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"BE OF GOOD CHEER!"

There will be much sympathy with the local gentleman who said the other day that the hardest thing he found to bear in this war is the radio. News of ill-omen, without the background that would give it the proper perspective, keeps coming over the radio to annoy and depress. The hurried and often immature news over the radio has a tendency to confuse and alarm. The defection of the King of Belgium, for example, was a shock to all in its first announcement, but the fuller story showed that even this situation was not as calamitous as it first appeared. It may be imagination, but many are beginning to feel that the radio always gets the bad news first, while any good news seems to travel more slowly. In any event the newspapers carry a much more balanced account of the progress of the war, and people would be saved much anxiety if they waited for the more detailed accounts in the newspapers. This, however, is too much to expect, because all are so deeply concerned that they feel they cannot wait for anything. It should be admitted that the Canadian radio broadcasts, being based on Canadian Press newsgathering has been more reliable and less disturbing than some of the foreign broadcasts. Not only would nerves be saved some strain, but a better grasp of the war situation would be given the ordinary man and woman if they avoided at least some of the outside radio announcements.

There is trying news to be endured, however, these days, irrespective of radio or anything else. The great leaders in the lands overseas do not hold out comfort of much good news for the immediate present. Instead, they counsel all to be ready to bear passing ill-fortune with confidence in the final victory. It is true that General Weygand now begins to see his way clear before him. "In a month France will be on the march to victory," he asserts.

British peoples have prided themselves on being able to bear good news without undue elation, and to make ill news but prompt them to redoubled effort and renewed resolve. This should be the attitude of the day. His Majesty the King has placed the thought in noble words—words that might well be posted near every radio, held before the eyes as news may be read in the newspapers, enshrined in the hearts of all as news unrolls itself:—

"So now, peoples of the Empire, men and women in all quarters of the globe, I say to you: Put into your task, whatever it may be, all the courage and purpose of which you are capable. Keep your hearts proud and your resolve unshaken. Let us go forward to that task as one man, a smile on our lips and our heads held high, and with God's help we shall not fail."

MUST SHOW LOYALTY

In a recent issue of The Advance it was urged that care be taken to recognize the undoubted loyalty of the majority of groups of New Canadians to this country and its institutions. It was pointed out that it was unfair and unjust and un-British to class all New Canadians as questionable because they are not of British origin. As a matter of fact the British Empire's greatest glory is that it is not a racial organization, but the people of literally scores of racial groups bound together by the common ideals of love of liberty, justice and progress. At this time it is well to acknowledge freely that some of the most loyal and devoted of this country's citizens are men and women of other origins than the original British races.

On the other hand there should be no tolerance shown for subversive alien groups under any guise. Not only is this imperative for the safety of Canada, but it is particularly necessary for the protection of loyal Canadians of other than British origin. There have been alien groups working in Timmins for years, financed by foreign money, and in subtle ways seeking to undermine this land for the supposed advantage of countries that are alien in ideals to Canada and the Empire. Previous to the war these organizations had the impudence to threaten others of their racial origin to force them into the subversive efforts, and on occasion the matter even proceeded beyond the limits of threats. In some cases force was used to bully New Canadians to disloyal tactics. Only those who have seen below the surface realize the struggle endured by many New Canadians to keep their loyalty for Canada and the Empire and proceed on their way as good citizens. Everything should be done to welcome the loyal New Canadians and make their way easier, but this implies also the stern curbing and elimination of the subversive elements that undoubtedly exist.

To many it may appear to be a problem to decide which groups of alien origin are loyal and

which are not. There is not so much a problem there as might appear. There are groups of Polish, Italian, Croatian, Roumanian, Hungarian and other nationalities who make it plain that they are Canadians, British, first and foremost. They may retain their love for the land of their origin and for the customs and traditions of that land, and still be loyal to their adopted country. Indeed, it is remarkable how closely the ideals of these people approximate to what British people feel to be particularly British ideals and beliefs. On the other hand, the subversive groups show their attitude plainly enough when the cant with which they cloak their purposes is swept aside. The Advance has received from the Ukrainian Farmer-Labour Temple Association a copy of a resolution passed at a concert meeting on Sunday last bemoaning the fact that they are threatened with the closing of their hall in Timmins. Protest is made against the proposal of the mayor of Timmins and others to shut down the hall at least for the duration of the war. "It is with grave concern that we view the many flagrant attempts to stir up racial hatred in Northern Ontario," says the resolution. If there is any tendency to racial hatred in this country these days, the onus rests squarely on the shoulders of the subversive efforts. With the horrible examples of Norway, Belgium, France, and other countries in such recent view, and the treachery wrought to loyal people by these subversive elements, it is asking too much to expect that subversive elements in this land should not stir up contempt and dislike. It would be well if all recognized this fact:—that for the safety of the people in this present war, where treachery and traitorism has been used so extensively as a part of the enemy campaign, there is no possible room for any but loyal people. Enemy agents in any guise, or under any banner, should be either shot, imprisoned or interned, according to the degree of their subversive efforts. In the name of common sense, of safety, of justice to the loyal, there is no other possible attitude to take. The Ukrainian-Labour-Farmer Association, in its resolution pretends that it is only concerned with the task of contributing to Canadian life all that is progressive in Ukrainian culture. This is not the apparent result of their work as it has appeared to the general public. Instead, the public has had reason to believe that under the cloak of effort for the workingman and the farmer there has been deliberate attempt to foster class hatred, which is just as unworthy and injurious as racial hatred. In the whole resolution there is not a single suggestion of loyalty to Canada and the Empire. If the group is wholeheartedly loyal to Canada and the Empire in the same way that the Polish, the Ukrainian Prosvita, the Canadian-Italian, the loyal Finnish and other worthy groups, then this should be made plain. If they do not have this loyalty then there is no place for them in this country. This should be made plain.

