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Notes and Comments

A Huge Coal Pile

The Canadian National Railways recently forwarded the largest single consignment of coal ever moved in one vessel from Lake Erie ports to Canadian Lakehead. The coal was dumped into the "Lemoine," of the Canada Steamships Line at Erie and weighed 16,436 tons which surpassed the previous record by 60 tons. The "Lemoine" is of Canadian construction having been built at Midland, Ontario, which is also a Canadian National Railways point.

The coal contained in the record cargo came from the mines of the Rail and River Coal Company, located near Bellaire, Ohio, mines which have been the property of the Canadian National for many years and which provide a valuable source of coal for some of the System services.

Dehydrated Butter

As the result of research work by the Dairy Research Institute dating from before the war New Zealand is now producing dehydrated butter or dried butterfat, and the British Government has contracted to take up to 20,000 tons during this season and next. This development, occurring at a time when New Zealand's shipments of whey butter to the United Kingdom have ceased through lack of refrigerator space, is of considerable help to the dairy farmers of the Dominion, as well as a valuable contribution towards Britain's demand for fat.

The possibilities of producing dried butterfat were investigated a few years ago when it was believed a market existed for it in certain parts of the world not served by refrigerator ships. After the outbreak of war the deterioration of the shipping position caused a progressive reduction in exports of creamery butter and after a period the complete elimination of exports of whey butter. In view of the resultant surpluses the matter assumed great importance and satisfactory method of processing whey butter with the plant available was devised. A trial shipment of 400 tons was made some months ago to England and was very well received. The opportunity for large scale operations therefore presented itself.

Do You Need Bomb Insurance?

Applications for war risk insurance under the Dominion Government plan are now being received by Canadian insurance agents and companies acting as representatives of the government. Applications are being made by those who wish more protection than the limited free indemnity provided by the War Risk Insurance Act on dwellings and household effects.

Insurance under the new policies will be effective September 15.

The property owner wanting insurance on his property can obtain information through licensed fire insurance agents who are co-operating fully with the government in the matter. The agents do the selling and collect the premiums, the policies will be issued by the Dominion licensed companies, and the government carries the risk.

The plan is entirely voluntary. Nobody need take out the insurance unless he wants to. But in case a claim occurs nothing will be paid if no insurance under the plan is carried except the free indemnity given to everybody by the government for limited amounts.

The free indemnity provided by the act gives \$3,000 insurance on the dwelling in which the owner ordinarily resides. This does not include garages, barns or other outbuildings. It gives \$800 on personal property such as household effects of all householders, no matter where located. This is increased to \$1,200 if the citizen is married and his wife is living with him. It is also increased by \$100 for each child under 16 living at home.

Third provision of the free plan is for \$200 on the personal property of a non-householder or any person over 16 years of age. This would include boarders, roomers, etc.

In claims made under the first clause no payment will be made unless the damage exceeds \$50. In the other cases losses must be over \$25 to be payable. The limit of indemnity payable for any one article under the free indemnity clause is \$100 and for all works of art, precious metals, jewellery, stamp collections, curiosities, books, manuscripts and furs the limit that will be paid is \$250.

Where insurance is desired above the free indemnity granted by the government or on property excluded from the coverage insurance will have to be taken out under a war damage policy. Premiums must be paid with the application for insurance. The insurance is not in effect until the premium is paid. Policies will be for one year and are non-cancellable except for reduction in values or in event of change of ownership or the assured's interest in the property.

