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City Lock-up Situation . . .

A deplorable state of affairs exists as far as jail accommodation at the city lock-up is concerned, attention to it having been drawn in a special article published yesterday in the Daily News. The police authorities themselves are far from satisfied and the matter was the subject of a special conference last week between Commissioner of Police T. W. S. Parsons and Mayor W. M. Watts.

The city lock-up was none too good to meet even normal requirements of the old community here as is was before the war boom. Now, with increased jail population, the situation has become accentuated and the need of something being done to remedy it with a minimum of delay is apparent.

Improved jail accommodation is evidently one of the first matters that will have to receive the attention of the new city council which is being elected today.

Defects of Capitalism . . .

Public pronouncements of late by many of the more vocal leaders of the C.C.F. leave little room for doubt that ,as far as they are concerned, socialism is what Canada needs, and must have if postwar conditions are not to sink to the levels reached during the prewar depression says The Times-Review of Fort Erie, Ontario.

We are among those who think these gentlemen are wrong. If there were no other reasons, having had our wages fixed, being "frozen" to our present job, forced for a considerable length of time to accept pants with neither watch pocket nor cuffs, and so on ad nauseam — all by decrees of government-appointed officials—would be sufficient to antagonize us towards socialism. The sample of its operation which has been in effect as a wartime measure convinces us that not very many Canadians would be happy in a fully socialistic state.

But the reader may ask, is the alternative a return to large-scale unemployment with a million of our citizens dependent on public charity for their daily bread? That, in our humble opinion, is not the only alternative.

So-called capitalism is not quite the hard and fast system some assume it to be. Under it there has been enough flexibility in its operation to evolve different results over the years, and to create a political economy in one country very much worse than it developed in another. History shows that capitalism in a democracy is very bad only when a majority of the citizens allow a minority to take undue advantage of its privileges. In short, it functions as the people, according to their degree of enlightenment, permit it to function.

Now, in what manner will a socialistic system change our mode and standards of living? One thing is certain, the individual citizen will be regimented in almost everything he does—including where he is to work and what is to be his reward. But will those charged with the responsibility of government in that day be so all-wise as to make socialism work without a vestige of that injustice or abuse of its privileges, such as occurred under capitalism? If so, are not such paragons of political wisdom capable of safeguarding the interests of the majority against the greed of the minority under a capitalistic economy?

After all, the evils of capitalism through the ages have been due largely to man's covetousness; his lust for power and riches. Human nature, rather than the system, has been at fault. Unless restrained, that darker side of human nature will manifest itself also in a socialistic form of society. The old system is not so inherently vile and irredeemable that its extirpation is the only promise of a better life for the average man and his family. Let those manifold defects of capitalism, which are so frequently cited, be remedied first before any revolutionary, and, perhaps disastrous experiments are tried.

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AIR FORCE CASUALTIES

OVERSEAS

Killed on active service:

Beatty, James Murray, FS R152879; W. M. Beatty (father), 417 Campbell St. Winnipeg.

Catto, John Harrison, St. R97729; J. W. Catto (father), New Westminster, B.C.

Foulston, James Arthur, PO J2575; Mrs. J. A. Foulston (wife), 904 Braemar St. Medicinne Hat, Alta.

Frost Gordon Joseph FO 19128 H. J. Frost (father), Imperial, Sask.

Gray, Peter Ritchie, FS R140935; C. C. Gray (father), Brandon, Man.

Linton, Ross Franklin, FS R142046; R. F. Linton (father), Wolseley, Sask.

Smith, William Davis, FO J9776; W. J. Smith (father), 232 Sterling Rd., Toronto.

Taylor, William John, PO J24309; Mrs. Roy McIntyre (mother), 15 Prince Albert St., St. Thomas, Ont.

Wallace, John, FS R176389; Mrs. T. A. Wallace (mother), Milestone, Sask.

Walker, Donald Cameron, PO J25527; R. S. Walker (father), 136 Kohler St., Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

Wilton, Leo, Sgt R165360; Mrs. Leo Wilton (wife), 772 Windermere Ave., Toronto.

Died of injuries sustained on active service:

Bellew, Henry Benedict, Sgt R202312; Mrs. B. C. Bellew (mother, 4557 Decarie Blvd Montreal.

Pittaway, Harold Edward, FO J9444; Joseph Pittaway (father), Wilton Grove, Ont.

Missing on active service after air operations:

Copegog, Allan Joseph, Sgt R184379; Joseph Copegog (father), 4 Adelaide St., Parry Sound, Ont.

