

VOICE of the PRESS CANADA THE EMPIRE THE WORLD AT LARGE CANADA Cure for Floods As has been pointed out many times by expert engineers these floods can be prevented only by carrying out extensive schemes of reforestation, together with the construction of works that will hold back flood waters and fill swamps and low places with water. Schemes of reforestation, while these will be valuable in years to come, provide no immediate remedy. This can be done only by the construction of dams and retaining basins at strategic points. The need extends over the entire province, consequently there must be co-operation between provincial and municipal government if these works are to be carried out economically and effectively. There must be some well planned comprehensive scheme. The recent warning, with its widespread damage, destruction of bridges and other property, together with much human suffering, should not pass unheeded. Without any doubt these floods will become more destructive from year to year.—Branford Exporter.

Best Friend A recent nationwide poll conducted by the Institute of Public Opinion, marking the twentieth anniversary of the United States entrance into the World War, indicates that Great Britain is the most liked European nation among the American people by a wide margin. The poll, which was conducted by the Institute of Public Opinion, shows that 67 per cent of the people in the United States regard Great Britain as their best friend. This is a significant increase over the 55 per cent recorded in a similar poll in 1935. The poll also shows that 67 per cent of the people in the United States regard Great Britain as their best friend. This is a significant increase over the 55 per cent recorded in a similar poll in 1935.

Handbook for Teachers Being issued by the Board of Education is a six hundred page handbook for teachers. Points of the Board's new system are that good music is an essential of a child's education, that a girl should begin by learning household duties, such as ironing, cleaning silver and cooking. In the new regime, both boys and girls are to learn. The handbook, embracing questions about the child's personal reactions to the sentiments of a poem are to be cut out, and used as a basis for discussion and sentimentality.

Englishwoman Goes To Court Rather Than Tell Her Age Bases Refusal on Contention That Plaintiff Would Have to Prove Her Liability Miss Leslie Hamer, of the May Fair Hotel, London, W., was summoned at Oxford Police Court recently for neglecting to attend a summons under the seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries. She pleaded "not guilty" and conducted her own defence. It was stated that Miss Hamer had owned land in Surrey which was subject to a quit rent. The Lord of the Manor had applied to the Minister of Agriculture to have the quit rent abolished and compensation paid, for which, as it was based on the expectancy of life, it was essential that Miss Hamer should give her age. She had refused to do so, and had also refused to attend an inquiry at Oxford when she would have been asked to give her age.

War Game Bombers A squadron of huge army bombing planes make a picture of deadly beauty as they line up at Murdock Dry Lake, Cal., before starting on their way to the front.

Return of the Beaver Of all countries in the world Canada should be interested in the preservation of the beaver, the little animal which was largely responsible for the development of the Canadian north-west, whose pelts were at one time common currency in the territory.

Quints Thriving Gained in Height and Weight During Past Month CALLANDER, Ont. — Just a month from their third birthday the Dionne quintuplets stepped on the scales and laughed up at Dr. Alan Macleod and his staff at the hospital where they were born. They had a slight cold for a few days and had a tooth each, but they were all thriving and measured their height and weight during the past month and gained four of them put on eight and a half pounds, but they could well afford it.

Means Business Anyone who doubts that Britain is in a dead earnest about rearmament only to look at the tax load the British are willing to carry these days. Before Neville Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer brought in his new budget, with its higher rates, the British taxpayer was shedding 22 1/2 per cent of his income to the government in a direct tax. Beyond that he was carrying a load of "indirect taxes" as the name of the tax is called. British motorists have been paying tax on the sale of their cars for years. They also pay a horsepower tax on their autos, so set up that a man who owns a 25-horsepower car must pay \$125 a year for his license. When a nation that is paying taxes at such rates submits to still heavier taxes for the sake of rearmament, it must be admitted that such a nation is decidedly in earnest about its preparedness program. — Kitchener Record.

LABOR MARCHES There was a touch of summer in the air. Percy little suits and hats bobbed along Yonge Street as the demonstrators marched to the usual Saturday morning shopping. The last strokes of twelve rolled heavily from the City Hall tower and men in new uniforms swarmed down University Avenue. Quiet little knots of people linked into a procession, each recognizing his neighbor by the little red ribbon of organized labor. Workmen, factory hands, shopgirls all formed part of the parade. There were speeches in Queen's Park and the evening newspapers reported all quiet on the labor front.

