Mountie Recruits Prefer The Open

Modern machines have worked great changes in the famous Canadian Mounted Police but the youngsters of the service still ask for assignments to far off outposts where there is lots of space and not much else.

Sir James MacBrien, Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, in Washington this week for a wild life conference, said Sunday that, while the police agency was still mounted, its men usually rode other things than horses now.

Three hundred horsemen are used in the Canadian wilds where motorcycles automobiles, boats and airoplanes can not penetrate.

Asked about the old slogan, "The Mounties always get their man," Sir James laughed.

"You people gave us that slogan, and I suppose we should thank you. But it's not strictly true, you know. We usually get our man, but once in a while one gives us the slip.

"The truth of the matter is, the woman get our men. We're continually losing our men through marriages. The fellows in our service are a pretty fine lot, of course—tall, muscular, handsome youngsters. And the young ladies seem to like them pretty well."

A man enters the service at 21, but he isn't allowed to marry for six years. If he earns a promotion, he may be married after five years.

Despite the changes modern life has made in the service, young men enlisting still like the Yukon, where the red- coated policemen first became figures in romantic adventure stories.

"It offers them adventure, the open country—and solitude." Sir James explained. "The north country still has a strong appeal for the young men of Canada. And it's a pretty fine life up there."

The policeman in the Yukon service travels his lonely path by dog-sled and snowshoes, visiting the frontier settlements, settling their rows, and watching over the birds and beasts that spend their summers in the north country.

"His word is law up there." S James said. The man is on his own, and he must solve his problems according to his own judgment. Often a man is called on to serve as constable or justice of the peace in the frontier communities."

Criminal gangs don't harass the Mounted Police as they do the American police, Sir James said and the "rackets" which take millions from American business men are unknown in the Dominion.

"We don't have as much of a crime problem as you do." he answered. "We don't have any gangs in Canada at all. If any gang shows up, we go after them fairly strong, and we keep them down.

"One thing, we aren't hampered by state lines. If one of our men starts after a fellow, he can chase that man anywhere in the Dominion. And when he catches up with him, he's got the authority to arrest and take him back. We don't have any extradition laws to worry about.

"Our judges aren't political. They're appointed politically, but they're appointed for life. After a man gets on the bench, no one can touch him. We have a few criminally-minded lawyers, but they're frowned on by the rest.

"We have only one criminal code to enforce. In the whole of Canada wherever you go, the crime laws are the same."

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PROTON STATION

Hockey fans are wishing for good weather and roads for the final Semi-pro games, this week, Thursday and Saturday nights. We are also hoping that mumps, measles, etc.,, which have been breaking into the ranks of the hockey-players will delay any further contacts at least until after the 1936 championship has been won. "The Proton Bears," were 1935 champions and are the holders of the McDougall trophy. They are again this year in the final contest with the Flesherton entry of the Semi-pro. League.

We are sorry to report that Miss Mary Wyville is seriously ill.

The Pilgrim Holiness Bible School of Proton Station is closed indefinitely.

ROBIN CHIRPS MERRILY SURROUNDED BY SNOW

Guelph—As Guelph and district was emerging from the worst storm of the winter, Bruce Robinson, who resides a short distance from the city on the Guelph—Hamilton highway, reported having seen the first robin of the season Saturday. The unexpected visitor was perched on the branch of an apple tree near Mr. Robinson's home, and although chirping merrily, seemed out of its element surrounded by piles of snow, the depth of which eclipsed anything experienced in some years.

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scheme was to serve agriculture, it must be extended to include repairs and extensions of existing buildings. In Ontario, at any rate, renovation of buildings is more needed than new buildings. I expressed the belief the present housing scheme is of little or no use to agriculture. I was supported in this view by Mr. Bradette He also vigorously opposed an immigration policy and warned his government of increasing the flow of immigrants to this country. He recalled the fight put up by the southeast corner against immigration years ago and of his association with us in that debate.

The House awaited with great interest the first speech of the new Minister of Labor, Mr. Norman McLeod Rogers, who, until the election, was a professor in Queen's University. Somehow the idea had got abroad that Mr. Rogers was an advanced Liberal, but his first speech, though couched in beautiful language and well delivered, did not fulfil this hope. Mr. Rogers flatly stated that he did not believe in government expenditure for public works as an aid to unemployment and a stimulus to economic recovery. He expressed the belief that large public expenditures would tend to discourage or defer the natural flow of savings into construction projects through private and corporate control. In fact, it was a good Tory speech, not as advanced as many made by Mr. Bennett, and disappointment regarding his attitude was freely expressed in the lobbies nd corridors.

A resolution, asking the House to consider the granting of pensions at sixty, was introduced by A. A. Heaps, Labor member for Winnipeg North, and formed the basis of an excellent all-day debate. Members expressed the opinion that provision for old age under the present wage scales, prevailing commodity prices and widespread unemployment, was impossible for large numbers of Canadians. There was a general opinion that the most difficult years for those nearing destitution were between sixty-five and seventy and that a person over sixty, who lost his footing in the economic set-up, had almost no chance of getting a hold again.

