty Written for The Acton Free Press by ALAN HARVEY Canadian Press Staff Writer

The House of Commons swung into full-throated debate on the administration's proposed manpower plebiscite this week after hearing details from Prime Minister Mackenzie King of projected expansion in Canada's 1942 war program.

Without announcing a date or disclosing many additional details, Mr. King reaffirmed his determination to hold the plebiscite and said legislation will be introduced authorizing it in which the people will be asked: "Are you in favor of releasing the government from any obligation arising out of past commitments restricting the methods of raising men for military service?"

Mr. King's 13,000-word speech, delivered in the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne, disclosed these highlights of 1942 war plans:

Creation of a "Canadian Army" of two corps, one comprising three infantry divisions and two army tank brigades and the other comprising two armored divisions an outright gift to Britain of up to \$1,000,000,000 in war supplies and food, conversion of \$70,000,000 of sterling held to Canada's credit in London into a loan without interest for the war's duration, and purchase of some \$295,000,000 of Canadian securities held in Britain and extension of the selective service policy.

The Prime Minister was preceded by Conservative house leader Hanson and followed by M. J. Coldwell, acting C.C.F. leader, both of whom moved amendments to the address in reply to the throne speech.

Many questions relating to the plebiscite itself remain to be answered. But it has been indicated authoritatively that members of the armed forces at home and overseas will participate, raising the possibility that special arrangements will be made to take the vote of the forces abroad along the lines of active service regulations drawn up for use in the 1940 Dominion Election.

While manpower was the main topic raised in the speech from the throne which opened the third session of the 19th parliament of Canada since Confederation, the short statement read to members of the Senate and Commons by the Governor-General also outlined the framework of a "total national effort" involving increased food and munitions production, a balanced program for strengthening the armed forces and extension of the national selective service policy.

Farm Food Prices
The speech forecast vast contributions of foodstuffs to Britain—a policy interpreted here as likely to increase the prices paid farmers for goods sent to the United Kingdom. Since Canada now will be footing the bills for the cheese, wheat, eggs, bacon and other commodities furnished to Britain, prices will be based on what the farmer needs to maintain production at present accelerated levels.

Previously prices generally were conditioned by Britain's ability to pay, plus, in some cases, additional amounts from provincial or Dominion treasuries.

Of interest too is the parliamentary investigation promised by the administration into the reasons why some of the troops sent to defend Hong Kong were only partially trained.

This investigation was promised at the request of Mr. Hanson after Defence Minister Halston told the House last Wednesday that 139 to 148 of the 430 men posted as additional strength and reinforcements to the two battalions—Winnipeg Grenadiers and Royal Rifles of Canada—which comprised the great bulk of the Canadian contingent had less than 16 weeks' training prescribed as the army minimum for reinforcing troops.

Shark Fishing Fed Survivors

Torpedo Crew on Raft Near Equator Were Kept Alive

LONDON, (CP)—Boiled shark was the main dish for six Europeans and 11 Malaysians marooned on a raft for 12 days after their ship was torpedoed. Using a fish hook made from the handle of a water container and with a flying fish as bait, they caught a three-foot shark and boiled it in a biscuit tin over a fire built from coals, match sticks and scraps of lumber. The men were rescued near the Equator by a Spanish ship.

CADETS FOR AIR

LONDON, (CP)—About 157,000 cadets are enrolled in Britain's Air Training Corps. Under-secretary for Air, H. H. Balfour, told the House of Commons.

LONDON, (CP)—Skimping of material was forgotten in the making of one set of daytime dresses for young girls. "They prefer flared or pleated skirts," said the maker. "They really need them so we made them."

TOURIST TRAVEL SHOWS GAIN

Tourists entering Canada, from the United States during the first ten months of 1941 totalled 12,433,716 persons compared with 12,172,719 visitors in the corresponding period of 1940, reports the Immigration Branch of the Department of Mines and Resources. This year's traffic reached its peak during the months of July and August when 5,326,163 tourists from the United States were admitted as against 4,050,460 in the corresponding months of 1940.

Although war has spread to most parts of the globe, the International Boundary between Canada and the United States still remains the most friendly in the world. Each year it is crossed by millions of visitors travelling by automobile, train, boat,

and aeroplane, and both Canadian immigration and customs regulations are designed to make the entry of bona fide tourists as pleasant as possible.

