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Amber Meet Big Success

Jack Young Takes Jumping Event; Dot McInnis First In Ladies' Slalom; Three Minor Accidents; Many Competitors At Meet From Outside Points

Crowds of skiers and spectators gathered at the Amber Club ski grounds at noon last Sunday to enjoy the slalom and jumping competitions between members of the club. Although the weather was nippy hot refreshments served in the cabin stimulated and warmed the onlookers. The first runs in the slalom were held with keen competition in all fields. Second runs were staged later in the day on a fast, open course.

Dot MacInnis glided through the flags to chalk up the fastest time in the first run and repeated in the second trip to head the ladies. In the men's field Carl ("Spud") Paul whipped over the finish line to make the two fastest runs of the day. Jack Young placed second.

Alex Scott fell on a flag near the start of the course, but after regaining his "wind" completed the rest of the course. Bud Kissick suffered a dislocated shoulder on a similar fall.

Johnny Ray took the 14 and under boys' slalom event with his quick neat run. Don Gray, another upcoming start, raced down to place a close second.

The Brimacombe Cup for junior girls was won by "Franny" Nelson. Laura Allin took the younger girls' slalom.

Junior stars Bill "Slivvers" Howard and Jack Roocraft, in nose to nose competition, tied for first place in their slalom event.

Little Stevie Kassa placed first in the 10 and under boys' slalom and also took the lead in his field of jumping. Stevie is now displaying his new steel edges and a new advanced style.

Another great attraction of the day was the jumping. Jack Young, R.C.A.F. ski ace, leapt with perfect form to take the "B" jump while Wallie Paul again took the Overwaitea Cup for 16 and under boys' jumping. Andy Kassa placed first in the 14 and under.

One of the mishaps of the day happened when Johnny Ray was thrown off the jump when he encountered a dog on the takeoff. Although the 70-foot somersault could have been serious Johnny was up and around the next day.

Allan Rhines cleared the small jump to cop first place. Bud Tidball placed second.

The government photographer, Mr. Ferris and Esther Knight of the News Herald took both moving and still pictures.

On Monday night prizes were presented in the I.O.O.F. Hall to the winners by Mr. Ferris. An enjoyable evening of dancing followed.

Large numbers of skiers banqueted each night in the Princeton Cafe after skiing.—Contributed.

CARD OF THANKS

The Amber Ski Club wishes to extend its thanks to those who so generously donated prizes, money or their services to aid the success of the tournament. The club also wish to thank the skating rink management for opening the rink to the skiers Sunday night.

Mrs. Esther Knight, press photographer for The Vancouver News Herald and C. R. D. Ferris of Victoria, called to see Andy Johnson on Saturday. They wanted to have the honor of meeting the first president of the first ski club in all Canada.

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Mrs. John Coker, of Winnipeg arrived here on Monday of last week on an extended visit to her mother, Mrs. J. Grigg. Mrs. Coker visited her sister, Mrs. D. Cleal, at Allenby on Friday.

RESULTS

Men's Slalom (Amber Cup)
(Total Time, 2 Runs)

1st. Carl Paul, 105 sec; 2nd. Jack Young, 118 sec.; 3rd. Bruce Switzer, 125½ sec.; 4th, Ernie Marwick, 137 sec.; 5th Jack Leggatt, 141 sec.; 6th. Eric McIntosh, 149 sec.

Boys' Slalom (Elks' Cup)
(Under 18 years)

1st (tie) Billy Howard, 118¾ sec. and Jack Roocraft, 118¾ sec.; 2nd. Wallie Paul, 123½ sec.; 3rd. George Kassa, 129½ sec.; 4th Bob D'Angelo, 155⅜ sec.; 5th Bus Lind, 157½ sec.; 6th Don Fernside, 185 3|5 sec.; 7th Myer Goldberg, 203 sec.; 8th Laurie Currie, 204 3|10 sec.

Boys 14 Years & Under Slalom
(One Run)

1st. Johnny Ray, 48¼ sec.; 2nd Don Gray, 48½ sec.; 3rd. Aulay Eddy, 55 sec.; 4th Andy Kassa, 56 4|5 sec.; 5th Glen Young, 62 sec.; 6th Dudley Paul 64 1|5 sec.; 7th Glen Allin, 72 sec.; 8th Bud Tidball, 75 sec.; 9th Harry Berger, 81 sec.; 10th Allan Rhines, 84 1|5 sec.; 11th Jack Powell, 106 sec.; 12th Chas Harmon, 106½ sec.; 13th Allan McGowan, 134 4|5 sec.; 14th Jack Cunliffe, 135 sec.

Boys' Slalom 10 Yrs. and Under

1st. Steve Kassa, 37¼ sec.; 2nd Buddy Boulier, 46 sec.; 3rd Raymond White, 63 sec.; 4th Carmen Nasheim, 76 sec.; 5th. Jimmy Tidball, 86 sec.

Men's Jump (Rhodes Cup)
(Points)

1st. Jack Young, 146.6; 2nd. Ernie Marwick, 125.12; 3rd. Fred Allen, 115.34; 4th Bruce Switzer 114.

Junior Boys' Jump
(Overwaitea Cup)

1st. Wallie Paul, 146.2; 2nd. Jack Roocroft, 136.24.

Boys Jump 14 years and under
(On the Big Hill)

1st. Andy Kassa, 121.98; 2nd. Johnny Ray, 120.9; 3rd. Aulay Eddy, 113.9.

