## War In 1940 Is Certainty

H. G. Wells Declared World Will Have Recovered

Sufficiently New York, -A' war to end war in 1940 was called a certainty, by H. G. Wells, the Erglish author, on his arrival here for a two-weeks' rest and sightseeing trip.

His prediction, Welss said, was reaffirmation of the prophecy contained in his recent book which took the view that the world will recovered economically within years sufficiently again to engage in a wholesale human slaughter.

War situations take a certain time Wells continued. "Certainly there nothing dangerous now, but 1940 gives us time.

Improvments in the science of war fare were viewed by Wells as forecasting a faster conclusion to the war of the future.

"Don't forget that the Great War was hastened in it send by mutinies I don't exactly want to include the British, but all the armies were getting lax in their discipline."

Asked to specify war danger spots Wells said that there was none Europe at present and that he was uncertain about the Far East.

#### Are You Beautifying Your Home Grounds

The "More Beautiful Canada campaign carried on during recent years has resulted in a vast improvement in the appearance of many districts, but there is still much to be done in this field. Many farm homes have wonderful natural settings, set tings similar to which the more affluent of our people spend thousands of dollars to create. But too often we find that the farmer has his house and farm buildings erected and he leaves it at that.

A house situated near a bend in the road, and on ground a little elevated above the surrounding land, offers a wonderful opportunity for landscaping with a very small expenditure either of time or of money. Beautifying the home grounds is valuable; from the practical as well as from the artistic point of view. A little money judiciously spent on landscape effects now will undoubtedly prove a good investment should it be necessary to sell the property at some future date. Suggestions for planting h'o me grounds will be gladly offered by the Dominion Experimental Station, Harrow. Ontario.

### Long Summer Seen By Woodstock Man

An unusually long summer is the cheerful prospect held out to householders whose backs are beginning to ache from shovelling coal during the past severe; winter, by William Radley, Woodstock's long distance weather, forecaster, who is sued his forecast for the jext six months, ending September 20.

"Yes, sir, naturellis going to make

it up for us," Mr. Radley said. "Starting right in May, we're going to have summer weather and that's some thing I haven't been able to say in my forecast in recent years, when I've had to warn folks to keep a supply of with her daughter, and a younger fuel on hand for cold days in May." sister handing her the colors she Mr. Radley, who has been forecast- requires. ing weather as a hobby since 1897 and who has gained considerable pro- of canvas with her hands, and placminence for the accuracy of his prognostications, suses readings of the winds ... over certain periods of the the colors and applies them, working year as the baris for his forecasts slowly, but deftly. All of her work and keeps extensive records of these depicts scenes of the out of doors. readings for purpose of comparison over a lengthy period of years.

#### H. Linney to Write Muskoka History

ney arrived in .Orillia recently, from Toronto, to take up their residence. They intend to make their home in Orillia for 'the future. Mr. Linney intends to devote a considerable part of his time to writing the history and folk !lore of 'Muskoka, !a ! task for which he has been gathering materials for, thirty, years. . Mr. Linney is already well known in Orillia.

### Brantford Man Dies

Brantford, Henry Weidrick, 70 died in hospital on Friday of injuries suffered a fractured skull and broken struck by an automobile as he walked on the Brantford-Hamilton highway east of Cainsville. Weidrick suffered a fractured skull and broken bones in his faces. Provincial Constable Ben Milligan launched an investigation.

## Separated

"Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Old age and retirement have served to separ- by impoverished farmers. ate Algoma's famous twins for the first time in their 70 years of life.

and Mrs. J. Irwin, who have lived on of this region of funds with which to adjoining farms in MacLennan for buy poison to combat the threatened 10 1c; pails, 11c; prints 9 1c. 51 years and who spent their girl- new invasion. hood years together in Huron County where they were born. Now Mrs. 'Armstrong will reside in Sault Ste. that the worst of the world depres-Marie while her sister remains in ston passed some time ago."-Alfred MacLennan.

## April Receipts Record Gain

Customs House Index Shows Tenth Consecutive Increase in Goods Importations.

Toronto-That the steady upward trend of business is continuing in Toronto is shown by the fact that when the Toronto Customs House show figures for April, a substantial increase in custome and revenue collections will be shown.