If the Ukrainian Farmer-Labour group is in dispute, the members have themselves to blame. Over the Polish hall here there proudly flies the Union Jack. If the Ukrainian Farmer-Labour group have a British flag they keep it safely hidden. There were pictures of Lenin and Stalin in places of honour at the Ukrainian hall, but none of the King or Queen of the land that has given them generous hospitality. If the ideals of the group are those of the gangster nations of Europe, then there is no place for them in this country, and there should be no tolerance for them at this time. There is urgent need throughout all the world for the fiercest hatred for all the races that identify themselves with aggression, murder and rapine. If any group in this country are against these things and loyal to Canada and the Empire, they are welcome. But if that loyalty is lacking or half-hearted, this is no time for tolerance or debate.

THE OUTLOOK BRIGHTENS

There was news on Tuesday of this week that should be heartening to all Canadians, to all Britishers, to all who are concerned in the battle for liberty and decency in the world. Perhaps, the significance of the news was not fully realized because of the other items of apparent import that crowded the wires and the air. But so far as Canada is concerned, Tuesday's news from Ottawa was the most heartening since the opening of the war. The news suggests that the Government is dropping the idea of Canada's war effort being a political party event, and from now on will more and more make it an all-Canadian venture, in which men of all parties and classes will unite to make the part of Canada in the war as wide and as valuable as is possible. The way for this has been opened by the Government calling into conference the leaders of others parties and making such overtures as may make possible a more wholehearted and devoted war effort on Canada's part. The force of public opinion apparently has at last stirred Ottawa. Not only is it probable that war effort will be speeded, but there is suggestion of the pleasing news that already the Government has been doing more than the critics have thought possible. Once Canadians feel that Canada—all Canada—is wholeheartedly in the war—that all the power and resource of this country is to be freely given to the great cause—there will be a different morale evident in every section of the land. People will be so occupied doing what they can, so busy actually helping win the war, that there will be little time

FUNERAL OF C. C. OHLING AT KIRKLAND LAKE SUNDAY

Kirkland Lake, May 29—The funeral service for the late Cecil Carl Ohling, 45-years-old, was conducted from Trinity United Church on Sunday afternoon by Rev. J. E. Graham. Burial was in Kirkland Lake Cemetery. The deceased was the victim of a mine accident at the Delnita Mine, Timmins, on Friday, and the body was brought to Kirkland Lake for burial. Before going to Timmins, Mr. Ohling worked in Kirkland Lake for the Lake Shore and Sylvanite Mines. He is survived by his wife, three children, Marguerite, Cecil and Robert in Kirkland Lake, his father, and brothers and sisters, Fred, Jim, Clarence, Freda, Ethel and Dorothy of Kirkland Lake, Fulton and Viola of Timmins, and Harry of Stellarton, Nova Scotia.

Many floral tributes were received. Pall-bearers were Alex. Baxter, J. B. Beattie, Bob Moore, Angus McDonald, J. L. McDonald, and M. Doyle.

North Bay Nugget:—Lock for the silvery lining... it's there.

Development of Strategic Minerals Now National Duty

Canada Can Take Notable Part in Winning War.

There are so many important things to be done if Canada is to contribute her maximum effort toward winning this terrible war that we dislike bringing forward any suggestions that may appear trivial in view of the great things that must be done instantly to implement this Dominion's full strength, says The Globe and Mail. And yet we believe that in neglecting to encourage the production of domestic strategic minerals an opportunity has been missed to help the industry generally and make Canada sufficient unto herself, perhaps before the war is ended, certainly after peace has come.