Boys Jump 14 Years and under
(On the Small Hill)
(Total, 2 Jumps)

1st. Allan Rhines, 78 ft.; 2nd. Bud Tidball, 75 ft.; 3rd. Jack Powell, 62 ft.; 4th Jack Cunliffe, 59 ft.; 5th Dickie Pollock, 58½ ft.; 6th (tie) Noel Kirby and Allan McGowan, 57 ft.; 7th. Charlie Harman, 56 ft.

Boys' Jump, 10 and Under

1st. Steve Kassa, 68 ft.; 2nd Raymond White, 54 ft.; 3rd. Jimmy Tidball, 45 ft.; 4th. Geo. Kirby, 42½ ft.

Boys 14 and Under Combined Slalom and Jumping

1st. Johnny Ray; 2nd Andy Kassa; 3rd. Aulay Eddy.

Ladies Slalom (total 2 runs)

1st. Dot MacInnis, 107¼ sec.; 2nd. Maysie Ewart, 116½ sec.; 3rd. Ethel Irwin, 119 sec.; 4th. Daisy Johnson, 122 sec.; 5th, Jean Eddy, 156½ sec.; 6th. Jenny Lind, 156¾ sec.; 7th. Lena Cleary, 226¾ sec.

Junior Girls Slalom
(Brimacombe Cup)

1st. Frances Nelson, 88 sec.; 2nd. Ruby Nelson, 113 sec.; 3rd. Naomi Ray, 118.8 sec.; 4th. Eleanor Burr, 161 4|5 sec.; 5th Sara Lee Tidball, 321 4|5 sec.

Girls Slalom, 14 yrs. & Under

1st. Laura Allin, 45 sec.; 2nd. Beryl Nichols, 53½ sec.

Little Girls, Shirley Nichols.

SKI FILMS TO BE SHOWN HERE SOON, BOARD TOLD

C. R. D. Ferris, Gov't. Photographer, Speaks To Board of Trade

J. L Jenkins Gives Report Of Delegation's Trip To Ottawa

At the general meeting of the Board of Trade held in the Travellers Cafe Hall on Monday C. R. D. Ferris of Victoria, was guest speaker. As offcial photographer of the Government Travel Bureau he had come to Princeton to take pictures of the ski tournament Sunday.

He promised that a copy of the films would be sent here as soon as completed for local showing. He also stated that his department would be glad to send other films from stock on provincial scenic and industrial subjects. While here he availed himself of the opportunity to cover the operations at the Princeton Brewery.

For 1942 the Bureau's programme was the obtaining of a complete pictorial record of the Cariboo country and in 1943 the Okanagan from Kamloops to Vernon to Osoyoos while this year the project would cover the Kootenays from Revelstoke, Yoho Park, to Big Bend Highway, to Cranbrook and Fernie.

The material thus obtained in motion pictures with and without sound and in stills would be of incalculable value

Address Board of Trade

C. R. D. Ferris, Official Photographer, B.C. Government Travel Bureau, Dept. of Trade and Industry.

in advertising the scenic and sporting attractions of the province to stimulate the anticipated tourist trade following the end of the war.

A letter had been received from the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation stating that the application for a low power broadcasting station to be established in Princeton would be placed before the next meeting of the Board of Governors.

Application for membership from A. L. Murray and J. E. Gott were accepted, and Mr. Gott was introduced to the gathering.

J. L. Jenkins, one of three delegates of the Similkameen Industrial Welfare Committee, gave an account of the courteous and attentive reception accorded the party by the members of the Provincial Cabinet in Victoria on February 3. He stated the brief now in course of preparation here would be edited by the Honourable E. C. Carson, Minister of Mines, for submission to the Federal Government.

Wm. Maywood, in charge of the Red Cross drive, to begin Monday, asked for greater support than had been given last year when the local quota was well exceeded.

Jack Young, RCAF, is home on a nine day leave.

Red Cross Drive Starts Monday; Quota $1550

Objective $200 Over Last Year's Figure; Army Of Canvassers To Cover Every Part Of Town; Dominion Wide Objective Set At $10,000,000

Next Monday, February 28th, is the opening day of the fifth money-raising national campaign of the Canadian Red Cross Society, which will ask the Canadian people for $10,000,000 to carry on its vast mercy work for the ensuing year. During the next two weeks the Red Cross canvasser will call at your home or at your business place and ask for a contribution to Red Cross. She will tell you that this is the crucial year of the war, that it is expected that there will be thousands of casualties, for whom vast quantities of bandages, dressings, hospital comforts and blood serum will be needed.

Princeton's quota has been set at $1550.00, and the local campaign manager is Wm. Maywood. The town has been divided up into districts with submanagers and canvassers for each.

Stan Wilson—Mrs. Maywood, Mrs. T. Burr, Mrs. Corrie, Mrs. Arthur, Mrs. E. McDonald, Mrs. S. Wilson. (Area—west side of Vermillion St.).

W. Freeman—Isabel Howse, Flo Harman. (Area—Bench and west side of Bridge St. from Ewart's).

J. F. Scott—Miss Thomas, Mrs. R. Busche, Mrs. G. Thallheimer, Mrs. L. Johnson. (Area—Allison Flats).

J. Ewart—Jean Gellatly, Mrs. E. Anderson. (Area—Lucas Motors to Tulameen River).

J. C. Goodfellow—Mrs. Boulier, Mrs. Boucock, Mrs. Rotherham, Mrs. Garrison. (Area—Lucas Motors to Similkameen River).

J. O. C. Kirby—Mrs. Nowell, Mrs. T. Lindsay. (Area—Bridge Street, business section).

J. Horrocks—Mrs. Mullen, Mrs J. Pavelich.

T. D. Somerville—Mrs. L. Allin, Mrs. J. Kassa, Mrs. C. Sadar. (Area—school triangle).

The campaign will end March 15th.

