

PLANTING

Last spring we tilled the land, And sowed the golden grain. Then we, at God's command, Were given sun and rain.

While August sun shone hot, We cut and stooked the grain; We cared and we had wrought The sheaves to fill the main.

My friendly fields I've ploughed, The first snowflakes are here; The sky is one grey cloud, 'Tis the closing of the year.

ETHEL DAVY

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHICS ARE NEEDED FOR SCHOOL LIBRARY

Principal Stewart of the Continuation School is very anxious to have a complete file of the National Geographic Magazine for the past twenty-five years for use as reference at the school. Already a number of copies have been given to this library and a good start has been made.

To complete the library, the following copies are needed and if any citizens who have any of these numbers would donate them to the school it would indeed be appreciated.

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Post-War Programs Should Commence With Agriculture

In an address to the recent annual convention of the Canadian Society of Technical Agriculturists at Toronto, Dr. E. S. Archibald, Director, Dominion Experimental Farms Service review some of the major problems which might be offered as a basis for post-war works program in the future prosperity and permanency of agriculture.

In the course of a comprehensive study of the situation, Dr. Archibald said that he was not so optimistic as to think that Canadian taxpayers both rural and urban, would be readily content to enter into very heavy expenditures after the cessation of hostilities. Nevertheless it was obvious to all Canadians that the future of Canada could not stand periods of unemployment and relief. The loss financially to the country as a whole in idle manpower was substantial.

For that reason alone, it was imperative that all who were in a position to give constructive thought should do so and aid materially towards the development of a program which was economically sound and which might be used as needed in the national development. It was evident that a post-war work program on which to base full employment, good houses and contented people should start with agriculture, because on that industry depended adequate food at reasonable prices, employment in the city through agriculture providing the best peace-time markets for urban industries, and the vast number of products produced on the farm which add comfort alike to both rural and urban homes.

As a result of tests in grasshopper bait investigations on the Canadian Prairies under varying conditions of weather and vegetation, sodium arsenite would appear to be more reliable grasshopper poison than either sodium fluosulfate or calcium arsenite. This was especially so when straight sawdust or a mixture of flour and sawdust was used as a carrier.

Twenty Years Ago

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, November 26th, 1924

A number of very fine deer have arrived in town from the north during the week.

There has been real good skating on Corporation Pond since Monday. Major Lachlan Grant, of Georgetown addressed the members of Knox Church Guild at the meeting on Monday evening. His reminiscences of the early days from the time he came to Acton from Scotland, sixty years ago were very interesting.

The Band's annual meeting was held on Wednesday evening. The election of officers were: Honorary President, J. C. Hill; President, Alex. Mann; Vice President, Jas. Chambers; Secretary Treasurer, N. F. Moore.

Mr. H. P. Moore was the speaker at the luncheon of the Toronto Gyro Club at the King Edward Hotel. His topic was "Incidents and Experiences of an Overseas Visit."

ELLIOTT—At the home on Church Street, Acton, on Thursday, November 13th, 1924, Mr. and Mrs. Roland R. Elliott, a daughter.

WATSON—At his home, Acton on Saturday, November 15th, 1924, Robert Watson, in his 75th year.

FORD—At the General Hospital, Toronto, on Friday, November 14th, 1924, Florence, beloved wife of Alfred Ford, formerly of Acton.

Allied Shelling Builds Records

Attacks on Shore Defences by Modern Ships Dwarf Bombardments of Other Wars

NEW YORK (CP)—The pulverizing bombardments of enemy shore installations by Allied fleets of hundreds of fighting ships dwarf similar shoreward attacks in other wars.

At least two recent invasion armadas have surpassed by 10 times the force of 82 naval surface ships including 35 minesweepers which were involved in one phase of the First Great War's largest combined operation, the Gallipoli-Dardanelles campaign of 1915.

Approximately 800 vessels of the British, American, French, Polish, Greek and Belgian navies participated in the southern France invasion. In the earlier assault on Normandy about one-fifth of the 4,000 participating ships were fighting craft.

Landing the British-American forces in French North Africa in 1942, the biggest land-sea operation up to that time, took 350 naval ships.

