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EDITORIAL

Success Again

Co-operation of everyone is the only thing that can make such a success as has been achieved in Acton and district as the the Sixth Victory Loan has just been.

We are glad to be able to give this week the front page news for the boys overseas that Acton and District is still backing them up on the home front.

We know the quota was a big one. We know that many have done more than they felt able to do.

Well done, Acton and District. Never once have you failed.

The Glory of Spring

This year we seemed to just drop from winter into summer. The interval known as spring seemed very brief.

It may be that we have a greater appreciation of these glorious days because of our severe winters. Who would not revel in being out-of-doors at this time of year?

Every turn of the road now has the beauty of early summer. Farmers are busy in the fields along the road.

Politics First

In a time when everyone is being urged to put all effort into winning the war it seems peculiar that John Bracken, leader of the Progressive Conservative party, should concern himself chiefly with just politics.

Not content with staying outside parliament himself he now busies himself with getting others to leave duties of administration and join him in putting party and the winning of the next election first.

Strange as it may seem we find men who only a short time ago advertised themselves as backing

"a total war effort" gloating over these resignations from public office to align themselves with a leader whose closest approach to Ottawa has been to buy a farm in the district.

Canada needs leaders who are willing and able to take on the duties of leading when the going is tough and not those who put politics first.

Waste Paper Needed Now

Throughout Canada a campaign is in progress which, in its seemingly insignificant way is related to the bigger things in this war and so merits a spot in these columns.

At one time it was difficult to ship waste paper except in carload lots and this made paper salvage difficult in small communities.

Just think what the paper containers from your waste paper do in the war—provide protection for medical kits, blood plasma, emergency rations, gas masks; paper parachutes to convey food to earth for isolated units; containers for naphtha and benzine, electrical conduits, for dehydrated foods which save some .85 per cent. of cargo space.

Courtesy in Danger

Advertising and retail organizations are warning their members that a "record wave of discourtesy and impoliteness" has swept through business since the war began.

Naturally their reaction is that when the war is over the public will remember rude unobliging sales clerks and business men and take their patronage elsewhere as soon as the supply of goods is sufficient to allow the individual customer to choose the firm with which he will deal.

Just the same there is apt to be a spread of discourtesy. The habit is easy to fall into, and these days it sometimes takes deliberate effort to be pleasant under all circumstances.

On the consumer side of the picture there is less time to devote to shopping, paying bills, and being generally agreeable at the same time, because shortages affect the consumer as well, and many of them are doing war work in what leisure time is left.

But knowing the cause is half the cure. The tendency to be short-tempered, unappreciative and easily irritated is one of the insidious effects of war.

While we here in Canada may not think the invasion of Europe has started the Germans realize that it's on.

"The only parallel to the CCF plan is to be found in the totalitarian countries, and that plan can only be enforced by a totalitarian government."

Another Victory Loan is over and once again the folks on the home front have taken their objective, just as those on the fighting front will take their objective when called upon to do it—but what a difference in the cost.

Here's how the Nazis, who would like the rest of the world to think that their methods are best, work. Residents of Eastern Holland, were given 12 hours to vacate their homes confiscated by the Nazis for refugees from bombed out German cities.

Because Walter Winchell, American Columnist, had some complimentary things to say about Canada, and particularly Canada's government, Dr. Herbert Bruce gave the inference in the House of Commons that he was paid by the government.

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WAR WORKER MAY QUEEN

FELTHAM, Middlesex (CP)—When pretty, 21 year old May Hill was crowned May Queen here she wore an aircraft worker's overalls and immediately afterwards dashed off on a bicycle to do a 9 1/2 hour shift in an aircraft factory.

TO INCREASE EXPORTS

COLOMBO, Ceylon (CP)—Ceylon copra yields nearly two thirds of its weight in coconut oil. Both are exported, and it is estimated that the exports in the first post-war year may be 100,000 tons of copra and 40,000 tons of oil.



Before you blame your telephone...

CHECK THIS DISTANCE

Engineers designed the mouth-piece of your telephone to give best results at one-quarter of an inch from the lips. When your lips are further away than this, your voice is transmitted less strongly...

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CARROLL'S Quaker Cereal Sale... MUFFETS 3 pkgs 25c... SOUP 2 tins 15c... COCOA 1-lb tin 24c... SOAP, 3 cakes 23c... WAX 1-lb tin 59c... JUICE 48-oz tin 29c

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