

TOUGHER THAN PICKING A WINNER



English racing fans, refusing to be stopped by skimpy transportation facilities, travel to Newmarket on bicycles. They face tougher problem picking steel steeds from jumbled pile parked outside course than picking winners among blooded ones.

THE WAR - WEEK — Commentary on Current Events

German Armies Have Started Third Offensive Against Russia

A special radio communique from Moscow announces that the German armies have started a third offensive against Russia. As was the case last summer, the new assault, says The New York Times, has been launched along the winding 200-mile front from Orel, some 200 miles south of Moscow, to Belgorod, just north of Kiev, where both sides have been concentrating troops for some time. The Moscow communique leaves no doubt that it is a major effort, into which the enemy has thrown "large forces of tanks and infantry, supported by a considerable number of planes."

1943 Strategy
Therewith, the strategy of this year of 1943 has been decided. The Allied victory in Tunisia and the mounting air bombardment appear to have delayed the German and the delay may still prove vital as in the two years past. But neither Tunisia, nor the air war, nor the necessity of providing for an Allied invasion from the west, have apparently been able to cripple Germany, and her generally defensive position has not prevented her from launching an eastern offensive after all. In fact, as Hanson Baldwin points out, she appears even to have been able to reinforce Italy to a point which gave Mussolini the courage and the brass to answer Allied invitations to surrender with the boast that his answer will be cannon fire.

German Objective?
What the real German purpose and objective in this latest offensive are remains to be seen. In the first offensive of 1941 it was Moscow; in the offensive of last year it was Stalingrad and the oil of the Caucasus. Since the failure of both these efforts, it has been suggested that any German offensive on a similar scale had become impossible, and that if the Germans did undertake another one it would be more on a less a token offensive for the political effect on Germany's satellites and the world. The Red Army may well reduce it to such. But the German concentration of some 200 German, plus 20 to 40 satellite divisions and a large part of the German air strength in Russia, might well be Hitler's last desperate bid for victory.

Second Front Appeal
All this gives new point to the renewed Russian appeals for a second front on the Continent. It also provides the Allies with an opportunity. If, as the Russian communique indicates, the Germans have really engaged themselves in a major offensive in the east, they will find it difficult to switch any reinforcements from the east to the west. To the extent that our military situation permits, this is clearly the time to strike at other points. Russia may be counted upon to fight with the same courage as heretofore. But Russia alone is incapable of defeating Germany. The one strategy that will defeat Germany is the strategy she dreads—namely, a real two-front war. If that strategy can be made effective by the Allies the new German offensive will indeed be the last one.

Anniversary in China
Six years ago last week there was a skirmish between Chinese and Japanese troops at a bridge outside Peiping. It was the beginning of a war that was to devastate a large part of China, the beginning, too, of a war that was to lead directly to Pearl Harbor. When the insensate rulers of Japan set out on their mad adventure in North China they decreed war and ruin for all Eastern Asia—and, by all the portents now discernible, for Japan as well.

Four Years Alone
For more than four years China has been alone the scourge of fascist-militarist barbarity in its peculiar and vicious Japanese form. Whatever may be Japan's course in the future, it cannot for generations expunge from

men's minds the memory of the most dishonorable war ever fought by a nation. That which Kurusu symbolizes for the Allies was mild compared to what has been perpetrated in China, where men, women, children, and the aged, were slaughtered, raped and the normal procedure and the mark of Japanese occupation. For more than four of the six years the world looked on as if it were not concerned of its own, as if only two remote alien Asiatic peoples were involved. We cleaved so close to legal neutrality that we opened our arsenals of production to both sides, which meant in effect to Japan alone, for China had neither the money nor the means of transportation to benefit. While legally correct, it is now clear that politically it was folly. We armed Japan against ourselves as well as China.

China Held Out
The Chinese would not fight, the knowledgeable said. The Chinese could not fight, the experts said. Japan would consolidate its victories in six months and the Chinese, congenitally divided among themselves, would accept the inevitable. Six months passed, then 12, then 24. The Chinese did not accept. Periodically there were renewed rumors of Chinese defections, of internal breaking up, of imminent cessation of war, but all terms meant surrender. And China held out; not only held out, but bled more and more of Japan's troops and Japan's resources.

Yes, We Have No



What has New Guinea got that we haven't? Potatoes. Take a look at that luscious pile piled by Roi Boga, one of the lads from down under.

HIDDEN TREASURE
Modern version of the guy who's well off. He has five tons of coal in the cellar and a sack of potatoes.
—Windsor Star.

