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## The Editor's Corner

#### TEACHING DEMOCRACY

"Recently we have been receiving resolutions asking us to teach democracy to children, and urging that, even if we do, to teach them

more about it. "But democracy is more a way of living than a form of government; it is a difficult thing to teach, but we are teaching them the things that grow and develop under democracy, and we are teaching them these . things in literature and in every way we can. - Hon. Dr. L. J. Simpson, at the convention of the Ontario Educational Association.

Dr. Simpson conveys a world of truth in these remarks. Democracy embraces the whole field of living. It comprises the sum total of the way we go about our daily tasks going to church, buying groceries, voting, choosing a profession, criticizing our government, educating our children. No curriculum could be laid down which would categorically teach each of the phases of a democratic state. It is rather through each of us practicing practical democracy that our children will learn to cherish and respect it.

#### SPRING IS HERE!

Credit goes to Miss H. J. Lawson for reporting the first 1940 robin seen in Georgetown.

#### A PREACHING MISSION

Need we ask you to lend support to the preaching mission being conducted by the Baptist and United Churches in Georgetown. While these meetings are being held in only two of our churches, their intent is a non-denominational expression of faith, and members of other churches are urged to come and hear Dr. McLeod's message.

We think it would be a fine idea if various organizations in town should plan on attending one of the meetings in a body. In this modern world, with so many "isms" striving to overcome the Church, it is increasingly important that we support the Church.

#### POLITICS

Our political questions settled for the time being, we can now watch the birth of a new election campaign in our neighbour to the South. The big question, of course, is whether Roosevelt will decide to defy tradition and seek a third term. So far he has led the political commentators a merry chase, never giving any direct public statement on his intentions.

#### HERE'S ONE ON THE GRITS!

With the Liberal Party victorious in the elections, perhaps they

will pardon a joke at their expense. The law allows a man to change his name if he can show sufficient reason for the change. A man made application for a hearing for such a change; and was duly brought before the judge. Questioning him the judge learned that he bore the name William Lyon Mackenzie Steinch. "Well, my good man," sympathized the Judge, "I don't blame you

for wanting a change. What would you like to be called?" "If it please your Honour," replied the applicant, "I should like it changed to John Henry Steinch !"

#### A GOOD LOSER

You can't help but admire a chap like George Atkins, defeated National Government candidate in Halton County. In a few gracious words in his newspaper last week, Mr. Atkins accepted the decision of the voters and pledged his whole-hearted support to the new government

during the war period. The world abounds with good winners, but a good loser is something of a rarity. Our hat is off to such a one-George Atkins.

## POETRY

### THERE'S GOLD IN EVERY SOUL

But deep down in the heart there's sure to be Some hidden virtue that the world will prize.

There's gold in every soul, could we but hear-Misunderstood by us the voice was heard. And could the mind but reach our

A kindly thought would gleam in There's gold in every soul, could we And clear the gloom away. The clasp of hand we pass it lightly For kindly deeds are never lost-

But touch the spirit, and it would re-A thrill of sympathy for every sigh.

And, drawing closer as through life The friendliness of those that light

- As though all mortals were as good And I will keep the storehouse of my A band of love would circle then in- Barred to the gloom of memories that From Earth to Heaven, could our I shall remember only lovely things

James A. Ross, Wellandport.

### DO THE BIGHT THING

There's gold in every soul, could we You'll find this world's a fine old place · If you'li but make a fight, The rough exterior may blind our And meet dull care with laughing eyes, And do the thing that's right.

> Across life's stony road. And from some tired shoulders lift The heavy, toilsome load.

> If you'll but speak a cheerful word When things are sad and blue. Or chase the shadows from a face And see the smiles break through.

These little deeds are all we need To turn work into play. They free our paths from selfishness.

They sing a glad refrain; They sweeten up our daily toil And ease the weary pain.

Let me remember only lovely things. There's gold in every soul, could we The scattered smiles of children at their play. We may be searching for the faults The sapphire of the sea, a star adrift, The spreading glory of the dying day;

Perhaps the virtues might outshine Like crystals woven into winter snow; The clear blue sky that follows sum-

There's gold in every soul, did we but | Sweet warbled notes, a sunset's after-

When time has taught me wisely to

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The mailing list of the Georgetown Herald has been corrected to date. Would all subscribers notice the date marked on this week's issue?

NOTICE

If this is incorrect, please get in touch with us, and we will rectify the error.

# The Canadian Legion Speaks - Part II

mary of extracts from the Canadian Legion memorandum submitted to the leaders of the four Dominian political partles:-

Problems of the Present War The Canadian Legion, while it can never be unmindful of the needs of the men and women who served 1914 till 1918, is by its Constitution charged with caring for the interests of the men now serving . . . Therefore we desire to make certain observations with regard to the new problems which now arise, and particularly in regard. to pensions and renabilitation. These problems resolve themselves into two classes, immediate and future.

