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**Armistice — A Milestone for Peace**

On Remembrance day we remember those who have given their lives in two world wars. Is this two minutes silence long enough for us to think of our friends and relatives who have died for us? For twenty-one years 10,000,000 Canadians celebrated Remembrance Day before this war; 7,000,000 hours of gratitude for courage and sacrifice! The gratitude felt in this silence challenges us to use all our energies of heart, mind and spirit to build a sound and lasting peace.

As the days go by, events happen which mould the future. They may be small events, a prejudice which is caught up and built upon by the next person until it becomes a government policy, a national powder keg. Every man, woman and child in Canada is moulding the future of our country. How slow we are to realize "That means me!" When we do see it we can fight to create that mould out of our strengths—courage, honesty and hard work, not out of our weaknesses—prejudice, greed and fear.

How can we do this? We can put an end to personal wars. We can keep our hearts open and let affection for those loved ones be used for those around us.

As one Canadian mother whose husband fell at Dieppe writes:

"I'll thank the Lord who made him fearless, though valor claimed his life. Like him I'll be a fighter ever, and conquer in the strife.

I may not raise a cross of stone to hallow the place he fell. But for his sake I'll fight to build the land he loved so well."

We can live as we want our nation to live. We can begin to make the other fellow, the other nation great.

Then Canada will have an inner strength, a dignity and authority as she takes her place among the nations. Her dealings will be fair, because Canadians are fair. Her policy will be for the good of all nations because Canadians have learned to care for each other. She will be honest because Canadians have nothing to hide. Canada, clean, strong, free—a country whose people have discovered "the things that belong unto peace."

**Some Social Aspects of Fewer Hours, More Pay**

In His book "France on Berlin Time" Thomas Kernan has a chapter on Social Reforms in which he describes the French workman's reaction on the introduction of the 40-hour week by the Popular Front Government prior to the last war, or to be more correct, the recent war. The Socialist Premier, Leon Blum, who introduced the measure with paid vacations, envisaged a more valuable use of this added leisure and money than the manner in which it was used. Blum, well aware that traditionally the Frenchman while used to his daily wine had never become an alcoholic, and his view was that Jean workman would take his wife and family on picnic jaunts to the country.

Here is what happened. The Frenchman, with few hobbies, no outside interests, with this unaccustomed leisure thrust upon him, simply went around the corner to his favorite "bistro" to join his fellows, talk politics, consort with women patrons and end up good and drunk. A staggering drunk, an almost unknown phenomenon 20 years ago, became far too frequent during the pre-war years. It undermined the national will. When the war broke in 1939 the government banned hard liquor three days a week, permitted the use of wine and beer. Today fortified wines are limited to 18 per cent. alcoholic content. The intoxicated straggler has disappeared from the streets.

We are not sure of the point that may be made in measuring this bit of social-history against our experience in this country, or more particularly in

this province, for the parallel, generally, is somewhat divergent. A better view may be had in the province of Quebec, whose people in habits and culture are more akin to their continental forbears. But today, with a demand for more pay, shorter hours, universal paid vacations and the rumored change in policy of the Liquor Control Board, there may be some value in considering the facets in this amazing disclosure written by an authoritative observer.—Bowmanville Statesman.

**Canada's Prestige**

The visit to Britain of Mr. Mackenzie King in his dual capacity as Canadian prime-minister and secretary of state for foreign affairs, points up the fast-developing influence of this Dominion in international affairs.

The evolution of Canada as a world power began long before the Statute of Westminster in 1931 formally acknowledging the independence of the dominions within the British Commonwealth. The enactment of the statute made Canada's nationhood an established fact, a momentous milestone in her history. But the average citizen has perhaps lost sight of the statute's significance in the maze of world events in the last 14 years.

The Canadian prime minister went to the United Kingdom with the avowed purpose that "Canada should not merely be consulted but that there should be a clear recognition of Canada's rights to effective participation in the great decisions where questions affecting the general ordering of the future peace of the world are under consideration." Canada's world prestige was underscored by the announcement that Mr. King will soon confer in Washington with Prime Minister Atlee of Britain and President Truman of the United States concerning the future of the world-shaking discovery of atomic energy and other topics of world rather than purely national interest.

There is another phase of the Dominion's relations with other countries that emphasizes her international position. The number and rank of her representatives abroad is steadily increasing. Canada had a high commissioner in Britain in 1880. The appointment of resident diplomatic representatives to foreign countries developed after 1918, until in 1943 the ministers exchanged between Canada and the United States assumed ambassadorial rank. France, Russia, Brazil, the Netherlands and several other countries now receive ambassadors.

The world embracing complexities of current events tend to obscure these significant steps as a result of which Canada has the right to expect effective participation rather than mere consultation in major decisions affecting the post war settlement of the world.

**Going Stronger Than Ever**

Citizens of Acton and district made the Ninth Victory Loan their greatest and accepted their part of the challenge in making it "Canada's Greatest Loan." Most of the citizens not connected with the Loan activities were indeed surprised when the goal was reached on Friday shortly after dinner. It was a week ahead of any previous Loan and a splendid tribute not only to the loyalty of the district but to the thrift of the people.

Most folks realize that present prices of wanted goods are higher than normal and that quality is not high. Many of the articles wanted are not even available. There is only one sensible thing to do—put the surplus in Victory Bonds until the day when these articles are available. Returns from payrolls showed the stability of the workers. They have used excellent judgment in making their investment. Objective has again been reached in Acton and like the progressive community it is a new objective was promptly adopted.

