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If They Could Trade Places . . .

If they could trade places and be on the giving end of Red Cross work . . . never doubt but that our suffering Allies would turn to us with open-handed generosity . . . be glad to help!

To be on the giving side is the preferred position after all. Untouched by Blitz, Canadian women have been able to spend long hours "toiling and spinning" in Red Cross Branches all across the Dominion. 20,000,000 articles of supplies have already been shipped overseas for the armed forces and suffering civilians; 100,000 food parcels for prisoners-of-war are being packed each week in the five depots; over 1,000,000 pounds of jam and honey have been provided for British children. Blood serum, medical supplies, sailors' comforts, motor vehicles . . . all these have come from the Canadian people . . . dispensed by the Canadian Red Cross to help the suffering everywhere.

Russia, Greece, China, Poland, Belgium, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Fighting French, Norway and Holland have all been helped, fed and succored by Red Cross gifts.

And those on the receiving end . . . with so little . . . try to say "thank you" in a practical way. Listen: Mrs. Nellie Milton lives in a tiny flat in Chelsea. Her boy, a prisoner-of-war in Germany, has received Canadian Red Cross food parcels. He wanted the Red Cross thanked for helping to keep him alive. His mother wrote the Marchioness of Donegal, in charge of the Hospitality Department at Berkeley Square:

"I would like to be able to repay you by having one of your Canadian soldiers stay here while on leave in London. I could give him bed and breakfast. Although I only have two rooms in the basement, I would do my best to make any Canadian soldier comfortable and happy during his London visit."

If they could trade places! Let's make the most of our "preferred position." The Canadian Red Cross must have \$10,000,000 to go on with the work in 1943. Acton and District is asked to contribute \$3,200.

Give . . . and then some . . . human suffering is greater than ever before.

More Community Life.

The announcement of further curtailment of gasoline or methods of travel means that more and more people are going to find their recreation in their own communities. For communities which have developed parks, recreation grounds and places for group gatherings before the war period this time will hold no difficulties. For those who have no such local centres, it will be quite a problem.

Evidence of this getting back to community entertainment and community interest was found locally in the Minstrel Show just concluded. In all about fifty people were actively engaged in presenting the show. Over 1,000 paid admissions to the local performances. With more time available for rehearsals the show could top many of those produced in the years when there were other attractions.

After the show was concluded there was a further evidence of this desire to have local clubs or groups, when it was decided to hold the present organization together with the object of making other presentations from time to time as the need arose.

We predict that during the spring and summer months we will see a return of the local garden parties, and outdoor local entertainments. There

will be plenty of interest too on the bowling greens and tennis courts and around the Y.M.C.A. and in the park. Acton is fortunate in having all these facilities well established. It is easy to predict too that many folks will find that the method of enjoying life in the community and getting better acquainted will surpass those days when only pleasure could be gained by burning up gasoline and covering hundreds of miles over the week-end. Incidentally it is likely to be not nearly so expensive either.

A Campaign That Fell Flat

In commenting on the splurge of liquor advertising that appeared recently The Chesley Enterprise makes the following comment:

"It was an insult to Canadians that the brewing industry should object so strenuously to beer rationing, and, in large advertisements in some papers which would accept that kind of advertising, plead with the people to endorse their stand that they should not be rationed."

The campaign fell flat among Canadians who are rationed in gasoline, tea, coffee and sugar, all of which they deem to be of greater concern to them than beer.

Even blaming "narrow-minded temperance cranks" for forcing Ottawa's hand did not register very strongly with Canadians who have trouble getting the food which they have become accustomed to and which is in short supply.

When one considers what the war effort has meant to all lines of business in Canada, it is to laugh that the brewers would even claim that they should be allowed their usual production and distribution. We should think that men could be better employed these days than in making beer, using gasoline and rubber to transport it around the country, and use valuable manpower in serving it.

The brewers might have made friends if they had used the advertising to state that they were 100 per cent. behind the government in its war rulings, and that they would appeal to their customers to do without their usual supply of beer for the duration, instead of hollering about their toes being stepped upon.

The liquor industry is its own worst enemy. Its lack of decency in keeping a respectable house, in setting standards of conduct by its patrons, and in elevating the trade to a higher level, has done more harm than all the temperance organizations.

And it didn't help the brewers among average Canadians when they asked them to join in their protest against rationing beer, when these same Canadians are scrimping and saving to get along on the rationed amount of tea, coffee, sugar and gasoline.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The winter of 1943 has now provided everything even to an earthquake.

