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**EDITORIAL**

**Opportunity is Passing**

With just a few more days left in the Fifth Victory Loan, opportunities for sharing in speeding the victory are slipping past. Not only have the armed forces shown a willingness to win on the fighting front, but their example in the purchase of Victory Bonds is one that leaves no option for those on the home front to emulate and go over the top in the quotas set for the municipality and the district.

The boys overseas who left home just a few months or a year or so ago are watching for reports in the home paper telling that we have again come through, just as we at home are cheered by the successes they are achieving on the battle-field. There is no comparison of sacrifice—as a matter of fact a gilt-edged bond on the best country in the world with guaranteed interest every six months at three per cent. can scarcely by any stretch of imagination be classed a sacrifice at all.

But without the loan of our money at this crucial time those we hold dear may be lacking in the equipment needed to protect the lives they are prepared to sacrifice for the freedom we all enjoy. In these final days let's speed that victory; let's speed the campaign to go over the top. Canada needs your money to play her part. You can give it—each to his or her own ability, but let it test your ability to the very limit.

**By Way of Introduction**

This is the first issue of The Canadian Champion under our editorship. During the weeks that follow there are many things that we will discuss together in these columns. With some of these subjects you may be in agreement with us, and on others you may disagree. We will welcome constructive letters to the editor for publication on subjects of general and community interest.

We come to edit your paper and attempt to give you all the local news of Milton and the district, not to propound any of our ideas or theories that may have been gleaned in any other community. It is hoped the readers will come to look on The Champion as their community newspaper. It is our aim to make your newspaper a champion of the things that are good for Milton and district. With your co-operation of sending in items of local interest this aim can best be attained.

While our connection with Milton is not as deep-rooted as that of the former publishers, Messrs. Blight and White, who had spent their lifetime in Milton, we do not feel that we enter your community as a total stranger. Perhaps it is a bit far-fetched to claim our roots in Milton through marriage, but it is a fact that Mrs. Dills is a native of Milton, and just a co-incidence that her birthday is to-day, on the same day that we publish the first edition of The Champion under our direction. Without becoming too personal we will add that we enter the new field with a very high regard for those who have Milton as their birthplace.

In conclusion we would indeed be remiss if we did not say that we appreciate most heartily the very kind welcome of many of our friends in Milton, and the very cordial reception we have had from all whom we have met since coming here. Might we also add our appreciation too of the cordial business relationships that have followed through the transfer of the property from both Mrs. Blight and Mr. White and many others.

And now to the task, with our one sincere aim that we may serve you well.

**National Fitness**

There is much discussion regarding the advisability of launching a national physical-fitness program as a country-wide post-war project under the Federal Government sponsorship, the general objective of which would be the improvement of health standards. The need for such a policy has been brought to the fore because of the physical deficiency of a comparatively large number of volunteers for military service and already a move has been made in official circles to correct the apparent shortcomings in the Canadian physique.

The thought has been suggested, however, that a start is being made at the wrong end—in attention to the athletically inclined—rather than working

from the ground up. Those studying the situation should not be swerved by the glamor of spectacular sports in which the specialized athlete is the chief participant but could, and must, be brought to the early realization that the real advancement in health development should be directed to the countless thousands heretofore neglected.

The forgotten in physical-training sponsorship in Canada, probably for many years, are the juveniles in small towns, villages and rural areas. They have neither well-equipped playgrounds nor qualified supervisors. The tendency has been to cultivate the promising young athletes who have the advantage of training facilities and one result has been the production of "stable-fed stars" who aim for big-time sport.

The other day an elderly woman teacher in a rural schoolyard was seen trying to encourage a bit of basketball with some 20 pupils all essaying primitive play in which none obtained apparent benefit. Clearly, what was needed was regulated encouragement from a higher source.

Any physical-fitness program on a national basis should first seek those who are not endowed with bare facilities and have not had the advantage of sponsored opportunity for health exercises and properly controlled play. If and when program directors are appointed, they should work from the ground up—getting the rural sections organized first. Instructional guidance for those in charge of boys and girls, is, of course, a first essential. Valuable rural competitions would follow and there would be new spirit, new enthusiasm and improved well-being throughout the countryside.

**A Five-Point Program**

Orchids from American columnists don't very often fall into the laps of Canadian weekly newspapers. Recently, however, a widely read American column highlighted the recent convention speech of C. V. Charters, managing director of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association.

Emphasizing the magnificent part that reporters and editors are playing in the war zones and at home, this columnist states: "On almost every battle-ground ideas as well as armies have fought it out. Events have been complicated by the struggle of world ideologies that prostitute words and hide behind well meaning phrases."

"More than ever in this war," he continues, "there have been problems of interpretation. Newsmen and readers alike have needed a basic yardstick as a guide to clear thinking and reporting."

Such a yardstick, this columnist claimed, was offered by Mr. Charters in a straightforward five-point program given to all delegates of the C.W.N.A.

