

After Victory In Pacific . . .

It is not to be wondered at that Japan has been making peace offers. It is to be supposed that she will make better ones. If the stories of Japanese peace overtures are not literally true they certainly conform to the logic of events. Possibly there is more than a little significance to the hint of Prime Minister Winston Churchill, who is not given to overoptimistic prediction, that the struggle against Japan may not last as long as some might be expecting.

From Tokyo's smoke and debris the Rising Sun may well appear more nearly sunk than it does from the eastern shore of the Pacific. Add what Russia might do to what the

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British, American and Chinese are doing and planning to do and the result is hardly a good night's rest for Premier Suzuki. Tarawa, Saipan, Guam, Palau, the Philippines, Burma, Iwo, Okinawa—these losses plus the crippling of her fleet and air force have virtually cut off Japan's non-Chinese conquests. Bombing of her home islands from sea and land bases has brought the war home to her people.

In addition to the enormous problems of occupation and rehabilitation of Germany and the European countries, we may soon have Japan and the rest of the Orient on our hands.

As for Europe we are already finding the problems of peace and restoration are vastly more difficult than those of war and destruction. Possibly political planning of the United Nations in the Pacific is failing to keep pace with military victory as appears very much to have been the case in Europe.

Re-education of Japan and finding for her an economic life which will not prompt war are indeed major problems and in short time we will be facing them.

Smithers Away Over Top In Victory Loan SMITHERS, May 28 - In

totalling up the final figures in FREEDOM OF WORSHIP the sale of Victory Loan Bonds the Eighth Victory Loan Editor, Daily News:

campaign it was found that the Many of our citizens here as total sales for Smithers amount- well as in all other parts of Bible Tract Society and the ed to \$665,450, this being 145% Canada have been surprised and of the quqota of \$45,000 set as startled on being asked to sign a petition for freedom of worship. It seems very few people were aware of the fact that this country still maintains LONDON, (P)-In a reply tabled ban on a Bible society which in the House of Commons, Home ban must appear even more Secretary Herbert Morrison strange when the fact is noted praised the generosity of the that Canada is the only country Canadian and American Red within the British Empire where Cross Societies for giving cloth- society is under ban.

ing and footwear for relief ship-Considering the moral conmenus to the Channel Island. ditions and the recognized need The Red Cross relief ship Vega of Bible instruction certainly now has landed her fourth cargo such ban cannot be considered otherwise than a grave injustice.

The select committee appointed by the House of Commons in 1942 after making careful investigation of these various groups unanimously recommended that legal restriction be removed and that these societies, which included the Watch Tower Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society Incorporated be permitted to carry on their Christian work without hinderance.

The ban on the other groups has been raised, the most recent being the removal of the restrictions on the International Bible Students' Association of Canada.

Certainly it will seem very strange for the boys on returning from a life and death struggle in defence of freedom to find such freedom seriously infringed upon on the home front.

It behooves every lover of freedom and fair play to join protest against this unjust discrimination so that this country may again lay claim to being a free nation.

Yours for freedom. A. MELIN.

SEEK HOSPITAL SITE BARBADOS, B.W.I., (P-A free grant of \$970,320 to finance the establishment of a maternity home and midwifery training centre, has been established. The hospital will be for non-paying patients exclusively.

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LABOR-PROGS RAP C.C.F. (Continued from Page One)

the Alaska Highway are in pro- Out at C.C.F. cons of abandonment and some interests will try to have the Skeena River Highway abandoned. If the L.P.P. can win this election in Skeena we can go a long way toward keeping the

comes before the courts." would be part of the continental tinued," he asserted. chain. Cheap electrical power is He saw no solution to Canada's velcoment and an adequate lems of the whole world.

the pecule now. 'Socialism now' ternal policy alone," he said. means very little to the people.

McKean Lashes

Fergus McKean lashed out vigoriously at the C.C.F. and Progressive - Commervative parties He challenged the C.C.F. contention that there can be no nost-war prosperity under caphighway open when the test case italism.

"During the last four-and-a-He advocated a B.C. link with half years we have had full emthe Alaska Highway and an air- ployment under the private enfield at Prince Rupert which terprise system. It can be con-

an essential to the country's de- problems apart from the prob-

"The L.P.P. program is essen- on the prosperity of the rest of tially a practical program, a pro- the world. We cannot deal with gram designed for the needs of our problems on a basis of in-

they will win the following elec- thing in Canada." movement have been made in head of the party." times of prosperity not in times of mass unemployment and pov-

"The C.C.F. eails itself a labor party but there is not one labor man in its leadership."

Mr. McKean saw the Progradsive-Conservatives as the force of housing program is badly needed. "Canada's prosperity depends "black reaction" which all parties should unite to eliminate from government.

"The C.C.F. wants to impose a tunate that they cannot be ex- even the C.C.F.," he said.