Disney, Douglas Haig, FO J14405; N. C. Disney (father), 20 Queens Ave. Mimico Ont.

Lynch, Raymond Victor, PO J24525; Mrs. R. V. Lynch (wife) 1475 Mountain St., Montreal.

MacDonald, Harry Deane (D.F.C. and Bar) FL J15467; Mrs. H. D. MacDonald (wife), Hazeldene, Llandwitt; Major, Glamorgan, South Wales; G. B. MacDonald (father), 30 Craydon Ave., Toronto.

Muffitt, Edward Earle, FO J8372; Mrs. F. E. Muffitt (wife), Coe Hill, Ont.

Previously missing on active service—now reported prisoner of prisoners of war—Germany

Bryan, Jackson Ross, FL C1452; Mrs. J. R. Bryan (wife), 112 Avenue Rd., Toronto.

Previously reported missing on active service — now reported of war—Germany:

Banks, Kenneth Arthur, PO J22091; Mrs. K. A. Banks (wife) 286 Albany St., St. James, Man.

Hayes, Jack Charles Archie, Sgt R150282; Archibald Hayes (father), 681 Johnston St. Kingston, Ont.

Previously reported missing on active service—now for official purposes presumed dead:

Johnson, William Quinton, PO J17660; William Johnson (father), Langenburg, Sask.

Mix, Reginald Donovan, PO J17075; Mrs. Thomas Mix (mother), 47 Woodlawn Ave., West Toronto.

Moore, Roy Frederick, PO J17804; C. H. Moore (father), Melbourne, Que.

Penrose, William Henry, Sgt R57798; Mrs. W. H. Penrose (wife), 50 Braidfauld St., Tollcross, Glasgow, Scotland Mrs. R. T. Penrose (mother), 1379 West 15th Ave., Vancouver.

Scott, Walter Edward, Sgt R82221; A. M. Scott (father), 10 Neelson St. Ajax, Ont.

Smith, Clarence Harold, Sgt R64515; Malcolm Smith (father), Forrest St., Sydney Mines, N.S.

Dangerously ill as a result of injuries sustained on active service:

Owen, Lorne Bennett, FS R112235; B. B. Owen (father), Malpeque, P.E.I.

CANADA

Killed on active service:

Bolsworth, J. H., LAC GB1800818; B. Bolsworth (father), 61 Laneroost Rr., Tul s E Hill, London SW2, England.

Blue, A. F., LAC, GB1566934; A. F. Blue (wife), Glen Lea, Compbelltown, Adgyle, Scot-Scotland.

Brown, John, PO RAF51513; John Brown (father), 25 East Street, High Spen Rowlands, Gill, County Durham, England.

Cheetham, Norman, LAC GB1623737; J. Cheetham (father), 7 Cedar Grove, Denton, Manchester, England.

Lee, J. F., FO RAF136860; John Lee (father), 163 New St., Horsham West, Sussex, England.

Tomalin, John, FO RAF126065; Mrs. Bateman (mother), Gun Tavern, Church St., Croyden, Surrey, England.

Whiteland, T. G., LAC, GB1399640; Mrs. V. Whiteland (mother), 22 Webster St., Bungay, Suffolk, England.

Died of injuries sustained on active service:

Grest, Ralph Nicolaus, FO J23077; Mrs. R. N. Grest (wife), 22nd St. E., Prince Albert, Sask.

Died from natural causes:

Carder, Wilfred George, Cpl R209634; Mrs. W. G. Carder (wife), 212½ Queen St., Chatham, Ont.

LOWESTOFT, Suffolk, Eng. (P)—Albert Spurgeon, 63-year-old lifeboat coxswain, has been awarded the Royal Nation lifeboat Institution bronze medal for the second time. He also holds the institute's silver medal.

NAVY SHOW GOES WELL

Chattie Hams in Opening Stand of Three Nights Entertainment.

Newly organized concert party of H.M.C.S. Chatham presented its first show last night in the naval drill hall before an appreciative audience of service men—the army predominating. The program consisted of dancing, songs, choruses and skits in good variety and mostly in the burlesque manner. With direction by Chester Le Maistre of the Young Men's Christian Association war services and Lieut. Don Adams, public relations officer of H.M.C.S. Chatham, the program lasted about one hour and was presented in attractive stage settings. Many of the numbers drew generous plaudits of approval from the audience.

This effort of "Chatty Hams" has been made to provide activity for those taking part and entertainment of the service personnel and their friends and has achieved the objectives very well indeed. As more practise is achieved, the show will be better knitted together. Meanwhile much credit is due to all persons concerned.

The show will be repeated tonight and tomorrow night and, even by then, much improvement may be anticipated.

