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Must Protect Our Trade

An Ottawa press report that the "wave of prosperity sweeping over Canada is increasing with every month" sounds overoptimistic when we realize that we are not yet out of the unemployment woods and industrial troubles are more numerous than in many years. It cannot be disputed, however, that the remarkable strides taken by foreign trade indicate a resurgent wave of such importance that it become an individual responsibility to see that nothing hampers its progress. There is a definite relation between the trade on the one hand, and on the other employment and taxation, which affect nearly every one.

External trade figures for April exceed those of the same month last year by \$25,000,000, an admirable showing even though more than half the increase was in imports. When Hon. Charles Dunning looks them over and notes that revenues in the first month of the fiscal year were \$6,000,000 ahead of those of April, 1936, he may be able to make a tentative favorable change in the yearly deficit estimate of \$35,000,000. It is an auspicious start.

The statistics show that we are striking our pace of former better days, with main export improvements affecting the land and forests. Automobile sales abroad and minerals also contributed notably.

In view of a 50 per cent. increase in export demand for wood pulp and newsprint and automobiles and parts, of more than 40 per cent. increase for copper and a substantial improvement in sales of nickel, it is evident that these represent industries in which a halt in production would be particularly serious. And it is upon them the Lewis C.I.O. seems most determined to direct its devastating ammunition. In the fiscal year ending with March last exports of automobiles and parts were valued at \$37,745,000, a gain of \$11,000,000 over the previous year. The loss which would ensue to the country by forcing this manufacturing industry into an impossible corner is apparent—loss in wages and employment directly, as well as in hundreds of allied businesses.

What is most essential during the current trade progress is maintenance of production, that market may be held. Otherwise, we are liable to be confronted with a serious setback. The foreign agitators are not concerned about this, but it is Canada's affair.

Loyalists Still Without Unity

Spain's loyalist Government has passed another Cabinet crisis—the sixth since the revolution began ten months ago—though how safely passed, or, better, how close it is to the next, remains uncomfortably uncertain. Assembled under the fetching slogan the "Win-the-War" Cabinet, the new Ministry seems even less successful as an amalgamation of the "defense" parties than its predecessors. It acquires a "moderate" tone from its Socialist Premier, Dr. Juan Negrin, but probably will draw its strength from Indalecio Prieto, new Minister of National Defense and Minister without portfolio in the late Caballero Cabinet.

To judge its shade from its personnel is a questionable procedure. Even the Spaniards find it difficult to distinguish between a Left Republican and a Communist. The issues which separate some wings of socialism from the Communists are too deeply buried under war's compromises to be a guide. The only assured fact is that Dr. Negrin's Cabinet will not remain moderate—unless moderate means avoiding offense to those groups on the outside—and stay long in power.

The assurance comes from the presence of two Communists and two Left Republicans in a Ministry of nine; and from the total absence of the Socialist-Communist labor union (U.G.T.), the rabid Syndicalist (C.N.T. union, and the Anarchists. It was Largo Caballero, a much stronger and unifying personality than any in the Cabinet, who brought the Anarcho-Syndicalists into the United Front in an effort to get their co-operation behind the defense program. It was because he did so that he ran afoul of the Communists.

Something which does more to denote the character of the new Cabinet than personnel is the circumstance leading to Caballero's departure and the exclusion of his U.G.T. support. The Communist party balked his proposed amalgamation of the Defense folio and the Premiership. It was the Communists who opposed appointment of two U.G.T. members as Ministers of State and Interior after they had forced reorganization by demanding the removal of three Ministers, among them Angel Galarzo, former Minister of the Interior. And, finally, it was the Communists who put forward the names of the new Premier and Minister of Defense as "satisfactory successors" to Caballero.

The chief claim that could be made for Caballero's leadership was that he succeeded in uniting the Socialist factions, thereby gaining greater influence over the extremes. Apparently the Communists have undone all that. If by doing so they have added temporarily to their own power, they have also added to the factionalism which, since the beginning of the war, has undermined the loyalist defense. It is the same factionalism that led to the disintegration of the new Republic, and which, even if the loyalists should win, will keep Spain drenched in revolution.

The Optimist

"Calm, reasonable optimism consistently applied to one's personal contact with life; to one's daily relations with others, and to events in general is the finest prescription I know for the nearest possible approach to health and contented living."

A noted physician of long and varied experience said this to me the other day. In the estimation of this eminent practitioner, who asked that his name be omitted, "calm, reasonable" optimism is the one sort that really helps.

Emotional excesses, up-in-the-clouds today and down-in-the-depths tomorrow, are actual foes of health and contentment. As Mrs. Simpson is reported to have said of soups, "they don't get you anywhere." Meantime, they do wear out your mental and physical machinery at a dangerous rate.