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News in Review North Bay Places Licenses For All Tourist Homes NORTH BAY, — Steps to license homes catering to summer tourists were taken by the North Bay City Council last week. Second reading was given to a by-law providing for fees ranging from \$10 to \$20. Alderman C. Tremblay was outspoken in his objection. "The rates," he declared, "were unreasonable. In fact, the by-law is unenforced for years."

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AND THERE In England they are really kicking about the income tax and with a far bigger reason than the average Canadian. Under the new budget announced by Neville Chamberlain the prosperous Englishman must pay the government one dollar out of every four he makes. There were four out of five in the Conservative fold but also from within. These were the most important, as having a possible bearing on Mr. Chamberlain's elevation to the Prime Ministership, on the retirement of Mr. Baldwin. But Mr. Chamberlain shrugs his lean shoulders and explains that his "soak the rich" policy is only one means of attempting to raise the price of Britain's rearmament program. \$7,500,000,000 is a lot of money but in these precarious times, John Bull thinks it none too much.

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### Trial Tests Of Root And Vegetable Seeds


A comprehensive scheme for an extension of trial tests of field root and garden vegetable seeds is to be put in operation at Macdonald College, Quebec, Manitoba Agricultural College, Winnipeg, the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C. and Vineland Station, Ontario. Horticulturists at these stations have now agreed to co-operate in the tests, setting aside for this purpose at least 1 1/2 acres of land. They have also agreed to supervise the necessary work of preparation, the sowing and the cultivation. An undergraduate or graduate will be appointed by each station for a period of at least six months to take direct charge of the trials.

The Seed Branch and the Experimental Farms Branch, Dominion Department of Agriculture and the Canadian Seed Growers' Association are co-operating with the Horticultural Plant Breeders' Committee of the Canadian Seed Growers' Association. The idea of the Committee being that if all parties interested in this work were to co-operate and the trials extended to stations nearest the whole of the Dominion, the information of inestimable value to all would be secured.

The extending of the purity of variety tests is also intended as an alternative to the licensing of new varieties of field roots and garden vegetables. Seeds are being collected from the Seed Act comes up for revision in Parliament during it, it is hoped, the facts, brutal though they may be... Leisure is a by-product of efficiency... Eventually everyone will have to settle down to the old grind... Brains aren't everything, but they're important... If you're lying about your age, keep quiet about your college year... Girls who can't add or count change have no right to get married... Concentrate on your job and you will forget your other troubles.

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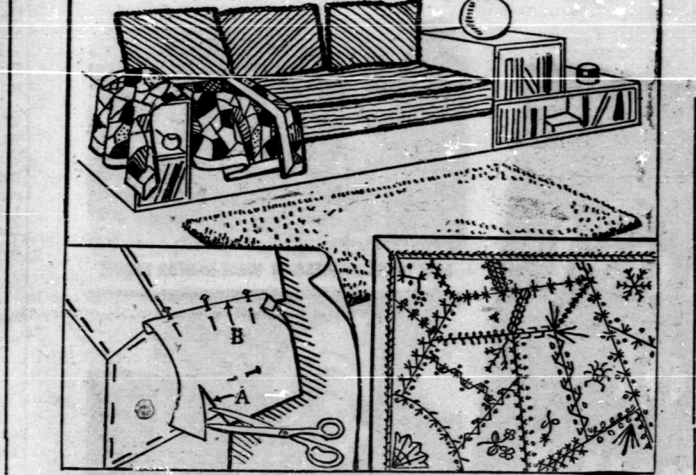
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All the seasons in Malay have been the same temperature, and the sun rises and sets at the same hour the year around.

A very happy, young man was invited to a dinner party. He sat next to a charming young lady, but could not think of what to say to start the conversation. At last he ventured: "Young man—do you like cheese?" "Young lady—no, I dislike it." "Young man—does your brother like cheese?" "Young lady—I have to bother." "Young man—If you had a brother would he like cheese?" "History does not record the lady's answer."

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A little more tread at the close of day; A little less anxious to have our way; A little more care for another's name; A broader view and a saner mind; A little more charity in all our views; A little less thirst for the daily news; A little more leisure to sit and dream; A little more real the things unseen; And so we are facing down the way That leads to the gates of a better day.

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