In St. Mary's the Chinese Relief Fund has a total of \$2,480.00 on its objective of \$3,466.

March kept in line with December, January and February for delivering a good fall of snow and plenty of cold weather. Perhaps April will behave like a spring month.

The profit of advertising is not found alone in the goods directly sold through any advertisement. Most of the profit comes from leading people to form the constant habit of visiting the advertised stores.

"When it comes to choosing men for Government; I believe the first essential character, and what above all else the people desire in their representatives in a government, is heart and brain."—Prime Minister Mackenzie King.

There is an old saying that if you want something done well, do it yourself. That applies to home town life. Instead of constantly asking why somebody else does not do some needed thing, people should do more of these things themselves.

There are many things that have been said about former Provincial Premier Hepburn (and we have contributed our share). When it comes to getting out of the untenable positions he has the foresight and good judgment to remove himself by resigning and not waiting to be ousted by the general public.

Editor Hugh Templin of The Fergus News-Record says his opinion of Premier King increased upward when he heard him speak to the weekly newspaper executive meeting in Ottawa. A prophet is not without honor, save in his own country. Britain possibly thinks as highly of Mr. King as we do of Mr. Churchill.

Not many countries in the world can show an excess of males over females; Canada can. The last census showed nearly 300,000 more males in Canada than females. Moreover, it has always been so. In every one of the eight times that a census of Canada has been taken an excess of males over females has been shown. This is not due to immigration supplying us with more males than females; every year for many years past more male children than female have been born.

The Week at OTTAWA

Specialty Written for The Acton Free Press BY DOUGLAS GREEN Canadian Press Staff Writer

Estimates of war expenditures by the Federal Department of Agriculture in the coming fiscal year, given the House of Commons recently by Finance Minister Flaxey, reflect the government's desire to encourage production so as to enable the Dominion to meet her food commitments to Great Britain.

The breakdown of estimated war expenditures by the department in the 1943-44 fiscal year, beginning next April 1, showed that programs to encourage output of essential war supplies under the Agricultural Supplies Board will involve disbursement of approximately \$177,500.

Western Feed Grains In addition, \$1,000,000 has been earmarked to assist in disposing of agricultural products rendered surplus by the war. Freight assistance on the movement of Western feed grains will be considered. The expenditure of \$3,000,000 while the payment of eight cents per bushel on Western wheat used exclusively as feed for livestock, will take \$2,000,000.

The war's influence upon the estimates of the agriculture department is evidenced by an item of \$30,500 for the flax fibre administration. This product has assumed great importance as a component in the manufacture of parachutes. Subventions and freight allowances upon fertilizers will involve the expenditure of approximately \$1,000,000.

Administration of the Bacon Board, established to encourage and control the Dominion's output of bacon and bacon products, with special reference to Great Britain's requirements, will require \$71,300, while the Dairy Products Board, established to facilitate the shipment overseas of cheese, will necessitate expenditure of \$14,950.

Advisory Board

An advisory committee of 12 members, including representatives of each province, H. H. Hannon of Toronto, president of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, and two other members, nominated by the federation will be established by the government to assist a new four-man Agricultural Board headed by Dr. G. S. H. Barton, deputy minister of agriculture.

Functions of the board are to direct the diversion of food products in Canada, fill contracts and agreements for export of foodstuffs, meet the requirements of the armed forces in Canada and other priority needs and, at the request of the Prices Board, arrange for the movement of food supplies from surplus areas to deficiency areas.

The board, whose formation was announced by Agriculture Minister Gardiner in the House of Commons, will direct Canada's 1943 food production program.

Besides Dr. Barton, its other members include A. M. Shaw, director of the marketing service and chairman of the Agricultural Supplies Board and Special Products Board; R. S. Hamer, director of the production service, and Dr. J. F. Booth, associate director of the marketing service.

Farm Workers

Selective Service Director Arthur MacNamara's announcement that his department will give "very careful consideration" to the essentiality of any work now being performed by prairie workers in British Columbia industries should relieve fear expressed there that the removal of an estimated 2,000 prairie workers from essential industries in British Columbia to return to farm work on the prairies would disturb "to some degree" the labor picture in the coast province.

Selective Service, Mr. MacNamara said, will not force a man to return to the prairies if he is doing vital work in a British Columbia industry.