The Red Cross will need $750-000 to finance its blood donor service, which has a 1944 objective of more than a million donors. There are also the 5,-200,000 life-saving food parcels for prisoners of war (100,000 a week) which cost $5,500,000.

ARMY MAN THANKS ELKS' LODGE FOR CIGARETTES

Dick Gregory Writes To Fund Expressing Thanks For Cigarettes

Value of Tobacco Sent To Men Overseas Set at $22,185.90

Smoke Fund Cans will re replaced in the following places of business next Monday:

J. Corrie, White's Hardware, Brett's Garage, Bank of Commerce, Fender's Garage, Billiard Hall, Princeton Cafe, Travellers' Cafe, Princeton Meat Market, Overwaitea, Travellers' Cafe, Princeton Bakery, Scott's Pharmacy, Ewart's Hardware, Princeton Drug and Book Store, C.P.R. Depot, McDonald & Wallace, Princeton Brewery, H. McConnell.

Gnr. Dick Gregory writes: "I've just received another 300 cigarettes from you and right around Christmas. They've been coming regularly all this year. You'll note my change in address which changed a short time ago.

"Well, I hope you all had a good Christmas this year. I didn't manage to get out of camp at Christmas but they gave us a swell turkey dinner with all the trimmings. I think I'll get a few days off around New Year's. We've moved round on schemes a lot this year but have settled down for a little while again. Well, so long for now and the best of luck to you all in the new year."

There are now 190 names on the Elks' Smoke Fund monthly list, and the total amount of cigarettes shipped to date is 1,-344,600. On March 10th the 40th shipment will be mailed. Any readers knowing of any Similkameen man overseas not already on the list, are asked to send in same to the Committee before the 8th of the month as all parcels go out on the 10th of each month.

Anybody knowing of any man who has returned to Canada and whose name is still on the list, are asked to let the Committee know so that the names may be stroked off. Copies may been seen in the Post Office, J. Corrie's Tobacco Store and the Billiard Hall.

Figures Don't Lie

1,344,600 cigarettes have been mailed to date. If they were laid in a straight line (using 25" per cigaret) the distance would be 53 miles, 785 feet. If a person was to smoke 10 cigarettes per day it would take him 368 years and 140 days to smoke this amount. The retail price, tax included would amount to the tidy sum of $22,185.90.

Carl ("Spud") Paul was here last Sunday for the Amber Ski Tournament.

"Action in the North Atlantic" At Capitol Next Week-End

The romance and grim reality of war are vividly portrayed in **Crash Dive,** showing at the Capitol on Thursday, Friday & Saturday of this week, and starring Tyrone Power, Anne Baxter and Dana Andrews.

It is a 20th Century Fox production, in Technicolor, dedicated to the brave men who man our submarines, and go down into the depths of the sea, coming up from time to time to look for the enemy. It is one of the big pictures of recent years.

The main picture on Monday and Tuesday of next week will be **Talk of the Town,** with Cary Grant, Jean Arthur and Ronald Coleman playing the leading roles. In addition will be a newsreel, and a March of Time feature, showing "Inside Fascist Spain."

Action in the North Atlantic with Humphrey Bogart and Raymond Massey, will be seen next week-end, March 2, 3 and 4. A war picture full of adventure and excitement in the Caribbean and North Atlantic. A good story well acted.

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A. G. Simpson left on Saturday morning's train for Trail He did not know how long he might remain there.

Bert Lawrence, R.C.N., was here on leave at the week-end.

Letters to the Editor

Montreal, Que.
Place d'Armes
P.O. Box 790
Feb. 14, 1944

(VIA AIR MAIL)
The Editor,
The Similkameen Star,
Princeton, B.C.
SIR:-

I have read Mr. Webber's letter, published in your issue of the 27th ultimo, purporting to be a reply to mine of January 13th, raising the question as to whether or not the C.C.F. political philosophy, or the proposed C.C.F. economic dictatorship, would be the solution to the ills of society.

The letter neatly side-steps the point of the question, a question which is a real issue in the Similkameen at the moment. As one who assisted in no small way to the reviving of the communities, whose lives are now threatened, from 1937 to 1942, I believe that I am thoroughly justified in taking extreme issue with any political group who, either because they have not the 'know how' or prejudice or by unscrupulous methods to obtain **power,** would destroy such an important contribution to the economic blood stream of the Province, as the mines in the Similkameen undoubtedly are.

We hear a great deal about the 'profit motive' from the C.C.F., but, little about the 'power motive.' It is said that 'all power corrupts.' We have Mr. Winch's words as to what extent the law making power of the land, and, the law enforcement agencies, would be used, if and when, the C.C.F. party gained control of parliament.

It is fresh in our minds that the national socialists in Germany, Hitler's party, moved into power by selling their people a phony bill of goods.

It is not my intention to get off the subject, which is, whether or not the C.C.F. has the answer, and, whether or not their ethics are such that they are not above endeavouring to turn to their advantage, for political power, a disaster such as threatens the community.

Mr. Webber was asked to explain how a change in ownership would create a demand for copper and coal, and, how, if there was a use, but, the income was such that wages alone could not be met, would his proposed New Order compel the workers as they do in all totalitarian countries, to produce the product for what they can get for it.

The answer is not in the classroom, nor, is it in any textbook. There is no substitute for experience, as we found in making power out of Princeton coal to compete with hydro-power when, according to the book, it could not be done.

Mr. Webber states 'that it was criminal that any coal mine should be allowed to close at this time.' Here again, he refuses to face the facts:-

A. The calorific value of the coal of the Bromley Vale mine is such that, on a man-hour comparison, the same labor effort can produce from other collieries a product that will give nearly twice as much in thermo-dynamic results.

