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Canada, The Empire and The World at Large

CANADA

EDITOR IS BOTHERED

If only there weren't so many people pestering and boring everybody else with a lot of silly opinions about a lot of silly subjects that nobody really cares two hoots about anyhow—including nine-tenths of the current state of Europe!—Vancouver Province.

FOR COMMERCIAL GIRLS

The third birthday tea party of the Commercial Girls' Club of Winnipeg marked another anniversary of one of the most remarkable and inspiring public service enterprises which have been launched in this city.

Three years ago ..... with the greatest possible efficiency and discretion the club was formed, and formulated its constitution and by-laws, the object of which was to take care of the girls employed in commercial pursuits who might fall on hard times through the depression—which three years ago was looming over the whole community as an immediate menace.

Under highly capable and conscientious management, given voluntarily by the successive executive boards of the club, composed of commercial girls themselves, the club has now an excellent record of most valuable work. Its members have given it loyal support, and initiative and originality have characterized the management.—Winnipeg Free Press.

THE MODERN GIRL.

The old-fashioned woman who used to boast about the number of glasses of jelly she could get out of a gallon of fruit has a daughter who brags about the number of miles she gets out of a gallon of gas.—Tweed News.

TEACHING PEOPLE TO LIVE.

How to teach people to live so that they may enjoy health and avoid sickness is a problem that has not been solved. Whether it can be done by education is a question.

Most people prefer to live their own lives according to their own ideas and are inclined to look with contempt on matters of diet, sleep, fresh air, the avoidance of excesses of every kind and restrictions that would interfere in any way with their personal liberty.

Nevertheless it is perfectly true to say that thousands of people have benefited greatly by the information that has been disseminated, with the result that they have been almost totally free from sickness of any serious kind for many years.—Brantford Expositor.

OUR LUMBER EXPORTS

The lumber export situation is not without its difficulties; the solution appears to be in the appointment of one representative for Canada, charged with the duty of promoting impartially Canadian forest products, regardless of the place of origin.

By this plan Canada will not divide her propagandist force; on the contrary, it will give solidarity and uniformity to every effort to extend the market. There are, of course, ardent advocates of separate Eastern Canada representation, who believe that only by such a method can the East obtain an adequate presentation of the qualities and uses of Eastern woods, a larger umber of orders, and new markets.

It is suggested, however, that on balance, a Dominion-wide representative is the most logical plan, and that its advantages outweigh those claimed for sectional representation.—Canada Lumberman.

BACK TO THE LAND

Anything that can be done to add to the convenience, comfort, enjoyment and profit of the farmer should not be overlooked, because, as we have said, it is desirable to get more people back to the land, thus easing the pressure on towns and cities that were congested before the great unemployment problem cam upon us and that are fairly overflowing with workless people today—Border Cities Star.

NO DAMAGES FOR NEGLIGENCE.

In an action tried before a Middlesex jury the other day, in which damages for injuries were asked, a verdict was given that will have a very widespread effect on all cases of compensation for injuries suffered. Suit was entered against the Melbourne Agricultural Society by a father on behalf of his son, ten years old, who was injured on the racetrack at the fair. In spite of warnings given to keep off the track through a loudspeaker he persisted in getting into the zone of danger, with the result that he was knocked down by a racehorse, receiving injuries to his knee.

The jury deliberated on the case and found that the boy had suffered on account of his own carelessness and hence was not entitled to damages .....

The significance of the verdict is that it throws the responsibility on people themselves for exercising reasonable caution. If they are careless and negligent they cannot expect to collect damages from others on the ground that the latter are responsible for their safety. It is possible that if this principle were pressed more energetically there would be fewer accidents.—Brantford Expositor.

A "DATE" BUREAU.

Women students at the University of Toronto are reported to be bitterly complaining that, despite their charms, they are experiencing great difficulty in "finding a man." So now they propose to establish a date bureau on the campus, where boys and girls can leave their names when they desire a partner to attend a show, dance or some other form of social amusement.