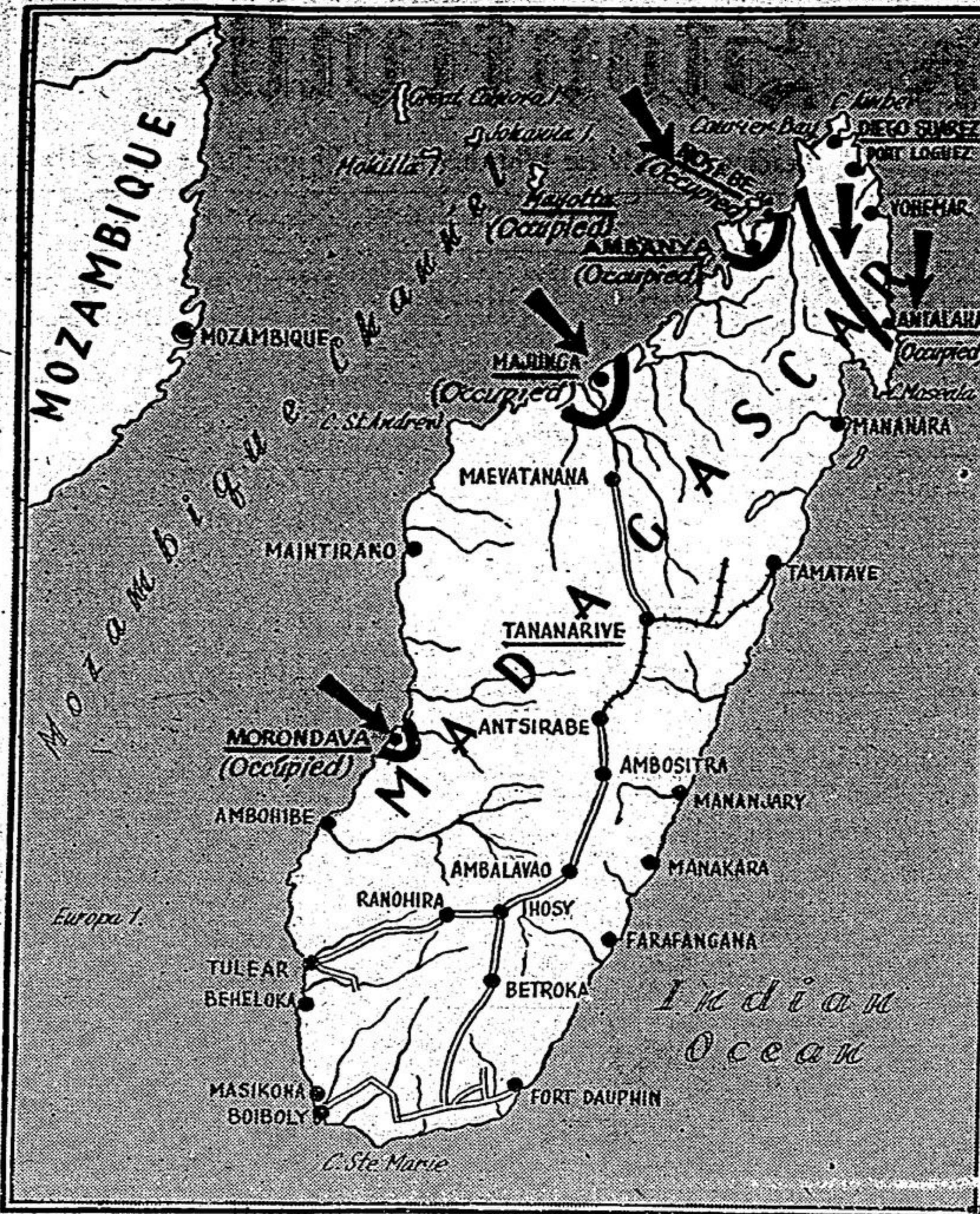
Protection given by the government's policies cover:
Damage by open enemy action or action to combat a real imagined attack by the enemy.

Damage caused by proper authorities taking measures to avoid the spreading of or mitigate the consequences of enemy action.

Damage caused by the proper authorities taking action to prevent or hinder an actual or anticipated enemy action.

Damage caused by explosion or a concentration of explosives being lawfully transported.

