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Those qualities of resourcefulness, courage and daring that made the Canadians such a potent attacking force during the First Great War and brought fame to their sons at Dieppe last year are again being exhibited by the 1st Division in Sicily.

History is repeating itself. After nearly four years of intensive training, Canadian fighting men, forged into what is probably the most powerful striking force of all time, await the hour of the attack on the German fortress.

While four divisions of the army overseas strain at the leash in Britain, the men under Maj-Gen. G. G. C. McCreery, who have been in the command of the 1st Division since the outbreak of the war, have maintained the reputation set by the first Canadian army to fight on European soil. It was high praise indeed when Sir Bernard Montgomery said of them: "The Canadians were terrific on the beaches and on the attack inland."

The magnificent showing of Sir Arthur Currie's Canadian Corps at Amiens just twenty-five years ago forms a striking parallel. After their great victory at Passchendaele in the fall of 1917 the Canadian Corps was held virtually inactive for nine months. For a part of the time the Germans pressed their spring offensive in a tremendous but vain attempt to smash victory.

In a campaign behind the lines in France the Canadians were dubbed "Foch's Pets." But the Allied generalissimo was training the "pets" for the great counter-attack east of Amiens launched August 8th, 1918.

Capt. Liddell Hart, noted historian of the First Great War, has referred to the Battle of Amiens as "the most brilliant victory gained by British arms in the 1914-18 conflict." "Matchless attacking troops," Hart called Canadians and Australians who knitted through German defenses as the spearhead of Gen. Sir Henry Rawlinson's army which captured 21,000 prisoners in a few days.

August 8th, 1918 was "black day" for Gen. Erich Ludendorff, the great German tactician, as the "black day of the German Army in the history of the war." In his book published soon after the armistice he wrote "The English, Colonials and the French broke deep into our line between the Somme and the Luce. The eighth of August marked the downfall of our fighting strength and destroyed our hopes of strategic annihilation. To continue the war was to start a gamble. The war had to end."

SPORT - THE LEAVEN

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In any event, the war is broadening the outlook of the farm lad, and farm girl — through new associations in the services. It could not be otherwise because new contacts are certain to develop new thought. Many young fellows are now in the armed forces of school and college age, susceptible to environment and receptive mentally, are seeing a great deal of Canada in troop movements, and will see a great deal more overseas.

When they return to home life they will have had an experience that many could not have otherwise secured. Meanwhile, there is a parently a new school outlook and a new future for the children in educational reforms.

WHEN EXPERTS DIFFER

Women who have been accustomed to preserving fruit at home, and using half a pound of sugar to a pound of fruit, must have been impressed by the new school of thought in the process. This discovery became public about the same time as it was known that the ration sugar for canning would be greatly reduced from the amount most housewives considered necessary.

Consultation with a number of women leads to the conclusion that most women are sceptical of the efficacy of sugarless canning, no matter how heartily it is recommended by Ottawa. This is a serious situation, for if women cease to believe what they are told, the effect on both the war effort and home life may be disastrous.

There seems to be more over here than Canada, and Canada. Tell all the boys I was asking after them and that I sent you all my very best wishes. So once again to those who make it possible for us to have the smokes, Thanks a Million. Cheers.

Dear Laird: I have written a few lines to say hello to you. I haven't heard from you before. I haven't had much mail and I believe that a lot of letters I have written have been lost.

I have just returned from a nine day leave in the Service, those from Jarvis being Malcolm Peacock, Gordon Bright, George Parkinson and Tommy Harris. I met Malcolm Peacock at the Flying Club, and went to Banbury to see George Parkinson. He is a member of the British Legion, and is a very good fellow. He is a large, powerful fellow, and is a very good fellow. He is a large, powerful fellow, and is a very good fellow.

It doesn't require a big stretch of imagination to think that before many years have passed some budding "Eddie Shore" or "Bey" might be as well-known in Britain as Bradman, or that some Welsh youngster now just learning to skate might be in the running for a place on an international all-star hockey team.

WAR IS EDUCATION

Emphasis has been placed on one of the world's entanglements — the apparent influence of the war on youth training, entirely apart from military requirements. There are indications of a coming revolution in school and college methods — in fact, the education of the future may have started already if the words of educationists and developments in legislative circles can be taken as a sign of the times.

War itself is an education if consideration is given to the manner in which rural and urban recruits have been thrown together.

And every issue of a newspaper, with its war news, is a lesson in geography and history.

Besides this enlightening process, however, are such moves as strong agitations in several provinces for improved rural schools, widened scope of subjects and higher salaries for teachers, while the head of one university has stressed other than academic standards for admission to colleges in the postwar period, emphasizing that manual, as well as mental talent, is important. Stress in increasing measures has

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FARMER'S FRIENDS

Each day the Farm Broadcast Commentators of the CBC add their news and market bulletins, give directives from the provincial and federal farm authorities, and voice many other aids to the wartime farmer's gigantic task of raising and marketing the food for the story. Here is A. R. Kemp (right) as he gives his daily bulletin to the rural listeners of Ontario and Quebec. Monday to Friday, at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, at 10:30 a.m. and Sunday, at 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The microphone is CBC commentator Del Mott, who divides his interest between the daily farm broadcasts and eye-opening music for the early risers.



A WEEKLY EDITOR LOOKS AT

Ottawa

Written weekly for the weekly newspaper of Canada.

By Jim Greenblatt

As the end of the Session flickered into view, the mills of Parliament started to grind faster but got caught in the whirl of some long distance debate. One subject was the Farm Broadcast Commentators Act, a bill bringing Manitoba into the system of farm debt legislation.

Highlights: Limiting date of May 1, 1943 states. Of two-thirds of a farm's debt, one-third must be paid by the farmer, and the other two-thirds by the government. This is a very good thing, and it is a very good thing.

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