The increase recorded for April at the closing of the books higher than that of March, which was \$73,807. The upturn in customs receipts started last July when the first in-

crease was whown in the same month of the previous year. From July the increases have continued, this month showing the highest gain

March 31 was the end of the fiscal year for the Toronto Customs House, and while receipts for the year were only \$839,499 above the previous for cal year, a much greater increase will be shown for the twelve menths ending June 30, it is understood for custonis officials hope that May and June will continue to show increases, hereby making a continual 12-month in-

This month will make the tenth consecutive month of gains.

#### Two Tomato Crops Yearly Is Aim

Two tomato crops, under glass, is the ambition of one progressive Ontario grower. It is the proposal that one crop should be ready for market from October to Christmas, while the next would sell in May and June, just prior to the outdoor product making

For the fall crop, plants would be set in the greenhouse in July, fruiting by early October and continuing to Christmas. For the spring crop, seeding would be effected in December, getting the young plants developed to about a foot high by February or March, ready for the beds.

## Blind Mother Paints Pastels

Depicts Scenes of Outdoor World From Memory

mother of the late Glenn H. Curtiss, the Kinsmen's plans and pointed out aviation pioneer, finds solace at her easel, spreading on canvas she cannot 30 setting of pheasant's eggs see remarkably true pastels of scenes memory keeps fresh.

"Never mind, mother," Curtiss, who paced the field of flying for quarter of a century, consoled her after she awakened one morning six years ago to find the world blotted out, "you'll find things to keep you protected.

But even he scoffed with the rest of the family when Mrs. Curtiss determined to find her happiness in the

Now she works as many hours a day with her pastel sticks or brushes as her failing strength will permit,

Carefully, first outlining the board ing in her mind the outline of the proposed work, she then calls for

### Fire Losses

Toronto.-Fire losses in Canada during the week ending April 25 were estimated by: the Monetary Times at Orillia .- Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lin- \$439,550 during the preceding week and \$281,500 during the corresponding week last year. Fire losses since Jan. 1 to April 25, totalled \$5,349,-200, compared with \$6,820,525 for the same period in 1933.

### Hoppers Again

Insects in N. Nebraska, Where Three Successive Crops Destroyed

Butte, Neb. -Northeast Nebraska where hordes of hungry grasshoppers have destroyed-grain crops for three successive years, is threatened with another insect invasion.

The destructive army of the insect pests is already beginning to appear and farmers of the region are frankly discouraged.

Recent surveys by entomologists in Knox, Boyd, and Cedar Counties have "B.". indicated an unusually large hatch of the 'hoppers' this spring. This means possible loss of a fourth crop quoting the following prices to To-

Loss of crops during the past three years, through drought and grass-hop- 14c butts, 15 1/2c; pork loins, 19c; The twins are Mrs. J. Armstrong per plagues, has stripped farmers picnics, 13 1/2c.

> "It seems reasonable to suppose P. Sloan, Jr.

To Play In Italy



Miss Helen Jacobs, of California, United States women's tennis champion, snapped by the photographer as she sailed on the S.S. Rex to play a series of matches in Italy.

## Pheasant Eggs

Thirty Settings Will Be Provided for Hatching and Release in Norfolk

County Thirty settings of English Ringnecked Pheasants' eggs will- be supplied the Simcoe Kinsmen Club for distribution among youngsters of this county, according to word received from the Ontario Department of Cames and Fisheries.

In a letter to James J. Miller, leading proponent of the idea of the club's aiding in the propagation of wild life in this district, D. Mc-Donald, Deputy Minister of the 'Miami, Fla .- Blind, the 77-year-old department expressed high praise for that he would be pleased to supply hatching under the supervision of youngsters of 15 years or more.

The club's plan is to form a club \$2.00. somewhat on the lines of the Potato Club already in operation so that the pheasants may be hatched, released and properly looked after and

In his letter to the department Mr Miller had also inquired about Hungarian Patridge and was told that the policy in connection with these was to liberate only the grown bird. If proper application is received some of these may be sent for release in Norfolk, it was stated.