#### Immediate Problems

(1) Dependents' Allowances: Government apparently dedetermination, that the dependents of allowances to men who enlist in the Armed Forces should be the responsibility of Government . . . We approve of principle-but-regret that the Regulations, as originally drawn up, appear to us to have been unduly restrictive, so much so that the policy initiated was to a large degree thwarted. Hundreds of cases were brought to our attention as a result of which we were able, by reason of our extensive experience in dealing with similar problems, to appreciate the cause of the difficul- To turn a young man who has indicaties. We approached the Minister of ted his willingness to serve and to give National Defence on December 19th; his life, if need be, adrift, in the mided . . . As a result of our experience we make the following recommendations:

system of Dependents' Allowances and marriages by men in the Service. We While operations are in progress it is the making of Regulations in connec- need not discuss the question tion therewith should be placed under widows' pensions, for if the Governeither the Canadian Pension Commis- ment is willing to assume that liability Board, whose personnel has had exten- not so much concerned about the sive experience in dealing with such widows. They will be automatically

Pay and Dependents' Allowance Regu- men and the post-war care of their lations should be established on the wives and children. If they are no: premises that an assignment of pay by pensioners, is the Government prepara member of the Forces to a dependent ed to ensure their care and maintencreates a prima facie case of depen- ance? If our experience over the last dency, and where dependency is shown twenty years is any guide the answer to exist, particularly in cases of de- is certainly not . . . If such marriages pendents other than wives, that the are approved and recognized. they amount of Allowances should be fix- should be recognized after demobilied as nearly equivalent as possible to zation and the young man who has the married rate set out in Article never worked, who is by training un-101 (a) of the Regulations, and should qualified to suppor; a wife and family, embrace Allowances for a dependent should not after the war become, with parent and, if applicable, on behalf of his wife and family, an object of public two minor brothers or sisters where charity . . . The policy of the Governand while the soldier is shown to be ment should be determined now and the sole support of the family.

enlistment contributions towards the this problem as we have had to do. maintenance of a dependent other (6) Proposals to aid pension and than a wife to the amount of \$15.00 Treatment administration: a -month to represent the odsts of board and lodging be discontinued, ex- War we took occasion to submit to tion to service. cept in cases where the pre-enlistment the Government certain observations \$55 00 a month.

(2) Assigned Pay. easily do so. Some system of savings last War, and particularly in the steps prior to January 1st. 1930, or, if mar-

tigher than current as an inducement. As a result we believe that many hun-(8) Enlistment Problems:

Bo far as we can judge the policy of the Government is orderly enlistment according to needs and without undue interference with the economic life of the Country. But there are a great many young men who are keenly desirous of enlisting and when enlistment is opened at any depot they throng there to offer their services Frequently they go long distances: generally they are without very much in the way of financial resources. The medical examination routine . . . takes

time and by the time the final decision is given the men are frequently "broke." They turn to The Legion for help but there are limits to what The Legion can do. We feel that i is high time that some system should be devised whereby men who desire to enlist may have an opportunity of being medically examined at their own homes or else it should be publicly announced that men from outside ed. . . . We desire a clear cut anwill make this impossible.

(4) Discharges: Closely allied to the foregoing is the man who is accepted, gives up his job and then after two, three or more months is discharged medically unfit. 1939, and submitted to him a compre- dle of winter is we believe, cruel, and hensive memorandum. While we do while we entirely approve of elimintaken was as a result of our repre- believe that the country is being fair sentations, we are glad to note that in turning such a man adrift until steps were taken to improve the situ- some provision is made for his employation, and to be able to state that ment or at least for his subsistence conditions are now definitely improv- until such time as he can become re-

(5) Marriages: We admit that it would be very diffi-(a) That the administration of the cult for the Government to regulate provided for. What we are concern-(b) That the principle of Assigned ed about is the rehabilitation of these the veterans of the new war should (c) That the practice of taxing pre- not be called upon, to wrestle with

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should be provided, offering interest taken to detect incipient tuberculosis. dreds of such cases have been detected, and many lives saved, and, incidentally; many millions of dollars in pensions. But so far as we know, other. recommendations equally valuable, and based on experience, have

been implemented, and which if implemented would make the pension problem infinitely less difficult than was after the last War, and incidentally save the Country a great deal of money . . . In order to give the Pension Commission a fair chance to discharge its duties we recommend as fol-(a) Instructing Officers in Principles

of Pensions:-In the last War probably not a single Officer had the foggiest idea about pensions. In present War a few who have been active members of The Legion may have a rudimentary knowledge. Yet a full understanding of the principles of pension should be regarded as essential in a Regimental Officer in order that he cruiting centres would not be accept- may be able to record significant facts which thereafter might have a bearnouncement of recruiting policy which ing on a man's right to entitlement. ... We recommend that all Company Officers and all non-commissioned Officers be given a course of instruction in the principles of pension.