Such a move would leave the impression that the co-eds have come to the conclusion that the young men are a little backward about getting acquainted. We suggest that the students of the 1934 crop are just as bold and gallant as in days gone by, but they are handicapped by an embarrassing shortage of funds. Perhaps there would be no necessity for this clearing house if the daring co-eds would simply advertise the fact that they are prepared to pay their own way.

Some one has said that the co-eds are not as sophisticated as they were in more prosperous years, and to some degree have lost their popularity. Maybe there is nothing to it.—Border Cities Star.

LIFE GROWS DIFFICULT

Things grow complicated and people are always thinking of more regulations. Getting milk from the brindle cow to the back porch used to be such an easy and a simple process.

The cow was milked and the man started out in his own cart carrying milk in a big can. He had with him a pint and a quart measure and he poured it out into such containers as his customers offered and generally was ready to put some in a tin cup for the little folk who watched for his daily coming. His tickets were made at home, cut out of pasteboard. His old wagon rattled along over the road, but he never hollered at his horse. The animal knew the route as well as the driver.

But that is all changed, particularly in exclusive places where folk want to stay up until all hours of the night and then sleep in in the morning — Stratford Beacon-Herald.

QUEER WORLD.

Just after being accosted for a nickel to buy a cup of coffee on reads that the Brazilian coffee crop this year will amount to 29,880,000 bags, of which 11,952,000 bags will be destroyed to keep down the supply. Isn't it a queer old world? Or is it the people?—Niagara Falls Review.

THE EMPIRE

ROYAL CHRISTMAS CARDS

The greeting cards which the King and Queen have chosen to send to personal friends at Christmas are now in process of being engraved. Their Majesties always choose subjects for their cards early in the year in order that they may be ready in good time for dispatch to overseas.

The King has selected a reproduction of a fine painting, Bernard Gribbe's "Windsor Castle from the River," and this looks remarkably well on its engraved background. The Queen and the Princess Royal have chosen, as they always do, garden pictures—both are by Edith Andrews —and the Prince of Wales has commissioned cards on which is reproduced A. D. McCormick's painting of "Queen Elizabeth Giving Audience to Shakespeare."—London Daily Telegraph.

SAFETY IN THE AIR.

The fundamental difficulty in securing air safety at present is the speed at which an airplane has to travel to keep in the air at all. No other form of transport would care to be compelled to batter through mist, fog, or darkness at a minimum speed of anything from sixty miles an hour upwards.

When he is uncertain of his position or suspects dangers on the route the pilot ought to be able to slow down, if necessary to as low a speed as twenty miles an hour. No commercial airplane in the world today can do anything of the kind. But in the interests of safety and of public confidence in air transport such an end must be worked for.

It is far more desirable than any increase in flying speeds; until aviation has fledged its wings a little further our present maximum of round about two hundred miles an hour is quite high enough.—Manchester Guardian.

THOSE AMPLE BACKS

One of the pleasures of autumn theatregoing is the visible acreage of exquisitely sunburnt skin in the stalls.—London Evening News.

A ROYAL SPORTSMAN.

I have just come across the record of a "bag" made by the Duke of Sussex, sixth so of George III. The Duke was with a party whose total number of birds in six days was 1,307. His personal slaughter is tabulated as follows:

"Killed game, none; wounded in leg, one footmarker; wounded in face, one groom (severely); shot on head of friend, one hat; wounded in left rump, one horse".

It's a good job they didn't have machine-guns in those days.—J. Butterfield, in the Vancouver Province.

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Lloyd George Potato Expert

Lloyd George, war-time Premier of Great Britain, threw open his farm, Bron-y-de, at Churt, England, for a demonstration of the manuring and spacing of potatoes organized by the Surrey Agricultural Committee. Lloyd George also acted as host at tea to those attending the demonstration. This picture shows Lloyd George (right) airing his views on potatoes during the demonstration.