## The Markets

PRODUCE PRICES

· United Farmers Co-operative Co. Saturday were paying the following prices for produce:

EGGS - Prices to Farmers, cases returned. "A" large, 17c; "A" medium, 15c; "C" 14c. Company also advancing on pool shipments 12 cents: per dozen delivered: Toronto on grade "A" large and medium. BUTTER - Ontario, creamery

solids 19%c; No. 2, 19%c. POULTRY - "A" Grade Alive-Spring Chickens, -Over 6 lbs. 'ea. .11; Do., Over 5 to 6 lbs. each .10; Do., Over 4 to 5 lbs. each .09; Over 2 to 4 lbs. each .08; Broilers, over 11/4 to 2: lbs. .10; Fatted hens, Over 5 ibs. .11: Over 4 to 5 lbs. .10; Over 3 to 4 lbs. .08; Old roosters, over 5 lbs. .07; White ducklings, over 5 lbs. .12 Do., 4 to 5 lbs. .11; Colored, 2c less. POULTRY -- "A" Grade, Dressed -Spring Chickens, Over. 6 lbs. each, .16; Do., Gver 5 to 6 lbs. each .. 15; Do., Over 4 to 5 lbs. each .13; Do., Over: 2 to 4 lbs. each .12; Broilers, over 114 to 2 lbs. .15; Fatted hens-Over 5 lbs. .13; Do., Over 4 to 5 lbs. .12; Over 3 to 4 lbs. .10; Old roosters, over: 5 lbs. .10; Black and red-feathered birds 2c, less per lb. White ducklings, over 5 lbs. .14; Do., 4 to 5 lbs. .13; Colored 2c less; Young turkeys over 8 lbs. 17; Guinca

fowl, per pair, 75c. "B" grade poultry 2c lb. less than "C" grade poultry 2c lb. less than

WHOLESALE PROVISIONS Wholesale provision dealers are

ronto retail dealers: Pork - Hams, 191/c; shoulders,

10c; pails, 11c; prints, 10c.

LIVE, STOCK QUOTATIONS \$4.50 to \$4.75; Do., common, \$3.50 | clear the roads.

to \$4.25; Steers, over 1,050 lbs. good and choice \$5.50 to \$6.00; Do., medium \$5.00 to \$5.50; Do., common, \$4.50 to \$5.00; Heifers, good and choice \$4.85 to \$5.25; Do., medium, \$4.50 to \$4.75; Do., common, \$2.50 to \$4.25; Fed calves, good and choice \$6.50 to \$7.00; Do., medium, \$3.75 to \$4.25; Cows, good \$3.75 to \$4.25; Do., medium, \$3.25 to \$3.50; Do., common \$2.50 to \$3.00; Canand springers \$25.00 to \$45.00; Cal- Southwestern Ontario. ves, good and choice veals, \$6.00 to trucks \$8.00; Do., off cars \$8.50; Good ewes and wether lambs: \$9.00; Do., medium \$8.25 to \$8.75; Do. culls \$6.50 to \$7.50; Sheep, good

# Soviet Debarred From U.S. Credit

light, \$3.50 to \$4.00; Do., heavies,

\$2.50 to \$3.25; Do., culls, \$1.00 to

Old Liabilities Must Be Paid Is Official Ruling

Washington, May 6. - Attorney-General Homer Cummings decided to-day Russia was in default on obligations to the United States and was not entitled to receive financial aid from citizens of the country.

His ruling, which was made Saturday with a view to determining what countries would be barred by the Johnson Act from marketing their securities in the United States or in any other way receiving financial assistance, said that Great Britain, Italy, Czechoslovakia, Latvia and Lithuania, the five nations that have made token payments on their war debts, were not in default.

As for Canada, Mr. Cummings said he had been asked whether the Dominion is to be regarded as a political sub division of Great Britain.

answered in the negative," he added and this conclusion was suggested to Congress, but it appears to be immaterial in view of my conclusion concerning the intention of Congress as, applied to the obligations of subdivisions. Canada, I believe, is not in :default."

### MOSCOW IS RESENTFUL

Moscow, May 6. - Attorney Homer Cummings' ruling that the Soviet Government is a defaulter under the Johnson Act appeared certain today to intensify resentment aroused among Soviet officialdom by passage of the bill, shutting off United States credit to Moscow.

This resentment has already crystallized into actual retaliatory steps in the form of a recommendation that all Soviet economic organizations refrain from planning any orders from the United States, with the exception of such items that cannot be had elsewhere.

#### Used Snow Plows After Dust Storm

RED OAK, Ia .- Snow plows are busy in Montgomery country, chug-Lard - Pure, tierces, 10c; tubs, ging out defiance to spring breezes and a balmy sun. The reason is a Nebraska and Iowa, left the roads in this county clogged with 'dust, in

#### Mrs. Annie McKinnon Dies at Guelph, Age 92

Guelph,-One of the oldest residents of the city, Mrs. Annie P. Mc-Kinnon, died at the home of her son after a lengthy illness. Born at Norval, Ont., Mrs. McKinnon was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McKinnon, pioneer residents of this district. She was in her 92nd year and was the last surviving member of her family. Surviving are two sons, Judge McKinnon, Guelph, and Garfield of Toronto.

