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The Strongest Memory is Weaker Than the Weakest Ink.

TUESDAY, NOV. 16, 1943 The Canadian Committee

An organization known as the Canadian Committee has just concluded the first year of its activities, having mostly concentrated on the immediate objective of assisting R.A.F. staff personnel in this country (as distinct somewhat from students more transiently in the country) to obtain wider knowledge and better understanding of Canada. That is, however, the immediate object of the committee, whose ultimate purpose is the establishment of "The Canada Foundation," a national body made possible by a private and anonymous donor in Great Britain, and whose purpose is "the promotion of cultural relations between Canada and the United Kingdom."

So far as the year's activities of the Canadian Committee in relation to R.A.F. personnel are concerned, they have been based largely on recommendations contained in a report prepared by Mr. Michael Huxley, an English diplomat and journalist, who framed suggestions after visiting the R.A.F. here and consulting with the relevant authorities. By using the facilities of existing organizations, the Committee managed to provide films, lectures, books, tours, and other means suited to informing R.A.F. personnel better on Canadian life and affairs.

When the Canada Foundation has been developed it will perform functions resembling some of those performed by the British Council and the Carnegie Institutes. It will be directed toward encouraging Canadians to gain a better knowledge and understanding of their country and of its position in the family of nations; and, in the external field, the foundation will endeavor to project the Canadian national personality abroad, exchanging cultural achievements and opportunities with other peoples.

The activities of the Canadian Committee are presided over by Mr. Justice Joseph T. Thorson.

Seasickness

Many interesting sidelights were discovered in the research work which resulted in the Royal Canadian Navy's seasickness remedy, announced last week. It was found, among other things, that an easygoing or fundamentally stable person may get seasick as quickly as an unstable, neurotic individual—but probably 25 per cent of all unstable persons get seasick simply because they think they will. A pitching motion, obtained in driving head-on into a heavy sea, is worse for most persons than rolling. "Up and down" motion, as in a very small boat riding high waves, is worst of all.

Seasickness answers no definite set of rules for all persons. Some persons are affected only by one type of motion, get sick on some ships but not on others.

Contrary to popular belief, the seagoing man who has not been thoroughly sick at some time or other is rarely found. Many seagoing men suffer constantly from seasickness in rough weather, but most of them set up an immunity during their first two days out. Many get sick for a couple of days every time they go to sea, are not bothered again on that voyage.

The basic cause of seasickness is the failure of the balance organisms to compensate for continued rapid changes in position. Consequently, the tougher the weather, the more violent the changes and the more likely one is to get seasick. Conceivably anyone could be made sick by sufficiently violent motion.

"Seasickness" can be caused artificially in "crazy houses" in amusement parks with mirrors and other tricks. In the navy's experiments an attempt was made to make persons seasick simply by having them sit still and watch a movie of a violent sea storm, but the results of this were inconclusive. Some persons were made violently sick by lifting and dropping them rapidly in a high building in an ordinary elevator.

The research experts agree that the old navy idea is still the best one—give the newcomer a job to do out in the fresh air and keep him busy, if he's going to be a tough seagoing type.

Notes By The Way

Some day Allied planes will be storming over Tokyo, and the people of Japan will realize that the Rising Sun has not much of its candle power. —Hamilton Spectator.

Let people think less about the fun they are going to have on Saturday night and think more about ways to increase production and buy more bonds. —U. S. Treasury Secretary Morgenthau.

Winnipeg Tribune says there's a vagrant whisper around Ottawa that Canadian income taxes will be lowered next year. One of the meanings of "vagrant" is having "no visible means of support." —Sudbury Daily Star.

U. S. Navy Secretary Frank Knox says, "This war is better reported than any war ever was." Hang up another laurel wreath for the Fourth Estate men who are there on the front line too. —Bramford Express.

Lady Astor denies that a pair of "piff" pants on evoked in a Virginia museum used to be hers. Of course, having had a recent unfortunate experience with evoked from America, she may simply be steering clear of any further trouble. —Editor Star.

EDITORIAL NOTES

On the 23rd inst there will be an investiture of Royal Honours by His Excellency the Governor-General at Ottawa, when the Hon. Dr. MacMillan, O.B.E., and Mr. L. B. MacMillan, M.B.E. will be among those decorated.

We are forging ahead all right as a young and rising nation. We now appoint ambassadors to other capitals, and they in turn send ambassadors to us. Well for a country with a population equal to that of London, it indicates we are going some.

In Great Britain, an allocation of three eggs per week is made to infants between the ages of 6 months and 18 months, and certain classes of invalids, for the period from September 1st to February 1st. This is a much larger ration than that allowed to the general public.

