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EDITORIAL

FACING THE FACTS

As Canadians we have to face the facts. Things have not been doing very well during the past few weeks but they might have been worse. Possibly this is partly due to the cocksureness of the British and French in feeling that they knew everything and that they had nothing to learn from the enemy. One result of this attitude seems to be that the French command has been changed and the British command partially changed. By this time doubtless all realize that this is a new kind of war requiring a new kind of defense.

We have several times warned readers that we must expect setbacks but we did not think it would have been as bad a setback as evidently has been the case. However, here we are and we must make the best of it. Possibly the Germans have overreached themselves in their desire to get to the coast and bomb Britain.

It does no good to wear a long face and look defeated. We are not beaten and do not intend to be so. We shall win even though the going is hard and the war is rather long. The suggested three years may stretch into five as it did in the last war. What we must always bear in mind is that we still hold command of the seas, that our air force is superior man for man to that of the enemy and, as soon as we secure sufficient planes, we shall beat them in the air and on the sea and then it will be our turn. Not only are the British airplane factories, the Canadian and Australian and also the United States factories working night and day to provide planes for this purpose but the supply of airmen is greater than the present demand. The glamour of fighting in the skies has appealed to the young men of the Empire to such an extent that there has been a rush to that branch of the service.

We suggest that any person can best serve the country by keeping cheerful and supremely confident and by carrying on as at present until the government of the country asks for a change. Being mournful will not help anybody.

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Big Industrial Activity Is Due

Allied and Domestic Orders to Keep American Plants Busy

NEW YORK, May 28.—Reports still indicate there will be a tremendous amount of industrial activity in the United States this summer in filling of Allied war orders as well as in connection with the domestic preparedness program.

Relief Bill To Be Rushed

United States Senate Leaders Preparing to Speed Measure Through Upper House

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—United States Senate leaders are preparing to speed passage of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's billion dollar relief bill which is designed to give jobs to two million men. Already the measure has been passed by the House of Representatives.

Union steamer Catala, Capt. James Findlay, returned to port at 11:30 this morning from Stewart and other northern points, sailing at 1:30 this afternoon for Vancouver and waypoints.

San Antonio, 1.47.
Sheriff Gordon, .61.
Uehi, .40.
Bouscadillac, .03.
Dominion Bridge, 24.50.

Today in Sports

DODGERS TAKE OVER IN LEAD LEADERSHIP

Close Race For Supremacy In Both National And American Leagues

PHILADELPHIA, May 28: (CP)—A ten-inning tie to one victory over the Phillies here Sunday kept the Brooklyn Dodgers in the leadership of the National League but their supremacy was only mathematical through having played fewer games than the Cincinnati Reds. The Reds crept up closer yesterday by winning a double-header while the Dodgers blanked the Phillies. The Dodgers and Reds are still keeping the pennant race between themselves with the New York Giants, who lost yesterday to the Boston Bees four games behind. It was the first victory for the Bees after seven straight losses.

In the American League the Boston Red Sox lost Sunday to the New York Yankees but held the league leadership with a margin of half a game over the Cleveland Indians who that day split a double header with St. Louis Browns.

Yesterday's Big League scores:
National League
New York 1, Boston 7.
Cincinnati 2-7, Pittsburgh 1-3.
Philadelphia 0, Brooklyn 6.
St. Louis 1, Chicago 7.
American League
Washington 0, New York 5.
Boston-Philadelphia, postponed.
Detroit 6, Cleveland 1 (night game).
Chicago 7, St. Louis 5.

The league standings to date:

National League			
	W	L	Pct.
Brooklyn	20	8	.714
Cincinnati	22	9	.710
New York	17	12	.586
Chicago	18	15	.545
Philadelphia	11	15	.423
St. Louis	11	20	.355
Boston	9	17	.346
Pittsburgh	8	20	.286
American League			
	W	L	Pct.
Boston	19	9	.679
Cleveland	20	12	.625
Detroit	17	14	.548
Chicago	15	17	.469
Washington	15	18	.455
St. Louis	12	18	.400
New York	13	17	.433
Philadelphia	12	18	.400

Service Club took over the leadership of the Ladies' Softball League as a result of last night's play in which the Service Club defeated Velvets, last year's champions, by a score of 15 to 10 while Cookies suffered their first defeat of the season at the hands of the lowly Whirlwinds whose first victory it was, the count being 12 to 6.