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Against three western ports in the naval base of Diego Suarez that even more important than the seizure of three out of four key ports on the west coast, leaving only Tulear, in the south, in French hands is a drive by British mobile forces down the east coast. These forces have advanced 200 miles from Diego Suarez and reached Antalaha, which they have captured.

Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for Sept. 20
JUDAH: AN EXAMPLE OF SELF-SACRIFICE

Golden Text — "Herby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren." — 1 John 3:16.

The Lesson as a Whole
Joseph's treatment of his brethren when they came to Egypt to purchase corn was all with the design of reaching their consciences and exercising them as to their past wickedness, and seeing if, during the years since they had acted so cruelly toward him, God had wrought repentance in their souls.

Verse 23 — "Thou saidst . . . Except your youngest brother come . . . ye shall see my face no more." It was not lack of feeling that had made Joseph seem so obdurate. Rather was it a desire to probe their consciences to the depths and to bring them to the place where they would acknowledge their sin against God in dealing as they had with him.

Verse 24 — "We told him the words of my lord." All Joseph's demands had been put clearly before Jacob, who, however, feared to comply with them lest Benjamin might be lost to him as his brother had been (chap. 42:38).

Verse 25 and 26 — "We may not see the man's face, except our youngest brother be with us." When Jacob, pressed by famine conditions, asked them to go again to Egypt for corn, they insisted that they dared not do so unless Benjamin accompanied them.

Verse 27 — "Ye know that my wife bare me two sons." Jacob's love for Rachel was reflected in his love for her two children. For these he had a special affection, which in times past had been resented bitterly by the sons of Leah and the two maidservants, who had become Jacob's concubines.

Verse 28 — "The one went out from me, . . . and I saw him not since." Passing years had not obliterated the memory of the awful shock when Joseph's blood-stained coat had been spread before him.

Ever since, he had mourned for his son as one torn to pieces by wild beasts. One can understand how the recital of all this by Judah must have gone home to the heart of Joseph!

Verse 29 — "If ye take this also from me, . . . ye shall bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave." The word translated "grave" here is really Sheol, and means the place of departed spirits, whether of the righteous or unrighteous. It is pictured in the Old Testament as a place of "two compartments, answering to Hades in the New Testament. Actually, it never means a grave or sepulcher, but the abode of the spirit between death and resurrection.

Verse 30 and 31 — "When he seeth that the lad is not with us, . . . he will die." Tenderly Judah pleaded, not so much for Benjamin's sake, as for the aged father, who had suffered so much already, and all because of the past wickedness

HOG POPULATION GAINS IN WEST

On the Prairie Provinces falls the great weight of Canada's undertaking to supply bacon for Britain. Abundant feed, close at hand is the answer to that fact and the Prairies this year are harvesting a bumper crop. A 600 million lb. bacon contract with Britain is now just being completed, preparatory to starting on a 700 million lb. order for the next year. That means many more hogs on the farms. As of June 1, 1942, the Prairies hog population totalled an estimated 4.1 millions, compared with 3.1 millions a year ago, 2.0 millions two years ago.

of the ten brothers.

Verse 32 — "Thy servant became surely for the lad." In this Judah had assumed the responsibility of either bringing Benjamin back in safety or suffering in his place. This was not a mere idle promise, made to be broken. He recognized that his pledge must be carried out at all costs.

Verse 33 — "Let thy servant abide here . . . and let the lad go up." Judah was ready to submit to imprisonment, if only his youngest brother might go free and be permitted to return to his father. It was clear that a great change had taken place in this man, a change which Joseph soon acknowledged gladly.

Verse 34 — "How shall I go up to my father, and the lad be not with me?" There is something peculiarly affecting and pathetic in this earnest question. Is there not a Benjamin somewhere for whom each of us has a responsibility? How shall we go up to the Father in Heaven if those committed to our care be not with us? It is a challenge to every believer to plead the cause of those under condemnation because of sin, that they may be set free through divine grace.

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