## **News Shorts**

COUNTERFEIT

Counterfeit Canadian coins were in circulation last week at London and are said to be very difficult to detect. The only given is that they are less shiny than the real ones.

#### ENDOWMENTS

Establishment of two endowment scholarships at the University of Western Ontario is announced in memory of Sir Arthur Currie. Each is for \$500 and carries a \$100 cash annuity for four years and an annual tuition credit for \$100.

5.317

Simcoe's population now stands at 5,317, an increase of 143 over year, according to the census completed by the Assessor, John Rutherford.

Two years ago the population reached the high water mark of all time at 5,397, dropping in 1933 5,174, a loss of 223. Evidently the the tide has turned again and this year's figure is just 80 short of the record.

#### FISHING BEGINS

Simcoe-The trout ashermen we out on Norfolk streams bright and early on May 1st, and several them reported excellent results. The prevailing fine weather and the prospect of good catches will undoubtedly lure many nimrods to the streams during the next few weeks.

#### FAMOUS TRAIN

The "Burlington Zephyr.,' one of ners and cutters \$1.25 to \$2.25; the world's most modern trains which Bulls, good \$3.25 to \$3.50; Do., com- was recently clocked at 107 miles an mon \$2.75 to \$3.00; Stocker and hour, passed through Waterford over feeder steers, good \$4:00 to \$4.50; the Michigan Central railway last Do., common \$3.75 to \$4.00; Milkers | week on an exhibition run through

The Zephyr is a new, streamlined, windows are broken to reach goods, \$6.50; Do., com. and medium \$3.00 stainless steel and aluminum built had decreased 40 per cent. and autoto \$5.50; Grassers \$2.50 to \$3.00; train, powered with Diesel engines, mobile thefts had fallen off by 23 per Hogs, bacon, f.o.b. \$5.75; Do., off and is said to travel much faster cent. in London.

with more safety and less cost than the best steam powered trains. It was built for the Chicago, Quincy and Burlington Railway and will operate on the famous Burlington Route. It is returning from a tour in the Eastern United States to Detroit and to Chicago where it is to be put on

210-FOOT BRIDGE

the Burlington Route.

exhibition at the World's Fair before

getting down to regular business on

From Sault Ste Marie comes formation to the effect that the call ing for tenders will soon take place for the building of the "second largest bridge" on the Soo-Fort William portion of the Trans-Canada High way. This bridge is for the Goulais River near Batchawana Bay, is said to be some 210 feet in length. The structure will be of steel with several piers and the ice and log situation will have to be taken care of in the construction.

## County Roads In Good Condition

Frost Does Little Damage to Rural Highways in Simcoe

Orillia. -- County and township roads are now in better condition

the winter, the snow and ice disap- 2 and 3, immediately wet his thumb peared rather quickly, and the con- again, and unleashed another page. dition of the roads was not adversely Ah, here was what he wanted to see affected by an overabundance of first! The editorial page! And the rain. It is the general opinion that intelligent youth spread it out and the roads are a great deal better than began to enjoy himself. they were last year.

roads have not been better for some the day.

Reports from the townships indicame through the winter in good in politics he will likely be premier shape. Lack of rain has had a great deal to do with this situation.

## Crime Decreases

LONDON-Lord Trenchard, chie commissioner of metropolitan police, reports that in the year just past "smash and grab" robberies where

## TRANS-CANADA HIGHWAY

A series of graphic illustrations of the progress of construction under way on the gigantic coast-to-coast highway will be shown from week to week in this paper. Watch for them. These photographs will be of historical interest and are well worth preserving.



After stumping and grubbing operations (described last week) are "The question should properly be completed, the work of grading the right of way is next in order. This photograph shows the building up of the grade which in most cases was thirty feet in clear width between ditches. All the earth taken from the side ditches is utilized in the building of the grade and the boulders piled along the edges of the right of way.



Showing another phase of the grading operations where solid rock is Shortening - Tierces, 91/2c; tubs, dust storm, that lashed the states of encountered. This was one of the few instances where mechanical equipment was used in the transfer of the rock from the rock cut to the nearest Steers, up to 1.050 lbs., good and some places one to three feet deep. fill. As this undertaking was unemployment relief work every endeavor choice \$4.85 to \$5.35; Do., medium, The snow plows were called out to was made to carry out the work in such a way that hand labour of all kinds would be given employment on the work.