Equally marked is the difference in firepower between combat vessels and their 1914-18 forerunners. A present-day American heavyweight destroyer, for instance, packs as much firepower as a cruiser of the last war's vintage.

Front line despatches show with what effect contemporary floating artillery batteries can batter enemy-held coast.

In Northern France In the first three days of the southern France invasion almost 16,000 Allied naval shells of five-inch calibre or larger were "most effective in neutralizing enemy artillery," a communique, said, adding that three out of every four of these were at least 12-inch calibre.

Six hundred British warships, in opening the Normandy invasion, blanketed enemy positions west of Le Havre with 2,000 tons of shells every 10 minutes.

The Sunday School Lesson

FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

CHRISTIANITY AND DEMOCRACY

Golden Text.—Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. Gal. 6: 2.

Lesson Text.—Mk. 12: 13-17; Rom. 13: 8-10; 1 Pet. 2: 13-17.

Exposition.—"Is it lawful to give tribute to Caesar?" Mk. 12: 13-17.

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Canadian Embassy Busy Rendezvous

Temporary Headquarters in Paris in Former Offices of the German Luftwaffe

By MARGARET BAKER Canadian Press War Correspondent PARIS (CP)—The Canadian embassy in Paris looks like an oasis at the end of a long desert journey to Canadians stranded in France by the war.

You can hardly fight your way from the elevator to the temporary headquarters in what used to be the Paris offices of the German Luftwaffe. The corridors are full of men, of women, hungry for a word from Canada, and in many cases hungry for such a material thing as food, or a cigarette.

Maj.-Gen. George Vanier, Canada's ambassador, and Mrs. Vanier see everyone who calls, bears their stories give everyone some assistance.

Recently the ambassador inserted an invitation in French newspapers for all Canadians to visit him. That day he himself talked to more than 40 people. Every day when Canadian war correspondents in Paris make their morning call at the embassy the crowd has grown.

Mrs. Merton Jodan of Billings Bridge, Ont. had a queue in front of his reception desk while Cpl. Roger Lemay of Montreal and Sgt. Jack Canning of Woodstock and Lordan, Ont. were sorting out the visitors and taking them into the ambassador's office.

The waiting room was full, and in one corner, sitting eagerly forward were two Franciscan fathers and two priests, of the Missionary Company of Mary.

"Freedom is new and dear to us still," Father Henry Lemmens, formerly of Duncan, B.C. said to me.

"All of us were interned at the camp at St. Denis. For four years one month and one day we were robbed of our freedom, prevented from carrying on our missionary work." Father Lemmens came to France nine years ago.

Father Jacques Beaulieu of Rimouski, Que. has been in a Franciscan monastery in France for eight years.

"In prison we had to live on cabbage and water — we did not even have soap—if it hadn't been for Red Cross parcels," he said.

"More than 100 ecclesiastics were interned with us at St. Denis," said Father Francis Le Decker of Dorval, Que. "France was deprived of her religious feeling."

Most fortunate of the four was Father Simone Giroux, who left Montreal six years ago to come to France. He escaped from the prison to carry on his work as a Franciscan missionary underground.

In his office, General Vanier was talking with a French woman seeking news of relatives in Canada, while Mme. Vanier listened.

Mme. Vanier in her Canadian Red Cross Corps uniform beat her hands together. "If only I could do something for all the people who come here," she said. "If only the Red Cross supplies would arrive. Everyone we meet is in need of something. Some haven't tasted meat for four years."

"We had a few tins of bully beef which we gave out—they thought it was the most wonderful gift in the world. We've given away all the cigarettes we have to Canadians hungry as wolves for the taste of a Canadian cigarette."

Australia Studies Population Plans CANBERRA (CP)—To support an additional 1,000,000 population, Australia would need about 25,000 more breadwinners engaged in farming another 835,850 acres.

Assuming that each breadwinner had four dependents, the commission states that 125,000 would be additionally associated with this "new" farming. The commission believes that the extra production would include 27,457,000 sheep for wool and mutton, 462,700 lambs, 197,250 cows for milk and dairy products, and 382,000 oxen for beef and veal.