B. At a recent coal enquiry in Vancouver, a prominent labor leader stated definitely that unless a colliery could support the wages they were asking, it should be closed.

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THE NEED GROWS

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Last week we published an item about a local boy who is a prisoner of war in Germany. Through the good offices of the Canadian Red Cross Society he was able to send a message to his people here. He told of receiving Red Cross parcels, and of how much these meant to men in prison camps. He described the Canadian Red Cross parcels as "the best of all." This is only one of many instances that could be cited. Think of what this service means to our boys. Think of what it means to those on the home front to receive a message, and to learn that loved ones are alive and still being cared for. It is certain knowledge that such service is multiplied by a million that makes us all want to have a share in the work of the Canadian Red Cross Society.

Since the beginning of the war in September, 1939, the Canadian Red Cross Society has spent, approximately, to the end of last year, $36,000,000 to provide gifts for the members of the armed forces, prisoners of war, British and other civilian war sufferers and disaster relief emergencies. Over one third of the money thus spent was ear-marked for food parcels to war prisoners, some seven million parcels being shipped overseas.

The end of the conflict is not yet. We are preparing for the supreme effort. "The need grows as victory nears." Paraphrasing the words of Churchill in another connection, never have so many suffered so much. With every battle the need for the Red Cross grows.

The Canadian Red Cross Society is making its annual appeal for funds to carry on its work. The citizens of Canada are being asked to contribute $10,000,000. The money is urgently needed. Our Government cannot provide funds for the Red Cross because of the terms of the Geneva Convention, so it remains for the people to come to aid in time of need.

W. N. Maywood has accepted the office of campaign manager, and feels confident that with the loyal help of many canvassers our quota will be reached and surpassed. The drive for funds will begin next Monday, and will continue till March 15th. Princeton's quota is $1,550.00.

HELPING THE HELPLESS

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Within our own lifetime the idea of stewardship has slowly permeated the hearts of men and the councils of nations. We need not be discouraged because the seed has been slow to take root. Some fell on stoney ground. But after the First Great War the idea took root that no nation had the inherent right to govern another without its consent. It was recognized that some peoples had not advanced sufficiently to make self-government advisable for them. In the matter of government they were helpless. Hitherto such peoples were regarded as legitimate soil for exploitation. The idea of mandated territories was an advance, but in practice it is doubtful if it were much of an improvement. There is a growing insistence that something worth while must be given in return for legitimate exploitation, and that it is only legitimate if it helps the subject people to travel along the road to self government.

Individuals who achieve fortunes are no longer prized unless they are of service. Selfishness no longer provides satisfaction. Men can no longer ease their conscience by giving a mite out of their abundance. The Spanish have a proverb: "He stole a pig, and in God's name gave the trotters to the poor."

The time has come when people no longer desire charity. They want such help as will help them to help themselves. The best people today want nothing that they cannot demand. There is no doubt that this is a difficult point in the road of progress, but it is a healthy condition. The world is still willing to reward genius in industry or art, so long as such higher beings do not lose the common touch, and cease to be a blessing to their fellows.

LENT

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Yesterday was Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, the period of forty days preceding Easter. It is a sinister commentary on man's inhumanity to man that Lent was also the name of a form of torture devised by Galeazzo Visconti, calculated to prolong a victim's life for forty days. True to form, the best and worst in life run side by side.

Easter has become the cardinal point in our Christian calendar, and the period of Lent leading to it, reflects the glow of the coming red day. The Anglo-Saxons called it Lent because the days were noticed to lengthen. Churches have embraced the season as one of teaching leading to full communion in the body of Christ. This has rightfully become the chief significance of Lent.

In all our thinking the season will be tinged with the thought of sacrifice. Men still think that there are greater things than life, and that it is not to be preferred to honour, freedom and decency. The example so many have set should spur us all on the home front to greater effort to make sure that their sacrifice will not have been in vain.

Ottawa News Letter

OTTAWA—Hon. J. . Ralston's full explanation as to why a Canadian army corps was sent to Sicily and Italy is regarded here as part of the story of the retirement of Lieut.-Gen. A. G. L McNaughton as commander of the dominion's overseas forces. It was impossible to send the whole Canadian army, the National Defence minister said, but the Canadian government was determined that the main body of the dominion land forces would not go into action under officers inexperienced in latest types of warfare.

It is taken for granted that Gen. McNaughton opposed this policy. Col. Ralston emphasized that it was the decision of the government and at its request that Canadian forces fought in Sicily and Italy.

Undoubtedly Gen. McNaughton's health would have forced his long leave of absence and most likely his resignation as head of the overseas army. McNaughton's own note to Col. Ralston asked for retirement because of ill health and medical certificates of high army doctors recommended prolonged rest. When the defence minister explained sending of Canadian troops to Italy, Victor Quelch (S.C., Acadia, Alta.) immediately commended the action.

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FARMERS' great war contribution came to the fore in parliament when Hon. J. G. Gardiner, minister of agriculture, declared that although manpower and womanpower on Canadian farms had been reduced by almost 500,000, the dominion produced over 40% more tonnage of food last year than in the year before the war.

At the same time the minister of agriculture explicitly told the Commons that legislation will be passed this session to enable a post-war floor to be maintained under prices of staple farm products.

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THE GOVERNMENT'S war and post-war social program got surprising support when the whole Progressive Conservative membership of the Commons voted with the administration at the conclusion of the throne speech debate.

Another significant division in the Commons occurred when only seven French Canadian members voted in favour of the amendment of J. S. Roy (Ind., Gaspe, Que) condemning Canada's all-out participation in the war. This is taken to indicate that the nationalist sentiment in Quebec, whipped up by the Bloc Populaire, has not reached the pitch its promoters expected.