## Voice of the Press

Canada

CANADIANS. The disturbance of a year or two ago over the question of Canadian nationality has evidently borne fruit, with the announcement that children born in Canada can now be desigated on their birth certificates as "Canadians." The following significant paragraph is added to the birth certificate: "Nationality is defined as the country to whelh the person owes allegiance. The term 'Canadian' should be used as descriptive of every person who has rights of citizenship in Canada. Every person born in Canada should be entered as 'Canadian' unless he or she has subsequently become the citizen of another country." With all our vaunting of Canada's proud position as an autonomous nation in the British Commonwealth of Nations, it has required until 1934 A.D. to remedy the anomalous and preposterous condition which denied Canadians the right to call themselves 'Canadian'."-Simcoe Reformer.

#### THEY READ EDITORIALS.

At noon today a fine, manly, upstanding young chap left the Star office with a copy of the paper in his hand. He went across the street .-and listen carefully, you editors .sat down in his car and spread out the paper. He started to thumb the than they usually are at this time of pages. He passed up the front page the year says the Barrie Examiner. without notice, carefully unravelled Despite the very severe nature of the paper till he got his eye on pages

Now why was that remarkable? County Engineer Freeman G. Because it was the first time this Campbell stated recently that the column had ever seen anybody delibcounty roads system was in excellent erately hunting up the editorial page condition. A considerable amount of to read its contents before tackling dragging and repairing has been done any other part of the paper. It but generally speaking, the county struck us as the outstanding event of

That young man is a credit to Algoma. If he is in business he will cate that the township roads also wind up a very rich man. If he is some day. But in any case he has knocked on the head one of our favorite theories-that nobody ever reads the editorials. We thank him, and anything in reason he can have from this column even to leaving his name out of the paper if he ever gets

into police court. Just what the event portends in beyond us .- Sault Ste. Marie Star.

PILLOWS AND SOAP.

.The New York visitor notices peculiar evidences of economy. At one famous hotel, which cost millions of dollars the beds in singlerooms are provided with only one pillow apiece. The aggregate saving in laundry and service thus effected in a very large hostelry is considerable. The bathrooms are not as plentifully supplied with cakes of soap as they used to be. In the magnificent Grand Central Station on the 42nd Street the incoming baggage department has been closed so that incoming and outgoing baggage are handled by a single staff. Here again a considerable saving has been achieved. These are examples of the far-reaching economies that are being practised south of the international border .-Toronto Mail and Empire.

## REMINDERS OF "TAY PAY."

The presence of Sir Basil Thomson in Paris to help solve the Stavisky affair recalls that "Tay Pay" O'Connor once was requested by him, when metropolitan police head, to lend an editorial hand to prohibit comic policemen on the films. Which, in turn, recalls, according to Hamilton Fyfe's "Life of T. P." that Justin McCarthy once said to O'Connor: "T. P., when you reach Heaven, it won't be more than an hour before you have a cohort of angels setting type for 'T.P.'s Daily Glory'." . "T. P.'s own vision was hardly so flattering. "When I am on my deathbed," he said, "and the friars, are gathering round to shrive me, I will be found with a typewriter on my chest pounding out an article to pay the funeral expenses."-a prophecy all too nearly fulfilled .- Winnipeg Tribune.

### WIDOWS AND PENSIONS.

One evening while in Toronto I was relating an incident which occurred in Orillia this winter. On a certain Saturday night a man who has spent practically all his days in Orillia died at a good age, and the next morning a neighbor's wife came to see the widow. During the conversation the bereaved woman made the remark that it was too bad it, was Sunday as she could not go up to see about her pension. She had children young

enough to claim the allowance. A man who heard me tell the story turned to his wife and said: "Now tell yours." She then related an incident she had come across in Toronto. A man died and his wife applied for the allowance. For some reason there were delays and the money was not forthcoming. She began to weary of the delays, and one day remarked to a friend that almost makes me sorry my hutband

I think my Toronto friend had the edge on my story .- J. R. Hale, in the

Orillia Packet-Times. TRUE. Somehow we feel sure the seeds being sown in our garden will never turn out to be such beautiful "ege tables as those appearing in brilliant color on the packages .- Smiths Falls Record-News.