Here and There

British film-goers pay admission to the cinemas of the country at the rate of 18,500,000 a week.

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While drunkenness and crime are decreasing in London, civil actions in the Law Courts are increasing.

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Valued at $1,000,000 an ounce, the world's rarest metal, named Actinium, is stated to be much more powerful than radium and lasts twenty times as long.

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The numbers of rich men are decreasing in France as well as in the United States and this country; in the first country there are only about 391 persons with incomes of £12,000 or over, a decrease of 460 in three years.

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Using teleprinters, by means of which messages typed on a machine in one city can be reproduced in any other office similarly equipped, experts can send up to 100 telegrams an hour. By the Morse system fifty messages was a good hour's work.

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Poppy Day, 1933, in the United Kingdom, showed an increase of about £30,000 over the previous year, the total being £511,853.

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Fashion favours diamonds just now, smart women even wearing slides set with these stones in their hair.

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Over crowding is bad in various parts of London, including Finsbury, where more than twenty-five per cent. of the population live more than two in a room.

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Translations of the Scriptures were made in eleven new languages last year, the total number of Bibles distributed throughout the year being 10,993,203, in 678 languages.

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America holds many towns which have taken their names from English places. There are thirteen Bristols, thirteen Oxfords, nine Plymouths, seven Yorks, seven Baths, and six Cambridges.

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There are no horses, cows, or sheep on one thousand-acre farm in Norfolk, where all the work is done by machinery, including one plant which can, using nothing but hot air, dry two tons of wheat in an hour.

Wear Your Heart On Your Toes For Style This Winter

Chicago.—Feminine feet are going on the gold standard this winter.

Gold kid and gold fabric slippers were described today by heads of shoe departments as the very newest and smartest footwear for formal wear, with all silver and gold and silver combinations in second place.

It was also observed that women will dance with hearts on their toes this winter. One of the very newest models was a sandal with the narrow straps of satin radiating from a satin heart at the base of the instep.

Twins Born 48 Hours Apart—Boy and Girl

Juneau, Alaska.—Mrs. Alfred Carlson, wife of a miner, and her twins are "doing well" after an unusual birth case, in which the infants were born 48 hours apart. A boy was born on the morning of September 22, and a girl the morning of the 24th. Each weighed 6 3-4 pounds.

What's 121 Years To This Gay Young Thing

Sata Ana, Calif.—Senora Leandra Chairez celebrated her 121st birthday recently by rising at 4 a.m., dancing an intricate, old time Mexican waltz to modern music, and dining on fried chicken.

She topped off her special repast at the Orange County Farm with a hand-rolled cigarette fashioned from cigar tobacco rolled into a cigarette paper.

"I have been wanting fried chicken for some time," she said, "and the officers of the Orange County Farm promised I should have it."

Senora Chairez has been a county ward for several months.

Oldest Clock in Canada Bears Date 1444

Belmont, Ont. — "Sick bedroom clock" believed to be the oldest in Canada, bearing the trade mark Le Roy, Paris, and dated 1444, is owned by Mildred Barrons here. The clock, brought from England by her grandfather, answers the descriptions of the earliest clocks made by a German Henry De Wyck, in 1379, and erected in Paris for Charles V.

Autumn Days Play Havoc With Complexions

These brisk autumn days, beautiful though they are and certainly excellent for the spirits, may play havoc with a complexion that has a tendency toward dryness. If your skin comes in this category, tell yourself again that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, get a jar of tissue cream and plan to do a nightly beauty routine that will eliminate the dry conditions and prevent football weather from making your skin leathery and unattractive.

Choose a tissue or nourishing cream that is rich and of a rather heavy consistency.

It is to be used after you've cleaned your face and throat, of course. Wash with soap and water and clean with cleansing cream before applying the richer cream.

