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UNQUENCHABLE SPIRIT

Border incidents flare anew in troubled Central Europe, now between Czechoslovakia and Hungary. Open combat has broken out between the two nations during the last few days in a series of those battles and bombardments that are now termed "border incidents".

Since Germany has obtained the Sudeten regions and virtual control of the famed Prague munitions works, there is probably little reason to fear that she will come to the aid of her pocket-edition ally, Hungary. This, of course, vastly reduces the dangers of the Czechoslovak-Hungarian feud developing into a major conflict.

The trouble seems to be that Hungary and Poland who, like hyenas and vultures skulking behind the lion, wanted to feed off the carcass after the lion had eaten his fill, cannot reconcile themselves to the fact that the lion's meal didn't kill the victim at all and that the carcass is still very much alive.

After the Munich agreement had been signed and the Sudeten regions had been given to Germany, the opinion seemed to be generally held that Czechoslovakia, if not already, would soon be completely wiped from the map of Europe as an independent nation. It was expected that Poland and Hungary would each obtain without a struggle, the territories that they desired, that the Slovaks would break away from the Czechs and that one or another of the neighboring nations would, out of the goodness of their hearts, take upon themselves the burden of minority problems by swallowing up the divided remnants in order to prevent somebody else from doing it.

The stand of the Czechs has been as admirable as it has been surprising, however. The two races were able to adjust their problems sufficiently to the satisfaction of each that they remained together. And now, their spirit apparently unquenched, they are warning with effective steel the hyenas and the vultures.

The situation is unquestionably a humiliating one for Hungary and Poland, and they find it hard to accept without some semblance of warfare. But the probability is that each will soon devise some sort of

"honorable truce" and that Czechoslovakia's additional losses, if any at all, will be small indeed. Scavengers, as a rule, have an easily sated appetite when it is found that the carcass is still alive!

The ever-increasing public interest in the progress of those sciences calculated to conserve health was climaxed during the recent holiday season when meetings were held in many parts of America by scientific bodies. It has been estimated that during that week, the newspapers of America actually published more about biology and physics, electron-microscopes and mental diseases than they did about Hitler and Mussolini.

Before the American Association for the Advancement of Science at Richmond, Virginia, medical men told what progress they were making in understanding the action of vitamins and hormones on mind and body.

One of the outstanding revelations was in the comparatively new science of Chemo-Therapy. It was a discovery of Dr. Charles F. Code of the Mayo Foundation, made in the study of allergies. An allergy is a condition of unusual or exaggerated specific susceptibility to a substance which is harmless in similar amounts for the majority of members of the same species—for example, in some persons affections are brought on by eating foods that are harmless for the majority of people, in some by breathing certain dusts. Until recent times these allergies baffled medical men. Then an important step was taken when by skin tests it became possible to determine to just what substances anyone was allergic.

Even this, however, did not reveal the mechanism of allergy and it is in this field that Code's discovery has been made. As a result of his study of a special type of white blood cells, it is claimed that there is now a good prospect of the doctors being able to deal scientifically with the millions of people who cannot eat this or that without breaking out into a rash.

FACTS OF INTEREST

Canada supplies approximately 90 per cent of the nickel used in the world today, practically all of it coming from the famous Sudbury region in Northern Ontario.

Canada's honey crop was the largest on record in 1938, when the production was approximately 34 million pounds, a gain of 12 million pounds, or 56 per cent, over 1937.

The number of slaughtering and meat packing plants in operation in Canada in 1937 was 138.

Mines products constitute approximately one-third of the export trade of Canada, and also provide one-third of the freight carried by Canadian railways.

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And mercy's spring run dry"
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And good things all went to the strong;
If nobody cared just a little for you
And nobody thought about me,
And we all stood alone in the battle of life:
What a dreary old world it would be

—EDWIN H. CLARKE.

Just in Jest

At a cocktail party a lovely young thing, hearing the telephone bell, exclaimed: "That's for me—I know the ring!"

A lawyer was asked by a woman friend what was the difference between a solicitor and a barrister. "Precisely the same," he replied, "as between a crocodile and an alligator."

Stranger: "Which is the quickest way to the hospital?"
Lounge: "Poke me in the back with that umbrella again and you'll find yourself there in no time."

A Judge says he is very much afraid that the stability of marriage in this country is weakening bit by bit. Surely he means scrap by scrap?

Magistrate: "The officer states that he found you two fighting in the street."
Defendant: "That's wrong. When he arrived we were trying to separate each other."

Wife: "Hurry up, can't you? I must go out and show off my new costume!"
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As I See It

Daily Foreign News Comment

By H. M. Paint.

Dr. H. L. Stewart of Dalhousie University is to speak in Fredericton on Wednesday night at 8.15 at the Normal School Auditorium on the subject: "Danger Spots in the World Today." Those of us who have been privileged to listen to Dr. Stewart's lucid and thought-provoking addresses, whether given in person or over the air, realize that in hearing him, we are listening to the dean of Canadian news commentators—a man who leaves us with a sense of having imparted only a small portion of his rich store of knowledge, which yet has proved an intellectual feast.

We in Canada are under a distinct debt to him for fulfilling the vitally important role of interpreter of the events which occur abroad—without rancor, without prejudice, without exaggeration, with no effort to achieve the spectacular at the expense of accuracy.

That Dr. Stewart holds the position of Doctor of Philosophy at one of our Maritime universities, and that the youth of our seaboard provinces have an opportunity to study from his lips, the clarity of thought, aptness of phrase and most of all the urbanity of manner characteristic of this distinguished interpreter of foreign affairs, is a matter in which we in the Maritimes may well take justifiable pride.

The Fredericton Branch of the League of Nations, is endeavoring to bring a series of four or five distinguished speakers to Fredericton this winter, of whom Dr. Stewart is the first. Their success will largely depend upon the response in attendance given by our citizens at Dr. Stewart's address on Wednesday night, as should the attendance be slight, it will be impossible to proceed with the extensive programme contemplated.

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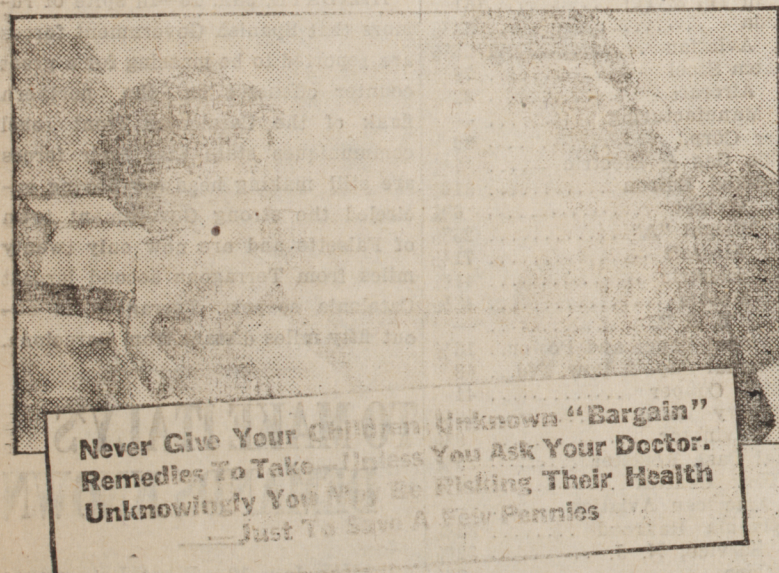
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