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TIME FOR ACTION

WE NOTE that several neighboring communities have laid plans for the welcoming of the Village Council in co-operation with the Jarvis Council in calling a public meeting to discuss and formulate plans for the reception of our own boys when they come home again will unquestionably meet with general approval.

Making such plans now can by no means be conceived as assuming the War is won, and while bitter fighting may still be ahead of the men at the front their return to their home land cannot be delayed many months longer. It is most desirable that when they do return there will be a genuine expression of welcome. Just how this can be arranged most effectively will require the most serious consideration of all citizens.

The meeting on Monday night is therefore one of the most important in the interests of the community that could possibly be held at this time. Nothing should prevent representatives of all organizations in the district from being present. It is a duty and a responsibility that deserves the most serious consideration in the councils of every group, no matter how small. The Jarvis and district boys must be welcomed as they will leave no doubt in their minds, that their efforts have been in vain.

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THESE RUMORS

NOW THAT NO. 1. Bombing and Gunner School has officially closed, rumors are flying thick and fast of the destruction of equipment being carried out at the station. During the past week, among other things, we have heard of planes being dismantled and the frame structures being prepared for the bonfire.

Our particular informant with regard to the destruction of the planes almost burst a blood vessel in the telling and no doubt by now has run out of blood vessels completely. We hasten to add, however, that we have no knowledge of fact whether planes are going to be destroyed this way at No. 1. B. & G. School or not. But in answer to the question, "What is going to happen to all the thousands of R.C.A.F. training aircraft after the war? Will they be useful for post-war purposes? Will they be sold? The Hon. C. D. Howe says the answer is 99 per cent. NO. The reason being that training craft were built heavier than are used in civil private and commercial flying. In addition most of the craft are no longer new and in many cases exceed the cost of the type of plane required by civilian owners. There are other and better reasons yet, why training aircraft, despite the fact that they represent thousands of dollars in original value, cannot be utilized for any useful purpose. That is the reason why they are being scrapped.

No doubt the wanton destruction talked about so freely by uninformed persons can be reasoned out the same way. That is if we care to be reasonable.

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RURAL HOUSING

THESE ARE TRYING TIMES for city dwellers. Nobody knows quite where they all came from—there seem to be so many more of them there before the war—and so many just are not enough houses to go round, it seems.

But in the midst of all this concentration on housing for city dwellers and war workers there must come a day when somebody gets around to thinking about housing for the farmers. There is a crying need too.

The problem goes back to depression days when city dwellers and farmers alike had little money. The city dweller, if he could, had to move to cheaper accommodation. But not the farmer. He was forced to stay with his land. And with his house.

But what of this house? Things being as they were he couldn't repair it—repairs cost too much. So, in so many cases, the wind and the weather went to work. And then came the ally, the priorities which left the farmers' housing needs far behind.

Now it is virtually a matter of no opportunity for proper repairs to rural dwellings, despite the fact that the war has done much to help the farmer. The city dweller has had to move out and now probably his sympathies with the city folk who follow the war jobs and pay exorbitant rents for apartments and houses or for rooms if they can't get anything better.

But when reconstruction time comes the farmer must not be forgotten. One official estimate of some months ago was that 125,000 farm homes were in need of repair. And the farmer, who has been so generous in his contributions to the war effort, is being asked to make good on his promise to the nation.

The farmer cannot be blamed overmuch if he wonders, amid all this talk of emergency housing measures for urban areas, where to get the wherewithal to fix up his place—and when.

NEVER THE TWAIN SHALL MEET—

By Lewis Milligan

ONE OF THE PLANKS in the socialist's post-war program is the conversion of government war plants into factories for the production of peace-time commodities. These factories would have to compete with private concerns in the same line of business. But, according to the socialist theory, they would not be run for profit, and the cost of production would not therefore be a matter of first consideration. "Production for public need, and not for profit" is the motto of socialism.

That motto has been observed in government plants producing the necessities of war—at least, the government has made no profit out of the making of munitions, but has incurred enormous losses and piled up mountains of debt. This could not be avoided, for war is a tragic emergency and, from a business point of view, is a total loss. Urgent costs must be met, and war plants must be set up to supply those needs without any thought of profits—at least for the government. The employees of the plants, of course, are not so socialist as the plans, and how it might be to work on the same principle. Even the socialist labor leaders have not renounced the profit motive for themselves and their followers. The only people who have given their services without any thought of financial profit are the members of our fighting forces, and they have given them all.

Socialists are fond of pointing to our great wartime production as an example of what might be done in time of peace. "If this can be done in time of war," they say, "why not in peace?" That seems reasonable enough to many people who do not give it a second thought. We are told that war production has been conducted by "socialist techniques," and it is quite true that in the past few years we have witnessed "experiments in socialization." We know what the socialization of industry means, and how it might be in actual operation. We know that it has meant high costs through extravagance in overhead, red tape delays, inefficiencies and political patronage. We know over-staffing and misfits.