In commemoration of the "Battle of Britain", Trinidad has raised £19,000 (\$84,360) in response to an appeal by the Colony's "Win the War" Association. This sum, which exceeds by nearly 300 per cent the original target set, is for the benefit of the R.A.F. Benevolent Fund. Sir Stafford Cripps has sent his appreciation of the Island's latest gift of £7,300 (\$32,412) towards the cost of bomber aircraft.

Congratulations are in order to Mr. Morris W. Wilson, president and managing director of the Royal Bank who has been appointed to the high and responsible position of Chancellor of McGill University in succession to the late lamented Sir Edward Beatty. Mr. Wilson has many warm friends and admirers here where he used to be on the staff of the local branch of the Royal Bank.

Under an agreement between Canada and the United States, 500,000 tons of fertilizer is expected to be available to the Dominion for the spring—almost double the quantity used a few years ago—Mr. Grant Peart, fertilizers administrator, announces. Mr. Peart said farmers should be prepared to accept deliveries during winter months. "Early delivery is the answer to the question of avoiding peak labor loads in fertilizer plants, preventing overloading of transportation facilities and relieving the shortage situation," he said. "The demand will probably be the heaviest in our history."

The Federal Sales Tax is producing a sizeable revenue which would look big in other times. In the first six months of the fiscal year 1940-41 the total sales tax revenue was \$78,000,000, in the next fiscal year it was \$107,000,000, in the following year it was \$113,000,000, and in the first six months of the current fiscal year, that is up to the end of September the total was \$137,000,000. This steady rise in revenue from the sales tax is a fairly accurate measure on the expansion of domestic business and industry and also a reliable meter of the growth of national income.

William Friend de Morgan, English novelist and inventor, son of the famous mathematician, Augustus de Morgan, born this date 1839; invented new processes in lustre ware and built up an important business, both domestic and export; at the age of sixty-six he wrote his first novel "Joseph Vance"—a long and leisurely book reminiscent of Dickens and containing in the elder Vance one of the most humorous figures in English literature; his other novels include "Alice-for-Short", "Somehow Good", "It Never Can Happen Again", "When Ghosts Meet Ghosts", "An Affair of Dishonour", "A Likely Story"; "As they bake, so will they brew" philosophized Mr. Challis.

One commendable characteristic of Prime Minister Churchill is his willingness to reconstruct his cabinet whenever he thinks the public service requires it. During the past two years he has had three reconstructions, and the one recently reported is the most extensive involving some half a dozen changes of portfolio holders. Mr. Alfred Duff Cooper has been "laid off" to receive an important position abroad, and his place has been taken by Mr. Ernest Brown who has been more or less a fizzle as Minister of Health. He will be succeeded by Mr. Henry D. Willink, a distinguished lawyer, who won a big reputation in handling the homeless in the London blitz. Lord Woolton, Food Minister has been named to the new portfolio of Minister of Reconstruction, being succeeded by Col. J. J. Llewellyn, resident Minister at Washington, who, in turn will be replaced by Labour member Mr. Ben Smith, former taxi driver and navy boxing champion, parliamentary secretary to the Ministry of Air Craft, a post which now will be filled by Lieut. A. T. Lennox, a new addition to the Government.

Two achievements have often been cited as redeeming Mussolini's empty career from utter futility. He made the Italian trains run on time and he drained the Pontine marshes. But now Italian trains have practically ceased to run at all and his German friends have flooded the Pontine marshes. The Fascist fiasco seems about complete. —Stratford Beacon-Herald.

In the Journal of the American Medical Association, Drs. Roland M. Klemme, R. Dean Woolsey and Nelson T. de Renzede write almost enthusiastically on the results obtained when nerves taken from corpses are used to make repairs. They say a new technique. The severed ends are glued together with caudal. One patient recovered the power of movement and the sense of feeling; a second is recovering the same function; judgment on a third must be deferred.

There is some talk of carrying the idea of national registration cards over into peacetime. No very serious opposition to the proposal should be encountered if Ottawa will agree to two changes: First, issue new cards to all hands on a more durable paper. Second, make them larger, but not too large, so that more red marks may be stamped on the backs thereof, as for instance concerning unemployment.

Gestapo In Argentina Food In The Future

(Hamilton Spectator) Suspected of Fascist tendencies when it first gained power by a sudden political stroke, the regime of President Pedro Ramirez of Argentina is now unabashedly adopting the ways of Nazi Germany. It has set up a secret police organization which has all the similarities of the Gestapo, its headquarters is moving toward total authority, and its representative policies are directed against labour unions, foreigners and the Jews. This is the first time in the world which recent visitors to Argentina have brought back with them to Santiago, Chile, and other South American cities.