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AS EXPECTED, parliamentary business is being expeditiously dealt with. Two committees looking to post-war prosperity—the committee on reconstruction and that on health—are already at work. The big legislative program heralded in the throne speech is apparently to be pressed and put into effect before the session ends.—Sponsored by The National Liberal Federation of Canada.

War Savings Sales Show Increase In Month of January

Sales of War Savings Certificates in British Columbia and the Yukon registered a substantial gain in January, amounting to $425,180 as compared with $380,892 in December, although there were fewer individual purchasers. There were 52,523 buyers in January as against 56,080 in the previous month.

These figures show a decline from sales of January, 1943, when 66,059 individuals bought Certificates to value of $480,004.

Sales of War Savings Stamps also showed a large gain in January, totalling $140,432 as against $83,765 in December. Sales last January were $106,340.25. A large part of this increase is due to the fact that merchants throughout the Province stocked up with stamps to sell to the public in preparation for the February Food Drive now nearing its close.

Federation of Trade And Industry Retain Professor's Services

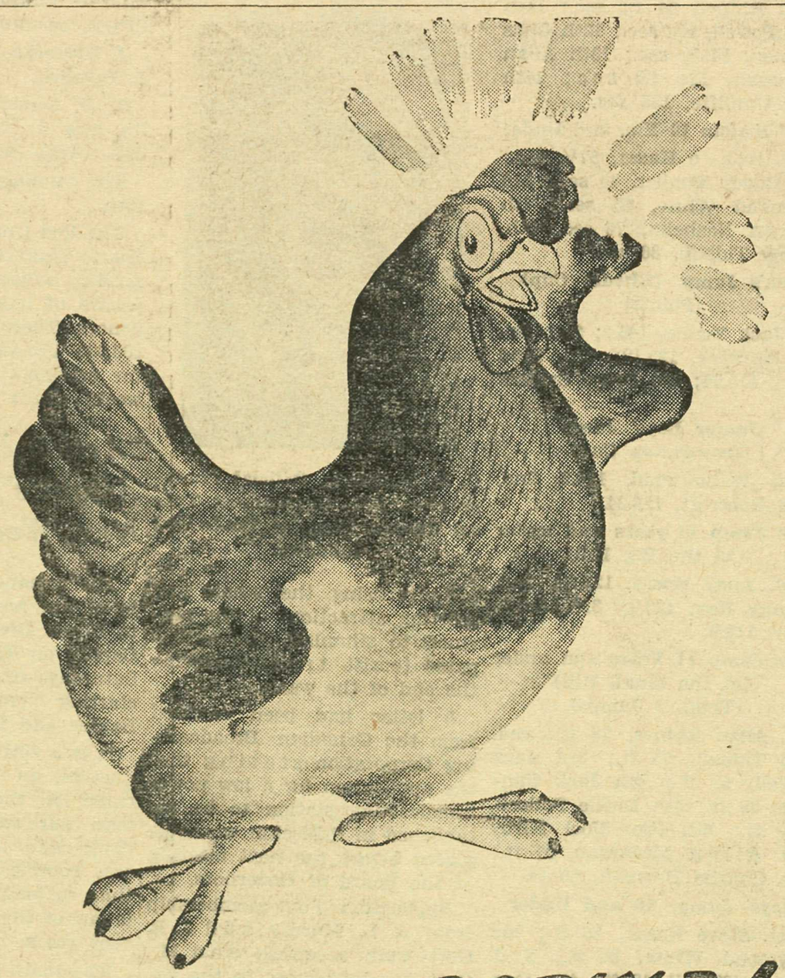
It is announced from the offices of the British Columbia Federation of Trade and Industry in Vancouver, that the services of Professor J. Allen Harris, B.A., M.A., Ph.D., of the University of British Columbia have been retained in a consulting capacity to direct the activities of a department set up to co-ordinate research in the basic industries of the Province and to formulate plans

Professor Harris

for the extension of industry, all with a view to furnishing maximum employment in the transition and post-war periods.

He will enter upon his duties immediately, and will be assisted by a Council of economic and technical experts familiar with provincial industrial conextent the law making power

The Federation have also engaged Mr. A. W. Cooper, B.A., M.Sc., of Yale and of Harvard Universities as economist and statistician.



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Letters to the Editor

Ottawa, Ont.
53 Queen St.
Feb. 10, 1944

The Editor,
The Similkameen Star,
Princeton, B.C.
SIR:-

We are becoming a silent nation. Few of our citizens express their opinions on political and economic questions. We accept what is thrown to us like rabbits in a pen, wrinkling our noses, as we reach for the food.

Provision is now to be made for family allowances. Estimates of cost vary all the way from $300 to $400 million per annum. The higher assumption is the safer. Programs like this spread out abundantly after they are started. This, so far as the annual charge is concerned, would probably equal the interest upon the national debt arising out of the war. Its adoption would, therefore, be equivalent to doubling the national debt.

It may be the best thing in the world. I am not now discussing that aspect but it would seem wise before we begin this adventure to consider, carefully what it means.

After all sides have been presented and every aspect of the problem has been reviewed, there still remains this primary thought—**is there a better alternative use for the money which we propose to spend on family allowances?** When we can give a considered answer to that question, we shall be clearer in our understanding of the problem, closer to right action.

We are always ready to accept a spending program with only scant consideration of the means of payment. A full and frank discussion of this particular issue should be helpful to parliament and to the nation. The best place for a discussion of this kind is the editorial pages of the country papers. It would be interesting to hear from a number of our more thoughtful letter writers.