What we want is a program that recationary coalition of Tories erminated here. There are people and prosperity and right wing Liberals which, in his country who lauded Hitcal turn by the people so that would like to have the same

tiin. What would follow from "The most eractionary elesuch a condition would not be ments of 'big business' are beradicalism but Fascism. It is the hind the Progressive-Congaryapattern of pre-Hitler Germany, tives. They take John Bracken-The greatest gains of the labor a Liberal - and make him the

He scored Macanzie King for Would not speak at a "voting to include Argentina into meeting on behalf of Gent the San Francisco conference ton, Liberal candidate for and yet voting to exclude the couver-Burrard.

trade unions." "We don't want a Liberal gov- cial campaign in any

ernment," he declared. A coalition comprised of labor and the most progressive ele- tion said the announce ments of business is the Labor that he would Progressive solution for Cana- in error. da's future, Mr. McKean said.

"While fescists are being ex- "We are willing to co-operate terminated in Europe it is unfor- with all progressive elements, the population of the

Not Taking Active Pan Federal Election Campi

VANCOUVER, May 22 E. A. (Smokey) Smith, p

"I am not entering the

manner Wlatsoever," he The Burrard Liberal

West Indies.

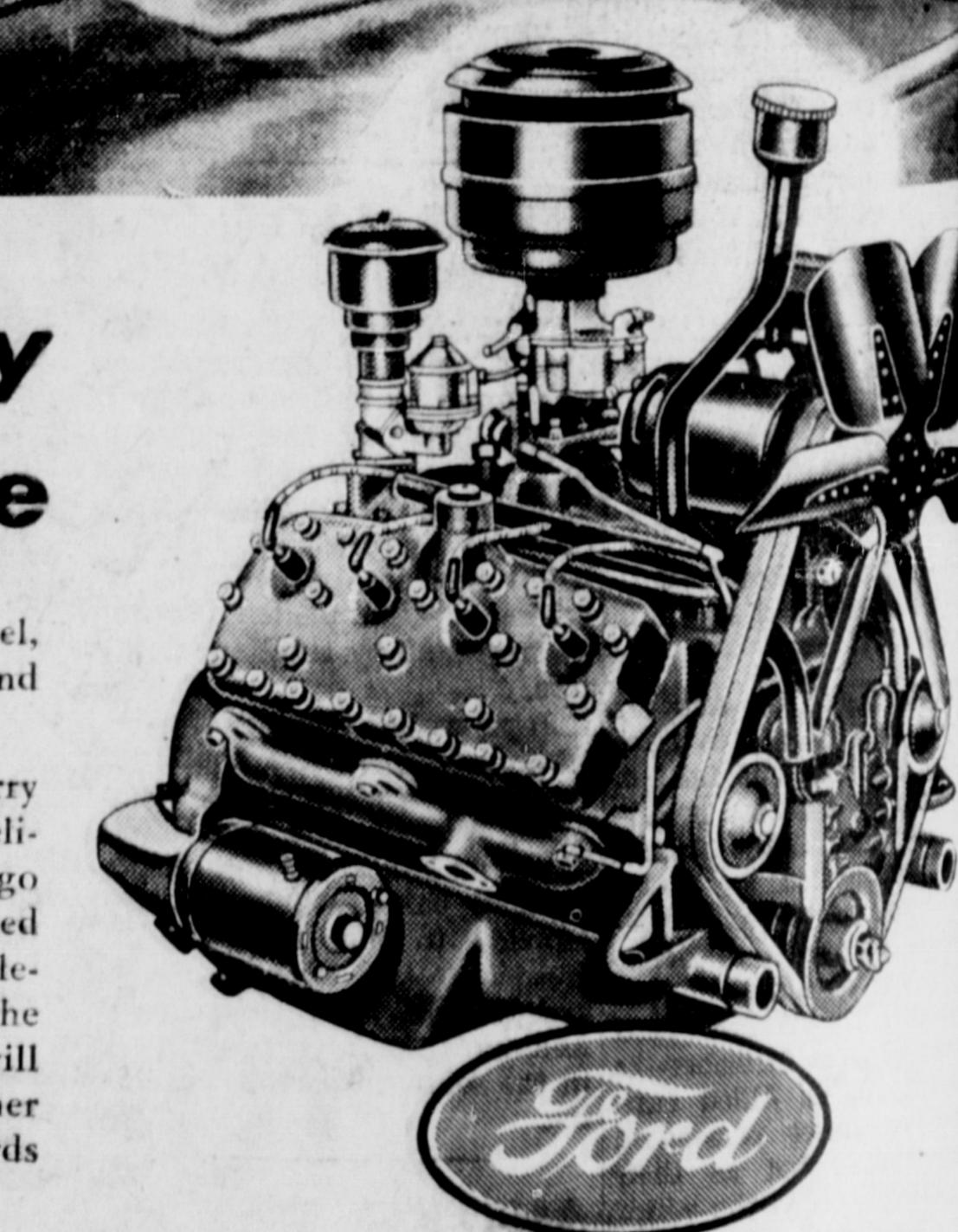


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