**Uniformity Will Be Costly**

The Financial Post last week gave some interesting information regarding the reconversion job that will be required if Ontario changes from 25 to 60 cycle electric power. It seems that Ontario is about the only large section on the continent that uses 25 cycle power. Adoption of this cycle was a mistake on the part of Hydro as viewed from the present day. But even at that the benefits of Hydro far outweigh the mistakes. But it seems that during the next few years a change to 60 cycle power would be advisable. For instance, when television becomes a fact only the stations broadcasting on 25 cycle power would be picked up by those residing in Ontario. There are, of course the advantages too of being able to purchase electrical equipment more reasonably if a cycle uniform with other parts of the continent were adopted and the advantages of having appliances suitable for other places if a move was made.

No one yet knows what the cost would be but it is estimated reconversion of the Niagara system may run to over a hundred million dollars.

But modernizing the Ontario system would also be costly not only in industry but in every household. Motors, gears, belts and fluorescent lighting would be affected in most industrial plants. In homes washing machines, refrigerators, oil burners, stokers, blowers, pumps, electric clocks and some radios would require alterations.

Difference between 25- and 60-cycle is that in alternating current the energy in each wire changes from positive to negative many times a second. If the change from positive to negative and back again occurs 25 times a second, you have 25-cycle; if it changes 60 times a second you have 60-cycle power. Generators, motors and transformers have to be specially designed for the change in cycle.

**MORE CANADIAN SEED PASTURES AND HAY**

More and more of the pastures and hayfields in Canada which help to feed live stock are being sown to Canadian produced seed. The Dominion Department of Agriculture says that if the wartime trend of increasing the domestic production of seed continues Canadian farmers will no longer be obliged to depend on imported supplies of seed to grow grasses, clovers and alfalfa. This year, growers are harvesting a record crop of timothy seed. The crop is expected to total about 16 million pounds, 5 million pounds more than in 1944. Production of Kentucky blue grass, Canada blue grass and creeping red fescue, is also higher this year than in 1944. The harvest of alfalfa seed will probably be lower this year than last.

Alsike clover seed is expected to be one-third higher in 1945 than in 1944. No estimate is yet available on red clover seed of which the increased acreage may be balanced by the fact that the crop has been late and subject to frost damage. The crop of sweet clover seed this year appears to be slightly down from that of 1944.

The 1945 crop of these forage crop seeds is not only sufficient to meet most of Canada's needs, but will also provide a surplus for export to Britain and continental Europe and for distribution through UNIRA.

**W. P. T. R. ALLOWS CREAM SALE BOOST**

Because of increases and shifts in population resulting from the return of servicemen to civilian life and because of increased requirements of hospitals and educational institutions, Wartime Prices and Trade Board has permitted milk distributors to sell 10 per cent more cream than they sold in June, 1944, which has been the basis month for cream production up to the present time.

Because of the increase in consumers, this 10 per cent boost will not mean that individual families will get more cream than they formerly did. The maximum butter fat content of cream is still limited to 18 per cent so that there has been no change in richness.

At the same time, K. H. Olive, Dairy Products Administrator, WPTB warned that the butter fat supply situation in Canada was still difficult and every effort must be made to maintain the butter ration at present levels. Milk production Mr. Olive said, has declined due to bad weather and the output of both butter and cheese is now running below last year's level.

Cream sales in June, 1944, when sales were restricted on the more important markets, were at a level of approximately 20 per cent of the average sales in 1943.

**Business Directory**

**MEDICAL**

**DR. W. G. C. KENNEY**  
Physician and Surgeon  
(Successor to Dr. J. A. McNiven)  
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Acton  
Office Phone 18—Residence Church  
St., Phone 150

**DR. H. G. JOYCE**  
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Office at R. H. Elliott's Residence  
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Elgin Street, Acton  
PHONE 222

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**DR. HUGH S. AUSTIN**  
Dental Surgeon  
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**DR. A. J. BUCHANAN**  
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Phone 88w

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**TIME TABLES**

**CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS**

Going West

Daily, except Sunday	9:01 a.m.
Saturday only	2:38
Daily, except Sunday	7:48 p.m.
Monday, only	12:08 a.m.
Daily, except Sunday	1:24 a.m.
Flyer, at Georgetown, daily	
except Sat and Sun.	6:35 p.m.
Flyer, at Guelph, daily	
except Sat and Sun	7:12 p.m.

Going East

Daily, except Sunday	6:49 a.m.
Daily, except Sunday	9:56 a.m.
Daily, except Sunday	6:50 p.m.
Sunday, only	8:19 p.m.
Flyer, daily, Georgetown	9:25 p.m.
Flyer, daily, at Guelph	8:59 p.m.

**GRAY COACH LINES**

COACHES LEAVE ACTON

Eastbound

x6:46 a.m.	b7:46 a.m.	9:16 a.m.	
11:51 a.m.	2:06 p.m.	5:16 p.m.	6:26 p.m.
9:06 p.m.	b11:11 p.m.		

Westbound

a10:38 a.m.	y11:43 a.m.	2:35 p.m.	
4:58 p.m.	7:33 p.m.	b8:38 p.m.	
a9:23 p.m.	y11:28 p.m.		

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