Yours etc.,
R. J. DEACHMAN

England

The Editor,
The Similkameen Star,
SIR:-

Just a line to say that I have reecived several copies of The Star and I wish to thank you and all the people of the district who help to make it possible for me to receive it.

It is a pleasure to be able to stop in my spare moments and read what is happening at home. I must sign off now.

Yours etc.,
Pte. CLARENCE MUIR,
12th Cdn. Gen. Hosp. RCAMC

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THE NEED GROWS AS VICTORY NEARS

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This is the year of supreme effort, the year Red Cross will be needed as never before. And as our all-out victory drive gains momentum, as casualty lists mount, as the horrors of war spread wider and sink deeper, this need will grow.

We must see them through: the fighting men on every front, the gallant Merchant Navy, the wounded and maimed in British and Canadian hospitals, Prisoners of War, the homeless war orphans of Britain and the suffering millions of Europe.

Only the Red Cross meets this call for vital life saving food for Prisoners of War parcels, medicines, comforts, blood serum and nursing that spell survival for so many. There is no one else to do the job.

That is why we cannot fail: why we ask you to open your hearts and purses, giving to the limit of your ability.

Remember, Victory will not be cheap; the real need lies ahead.

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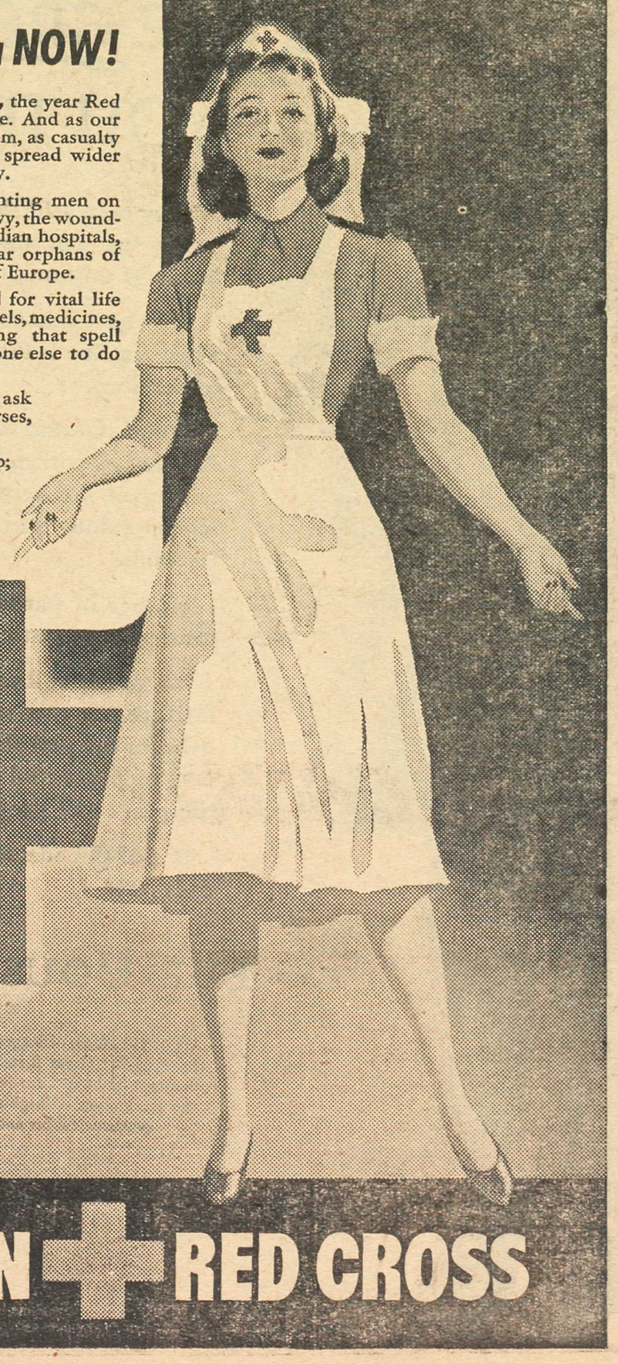


CANADIAN RED CROSS

A WEEKLY EDITOR LOOKS AT Ottawa

Written specially for the weekly newspapers of Canada

(By Jim Greenblat)

Mail-O-Mat Wonder Machine

Seen around the Capital: Centre of interest in the fine new Post Office here is the new-fangled Mail-O-Mat, a machine which saves you from headaches at the wicket trying to figure out how many twos and threes you want. All you do is stick the required amount for stamps in a slot in something which has all the ear marks of a gum-vending machine, turn a gadget and away goes your letter mailed and everything.

It's the first of its kind in Canada, although manufactured in Stamford, Connecticut. The Post Office Department is trying it out on the public here and it may be some day we'll have one in every P.O. so the postmaster will be able to go hunting and fishing when he wants to. After I tried it once I wanted to write everyone in the country a letter just so I could mail it in the Mail-O-Mat.

Traditional Ceremony Unique

If you ever come to Ottawa to see Parliament and all the big stuff in action, make it a point to be in the main corridor of the building just a few minutes before 3 p.m. to watch the Speaker's parade. It's one of the few wartime restricted manifestations of traditional ceremony still to be seen. On the dot, slowly up the corridor come three uniformed attendants, then the big glittering Mace, behind that the dignified Speaker in his robes and a couple of the clerks trailing. The little procession wends its way to the House of Comons chamber. You'll have to uncover, t watch, or else.

Keep Home Fires Burning

Women are keeping the home fires burning, sure, but they're also playing a big part in the industrial picture. In December 1940, one woman in each 183 in Canada was in industry. Last December (1943) the ratio had one to one in 24.