We may be able to do that sort of thing in time of war with the financial resources of the public treasury and Victory Loans behind it, but in normal times of peace no industry could compete in the home or world markets on a no-profit basis. Even if the government owned all of the big industries it would have to show a profit, which merely means a credit balance on the books of the government. The loss of taxes from the expropriated private corporations. When the socialists tell us that we can do in peace what we can now do in war, they imply that we can run peace-time industries at a tremendous loss indefinitely.

But war is war, and peace is peace, and never the twain can meet in the industrial and commercial world.

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AN OLD, OLD STORY

"THERE ARE PERSONS who constantly clamor. They complain of oppression, of unfairness, of injustice, of wrong, of wrong, of wrong. They cry out loudly against all small capitalists and all means by which small capitalists become united in order to produce important and beneficial results. They carry on mad hostility against all establishments of industry and dry all streams.

"In a Country of unbridled Liberty, they clamor against oppression. They cry out where property is more evenly divided than anywhere else, they rend the air shouting agrarian doctrines.

"In a country where the wages of labor are high beyond parallel, they would teach the laborer he is but an oppressed slave.

"Sir, what can such men want? What do they mean? They mean nothing, sir, but to enjoy the fruits of another man's labor."

(From a speech by Daniel Webster in the United States Senate 1838)

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THE SPIRIT THAT WINS

LET THE PUBLICITY MEN beat their drums about the impending professional hockey playoffs—but for feverish interest you can't beat the pre-war days when local hockey insanity. Professional hockey and baseball has its place, of course, but who doesn't recall with a pang that "championship" game with the neighboring town and how you'd lay money on the line for your hometown team even though you knew you might just as well have tossed that dollar down the nearest drain.

Possibly it's nostalgia but there's nothing like that elation when the home team defeated the neighboring town—the same town against which your father's pitted their sports skill. We issued by the professional leagues but we can't acquire that old longing for a certain team to win.

Those games of other years were replayed over and over every time a few townspeople gathered to talk it over. When defeat was the air it was never because the opposition was a better team. We could always find some reason why we went out swinging on that all-important third strike.

Most of the boys who played those games are in a far bigger game now—many never to World. Our hope is those leagues and rivalries will be revived for their sake. And plans shaping in towns across the Dominion days to come once again we will be out to show the visiting team we can still raise winners.

With the President for approval.

Pen, Scissors and Want Press Freedom Pastepot

The Township Councilors learned on Saturday that there are several citizens in the Township better qualified to carry out the responsibilities of elected office than they are. They had the best couldn't have been applied to the snowdrift, and possibly save the cost of a bulldozer, that would never be needed again for fifty years.

The charming young Miss Gracing the Advertising page of a large Hamilton department store in Monday's edition of the Spectator, is none other than Catherine Cresswell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cresswell, formerly of Jarvis. Catherine is modelling what the teen age girl would look like in the future, and she does it most effectively.

Jack Atkinson, stalwart of the McEwan Softball team is the father of two daughters. Congratulations. Mr. Atkinson is a member of the McEwan Softball team.

Two remarkable. Despite the excellent weather for making ice, the rink management report a decided falling off in attendance this year. Last year the condition of the ice was such that it was not possible to skate on it. This year, however, the skating addicts flocked to the rink in large numbers, and they have given them all.

Bill Williamson and the writer are slated to defend the rights of man Friday night in a battle of wits and all of which will be a long and interesting one. Bill is a lawyer and the writer is a journalist. They will get the last word anyway.

Bride without a groom. That is the heading of a newspaper story last week from a Michigan paper last week. It was a story about a bride who had been married for a long time, but who had never been married before.

Yesterday a farmer's wife was asked how she liked the snow. "I haven't been outside the house in weeks," she replied. "Is the result of all these modern conveniences?" (T.R.H. Special)

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By Frank Hinds

Canadian Press Staff Writer Toronto February 21 (CP) — The second session of Ontario's 21st legislature was little more than a series of Premier Duggan's and his Progressive Conservative government's fiery speeches, they centred around the sixteen-man Liberal group of the House.

The House opened February 15th but it was not until Monday night that the Premier made his first speech. He was the Dominions Minister, and he was the Minister of the Interior. He was the Minister of the Interior. He was the Minister of the Interior.

A. A. MacLeod, leader of the two-man Labor-Progressive group, took the House by storm. He was the Minister of the Interior. He was the Minister of the Interior. He was the Minister of the Interior.

Following a month's illness, Mrs. J. Fugard passed away at St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton early Monday morning. The remains were conveyed to the funeral home and will be buried on Monday afternoon.

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At The Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rev. Samuel B. East
Rev. W. L. Keen
Rev. J. W. Keen

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Church School—10 A.M.

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