The stage is an ambitious portable frame attractive in blue and grey with large rope and anchor along sides and over top, having been ingeniuosly designed and built under the direction of Lieut. Robert Weller.

Three of the outstanding artists with the Chatty Hams are Able Seaman Len Hill, with his tap dancing, S/A Sid Moore with his songs and banjo music in the George Formby manner, and Cook Lovejoy, vocal and guitar. The Can-Can scene with Able Seaman Guy, Able Seaman Terry, Leading Seaman Dennison, Able Seaman Conrad, Able Seaman Dudar and Leading Seaman Hill, typical of this sort of show, went over well. Another highlight was the dialogue of the Chinese woodcutter by Lieut. Adams and Chester LeMaistre.

H.M.C.S. Chatham concert band, under the direction of Chief Petty Officer Sunderland, was effective in the accompanying music throughout the show.

The program was as follows:

Overture, "Hyperian," H.M.C.S. Chatham Band.

Aladdin, the Sound man, Bandsman Darch.

Chorus, "Chattie Hams Are Here Again," Able Seaman Billinger, Able Seaman Chamberlain, L/S Livingstone and Writer MacIvor.

Admiral Skit, Lieut. Adams.

Chorus, "Men of the King's Navy," Cook Lovejoy, soloist.

Mock court-martial, Defaulter's Scene Master at Arms Hillin, Able Seaman Rizzo, Able Seaman Smithson and Petty Officer Leidzwick.

Four Inch Gun Chorus.

Devil Dance Tap, Able Seaman Len Hill.

Can-Can scene, Able Seaman Guy, Able Seaman Terry, Leading Seaman Dennison, Able Seaman Conrad, Able Seaman Dudar and Leading Seaman Hill.

Vocal and ukelele, "I Wonder Who's Under Her Balcony Now," S/A Sid Moore.

Humorous travesty on "Dangerous Dan McGrew L S/A Livingstone and Writer MacIvor.

Vocal solo, "You'll Never Know," Cook Lovejoy.

Vocal and ukelele, "Aunt Maggie's Remedy," S/A Sid Moore.

"The Artist," Petty Officer Chamberlain and Writer MacIvor.

Vocal and steel guitar, "Down by the Railroad Track," Cook Lovejoy.

Skit, "I've Been framed," Stoker Ram.

Russian Dance, Able Seaman Len Hill and chorus.

Drunk scene, Able Seaman Rizzo.

Chinese wood cutter, Lieut. Adams and Chester Lemaistre.

As stage manager, Able Seaman Rumple performed an efficient job.

Electrician Artificer Campbell was responsible for effective lighting

Costumes for the Can Can were designed by Mrs. Luster.

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Sugar	
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Meats	
Bacon, side, best grade, sliced, package .54, slab	.50
Ham, first grade, lb.	.45
Cottage Roll, lb.	.44
Pork, dry salt, lb.	.30
Veal, loin, lb.	.38
Veal Chops, lb.	.35 and .40
Beef, pot roast, lb.	.25 and .30
Beef Steak, lb.	.40 and .45
Lamb, leg, lb.	.35
Lamb Chops, lb.	.35 to .40
Lamb Shoulder, lb.	.27 to .35
Eggs	
Grade A:	
Large, cartoned, doz.	.57
Grade A, medium, doz.	.55
Grade A, pullets, doz.	.50
Milk	
Evaporated Milk, 6-oz. tin	.10½
Fruit	
Grapefruit, Calif.	.10
and 4 for	.25
Lemons, doz.	.35 and .50
Oranges, Navel, doz.	.35 to .60
Pears, Fancy, lb.	.12
Grapes, lb.	.23
Apples, lb.	.10
Cooking Apples, lb.	.08
Butter	
First Grade	.43
Lard	
Pure, lb.	.19
Vegetables	
Cooking Onions, No. 1 Okanagan, 4 lbs.	.25
Spanish Onions, lb.	.10
Spanich, local, 2 lbs.	.25
Beets, local, 2 lbs.	.25
Parsnips, local, 3 lbs.	.25
B.C. Carrots, per bunch	.06
Tomatoes, Hothouse, lb.	.30
Sweet Potatoes, lb.	.15
Turnips, yellow, lb.	.05
Turnips, white, local, lb.	.05
Potatoes, 5 lbs.	.22
Cauliflower, each	.15 to .35
Cabbage, lb.	.06
Lettuce each	.15
Celery, lb.	.12
Flour	
Flour, 49's, No. 1 hard wheat	1.85
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Flour, 24's	.95
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