Mac'lean's Goes Overseas

A new regulation from th heads of the armed services allows nursing sisters to acknowledge a salute by a nod of the head, or should we say a little bow. That will suit most everybody because it wil surely be accompanied by a smile such as suits a nursing sister's uniform.

10,000 free copies of a pint sized edition of one of Canada's well known magazines, Maclean's, has gone overseas to those who are fighting for us. It gives a condensed but even more aedquate Canadian picture in its pages, which number 36, but without colour. This innovation, which got the good wishes of the leaders of our services, will probably be greatly appreciated by those far from home. The famous Time magazine has been doing just this for some time now.

Coffee Problem Is Headache

Out in the smaller places everyone seems to have enough coffee to satisfy, but the other day in a restaurant in Ottawa at 7.30 p.m. I was told by the waitress: "No more coffee. We have used up our quota for the day."If you could see the crowds pouring out of offices at meal times you'd wonder how they ever had enough coffee till noon.

Halifax Overcrowded

Oft repeated by authorities, again an urgent appeal is sent out to the highways and byways of Canada that Halifax is terribly overcrowded; that dependents, etc., of service personnel try to "stay put" where they are. Halifax population has sky rocketed from 65,000 to 135,000.

A War Savings Stamp a day keeps the Gestapo away.

The Invalid

When bathing the feet of an invalid, draw a wet cloth across the sole always in the same direction. In this way the feet will not be tickled.

Princeton General Hospital Association

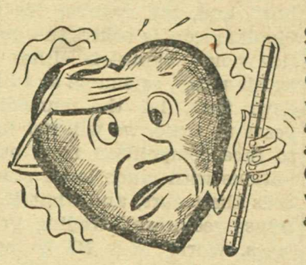
NOTICE

The annual fee of ONE DOLLAR for membership in the Association is due and payable not later than the 29th of February, 1944.

The said fee must be paid by that date to qualify members to vote at the General Meeting to be held on March 15 next at 8.00 p.m.

P. H. WILSON,
Secretary.

Heart beat below normal?



Strain on your battery during winter operation is severe. Check it every week. If your battery needs replacing ask your Standard Dealer about the strong, efficient GENERAL Battery . . . it will serve you well through all seasons.

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Getting bald? Recap now!

Possibly your car is used but little at present. Now is the time to recap your tires and add thousands of miles. Don't wait till they're bald. Standard Tire Service operates in Vancouver and Vernon. Your Standard Dealer can advise you in this regard too. Ask him—he knows.

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GOVERNMENT NOTICE

NATIONAL WAR LABOUR BOARD

Incorporation of Cost of Living Bonus into Wage Rates

THE ATTENTION of all employers in Canada, subject to the Wartime Wages Control Order 1943 (P.C. 9384), is directed to the provisions of the Order requiring them to establish for each of their occupational classifications, not above the rank of foreman, a single wage rate or range of wage rates as prescribed by the rules set out in Schedule "A" of the Order by adding to the previous authorized single wage rate or previous authorized range of wage rates the amount of previous authorized cost of living bonus, and that such established single wage rate or range of wage rates shall be effective for the first payroll period beginning on or after February 15, 1944.

Employers who may not be paying previous authorized cost of living bonus as required by General Orders of the National War Labour Board, issued under dates of August 4, 1942, and November 3, 1943, pursuant to the provisions of the Wartime Wages Control Order, P.C. 5963, are required to include such amounts of cost of living bonus in the establishment of wage rates of their employees under P.C. 9384 effective for the first payroll period beginning on or after February 15, 1944, as stated.

C. P. McTAGUE,
Chairman
NATIONAL WAR LABOUR BOARD

Canada

BACKRITE TABLETS

FOR MILD KIDNEY and BLADDER DISORDER

50c per box

PRINCETON DRUG & BOOK STORE

G. G. Lyall, Prop.

PRINCETON is becoming a great sports center. The bonspiel has just come and gone, and now the skiing contest will soon start. The fresh snow arrived at the right time and assures the skiers a good lot of snow to ski on.

The bonspiel brought to light some good players that rung up a big score, and of course the skiers are always in good form, and as they eat FIVE ROSES FLOUR they are bound to win, as that gives them the staying qualities. 11-2

F. P. COOK ESTATE

PRINCETON

—Established 1886—

To People Who Can't Get 'Phone Service

One of the reasons many people have to do without telephone service these days is the shortage of telephone wire. War demands must come first and the copper wire that is ordinarily used for telephone lines must now go into essential things as aeroplanes, ships and tanks.

More material for war means less material for telephone service.

B.C. TELEPHONE CO.

Used Tooth Paste Tube Rule Revoked

It is no longer compulsory to turn in a used tube when purchasing shaving cream or tooth paste. The order requiring the surrender of these articles has been revoked by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. However, it is hoped the public will continue to turn in their used tubes, as salvaging operations are to continue for a period.

The order was passed to recover pure tin from the tubes. During the period of compulsory collection 400,000 lbs of empty tubes have been donated. This resulted in about 90,000 lbs of pure tin. However the amount of tin now going into the manufacture of tubes is so low that continuance of the order is not justified.

Letters to the Editor

(Continued from Page 1)

C. The coal mines in Alberta are being closed for lack of orders.

An informed individual, and, the member for the Similkameen professes to be such, should, if he is sincere, produce all the evidence. I have not seen any statement by him as to the quantities of copper available today above ground. The truth is that we produce far beyond Canada's own capacity of utilization, and, we have to face competition, whether we believe in it or not.

We are not the only people in this world who have 'know how', and, the member for the Similkameen is asked the question point blank—is either he, or his party, so simple as to believe that, in the immediate years to come, we will not have to face competition from other nations with much lower standards than ours, and, that if we refuse reciprocal trading privileges, World War III is inevitable.