"Each person's life is marked by encouraging experiences and happenings. Each encounters what we call 'good' or 'bad' luck. Success and failure, joy and grief, are everyday dwellers in every human house. Neither extreme should be overemphasized in our thoughts and feelings. But—and this is important—we should be guided by the brighter side of life, just as we are guided by lights when travelling at night on land or sea.

"Every experienced physician knows that the mind is the headmaster of mental and physical fitness; that in a majority of instances where medicine is prescribed, it is given as a visible aid to relieve the mind of fear and anxiety, and thus help restore its mastery over the body."

This has the ring of sound, commonsense advice on a subject in which everyone is vitally interested. And unless your life is a rare exception to the general run of lives, you have plenty of material on which to base calm, reasonable optimism.

SNAPSHOTS

Is the Fredericton Labor Council right in regard to outside labor employed in Fredericton without paying a license? It seems that there was a law passed at the last session of the Legislature which covered this situation.

Things are so dull in Los Angeles the Grand Jury is trying to solve a 1922 murder mystery.

When a partisan begins saying that popular applause doesn't prove anything he means his side is licked.

Like begets like. When there is one liar in the family, another must be loyal enough to support the lies.

Italian doctors are advising folks to marry to live longer. It will seem longer, so the doctors are safe.

Among the strange beasts Mr. Astor brought home on his yacht was a capybara. Try that on your parlor know-it-alls.

Fable: Once there was a prominent citizen who hated crime, so he reported offenses and gladly served as a witness.

Official organ of the Storm Troops advises Germans to chew their food longer, thereby putting more teeth in the self-sufficiency plan.

A Los Angeles optician is reported to have discovered unbreakable eyeglasses, and as a reward is likely to be expelled from the union.

Italy is hunting site for Ethiopian capital at lower altitude than Addis Ababa. Always did look as if Mussolini would find Addis Ababa came a little high.

Astronomers looking through telescopes think they are watching dust storms on Mars. Mars has a mighty dirty look these days, no matter how you look at it.

Export Farms

(Continued from Page One) modifies for export to more limited areas and thus specialize within the areas in producing the quality for which the market served pays the top price."

The recovery enjoyed by Canadian business is being shared by the Canadian farmer. Proof of this is found in the fact that the index for wholesale prices of farm products in March this year were higher.

"Three or four years ago," said Mr. Gardiner, "when prices of farm products were low and exports small we were anxious to see higher prices for farm products in relation to the cost of the commodities the farmers had to purchase. In the past fifteen months the prices of farm products have advanced much more rapidly than the prices of other commodities, and this tends to increase the purchasing power of the farmer who has a crop.

"There is a growing desire on the part of British consumers," said Mr. Gardiner, "to exchange their manufactured goods for Canadian primary products. To meet this desire I sent Dr. J. H. Grisdale, former Deputy Minister, to Britain last summer to encourage marketing of farm products and to report upon future possibilities. The exchanges which have taken place since have strengthened the desire of these two countries to trade with one another. We are hopeful that 1937 will show results even more favorable than the high level reached in 1936."

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Liberals of Alberta

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judgment of the politically experienced Mr. Gardiner, the time has come for Liberalism to buckle on its armor and come out into the open to do battle with Mr. Aberhart and Social Credit.

Furthermore, so confident are the Federal Liberals of the outcome provided only that sufficient time intervenes before an election to enable them to mend their political fences, that they are refusing to enter into any coalition with any other party to defeat the Aberhart forces. The suggestion had been put forward of the formation of a so-called "People's Party" out a merger of the Conservative and Liberal remnants. From his observations on his recent trip, however, Mr. Gardiner is understood reliably to have advised the provincial Liberal party against such a course. And his advice is certain to be accepted.

The movement for a "People's Party" to crusade against Mr. Aberhart, accordingly, may be regarded as dead. Mr. Gardiner's objection to it is reported to have been the obvious mortgage and loan interests which were associated with the movement. Calgary and Edmonton law-years whose affiliations were well known were in the forefront of the scheme, and the Gardiner view is said to have been the belief that even such a name as "The People's Party" was insufficient camouflage for these interests.

From the present outlook, it would seem highly likely that the Liberal choice as gladiator to oppose Mr. Aberhart would be A. L. Gray. The question is by no means decided, however, and one of the most hopeful signs in connection with the whole reawakened Liberal optimism is the healthy rivalry which is being waged for the post of provincial chieftain. Other names mentioned are Walter Campbell and George Clark of Red Deer.

New Phase

(Continued from Page One) trodution after the state had put into the evidence separate later statements by both Gladys and Wightman which quoted them as saying she hacked her mother to death while Donald held the woman's arms because the mother "wouldn't hurry" dinner so they could play a game of tennis.

