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## VETERANS A STEADYING FORCE

THE Dominion convention of the Canadian Legion at Fort William is important far beyond the organization and its membership. Its outlined attitude toward Canadian public affairs is national and patriotic. The Legion's declaration of principles on Dominion relations, which may be laid before the Royal Commission, deserves the greatest consideration. These men, who fought for their country and for the ideals of Empire, want their own country, the Empire and its ideals preserved intact.

This affirmation of principles insists on the freedom of the subject, freedom of speech and freedom of the press, with access to the courts adequately protected. The national Government should be strengthened "so as to enable it to deal adequately with all matters of national importance." Power to legislate in respect of property and civil rights should ensure that such rights "cannot be exercised in such a manner as to interfere with the general government of the country in matters which have become of national importance and interest." In short, the whole tenor of the declaration of principles is a plea for national unity, and may be regarded as a rebuke to those who appear out of step with this aim.

It is to be noted also that the American Legion at its last meeting in New York took a similar stand in regard to the nation. It condemned extreme radicalism, such as featured C.I.O. activities and this was the more remarkable in view of the fact that a large percentage of the Legionnaires are workmen and members of trade unions.

And yet this attitude is not strange. Men of the Legions, whether United States or Canadian, have been through the fire. They know the value of liberty, and they know that without sane democratic government liberty of the individual is likely to disappear. These were the ideals they fought for through the war, and in peacetime they are carrying on in combating the forces of lawlessness and disruption.

Therefore, let it be emphasized again, the views of such men in convention assembled are of more importance than if expressed by greater numbers at larger gatherings of men without the steadying experience of delegates to Legion conventions.

## BORAH JITTERS AND THE FACTS

IT IS NOT unusual that a foreign policy debate in the United States Senate should be absorbed mostly with the fears of Senator Borah. The Idaho Senator is remembered best by those who once followed his Congressional career for his violent self-contradictions. His one deep-rooted consistency is his antagonism to anything and everything British. There is no other conviction, material or spiritual, from which he will not depart to preserve it.

Therefore, it was not surprising that the Senator had changed his views on how and why America entered the last war. At the last recording he was one with the Nye Munitions Committee in blaming the United States money barons for having loaned her into it. Yesterday it was because of a secret, inferentially a military, alliance with Britain.

From speeches of Foreign Secretary Eden, and because of the British naval program which preceded them and the United States naval program which succeeds them, the Senator could sense another such alliance—invariably another war. "The world has practically gone mad—on the supposition that these powerful nations are building for a specific purpose."

It would be useless, particularly for any one so British as to live this side of the "invisible border," to try to convince the Senator of his latest inconsistency. But the fact remains, and most of those parts of the world that have not yet gone mad believe, that had there been such an alliance as the Senator fears there would be less madness. In fact, the consensus is that if such a relationship could develop there would be some hope of putting an end to the insanity before it has done for the world's peace.

Supposing there is enough sanity left to procure it, the Senator need have no fears about it remaining a secret. Its first value is in letting the mad ones know it exists, why it exists, and for what purpose it will be used. If Senator Borah and the other schools of isolation doubt this, let them explain the jitters Tokio developed when the Panay bombing foreshadowed joint action by Britain and the United States.

## NOT ALL ONE-SIDED

MR. JUSTICE CHEVRIER laid down a sound principle the other day at a hearing of the Royal Commission on Transport when he said: "It would be a most ill-advised body, whether it would be this Commission or any other, that would recommend or suggest an increase in license fees and disbursements without making a corresponding provision for an increase in revenue."

Apparently the Chairman of the Commission has heard sufficient evidence to convince him that the evils are not all on one side. In any event, neither the transport business nor any other can disburse more than it receives for any length of time and continue in operation. If wages are too low and hours too long, as pointed out in some of the testimony offered, the trouble may not be due to the employer, but to the conditions under which he is obliged to do business. Truck transport is accepted as essential, but it is held as unfair competition for the railways to some extent. It has not been regulated as closely as the railways, which have little choice as to wages paid and none as to freight and express charges. Obviously the truck companies must have conditions enabling them to operate without loss, or give up, the latter consideration one not likely to be entertained.

## SNAP SHOTS

If there is any service that is as unsatisfactory in spots as the telephone service we would be pleased to learn what it is. The people are getting soaked, the company is making money, and the patrons are getting a very inferior service.

Japan when she was at home minding her own business used to be a cute little nation.