WEEDS HAVE ENEMIES

In recent years, natural causes have led to at least a temporary reduction of weed infestation. In places the prevalence of grass-hoppers has resulted in a marked decrease in the growth and vigor of sow thistle. A successful dry season has been followed by locust troubles from wild oats. Canada thistle, possibly because of combined insect damage and dry seasons, has practically disappeared from areas where it was a major pest a few years ago. However, the opportunity for re-infestation through a change in conditions is a factor that has to be guarded against.

Christmas Present From Prison Camp

WELLINGBOROUGH, England, (C. P.)—An expensive scent spray, two diaries and an antique Bavarian pipe were among the contents of a Christmas parcel received by Joan Harrison of this Northampton town from her fiancé, a prisoner of war in Germany. The parcel was believed to be the first of its kind to reach Britain.

Victory Farms Service Clubs 1943 Ambition

Canadian Provinces to Have Place in Wartime Production Head Idea Which Was Success Last Year in Indiana

Chicago, Ill., (CP)—The Victory Farms idea which has been operating in Indiana for the encouragement of farmers who give their patriotic co-operation to agriculture war production, has been extended to Canada as well as to the United States generally, according to an announcement by Kiwanis International here.

John Trudeau, of Belleville, Ont., Ontario-Quebec-Maritime chairman of agriculture for Kiwanis in those areas, will assist local Kiwanis Clubs of the provinces of that area in putting the Victory Farm scheme into operation, the announcement says.

The idea involves local Kiwanis clubs presenting "VF"—victory farms—awards to farmers in townships who give their patriotic co-operation to agriculture war production, said Theodore H. Fenske, of Morris, Minn., chairman of the Kiwanis International committee on agriculture.

Selection in Fall

The selection of "Victory Farms" will be made in the early fall. The committee of judges will be chosen from local farm men and women representing agricultural extension, neighborhood groups, and other farm organizations. Requirements for meriting the

"VF" pennant are flexible for meeting local agricultural conditions. Awards will be based on a definite measure of the farm's contribution to the food production program, especially as it relates to war crops and vitally needed livestock and livestock products. Victory gardens will be a qualification also participation in related war activities such as war bond purchases, co-operation in salvage programs, Red Cross, and so on.

In selecting "Victory Farms," judges will evaluate the co-operation of each farm as a good neighbor to meet social and economic rural conditions. Recognition will be given to farms and not to the individual farmer thus honoring the family as a unit. In formulating rules, O. C. Redenbacher of Princeton, Indiana, who developed the idea said: "Recognition is given the contribution not only of the farmer but also the wife, boys and girls, and farm help in the production program. It is hoped the award will offer both encouragement to the farmer and show appreciation for the part farmers are playing in winning the war."

BOY! SOME NEAVES!

LONDON, (CP)—More than 1,300,000 old razor blades, totalling about four tons, were collected throughout the Royal Air Force during 1942 and turned over to salvage.

BOLLARDS FOR SALVAGE

LONDON, (CP)—About 500 "bollards"—little iron stumps erected at entrance to alleyways and court-yards in London—have been presented to the government for salvage.

Help The Red Cross "SALADA" TEA



Now, he's well again and doing a war job.

"MY HUSBAND'S had a nervous breakdown—just worry. He left his job in the shipyard to go into logging. But his health suffered and the doctor

says he's got to take a complete rest. But we haven't any ready money. How can he rest?"

The bank manager listened to her troubles sympathetically. He knew the husband, knew the wife—both sound citizens. The bank advanced the money on personal security . . . on the good character of two honest, hard-working people.

In a few weeks, Fred was well again and working in the shipyard. The loan was paid back in full. Because of bank accommodation he is now getting financially on his feet again—and aiding Canada's war effort.

This true story—only the name is changed—illustrates how Canada's Chartered Banks, day in and day out, serve the human as well as the financial needs of Canadians.

The CHARTERED BANKS of CANADA

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TIME TABLES

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

Table with columns for train names (Going East, Going West) and times. Includes entries like Daily, except Sunday, 6.49 a.m., and Sunday only, 8.19 p.m.

GRAY COACH LINES CHANGE OF TIME TABLE EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 26

Table with columns for routes (Eastbound, Westbound) and times. Includes entries like 6.46 a.m., 9.16 a.m., 2.06 p.m., 6.28 p.m., 9.16 p.m., 10.41 p.m.

MYSTERY NAVAL HERO

LONDON, (CP)—Richard Onslow of the Royal Navy was a "mystery hero" at a recent investiture at Buckingham Palace when he was decorated with the D.S.O. and two Bars. How he won them is an official secret.