From a state witness also came testimony that Gladys' father told him that after he discovered his wife's body in their Bayonne home, he took a knife "out of Mrs. MacKnight's right hand and put it on the table."

John Rigney, superintendent of the Bayonne police bureau of identification, testified also there was a spe which looked like blood on the knife which he took with the hatchet to headquarters. There, he said, he asked Gladys later: "Did you use it?"

He said she replied, "No. Donald used it."

"Is this the knife?" Rigney said he asked her. And she was quoted as responding: "That is the knife my mother had in her hand and made a lunge at us."

Which he quoted Gladys' father, Edgar MacKnight, cable company superintendent, as having said he took the knife from his wife's hand. Wightman's lawyer, Colonel George Vickers, shouted a demand that he repeat "took the knife out of his wife's right hand."

The statement quoting Gladys as blaming Donald for the slaying soon after they were arrested, said she and Donald were in the kitchen of the MacKnight home when "Donald put his arms around me and kissed me."

"I yelled—not very loud," it quoted her as telling police. "Donald and I were standing very close together. My mother came in. My mother came at us with a knife in her hand."

"Donald wrestled with my mother. Donald grabbed the hatchet and struck. I saw Donald strike my mother once while she lay on the floor. He struck her about five times with the hatchet. Donald said 'My God, look what I have done.'"

Once the girl leaned forward, put her chin in her blue-gloved hand, a half smiled as Police Chief Cornelius O'Neill of Bayonne testified she told him shortly after her arrest it was "None of your damn business" who killed her mother.

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(Continued from Page One) "Unless we make rapid advance against the inroads of soil erosion, the cumulative cost to the nation during the next 50 years is likely to exceed \$20,000,000,000 and may easily extend beyond \$30,000,000,000," Bennett said.

He recalled a recent tour of the southern Piedmont, where he crossed a country embracing 275,000 acres, two-thirds of which was ruined for further cultivation by erosion.

Nature takes thousands of years to build an inch-thick layer of soil, Mr. Bennett said. If nature's protection for that soil—grass and trees—are removed, wind and rain may sweep away in a few hours the work of centuries.

Imp. Communication

(Continued from Page One) and every problem and solution of same will be in the hands of Canadian and British officials, who are now busily occupied day and night studying the routes and types of aircraft and the many other things involved, including meteorological handicaps peculiar to the North Atlantic such as the frequency of storms, fogs, ice forming zones, head winds, etc., the construction and location of terminals and aerodromes, hydrodynamical and structural problems, navigation of aircraft, radio communication, and numerous other factors that enter the situation of a regular service between the two continents.

The lead in this work is being carried out by the National Research Council in Ottawa, but right now there is a thin veil of secrecy surrounding all these endeavours, and it is this fact which accounts for the

Special Party of

(Continued from Page One) Mrs. Chas. Wright, Mrs. R. H. Kirby, Mrs. Chas. Stewart, Mrs. F. Whitman all of Ottawa; Miss Margaret Fallon, Miss Rowena Fallon, of London, Ont. F. W. Fraser, Canadian Government Trade Commissioner at Kingston, Jamaica, accompanied by Mrs. Fraser and Miss Mary Fraser; Bernard S. Davis of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Lady Jessie Holt, wife of Sir Herbert Holt, C.B.E., chairman of Royal Bank of Canada; Sir Arthur Harris, K.B.E. and Lady Harris of Pointe a Pic; Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Arbitt of Brownsburg, Que.; Miss Olive Woods and Miss Pearl Woods of Toronto.

There is a large passenger list from Montreal, and among those sailing from other points are Dr. and Mrs. V. F. Hudson of Moncton.

More Angling

(Special to The Daily Mail) (Continued from Page One) paper, including the Olympic Games in Germany last year.

Another party which passed through the city enroute to the Miramichi is composed of F. L. Wooster, of Merrick, Long Island, his son, L. C. Wooster, and Dr. F. W. Fletcher of Freeport, Long Island. The party is fishing at the Mouth of Cain's River with George T. Allen and Clarence Wade as guides. Mr. Wooster is connected with the Brooklyn Times-Union.

Charles A. Campbell, a New York stock broker, whose home is in New Brunswick, New Jersey, and his son, Billy Campbell have now returned home in their station wagon. Duncarvon Whooper II, after a successful fishing trip to Cain's River, with Alex Price and Raymond Currie as guides. It was Mr. Campbell's tenth fishing trip to David Ogilvy's camps on the Tobique and also fished the Part's Island pool and the Miramichi. His son, who is in his sixteenth year and stands six feet three, visited the province for the first time. The party spent a day bear hunting on the North Branch of Cain's River, and although they got a fleeting glimpse of one of these animals they failed to get a shot at it.

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