People, observes Grandpa Neighbor will often give three hearty cheers for something they wouldn't give anything else for.

Strawberries transplanted from Robinson Crusoe's island are flourishing in the University of California botanical garden. Strange that neither Robinson nor his man Friday appear to have run across the fruit.

We are interested to know if any of the boys got that bottle which was hid under the third tree on the left side of the Maryland road just past the cross road. Just like Captain Kidd's gold.

Another burglary is being "investigated" by the police department. Well done boys there is nothing like investigating. Just keep investigating.

CHANCE TO VISIT  
DIONNE QUINTS  
C. N. EXCURSION

(Special to The Daily Mail)  
MONCTON, Feb. 5—A coach excursion from Canadian National Railways stations in Nova Scotia left here this afternoon for Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and North Bay, Quebec City and Three Rivers were also included in the destinations. There were about 175 passengers all told. Hockey fans among the passengers will be enabled to witness one of two National League games, New York Americans playing Canadiens at Montreal on Saturday, February 5, and Boston Bruins playing Maple Leafs at Toronto the same night.

An opportunity is also afforded to visit the Dionne quintts at Callander, Ont., for those travelling to North Bay. At Moncton a colored passenger who was taken suddenly ill was taken off the train and conveyed to the City Hospital in an ambulance. Shortly after arrival at the hospital the passenger gave birth to a baby boy.

## GIRLS LEAVING

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The point was, he said, there was no accurate information of the depth to which the farmer's standard of living had fallen. The nearest he could get to it was by taking the total income from agriculture, as reported by the Bureau of Statistics, dividing it by the number of farmers, and deducting the more or less theoretical cost of living. By this involved reckoning, he figured the average farmer in a year had a net return of slightly under a dollar a day.

He figured the cost of the economic survey would be trifling. He suggested the cost-accounting system might be applied to 100 or 1,000 farmers—in any event a representative number. He believed it should be applied over a period of two or three years in the interest of accuracy.

There were, he believed, branches in the Ontario Department of Agriculture, that in association with the Federal branch could supervise such an investigation, without the setting up of additional governmental machinery.

## 3,000 PLAY

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Every day before two, four or even six cards, costing between two for one cent and ten cents straight, the newspaper said.

"And that's not counting big bingo games held Sunday nights in two local churches where average attendance at both institutions is in the hundreds." Names of the two churches were not revealed.

On Monday, Jan. 21, when the thermometer outside registered twenty-five below zero, a reporter walked in to seven bingo parlors and counted 2,441 players. He estimated the average person spent at least fifty cents an evening.

The game first hit Winnipeg more than three years ago and within three months had captured minds of hundreds and soon developed into a major attraction.

Many of the operators, the newspaper said, distributed their takings as follows: Ten per cent expenses; 40 per cent prizes; and 50 per cent for the operators.

It was estimated Winnipeggers spent \$800,000 during the last three years and forecast that at the present rate of expansion bingo proceeds in next twelve months would add another \$500,000.

## Our Mail Bag

## MRS. COOMBES' DOG

One of the most pathetic things which has happened in this city for a long time was brought to the attention of the public this week by a front page article in Thursday's Mail and Your Editor deserves credit for placing the facts before the public. It was the taking by the police of Mrs. Leonard Coombes dog when hounds of other dogs are running at large about the streets. Why this widow woman with several orphan children to support should have been one of the first to be selected

is just too bad, although the police had a legal right to proceed as they did if they think that their judgement was right. You had the facts about right in your paper. Leonard Coombes was a good citizen. He owned this favorite dog and he was very much attached to it. One day while he was out with the dog he died suddenly, just on his return. The faithful dog appeared to be heart broken and pined for several days over its master's death. The family kept the dog and the children were crazy about it. MRS. COOMBES IS A HARD WORKING WOMAN WHO HAS NOT MUCH OF THIS WORLD'S GOODS BUT SHE IS DOING HER BEST TO BRING HER FAMILY UP IN A RESPECTABLE WAY. ONE OF THE LITTLE COMFORTS WHICH THIS POOR WIDOW AND HER ORPHAN CHILDREN HAD WAS THEIR DEAD FATHER'S DOG. When the widow was summoned up to the court she was fined ten dollars or ten days in jail with the alternative of destroying her children's pet, all strictly within our law. She could not possibly pay the fine. She could not leave her orphan children and go to jail. She did not want to have the dog killed, so she has given it away to people in Penniac.

