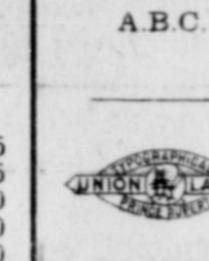
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MEMBER

The Western Front . . .

It is a military axiom that the point What Is To Be Gained . . . of an Allied front where the armies of two nations join is frequently the weakest, due to lack of integration of their organizations. It is characteristic of General Eisenhower that he has arranged for the point where the British and American Armies join to be one of the strongest on the front, at least as far as organization is concerned.

The point is the Geilenkirchen sector. There the Germans can find no gap between the British and American forces, but instead both forces fighting together as one. For Geilenkirchen was taken by the well co-ordinated action of British tanks and American infantry fighting as one unit and under the command of General Dempsey. What General Eisenhower has created is a strongly welded joint.

General Eisenhower has declared himself to be optimistic, but with a warning against assuming that victory is in the bag. One may be sure for men at the fighting front can have enemy and from the weather.

positions nearer to their bases, it means them.

that the Allies must bring their bases forward and reorganize their supply system, just as happened to General Montgomery when he was fighting against Rommel's retreating forces in the desert. Thus, each successful German retreat makes the job in some respects more difficult.

Of course, as has been said before, much may depend on the state of affairs on the Nazi home front.

The current debate in the House of Commons is intensely dramatic but in fact is a mere superfluity. The important thing was done last week when the order-in-council was put through by the government adopting the policy of conscription. That policy will now stand. The great political battle now proceeding in Parliament can be of no benefit and might be productive of a great deal of harm. The sooner it is over and done with the better and we can only hope that it will not serve "I had a lot of candies, so I stuck 'em all in your birthday cake." to provoke more disunity which it appears well on the way to doing. Prolonging of a Parliamentary debate actuated merely for the purpose of jockeying for political position seems most untimely at this time when much more serious events are in climatic phase.

What Is H. D. Character? . . .

A grave situation has arisen in the seas shows that neither Prime the extent that they can bring military camps in the Sixth Division Minister King nor General Mc. about the downfall of the war that the warning is for the home front, in British Columbia where Home De- Naughton is prepared to let one government and so pave the way fence troops have challenged the auth- Canadian die for want of rein- for a return to depression condino illusions about the tough fighting ority of their officers by staging par- Labor-Progressive candidate for Premier Bennett, or whether the ades and demonstrations. However, it skeena riding, stated last night. Canadian people can build a is hoped that sound reason and judge-The good news from Geilenkirchen, ment will prevail to overcome the heat move and further calls on all government which will carry us Metz, Belfort and Strasbourg, does not of sentiment and possibly unjustified tive without delay. It is my in- ent decisive stage of the war and mean that the German Army is crack- indignation. The H.D.'s may feel that tention to make such an appeal lay the foundations for ing and that a decision will be reach- they have grievances. There may be in Terrace at a public meeting proble's peace. ed before spring. Now that the Ger- some of them who are sincere in the this coming week-end. "It is my heartfelt hope that mans are fighting in their own country an Allied advance may not mean overseas. But it is to be made and McNaughton throughout the sustained in the Ottawa House try an Allied advance may not mean overseas. But it is to be reasonably present crisis and will continue and that frustration will come that a break-through is imminent, such believed that they are quite as red- to do so, certain irresponsible to the plans of the reckless reas happened in France and Belgium blooded as even the most enthusiastic elements have been attempting actionary minority in Canada preceding the abandonment of those and patriotic of the volunteers and that to smear me with the same slan- which is unscrupulously playing countries by the Germans. The Ger- they would not in a showdown let their to smear Mr. King, namely, that dian men and women for their mans appear to have given up the folly country down at this critical time. We I am prepared to deny reinforce- own narrow partisan advanof 'Stalingradism' and their retreats do not believe they are at heart sabor ments to our fighting boys at tage." for some time to come may well tuers or spoilers of their own country be orderly and strategic. Every which continued pursuit of their prestime they make one and take up new ent course of defiance would make

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"The government's move in

the front. I think the feeling of my party on this question is sufficiently indicated by the fact that not one single member of the Labor - Progressive party, from coast to coast, is to be found in the ranks of the Home Defence troops.

"The real issue at stake in this conscripting 16,00 Home Defence crisis is whether the Tories can troops for active service over- split this nation wide-open to forcements," Bruce Mickleburgh, tions such as prevailed under "My party fully endorses this measure of unity round the King

e Defence troops to go on

ATHLETIC CLUB

Sixty-eight men and boys are now enrolled in the Boilermakers' Athletic Club classes in Danish exercises, calisthenics, tumbling, trapeze work and boxing which are being held regularly every Monday and Thursday at Seal Cove School under the tutelage of competent instructors. It is planned to have girls

Equipment already obtained winging rings and tumbling mats while ProRec in Vancouver is forwarding further equipment Jerry Matheson of ProRec in Vancouver has, to put it in the words of one of the executive of the club, "gone out of his way" to be of assistance.