1. Restore for the country the great bulwarks of teamwork, home life and faith in God.
2. Plant absolute moral standards as the yardstick for both public and private action to forearm the nation against post-war moral landslide and consequent economic collapse.
3. Fight for national unity by spotlighting what is sound and constructive and by teaching the public to discern what inflames and divides.
4. To show the nation that the war of arms is only one phase in the fight for a Christian civilization against materialistic ideas.
5. To enlist every reader to build in his home office, factory or community the patterns of the new world we want.

**EDITORIAL NOTES**

Poppy Day—an opportunity to show that we have not forgotten those who fought in another war.

Remembrance Day has an added significance just now in Victory Loan days. Remembering the war of other years we can share in finishing the war of the present.

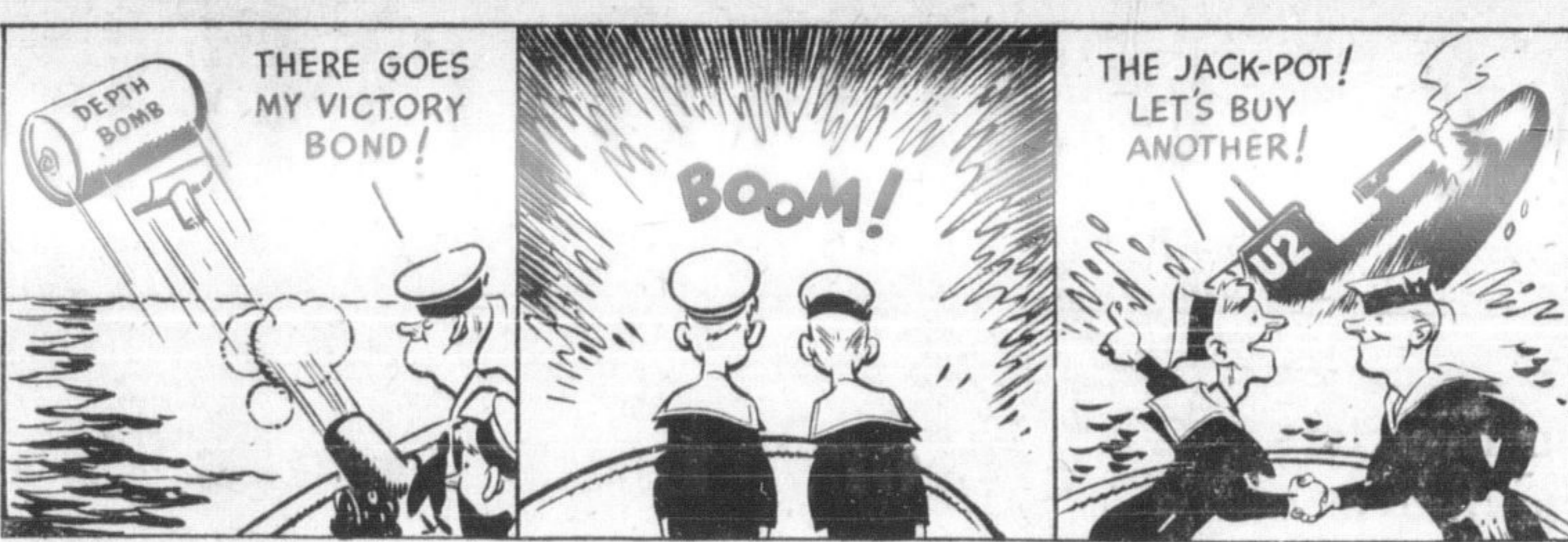
Just a few more days to participate in the Fifth Victory Loan. Finishing the job and speeding the victory is a personal matter with each one of us. Carry all the load you can.

Follow those Christmas packages to the boys overseas with a nice newsy letter from home. It will be almost as welcome as the Christmas package and the expense isn't much.

Elora was the first village in Ontario to reach its quota in this Victory Loan. Congratulations and we hope to not be far behind. A bouquet to Erin village where the quota has also been reached.

Mr. Jolliffe, the Socialist leader, has again berated Premier Drew because he has been in office ten weeks and has not implemented the 22 pledges on his election platform. The trouble with Mr. Jolliffe is that he wants to run before he can walk.—Smith Falls Record-News.

The high prices bid at auction sales may be a certain inducement to sell at this time, but mere conversion of goods into cash will profit no farmer who intends to carry on. The answer is that many agriculturists are curtailing their activities, and still others are giving up completely. The reason is no mystery.—Lachute, Que., Watchman.



**The Week at OTTAWA**

Specially Written for The Canadian Champion  
By GUY BEAUDRY  
Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA (CP)—Attention of Canadians interested in the problems of labor and management—and that just about includes all residents of the Dominion—will be focused this week on Ottawa, where an important Dominion-Provincial labor conference is scheduled to open Friday.

Provincial premiers were invited last week by Labor Minister Mitchell to send representatives to the meeting, presumably to discuss the government's newly-created program for wage control and management-labor relations.

Stemming from the six weeks inquiry into labor relations conducted earlier this year by the national war labor board, the new program has been receiving careful attention from the cabinet and labor department committees for several weeks and Mr. Mitchell's announcement of the conference was taken here as an indication it now is practically complete.