## OTTAWA

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against the Criminal Code is being committed by Fascists, Communists or otherwise, the government will cause the necessary proceeding to be initiated by way of having such information and complaint laid as the facts disclosed by the investigation may justify."

The Dominion would "otherwise furnish such reasonable assistance to the provincial authorities as they may require in connection with the prosecution."

Mr. Lapointe's statement was in reply to a question asked in the House yesterday by J. S. Woodsworth, Co-operative Commonwealth Federation leader, who referred to a news item in a Montreal newspaper, accompanied by a photograph "showing uniformed classes drilling under former officers of the regular army."

The minister did not mention any organization or individual in his statement.

## ALARMED

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From Ottawa came word that the House had received a petition to pass an act incorporating the Niagara Falls Observation Bridge Company on behalf of Wilbert G. Welby of Hamilton, and others. In answer to a question asked by T. L. Church, Conservative M.P. for Toronto-Broadview, Secretary of State Rinfret told the House that measures to prevent a recurrence of ice jams in the Niagara River would necessitate long and careful consideration. He said the Government did not have any ice breaking equipment in Lake Erie or the Niagara River similar to that operated in the St. Lawrence River.

## EDUCATION WEEK

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al defence with the three R's—it is wrong to fight even when provoked. An isolationist would teach our pupils to build up a mighty Canada, reserved and independent, with a restrictive national policy and a minimum of dealings abroad, with a cloak of sufficiency that might be even more tightly wrapped to protect us from war clouds. In many cities of Canada children hear practical discussions on imported political philosophies in their homes. They are aware of suppressed enthusiasm for some foreign government system and they grow up in an atmosphere of dissatisfaction with Canadian institutions. The school, in these cases, may not be able readily to discourage a youth's preference for a black or colored shirt.

If the teacher is aware of these many possibilities and problems how can she train boys and girls for the future? She must plan an aggressive program for peace, and that implies training boys and girls in standards of justice that they will fight for peace, leaving physical combat as a last resort. Children should be taught to prize honor above personal or national gain. The attitude toward peace should not be that of cowardice, or selfishness, or of procrastination. For many centuries our forefathers in many lands have worked, fought, and died to produce a standard of civilization and a culture for us. We would be careless in our trust if we allowed it to be destroyed in a generation because we failed to develop in our children a sense of responsibility for its preservation. So the teacher must present to her pupils the story of the past in such a way that they learn to appreciate our institutions. Children may be taught to understand, respect and co-operate with children of other lands. There are so many ways in which this might be accomplished, such as: presenting songs, games and stories of other children; dramatizing events of international co-operation; stamp collecting and exchange; projects on life in other lands; study of our dependence on other countries for products and purchases; reading about customs of foreign children; listing of contributions of each country to world culture and civilization; intelligent study of the influence of geographic factors on forms of government; travels of school children; comparing the need for national law with the need for international law.

Professor Gilbert Murray speaking in a peace broadcast said: "Ninety per cent. of the world, President Roosevelt has stated, want peace and law, unhampered trade and a friendly life. Some 10 per cent. are at present preventing all of those things. Hitherto, the 10 per cent. have seemed to be able to do what they liked and to make the 90 per cent. submit to them. Surely it is not beyond the wit of man to reverse this process and design some method, some peaceful method, some generous method, some resolutely firm method by which the law-abiding will of the many shall prevail over the lawless demands of the few." If civilization is to flourish again, the children in our schools must be educated for peace, but in such a way that they will discover in their time the method that Professor Murray considers essential for the revival of peace.

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## QUEBEC

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The order affected all unorganized workers and organized workers not already operating under collective labor agreements.

Immediately upon publication of the order, the Government was flooded with complaints and requests that application of the order, fixed for February 15, be delayed. Most of the complaints were based, not on objections to the purpose of the order but on its application to particular industries. Many organizations wanted more time to consider the effect of the ordinance on particular industries. It was felt that so sweeping an order should not be applied without more thought being given to its possible effect on the industrial and commercial structure of the province.

That the Fair Wage Board itself expected to receive representations as to the effect of the order was evident in a "public notice" appended to the order itself. In this it was stated that the order would be effective from February 15, 1938, until February 15, 1939, "except those parts which may be withdrawn or suspended," and the Board underfoot to receive and consider complaints and suggestions. A further provision gave the board the right to amend conditions set up in the ordinance to meet special circumstances.

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