Again, as a people, some 12,000,000 of us cannot hope to indefinitely hold this vast continent ,unless we are prepared to use it for the good of humanity, and, that means beyond our own borders—otherwise, it will be taken from us.

No, Mr. Editor, we cannot trust our heritage to such simple folk, and, if they be not simple, then they are much too Machiavellian, and, we want no rule of the Medici either.

I have no apologies to make for including Russia with other totalitarians in my previous letter.

My sources of information are I believe, authentic. I have met and talked with Russian technical men, our own engineers who have been there, and, further, there is a very succinct appraisal of Russia in Colliers, December 18th, 1943. In their brutal concentration camps, there are still between ten and twelve million prisoners.

The non-aggression pact Russia made with Germany, which was the signal for the shooting to begin in the present global struggle, surely is still fresh in everyone's memory, and, today, Russia is with us more by accident than design. We are thankful for the break, but, it does not mean that we should be credulous either.

Mr. Webber's profuse use of personal disparagement is his cloak for not meeting the issues which face not only the Similkameen, but also the whole of Canada. In fact, I doubt that the C.C.F. in their enthusiasm for regimentation, have any conception of these issues.

Unless Mr. Webber has something constructive to contribute and not the old socialistic platitudes, then, Mr. Editor, there is no point in continuing this correspondence.

Yours etc.,
J. W. SOUTHIN

Buy War Stamps With Bond 'Coupons'

Coupons of the Second Victory Loan 3% bonds due 1954, are payable March 1st, and may be cashed at any bank or investment dealer's office. Officials of the National War Finance Committee suggest that holders of these bonds keep their money working for victory, and for themselves, by reinvesting the proceeds of their coupons in War Savings Certicates and Stamps.

During the month of February the Food Industry are conducting a drive to sell $165,000 in stamps in B.C. and the Yukon, and stamps may be purchased at any retail store, hotel or restaurant as well as at banks and postoffices.

Work On Hope Road Pushed; Weather Conditions Good

HOPE, Feb. 22—Favored with a winter of light precipitation and little cold weather, the Hope - Princeton road project has been actively pushed in the area between Hope and Mile 15 throughout the winter. This sector should emerge in the the spring as an excellent gravelled highway.

Late last fall camps were withdrawn from the area east of Mile 15 as road construction in the summit levels was considered too arduous and expensive a task under normal winter conditions.

About 250 Japanese have been employed all winter and mechanized equipment has been able to operate without trouble. —Vancouver Province.

Gilbert Prideaux says that we have two summers and one winter ahead of us now. Mrs. Prideaux can see signs in their garden of hyacinths, crocusses, daffodils and tulips already. Snowdrops are already in bloom.

Buy War Savings Certificates

INCOME TAX

Our Representative, Mr. R. C. Kells will be in Princeton at the Princeton Hotel during the week of MARCH 20TH, and will be pleased to discuss Income Tax problems with those desiring assistance and information.

Business Adjusters

Public Accountants and Auditors

Vernon, B. C.

Bankier Ladies Send $25.00 To Red Cross

The Princeton Branch of the Candian Red Cross Society has received a donation of $25 from the ladies of Bankier. The local branch feel that great credit is due to this small group for the work they have done for the Red Cross.

They were particularly impressed by the enterprise used in raising this amount. Mrs. Hastings of Bankier P.O. writes:

"Mrs. Banks of Chain Lake, and myself made a quilt putting the names of all the neighbours in this valley on it and asking 10c for each name. Then we sold tickets and drew for the winner, as we wanted someone in the valley to have it, as it would not be o interest to anyone outside. In this way we netted the $25 enclosed.

"Please accept it along with our best wishes for the success of the Red Cross."

Buy War Savings Certificates

THE CAPITOL THEATRE

Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 28 and 29

TALK OF THE TOWN

CARY GRANT, JEAN ARTHUR and RONALD COLEMAN

March of Time—"Inside Fascist Spain" Newsreel

Thurs., Fri. & Sat., March 2nd, 3rd 4th

"ACTION IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC"

HUMPHREY BOGART and RAYMOND MASSEY

Newsreel

COMPANIES ACT (Sec. 220)

Princeton Racing and Athletic Association Limited in voluntary Liquidation

Take notice that a meeting of the creditors of the above Association will be held at the registered office of the Association, Princeton, B.C. on Tuesday the 29th day of February at 8 p.m.

Dated at Princeton this 21st day of February 1944.

GEO. G. LYALL,
Liquidator

L.O.B.A. Whist Drive

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

8.00 p.m.

Orange Hall

Refreshments — Adm. 50c

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CHILDREN

— and grown-ups — who love Neilson's Jersey Milk Chocolate, will love Neilson's famous Chocolate Cocoa too!

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They have said she is isolated by the enveloping sea. But she has used it to join the hands of millions.

They have said she is fortified only by ships. They err. She is fortified by the strong hearts of her sons.

Proud in arms, with a mighty heart, Great Britain has withstood a thousand storms and will again. For hers is the strength of millions whose valour springs from a birthright of freedom.

Mother of parliaments, they call her . . . champion of justice and right.

We of her soil and of her blood and of her tutelage say this today: the world is in her debt for the part she has played in yesterday's eras of peace and progress. It will be so in the peace and progress to come.

We of Canada salute the *Great* Britain you truly are!

THE HOUSE OF SEAGRAM

We of The House of Seagram are proud of the part we are playing in supplying Great Britain with vital weapons of war. Every Seagram plant in Canada and the United States is engaged in the production of high-proof alcohol for smokeless powder, synthetic rubber and many other war-time products.