(b) Documentation of Complaints on Service:-Allied to the foregoing and of great importance subsequently documentation of complaints on service. We have hundreds of cases in which the man complains that he renot claim that the action subsequently ation of the unfit . . yet we cannot light duty, of which no record is avail- Suritz, Soviet Ambassador to France.

ment indicated. (d) Co-ordination of Services "on Discharge:-There should be co-ordination of the Military Medical Services and the Pension Services on discharge. military duty he then becomes the successors. responsibility of the civilian Department whose duty it is to fit him for some place in civil life . . . When a man en ers the Service he is medically examined to ensure that he is physically ifit, and that in taking him on the Country is not thereby assuming large potential liability. During his period of service if our recommendations are adopted, everything that happens to him will be carefully re-

corded. But on discharge it is essento determine his medical cattery. He of hostilities in Europe. was x-rayed on going in, he should be x-rayed in going out. If there is any change it will be recorded and its imyears later breaks down, with tuberculosis or a heart condition, it will be a fairly simple matter to determine Shortly after the outbreak of this whether such condition has any rela-

(e) Widows:-It would also be demonthly contribution was more than as to matters which, in the light of sirable if a declaration were made, at our experience, should not be over- the earliest possible date, as to the looked . . . We presume that Officers | Government's policy in regard to wid-The existence of a little nest egg on of the Government were equally well ows. It seems to be the idea demobilization would be a great help, informed on these matters and there- that the widow of a man who As Service pay goes, the pay of our fore claim no especial credit for the served is entitled, as of right, to a penmen is generous and they should be fact that medical examination has sion upon his death. Today the law encouraged to save, and they could been much more thorough than in the is that if the parties were married

ried thereafter, prior to an award of pension, and the man dies of his pensionable disability, or if being a pensioner to the extent of 50% or over, he dies from any cause, his widow is entitled to pension. But in all other cases no pension is payable We surgest that while enlistment is now in its early stages the Government should make a definite statement of policy so that men enlisting and wo-

ment marrying them may have no doubt as to their position. (f) Venereal: -It should be made

compulsory that all recruits be given adequate instruction in the consequences of venereal disease and effective steps taken to ensure its prevention. In making this suggestion we do not desire to suggest that men in His Majesty's Forces are more immoral than men in civilian life. They are not. But in time of War and when men are concentrated in restricted areas the sources of infection are perhaps likely to affect a greater number . . . Let every effort be made to

## DIGEST

Tuesday to Tuesday in the News

Berious - diplomatic - tension - lef ported sick on Service and received French and Russian relations strained. medicine and duty or medicine and Last week, Russia recalled Jacob able. . . . The M O. of a Unit should Rumours were that Paul Reynaud's have an Orderly whose duty it is to new French government had demandrecord every complaint made - the ed this. Paul Naggiar, French Amdecision of the M.O., and the treat- bassador to Russia, has been home for some time, ostensibly on "sick leave."

Day after the disastrous defeat of naturally the duty of the Military Me- National Government, Dr. R. J. Mandical Services to retain the services of ion announced his retirement as leader every man who can be made available of the Conservative Party. Col. George sion or the War Veterans' Allowance we have nothing to say. But we are for military duty. But when a man Drew. Denton Massey, Joseph Harris can no longer be profitably used on were among those in line as possible

### A FIRST-HAND REPORT

Home from a tour of European capitals, as the personal representative of the President, Under-Secretary of State Summer Welles hurried to the White House to confer with President

Roosevelt. While in Europe, Mr. Welles visited Rome, Berlin, Paris and London, and tial that everything that medical brings home his opinion of factors science can suggest should be utilized operating for and against termination

No statements were made to the press, save that neither the President nor Mr. Welles would have "any word plications will be obvious . . If there- to say following their conference, to. fore the man, ten, fifteen or twenty the press, or to any of their friends or to anyone else.

#### ALBERTA ELECTIONS

With 5 ridings still doubtful, the score in the Alberta elections stood: Social Credit 33, other parties 19.

Close on the heels of the Dominion election comes news that the Manitoba government is considering going to the people.

# MEN FOR THE AIR FORCE

The Department of Labour's Aircraft School at Galt graduated its first class—183 strong—from the 6-month intensive jourse. These young men, trained in wireless telegraphy, construction, machine shop, aero engineering will boost the growing ranks of Canada's air force.

Meanwhile, a new class of 225 will begin the course at Galt.

## OBITUARY

Wellington, New Zealand-Rt. Hon. Michael J. Savage, 68; since 1935 Labor Prime Minister of New Zealand. St. John's, Nfld .- Sir Richard Squires, 60, twice Prime Minister of New-foundland, 1919-23, 1928-32. Torontc-Very Reverend T. Albert

Moore, 79, ex-moderator of the United Church of Canada. Ottawa-Rev. W. G. Brown, newlyelected United Reform member of the

Dominion Government for Saskatoon

## SOLDIERS DON'T PAY

No Radio License Collected From Troops in Camp

Soldiers who take their radio receiving sets into camp will be freed from paying the annual \$2.50 license fee, transport department officials have announced.

Ministerial sources declared also that an early announcement was expected to be made of the abolition of multiple licensing homes with more than one set. This step will man a saving to householders of approximately

"No attempt has been made or will be made to collect license fees from members of Canada's fighting forces in the different training centres across Canada who bring their privately owned radios to camp," transport officials said.

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