TAX KENYA FINERY

NAIROBI, Kenya (CP)—African women will have to pay more for their finery under the latest Kenya budget which revised duties on beads and wire used by native brides for their adornment.

THEY TAKE TO GERMAN

REIGATE, England, (CP)—German lessons for Reigate policemen have proved so popular officers from nearby districts forces have asked permission to join classes.

WESTERN MUSIC ARRANGER



An unqualified clam, who qualifies, however, as one of the most modest, likable and friendly people in C.B.C.S. Prairie Region, is Samuel Spencer McKeown, trumpeter, French Horn specialist, and music arranger at C.B.C., Winnipeg. Sam, who would be the despair of a crown prosecutor, carries uncommunicativeness to the point of a high art. When asked: "Is black white?" his normal reply is: "Well, there is a good deal to be said on both sides." He is a former engineering student of Manitoba University, who took up the trumpet during his undergraduate years, graduated to the French Horn and ultimately to the music arranger's desk at C.B.C. His clever arrangements have been heard in such national network programmes as Canada Speaks, Western Fantasy, Canadians All, Concert in Miniature, Tunes for Today, and Woodhouse and Hawkins. He came to C.B.C. in 1937 as a trumpeter in one of Isaac Marmott's orchestras. He is of Irish and Scottish parentage, is married, and regards motoring as his chief hobby.

How Rent Control Affects You

as a landlord as a tenant

As a part of the general plan to halt further increases in the Cost of Living, the Government on December 1, 1941, extended the policy of the Price Ceiling to rentals for all commercial and housing accommodation in Canada. Generally speaking the new rental laws provide that:

- (1) No oral or written lease for any commercial or housing accommodation (furnished or unfurnished) may legally be made after October 11, 1941, at a rental higher than the rental lawfully payable under the lease in effect on that date unless an application for increased rental has been made to and approved by a local Rentals Committee of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. Such an application must be based on specified circumstances arising since October 11, 1941.
- (2) A tenant is entitled to a renewal of his lease unless the landlord requires the premises for certain reasons named in the Board's Rental Orders and has given the tenant a written notice to vacate within the time and in the manner prescribed therein. If this notice to vacate is contested by the tenant, the landlord must secure a Court Order for possession.
- (3) Copies of all Rental Orders and Regulations of the Board and application forms for rental variations are available from any of the regional or sub-offices of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, and, in areas where such offices are not yet established, from the Clerk of any County or District Court or local Rentals Committee.

VIOLATIONS of these orders are punishable by law and should be reported in writing to the Prices and Supply Representative Regional Office, Wartime Prices and Trade Board, at the nearest of any of the following cities: Vancouver, Edmonton, Regina, Winnipeg; North Bay, London, Toronto, Brockville, Montreal, Quebec, Saint John, Halifax or Charlottetown.

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TIME TABLES

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS AT ACTON

STANDARD TIME

Going East

Daily, except Sunday	6:04 a.m.
Daily, except Sunday	9:49 a.m.
Daily, except Sunday	6:29 p.m.
Sunday only	8:19 p.m.
Flyer, at Georgetown	9:41 p.m.
Flyer, at Guelph	9:15 p.m.

Going West

Daily, except Sunday	8:18 a.m.
Saturday only	1:29 p.m.
Flyer, at Guelph	6:16 p.m.
Daily, except Sunday	7:00 p.m.
Sunday Only	11:13 p.m.

GRAY COACH LINES

COACHES LEAVE ACTON

Standard Time

EASTBOUND — To Toronto

5:51 a.m.	9:01 a.m.	11:31 a.m.	2:06 p.m.
3:51 p.m.	5:51 p.m.	8:56 p.m.	

WESTBOUND — To London

9:53 a.m.	12:23 p.m.	2:23 p.m.	4:23 p.m.
6:18 p.m.	8:08 p.m.	9:23 p.m.	11:53 p.m.

a daily except Sunday; b Saturday, Sunday and holidays; c daily except Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

MUNITIONS "BRAIN TRUST"

MANCHESTER, (CP)—A plan to establish a "brain trust" of British, United States and Russian scientists and to strengthen a vital branch of the Allies' joint war production has been drawn up and will be discussed shortly at a scientific meeting.