The Service Club-Velvets game was a one-sided affair. Williams and McLeod were pitchers for the Service Club with Frances Thompson on the receiving end. Bond and Vink pitched for Velvets with Rowe catching.

In the second game of the evening Whirlwinds came up from behind to take their victory. In the third inning the Whirlwinds garnered eight runs and clinched the victory. In the second inning LaClaire, playing second base for the winners, made a beautiful catch and also did some heavy hitting. Batteries were Hingston and Blain for Cookies and Cowill and MacNeil for Whirlwinds. Umpires were Melbourne Bussey and R. Johnson with D. Montesano as scorekeeper.

The teams were:
Velvets—Flewin, Bond, MacMeekin, Vink, Blake, Gomez, J. Dickens, Rowe, Gomez.
Service Club—Wiggins, Smith, Barber, Phillipson, Thomson, Robertson, Williams, Ballinger.

Score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T
Velvets	1	3	0	1	0	5	—	—	—	10
Service Club	—	1	9	1	0	2	—	—	—	15

The league standings:

	W	L	Pct.
Whirlwinds	2	1	.667
Service Club	2	0	1.000
Grotto	1	1	.500
Velvets	0	2	.000
Whirlwinds	1	2	.333

TO HAVE CANTEEN

Meeting Last Night Decides to Proceed With Undertaking

A meeting was held last night at the Canadian Legion Hall with Captain R. C. H. Durnford, area chaplain for the troops in this district and chairman of the executive committee of the auxiliary services in the chair, the subject under discussion being the important matter of opening a dry canteen, with reading, writing and recreational facilities for the sailors and soldiers in town and visiting men from the forts and examination boats. The meeting was well attended with something like forty present.

The chairman gave a resume of the efforts that had been made prior to the meeting in getting information on the subject from Vancouver. At an earlier meeting held at the home of Mrs. J. W. Nicholls, the advisability of starting a dry canteen had been discussed, he said, and it was decided that a pooled effort of all organizations would be necessary if the plan was to work. It was felt that, in this as in other things, co-ordination was needed.

The next step was to find a place for such activity and it had to be as central as possible as large as required and as inexpensive from a rental point of view as possible. Such a place had been found the chairman added. It was immediately below Toc H rooms (in the Stork Block) and occupied at present by the Western Academy of Music. An exchange of rooms had been effected, the chairman said, in which the Western Academy would occupy the rooms now held by Toc H and the rooms below on the ground floor would be those of the proposed Canteen Rest and Recreation Rooms. Toc H had consented to throw in its lot with other organizations for the purpose of co-ordinating the work it had been carrying on since the war began. For this cause it had agreed to give up its rooms and assist the larger effort here proposed in exactly the same way as before, giving the services of men each evening as hosts

to the boys of the navy and army. No one organization in town, the chairman said, could adequately meet the demands of a dry canteen rest and recreation room for the soldiers and sailors of this area and it was hoped that every organization in town would rally to the support of this effort and thus make it easy for all and a burden to none.

A permanent caretaker would be employed and beds would be available for some of the lads visiting the town from the ships and forts in the area.

Some indication of the expenses involved in this undertaking was given by the Toc H and it was thoroughly agreed that, with the co-operation of all groups, societies, clubs and other organizations, the full weight of responsibility for maintaining the canteen would rest lightly on all and heavily on none.

The canteen and bed accommodation would pay for itself in nominal charges made for these facilities. The whole expense would be that of rent, light, heat and fuel.

After these initial explanations, Captain Durnford asked for a dis-

ussion on the whole matter, believing, as he said, that the information he had given would help in coming to some decision that evening.

Executive Formed

Following a thorough investigation into the details of the proposed effort in which questions were raised and dealt with, a small executive was formed for the purpose of getting the plan underway. The hearty approval of the scheme was given by all those present and the executive consisting of Capt. R. C. H. Durnford, Mrs. W. F. Eve, Mrs. J. W. Nicholls, Mrs. J. A. Hinton and J. D. Allan, carried on the business of the meeting after the dispersal of the general meeting itself.

Every organization will be contacted for the purpose of soliciting support to this scheme and it will be pointed out that the smallest donations will be welcome if they can be relied upon as a monthly contribution to the up-keep of this deserving effort for the soldiers.

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