OTTAWA REPORTS

That Control of Prices Has Saved Canadians \$350,000,000 in Living Costs During 1942.

When the history of this war comes to be written, one of the major wonders to be recorded is the manner in which the Canadian people, unaccustomed to economic controls and restrictions, buckled down to a new rationed and price-controlled economy.

Not many of us understood all the implications and objectives of the Dominion price-matching along in self-disciplined fashion with an experiment in controlled living which Prime Minister Mackenzie King described as its outset as "hitherto untried by the will and consent of any free people anywhere."

One of the most interesting discussions to date in the present session of Parliament is Finance Minister James L. Halsey's exposition of results from the operation of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, a vast new organization set up to operate the price controls.

Reviewing the history of price control in Canada, the Finance Minister admitted that even in the government there was no one at the outset who could be entirely confident that a general price ceiling was the right answer to threatened inflation. But the government, he said, did recognize the "terrible consequences" that inflation would have for the Canadian economy, both during and after the war, and was determined to prevent it if at all possible.

The decision, he told the Canadian people, had been justified. If there had been compromise or delay Canada would be faced with an extremely confused and well-nigh uncontrollable situation.

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VOICE OF THE PRESS

IN THE DAILY FIELD
The News-Journal of Mansfield, Ohio, reflects that "time was when three handfuls of potatoes were exchanged for a year's subscription to the country weekly newspaper" to the country weekly newspaper. "But right now the News and the Times would probably be in demand in such a proportion."

BANK STAFFS SERVE
It is estimated that out of 14,433 experienced men in the service of Canada's chartered banks, more than 5,000 have joined the armed forces. That explains why women are now so numerous in banks, and it also explains why it is not always possible for those banks to give a continuation of their pre-war type of service.

FOR THE ITALIANS
No matter how anxious the Italians may be to get out of the war, they can't get out of it until they get what's coming to them for getting into it!
—Ottawa Citizen.

TOO GOOD TO LAST
Wartime has made some of the summer styles so sensible they probably won't last long.
—Kitchener Record.

THOSE SCOTTISH JOKES
A Scottish woman writes to the press complaining of jokes against Scots and says the Scots are weary of them. We don't believe it. The man we know who best enjoys a joke, whether against his race or not, is a Scot—and there are lots more like him.
—Guelph Mercury.



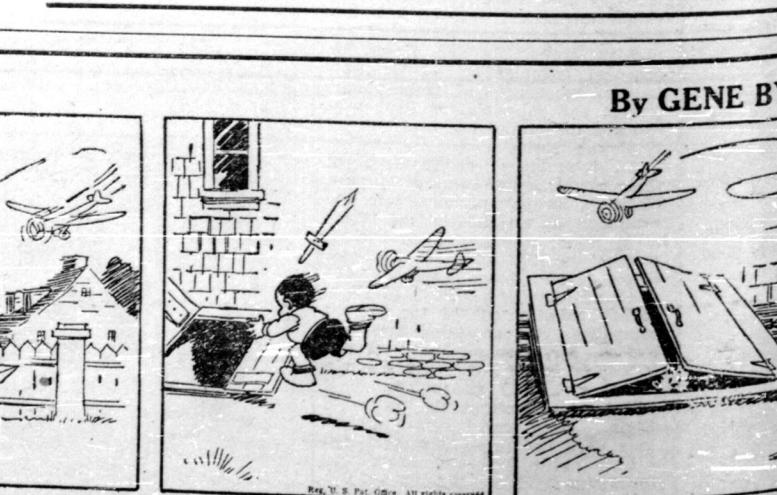
The Chinese thought of it first!

THOUSANDS of years ago, the Chinese developed a form of gunpowder—a flaming chemical of defense dumped over battlements upon an invading enemy. And from this age-old beginning has evolved smokeless powder made from high-proof alcohol. Like the airplane, it has done much to further the progress of mankind—but in evil hands it has meant tyranny and enslavement.

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By GENE BYRNE

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ON THE THREAD LINE

A "queer idea, missed Gul Mohammed. It must be some subconscious symbol. There are certain no warms or motions in this cotton covering. And yet, lying on the bed side of the dreamer, a thousand feet on the floor, a man found so frozen that it was practically ice. Shere Khan's idea of going to bed was to roll himself in that cotton sheet like a caterpillar in a cocoon.

THE HILT

Prophet on whom he peace, I swear to you, Sahib, I know no more than that he set out on the Kashmir road mounted on a pure bred Bakshani mare, a bay with three white socks, his servant riding a half bred Kabuli mare, a blackish grey, long-eared, crooked-necked and somewhat goose-rumped. He had four well-bred dogs. "And who looked after the dogs?" "An Afghan and three Turanians." "And who looked after the Afghan and the three Turanians?" "There was a pair of Turkish half castes."