Hon. H. G. Perry. minister of education, has advised the club that the Physical Education branch of the Department of Education will make a grant of \$25 per month to the club for the months of November and Dec-

Johnny Collingwood, George Ferguson, William White and Lloyd Shier are acting as instructors of the club.

A boxing show is to be staged by the club on Boxing Day, this to be one of a series of boxing competitions leading up to the Golden Gloves tournament in Vancouver.



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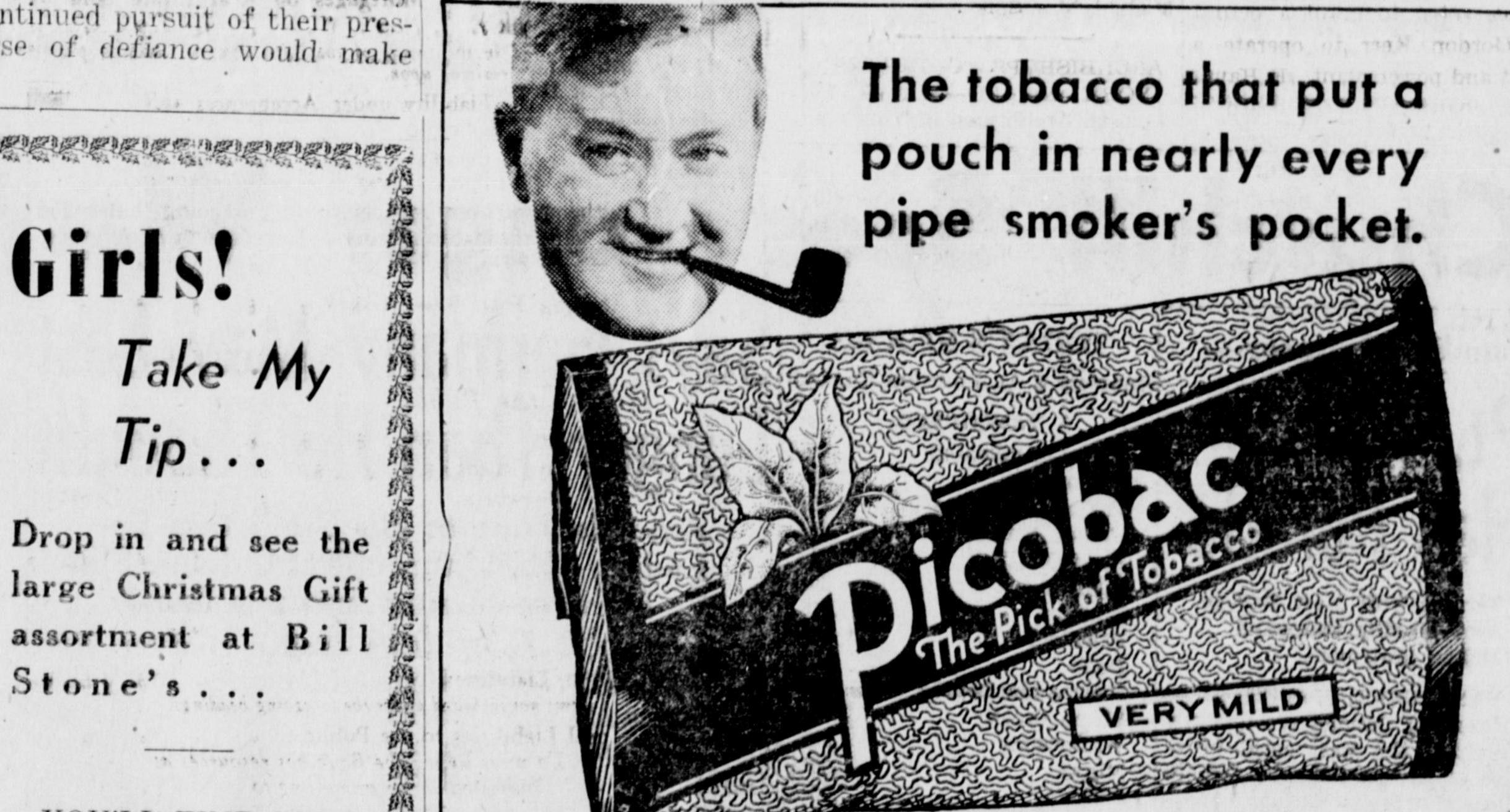
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