I used the debate in order to say a word in favor of pensions for the blind and the totally disabled. Almost every country in the world, except Canada, has some sort of allowance or pension for incurable invalids and the blind.

Did you notice a letter in one of the daily papers from Dan Nuhn, Elmwood, Ont., pleading for provision for incurable invalids. He stated that he had been bed-ridden for the past sixteen years, not so much as able to raise his head from the pillow. This man is still only thirty-five years of age. Surely there is something we can do by way of letters, reading material, visits, etc., to make his days less lonely. Mr. Nuhn states in his letter that he would like to have people write to him. I wrote today.

AGNES MACPHAIL

House of Commons,
February 21, 1936.

EUGENIA

Oven 100 people were in attendance at the great Dominion Ski Championship event held in the Eugenia area on Sunday last. The Eugenia House, with host, Mr. Peter Munshaw and his assistants were kept busy all day serving meals. The stores in the village also did a rushing business. Eugenia area is certainly a wonderful place for skiing.

The Y. P. S. did not hold their regular weekly meeting last week, neither did the Woman's Association on account of the stormy weather and bad roads. The W. A. will hold their monthly meeting this Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. G. C. Graham, Visitors welcome.

Rev. Mr. Bushell delivered a fine sermon last Sunday AM. There was only an attendance of 14. Next Sunday he intends having a radio at the church and all can "listen in" to the King's address at 11 o'clock a.m.

We extend our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. R. Park and family in their sad bereavement. Mr. Park's sisiter, Mrs. Wm. Hurd (nee Miss Eliza Jane Park) who resided in Manitoba passed away on Feb. 13, 1936 in her 92nd year. No further particulars are at hand.

Miss Betty Paul has been visiting with the Gordon family the past week.

Mr. Ken. Partridge, Mrs. Elwood Partridge and family of Rock Mills were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Williams and Joey.

Mr. Russell Hammond of Toronto visited with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Bert. Graham.

We are very sorry to report Mrs. Leonard Latimer seriously ill at present. We hope there is some improvement soon.

Mrs. Wilson is slowly progressing from her illness. We wish both patients a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Wm. Semple, 12th Line is visiting with her son Ernie and wife.

Mr. Thos. Tudor has returned home to Toronto after a visit with his brother and family.

Mrs. Thos. Fenwick has returned home from Owen Sound. Her daughter, Miss Muriel accompanied her home. We are glad to hear Muriel is somewhat improved.

We extend our sympathy to the Crossley family of Flesherton in their sad bereavement.

February market trend: Butter firm.

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Wonder what St. Peter says to the politician who has'nt kept his election promises when the latter knocks on the pearly gate to seek admission.

San Fransisco, Calif.— Pedestrians blinked increduously at a city street sprinkler going about its work in the rain.. Said the driver, Al. Elliott, when questioned by an irate city official, "Why should I drive in and lose half a day's pay. I was told to sprinkle the streets—and I did. Is it my fault if it rains?"

MADSEN'S GYM

"Are you Danish?"

I accepted the question as a compliment, but as I ran over a list of Scotch, English, Irish and Dutch ancestry, I was forced to answer in the negative.

In search for the gymnasium, managed by the genial John Madsen and his charming wife, I had entered a door at the rear of the Church of the Deaf in the basement of which this recreation centre is located. After halting and labored attempts to make myself understood by some of a dozen deaf people, I was directed down a flight of stairs, and there was our Danish friend, John Madsen, to welcome me with joyous sincerity.

Presently I divested myself of coats and necktie and prepared for the evening. Piano and violin began a catchy tune and in the words of Dorothy Fleming, "I became, for a few short hours, a laughing, brown-throated peasant, and the walls around me vanished away. In their place rose the green of midsummer foliage, for we were in a golden meadow, where the cloud-shadows raced each other to the eastern hills. The turf was springy underfoot, and the grasses and flowers crushed by our feet offered their sacrifice of incense. As we danced, we left the sun and the wind and the earth, and knew again that life was good. No one was anxious and our worries were tossed away as we crossed and recrossed, turned and whirled, caught a new partner, and laughingly left her for another. For we were no longer separate individuals, each with his dignity, his poise, and aloofness to maintain, but parts of a living, changing whole, which was each of us, all of us, and yet sometring more. Suddenly I knew that this was the world: each of us, all of us, and yet something more. And I cried out in my heart that life would catch me and draw me into its rythm of years and its harmony of purpose....."

Yet in spite of the happy evenings in the company of John Madsen's group I am not convinced that "Weaving the Wadmal" or the "Swedish Schottische" are to prove practical as adaptations to our rural communities. More and more am I led back to an appreciation of our common country square dances as a means of social fellowship and wholesome recreation.

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