ONTARIO CATTLE WIN AT BRANDON SHOW

Ontario exhibitors scored high in the cattle division at Manitoba Provincial Exhibition in Brandon last week. Many prize ribbons were taken by the entries of F. H. Deacon & Son, Unionville, Ont., and John Gardhouse of Weston, Ont.

A GOOD DINNER

Needs a tasty Appetizing Dessert... The housewives of Canada, ever anxious to provide attractive and nourishing meals for their families, are "Householders". They have learned that delightful desserts, served easily and at little cost with Canada Corn Starch, are a welcome addition to meals prepared in accordance with Canada's Food Rules. They know the high quality of Canada Corn Starch ensures fine, smooth results.

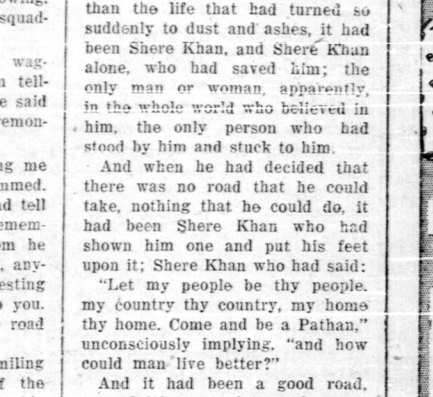
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TABLE TALKS

Wartime Canning. Some weeks ago I told you about the bulletins, which were being issued by the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, prepared by the Household Economic Department. Any one may have these bulletins at anytime by writing and asking for the subject in which you are interested. Household bulletins, No. 29 entitled, "Wartime Canning" is well worth writing for. Here are some of the high points from this bulletin:

Safe Canning. If food products are left in their natural state most of them spoil in a few days—some in a few hours. Canning, by destroying their surface or in their tissues of bacteria moulds or yeasts, if such organisms can be destroyed and the entrance of these organisms prevented, the food can be kept in good condition indefinitely. Therefore, successful canning depends on destroying all microscopic life by using sufficient heat for the proper length of time and by using airtight containers which protect from re-infection. The aim in canning fruit and vegetables is to assure this result while preserving natural shape, color and fresh flavor. Safe canning depends on strict attention to every step in the process.

A SLIM TWO-PIECER



Miss Chambers welcomes personal letters from interested readers. She will be glad to answer questions on topics for her columns, and to give suggestions on style, and to receive your letters to "Miss Style It." Send stamped self-addressed envelope if you wish a reply.

Ox Blood Used In Transfusions

Discovery of a method of using hydrolyzed ox blood in place of human blood in transfusions for human beings was reported recently to the Brazilian Academy of Medicine. The method was developed as a result of research to find a more abundant and less expensive source of plasma for increasing wartime needs.

HOW YOUNG CANADIANS CAN HELP TO WIN THE WAR



Christie's Biscuits

tables may result in the following types of spoilage: Mold, fermentation and bacterial spoilage (flat souring). In the case of mold it is detected soon enough the growth may be removed from the surface. The contents of the container brought to the boiling point and the fruit used immediately. When slight yeast fermentation occurs the boiling of the fruit with additional sugar generally makes it palatable. With bacterial spoilage, which usually takes the form of what is known as "flat souring," the gas is formed but the contents of the canner can develop a sour or rancid odor and the liquid is generally cloudy.

Don't Throw Any Old Socks Away

Don't throw out your husband's or your son's old socks, even when they seem darned and mended to death. They can be made into warm, colorful afghans. First, dip all the socks you have on hand in gentle, fine-fabric soap that "won't shrink woolens," rinse, and dry thoroughly. Then cut off the feet and the ribbed tops, cut it up the centre, and you have a piece of material about eight inches square. When you have a quantity of these squares collected, featherstitch them together, and embroider a small decoration in the centre of each square. If you have enough socks, do a back for the afghan in the same way. If not, a lining of some kind will add extra warmth. These warm afghans are particularly appreciated in such services as those of the mine sweepers.

Heat Treatment By Short Waves

When a doctor treats your aching joint by short-wave therapy you hold your hand or your foot in an electric field. Short-wave radio waves heat the joint, almost without your being aware of it. An egg can be held in the hand and cooked in this way. Now the same principle is being applied to treat machine parts and plywood. Other uses of short waves include the heat treatment of tobacco without removing it from the hoghead and the killing of insects in grains and cereals.

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