It is understood draft copies of the program will be placed before the provinces for their comments and that the provincial officials will also be provided with the reports of the board's inquiry.

These reports, a majority report signed by the chairman, Mr. Justice C. P. McTague, and Leon Lalonde, employers' representative, and a minority report by J. L. Cohen, K.C., since removed from the board and replaced by J. A. Bell of Toronto, have not yet been made public.

Believed to be included in the suggestion program are a new wartime tension of collective bargaining, and wage control order, provision for extension of collective bargaining, and legislation covering labor relations which would be designed to encourage closer co-operation between the worker and management.

The calling of a meeting with provinces was prompted by the fact that in peacetime, the provinces have labor largely within their own jurisdiction.

A long awaited list of labor priority rating for Canadian industries was made public last week by Arthur Mac Namara, national selective service director, who said four priority classifications have been established: "A"—very high priority; "B"—high priority; "C"—low; "D"—no priority.

Some observers here said the placing of agriculture in "B" classification would draw severe criticism but it was contended by others that labor ratings are subject to constant review. Thus, it was felt agriculture would be given a higher rating at the start of the farming season next year. The logging and wood-cutting industry was listed, as expected, in the "B" classification.

The bringing back to Canada of some 2,000 members of the Forestry Corps to help the hard-pressed wood-cutting industry warranted the placing of that industry in a high classification.

Improved Trade Envisioned  
Greatly increased trade relations between Canada and Brazil in the post-war period was envisioned at a press conference by Jean Desy, Canadian Minister to Rio de Janeiro, who came back to Ottawa for "consultation" with government officials. Mr. Desy said trade possibilities with the big South American countries were "immense".

Appointment by the government of Maj.-Gen. Georges P. Vanier, D. S. O., M. C., as Canadian representative to the French committee for national liberation at Algiers was interpreted as an indication of a possible intention to give fuller recognition to the Algiers committee.

Geo. Vanier, a former minister to France was minister plenipotentiary to some United Nations governments in London.

**Sheets and Towels are Slated for Increase**

Under standardization and simplification orders announced by the Prices Board, a considerable increase in the quantity of bed sheets, pillow slips, towels, wash cloths and bath mats loom in prospect. The consumer may not be able to obtain these articles in as many sizes, qualities, designs and colors as normally, but there will be more of them available. It is thought that an additional 175,000 towels will be produced as the result of the steps taken, along with a further 30,000 sheets.

**TO THE KID BROTHER:**

It was swell that you held down a war job this summer, Kid. I was proud of you when I read Mom's letter about it. Made you feel pals with us toughs who are chasing Nazis over here. And I'll bet that money looked good, too.

But it's autumn again, Kid, and Mom writes that you aren't back in school. I'm bothered about that. I know it's great to be on your own. When you can be treated like a man, it isn't easy to sit in a classroom and do lessons the teachers give you. I can see where the whole business of school doesn't seem important any more.

But it is important, Kid, the most important job you can do right now. Because if you don't go back to school now, Kid, it really can change your whole life. At first you won't feel it; but years from now, looking back, you'll say, "Why on earth didn't I get all the schooling I could?" It's hard to pick up again, once you've stopped. You may think you will, but people seldom do. So you'd go on, year after year, doing the only kinds of work that didn't take much schooling.

I can hear you telling me you'll soon be in this anyway. Yes, but the forces, too, need educated men.

So work part time if you must, Kid, and Sis, — but don't let the temporary pull of it keep you from getting schooling you will need and value all your life. The Nazis will like it if you don't go back. They don't think much of school. But we don't agree with them. In fact, one reason we're at war, Kid, is so that you will have your chance at what is worth while. —Christian Science Monitor.

**MORE FARM MACHINERY TO BE MADE AVAILABLE**

Production of farm machinery in Canada will be increased in 1944 to 80 per cent. of the 1940 production it has been announced by Herbert H. Bloom, Administrator of Farm Machinery and Construction Machinery, War-time Prices and Trade Board. Because of the importance of the domestic food program, and the need to back up the food program for our allies and liberated countries, farm machinery is given a high priority in Canada, Mr. Bloom commented.

Under rationing, new farm machinery is granted through applications Trade Board, and in Alberta about 22,000 applications were approved, the administrator stated.

Mr. Bloom pointed out that through price control Canada is the only country in the world where a farmer can buy new machinery at the prices fixed by the Board in the basic period. In countries where there is no price control farmers are paying as much as 40 to 50 per cent. more for their new machinery he said.

**2,800 MILE BIKE TRIP**

Two Toronto Boy Scouts, Bill Fawcett, 15, and Jack Davies, 16, solved the travel problem the past summer by undertaking a 2,800 mile bicycle trip from Toronto to Halifax and return, via New York. The six week trip cost the Scouts \$50 each, including food, souvenirs and film for their cameras. They carried their own camping equipment and slept every night but two in their pup tent. All meals were eaten outdoors. They visited Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, Boston, New York, Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls.

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