The man whom President Ramirez has chosen as his "Himmler" bears a notorious reputation for brutality for being wildly pro-Nazi, violently anti-Semitic and an anti-United States. A short time before his appointment as "personal aid to Ramirez," this man was reported to have been sent to a reformatory because of a charge of "hitting a woman." He has been dismissed as superintendent of a boys' reformatory because of a charge of "hitting a woman." He is alleged to have devised the inhuman treatment of political prisoners in the Argentine military regime of General Uriburu in 1931. The terrorism which marked that government's cause is supposed to have been revived in Uriburu was overthrown. What is now ominous is the fact that the Argentine military regime has frequently boasted that it is a continuation of Uriburu's revolution against dissent.

The new instrument of repression is operating only in Buenos Aires, where one thousand police officers have been selected to work under the command of Ramirez's personal aide, but this is believed to be only the nucleus of what is to become a nation-wide secret police organization. The police officers have been recruited from the ranks of the political investigation division, and the presidential press office, and are being trained in the use of the Government's secret police. The Government would soon create four vice-ministries, again responsible only to Ramirez, to enlarge governmental jurisdiction over various sectors of civilian life.

Buenos Aires, according to informed sources, has been divided into districts for house-to-house searches, surprise searches, without warrants, have already begun, with Jews, trade unionists and aliens the chief targets. "Foreign espionage rings" are taken to mean that the intelligence service is busy on contacts with the Jews, if not persecuted, the jails of the capital are reported to be already crowded with political prisoners.

What is happening in Argentina is disturbing to Argentina's democratic neighbors and being watched closely by Washington and London.

The opinion of observers, Ramirez is not staging just another South American revolution; he is attempting to establish a powerful fascist state in the New World, and is copying much that is loathsome in Nazidom to achieve his ends.

AIR-RAID CASUALTIES

More than 49,000 British men, women and children were killed in enemy air raids up to July 31, 1943. More than 59,000 were injured.

ment insurance. With these changes the day may come when this one card may well take the place of many other cards which the average citizen has to carry around with him at present. —Winnipeg Tribune.

One of the minor problems of the armchair war strategists and of war news readers generally will be kept straight on their own heads. There are now two of them in top-ranking positions in the British Navy—Admiral of the Fleet Sir Andrew B. Cunningham, and Sir Andrew Cunningham, newly appointed commander-in-chief of the Allied Fleet in the Mediterranean. And just to add an extra hazard to the confusion, Cunningham is also commander-in-chief of the Northwest Africa Tactical Air Force. —Amherst News.

You can walk along any street in London and see shops and offices to let in all directions; flat seekers on the other hand, find things difficult enough. We are going through the same thing here, and the experience that home hunters had at the end of the last war. To save answering inquiries, estate agents even have notices in their windows announcing that they have no flats to let. Rents are more or less controlled, but there are whispers already of a new era of being demanded, and apparently you can find any rent you like for a "furnished flat" provided you leave a few sticks of furniture and a few rooms. —Nottingham Evening Post.

All over America today educators are speaking with alarm about the crisis in education. It is indeed a crisis. The immediate cause is the war, which has taken from education many of its best teachers. They have gone to fight in the war industries. But the crisis unfortunately goes deeper than that and will not end with the war. In post-war education was deteriorating, as illiteracy among army recruits indicated in many places and as the general state of our society proved beyond doubt. The experts have various theories about this and about the best method of improving our schools. None of them doubts, however, that the main trouble lies in the teaching profession. The teaching profession has been in decline because it does not offer adequate opportunities to intelligent young men and women.

COULDN'T SLEEP COULDN'T WORK What a relief to settle down to a real night's rest, to feel refreshed, ready for the day's duties. Was tortured by fretful nights—tossing, turning—waking up, drowsy, tired, driving body and mind to a point where they needed rest. "Try Dodd's Kidney Pills," said a friend. "It may be your kidneys." I'm glad I followed his advice as now I'm sleeping like a top—thanks to Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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Potatoes: New crop 75 lb. bag No. 1 Que. 50-1.70; N.B., 1.65-1.75; P.E.I., 1.70-1.75.

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And long the way appears, which seem'd so short To the unpractised eye of sanguine youth; And high the mountain-tops, in the cloudy air, The mountain-tops where in the throne of Truth, Tops in life's morning-sun so bright and bare! Unreachable the fort Of the long-batter'd world uplifts its wall. And strange and vain the earthy turmoil grows, And near and real the charm of thy recall. And night as welcome as a friend would fall. —Matthew Arnold.

REASON FOR DELAY LONDON —(CP)— Charles Lemon, 22, wasn't brought to court for two weeks after being arrested on charges of theft from houses. Police said the reason for the delay was he swallowed two spoons when arrested.

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