Smooth the tissue cream from the base of the throat uward to the hairline. Then, using a patter or your fingertips, pat it into your skin. Don't pat too hard, but don't stop until the cream has melted. Remember to pat upward and outward on the throat, chin, checks and forehead—only outward from the nose to the ears.

When you have finished, wipe off the excess, leaving a little around your eyes and go to bed. If you can't bear to sleep with cream on your skin, wipe off every trace and pat with cotton pads that have been soaked in skin tonic.

Women No Longer Let Men Do All Their Investing

Milwaukee, Wis.—Miss Sophia Bliven, Philadelphia, manager of the Women's Agency of an Insurance company, told the National Association of Life Insurance Underwriters that women have lost their awe of "finance."

Experience of the past five years have taught women, she said, that men are fallible in financial matters with the result that feminine investors have begun to solve investment mysteries for themselves.

"Now that many investments have proved disappointing," she said, "women no longer will let men do all the investing for them."

Mustaches

Declared Useful Guard Against Serious Infection

Boston—An upperlip health risk that may justify the "eyebrow" mustache as a real protector was explained to the American College of Surgeons here recently.

Any infection of the upper lip, such as might arise from even a trivial razor scratch or whatever risk there may be in kissing, is much more potentially dangerous than similar infection on the lower lip.

The facial mechanisms involved in this situation and the not infrequently fatal results were explained to a symposium on infections by Frederick A. Coller, M.D., of Ann Arbor, Mich. A person with anything larger than an ordinary pimple on the upper lip, he said, really ought to be in bed in a hospital because of what might happen.

Broadly speaking this "upper lip" area includes not only the site of mustaches but much of the face and nose. Infections in these areas if they get beyond mild stages are apt to spread until they reach the facial veins.

These veins pass down close to each side of the nose and then flare out across the cheeks somewhat above the mustache lip areas. Ordinarily the blood in them flows downward. But upper lip infections may block these veins, forcing the blood in them upward.

It then flows up toward the eye, passes the region of the inner angle of the eye and empties into the "cavernous sinus" located on the floor of the skull.

Once there the infection can kill quickly. It may produce clots that may carry infection through the blood stream all over the body or result in meningitis, or both.

Dr. Coller warned that in treating an upper lip infection a pimple there should never be squeezed. Once the infection becomes serious, he said, talking should be prohibited in order to rest the lip. X-rays should be used.

The germs most likely to cause the serious infections are streptococci and staphylococci. Surgeons discussing the Coller report said the practice of plucking superfluous hair from the nose offers some risk of upper lip infections.

THE QUINTUPLETS IN 30 YEARS

Quebec, June 26, 1964. — Today's weight records show a net loss of seven and a half pounds. Mrs. Emilie Lajus, of this city, 184½ last week, tips the scales today at 182. From Cochrane, Ont., comes word that her sister, Mrs. Annette Bruer, has lost seven pounds, now weighing 193. Two other sisters, Mrs. Marie Poder and Mrs. Cecile Bradford, of North Bay have each gained one pound, being now 178 and 183 pounds respectively. The fifth and only unmarried sister Miss Yvonne Dionne, of Corbeil shows no change from her weight of 119 pounds.—New York Times.

A sponge as large as a washtub fished from the Gulf of Mexico, was found to be accommodating 17,128 lodgers. Among them were shrimps barnacles, worms and a species of crab that dressed itself in bits of sponge to deceive its enemies.

For fifteen years James P. Sherry of Rochester, New York, has carried a knife blade in his brain without knowing it.

On Trail Of Kidnapper

A close watch is being kept at the home of Thomas H. Robinson Sr., father of the man hunted as kidnapper of Mrs. Alice Stoll, at Nashville, Tenn. Harold Nathan, federal agent in charge of operations, is pictured posting his men around the house.

Suspect

Found in an apartment with a dead woman, Albert Annan, alais Al Schaefer (above) was questioned by Chicago police who intercepted a phone call from a woman who warned "Al" that "Mrs. Stoll is back." He is held pending investigation of woman's death.