In compiling the figures the commission has assumed that the new 1,000,000 population would require the same standard of living as that which was obtained in the decade 1932-41.

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During the first Great War eleven Boy Scouts were awarded the Victoria Cross. That record has now been broken in this war, with fifteen former Scouts now listed as winners of this most coveted decoration.

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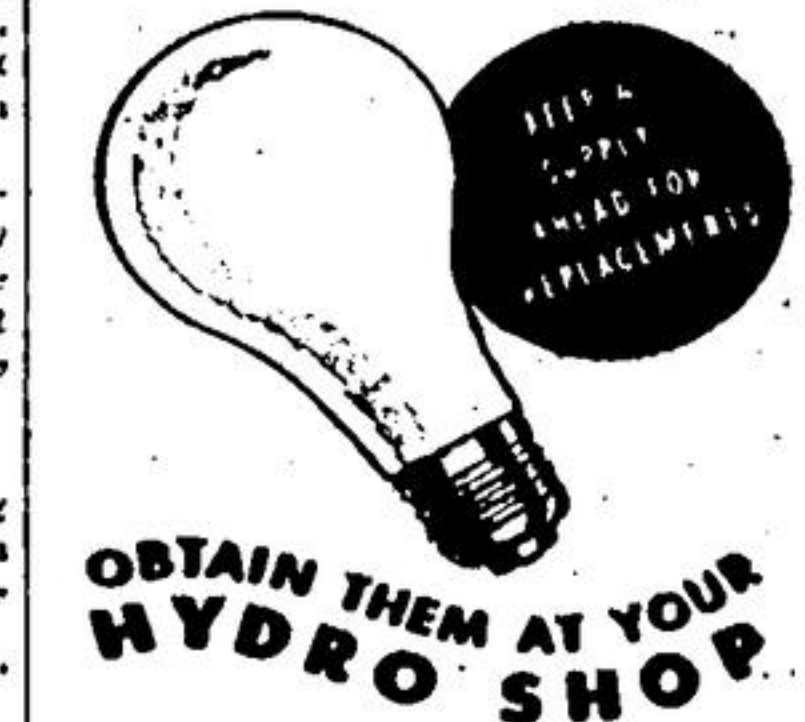
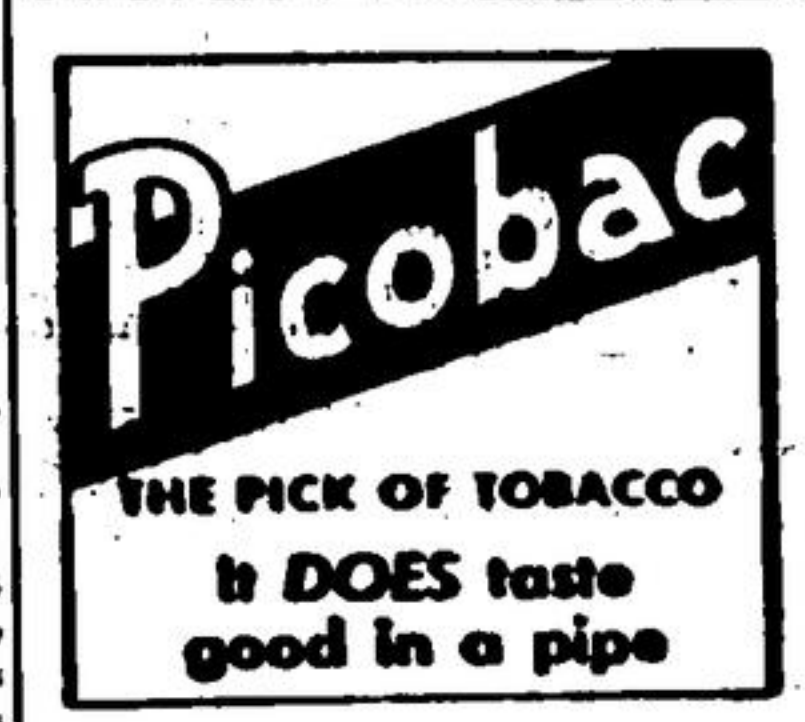
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