During last week further steps were taken by the United States Congress

or energy left to worry over passing reverses. Canada has the resources, the skill, the workmen, the executive ability to make munitions, tanks, airplanes and provide other needed supplies. Canada can supply men for the various forces. There is scarcely anything that Canada cannot do to help win the war—nothing that it is not wholeheartedly anxious to do for the cause. If Tuesday's news is fully implemented by following events, and all the resources of men, money, material and supplies are turned to the winning of the war, the people of Canada will be busy, indeed, and as contented as any people can be in these dire times.

GRAVEL AND SAND—AND PLACER

During the war of 1914-1918 many countries suffered from an over-supply of rain. Even in this North Land, the rains seemed to be more frequent and of longer duration than customary. There were people who said the rains were due to effect on the clouds of the perpetual cannonading in Europe. There was a tendency, however, on the part of some to sneer at this rain theory as unscientific. With war again in progress, the surplus rains once more appear. This time, though, at least one gentleman of scientific knowledge and study is forward to support the theory that the tendency to rain has a direct connection with the war in Europe. Rev. A. J. Bruce, of Copper Cliff, who has won some fame as a weather forecaster, suggests that the terrific cannonading and bombing in Europe which the madman of Naziland started has set up such repercussions around the world that it has affected the elements in the upper regions and stimulated the unusually heavy precipitation. "This cannonading in Europe is the worst the world has ever seen," declares Rev. Mr. Bruce. "The effect it has on the atmosphere above the battlefields is so terrific that it spreads around the world. The first result of such percussions is the release of moisture, thus the heavy rains we have been hav-

to acquire more strategic and critical materials. As part of the huge current defense legislation, there is an appropriation of \$66 million, with a further \$66 million authorized, for purchase of such materials, without letting of bids on purely competitive basis. One bill, concurred in by eleven Western senators, would permit Reconstruction Finance Corporation Class B loans for development of strategic and other deposits, up to maximum of \$40,000, as compared with present Class B loans for gold, silver, and tin only, limited to \$20,000. Another bill, introduced by the Nevada and Arizona senators, would provide Class C mining loans for any commercial or strategic metal or mineral deposits.

The 1914 Treasury-Post Office Appropriation Act, approved last March, contained \$12,500,000 for strategic material purchases, with specific provision for \$3,000,000 to be available immediately, and this is now being used. In subsequent message to the Congress the President asked for additional \$12,500,000 and \$35,000,000 making a total of \$60 million requested for direct Gov-

KIRKLAND COUNCILLOR ON PROVINCIAL C.C.F. BOARD

Councillor M. T. McGuire, of Kirkland Lake, was appointed a director of the Ontario C.C.F. party at its annual convention in Toronto last week.

ernment purchases. Emergency defense funds could also be used for the same purpose.

The \$13 million expended during the current fiscal year was for purchase of 449 short tons of tungsten, \$500,944; 11,800 pounds of quartz crystals, \$100,000; 11,400 pounds of optical glass, \$80,000; 52,000 long tons of chromium, \$1,800,000; 6,124 short tons of pig tin, \$6,034,823; 63,000 long tons of manganese, \$2,052,268; 700,000 ounces of quinine sulphate, \$145,000; and 14,800 bales of manilla fibre, \$246,221. Recent contracts have been let for purchase of 23,500 tons of manganese for \$705,600, and 7,000 long tons of chromium for \$168,000, and many more are being considered. Plans are also being perfected by which the Procurement Division will loan up to around \$500 million to steel, rubber and other fabricating companies for purchase of needed strategic materials.

The huge sums thus allocated are, of course, far beyond the needs or present outlets in Canada, but it seems to us that a start should be made now, even if the sum appropriated be small. Nothing would give greater stimulus to search, and we know that already there are unmistakable signs that, with proper help, supplies of tungsten, antimony, molybdenum, mercury and manganese might be made important, and there are also several other minerals that might be coaxed into material production. If anything of this nature is to be done, it must be done quickly, or the search for and development of such minerals will cease. There is little chance of raising capital by the public route, and the exigencies of the present situation are such that it becomes a national duty if Canada is to become independent of foreign supplies of several kinds found to some extent at home.

Wanted Red Oil

A young woman driver pulled up at Mission's service station. "I want a quart of red oil?" she asked. "Red oil!" she gasped. "The tail light has gone out."—Blairmore Enterprise.

W. Owl says...
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MORE THAN NEIGHBOURS -- FRIENDS

FOR more than a century and a quarter Canada and the United States, with an unfortified boundary line of over 3,000 miles, have lived side by side as good neighbours. We exchange visits freely and with minimum formality.

This year owing to conditions in Europe our neighbours are expected to visit Canada during the touring season in unprecedented numbers.

It is the happy duty of Canadians to make our visiting neighbours glad they came... to see that they get the full worth of their money according to the rate of exchange as set by our Foreign Exchange Control... to make them firm friends of Canada, as well as good neighbours, before they return to their own homes.

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H. C. SCARTH, Manager, Timmins Branch