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CANADA, THE EMPIRE

THE WORLD AT LARGE

CANADA

People Forget

It is unfortunate that the work of mosquito control must be undertaken some weeks in advance of the normal arrival of these ubiquitous pests. If the annual anti-mosquito tag day could be deferred until June there is little doubt but that the fun would be over-subscribed in a very short time. People forget past miseries very easily. In April few of us are thinking about mosquitoes; but in June we all have cause to say with Prospero, "How sharp the point of this remembrance is!"

(Note: Winnipeg is holding a tag day to raise funds for fighting mosquitoes). — Winnipeg Tribune.

First It Must Grow

The president of the Wholesale Lumber Dealers' Association has been telling the Gyro-Club that timber is a harvest that must be cut. He might have told them also that timber is a crop that must be conserved and replanted, or there will be no succession of harvests. — Vancouver Province.

The Life of the Party

Luncheon hostesses in London, England have found a way to ease the strain of lagging conversations. When a worried woman puts on a party, she pays someone to attend and lead the guests to excited discussions of this and that. Whenever the women seem to be petered out on one topic, the vivacious one starts them on something else and keeps them going at full steam ahead.

Many a luncheon has been changed from boredom to enjoyment by the strategy of the paid guest, who appears to be just one of those present. But, she is usually the last to leave, the hostess not wishing to hand out the fee in front of the others.

They pay as much as $25 per luncheon for a good conversation pilot. —Windsor Star.

National Income

U.S. national income is estimated at $60,000,000,000 yearly. In 1929 it was $86,000,000,000 and dropped to $49,500,000,000 in 1933. — Montreal Star.

Victoria Cross

The first Victoria Cross to be won in 14 years was awarded posthumously a short time ago to Captain Godfrey Meynell, who won it in fighting on the northwest frontier of India last September. The incident calls attention to the fact that some kind of fighting is going on most of the time on some frontier of the Empire. — Toronto Mail and Empire.

What Interests a Queen

Canada's first participation in the Utrecht Fair was marked by a visit from Queen Wilhelmina who, accompanied by a considerable retinue, had spent some little time in the Canadian section, where she showed a lively interest in the goods Canada is now selling with considerable success in the Netherlands.

Canada's Weekly, published in London, Eng., states that Her Majesty confessed that she had fallen into the common error of regarding Canada principally as an agricultural country and expressed her amazement at the excellence and variety of manufactured goods on display. She was, however familiar with Canadian rubber thigh boots, which are known to fishermen and sportsmen from one end of Holland to the other.

Her particular interest was drawn to Canadian washing machines which have been comparatively recently introduced into Holland, and have met with good reception. — Toronto Mail and Empire.

Signatures

However there are still a few tasks reserved for the pen. Signing one's name, for instance. And how many men are there who write a legible signature? If by the scrawls and flourishes which so many of us put at the end of our letters, our business and professional acumen were to be judged, then who stands secure?

Many of the great, wise and eminent allow themselves a very cryptogram of a sign manual which suggests that they are ashamed of their own identity. Many lesser persons, on the other hand, appear to think that by inscribing it in an equally mysterious manner an insignificant name acquires dignity and importance. — Winnipeg Tribune.

Golf Grows in Britain

Only the very aged, the lame, the halt and the blind do not play games of some kind in Britain, where probably more people take part in sport for sport's sake than in any other country. It is surprising to learn, however, that the game which has more players than any other is lawn tennis.

Golf has gradually pulled up until it is in second place. Over one million Britishers play golf. Thirty years ago the game was just beginning to invade England from the north. Now there are about 1,500 golf clubs in England, of which 200 are in London, but a great number of players are unattached. — St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Gaelic in Nova Scotia

When Premier Ramsay MacDonald landed at Halifax on his health-holiday last year he was met by the Premier of the province who greeted him in a language the Scottish-born leader did not understand. It was Gaelic.

It is surprising to learn that Gaelic is taught in the schools of the province. Teaching was authorized 15 years ago and apparently is popular enough to continue. It is an optional subject, and a teacher who is capable of imparting the "Gaelic" is entitled to a special grant from the provincial department.

Gaelic is more of a "dead" language than Latin or Greek, so far as utility is concerned, but it will please Scots to know that there is a Canadian province interested in preserving the ancient speech of the race. — St. Thomas Times—Journal.

All Else is Unstable

It's a sad reflection on mankind that the only thing that shows any sign of permanence in the world is taxation. — Toronto Saturday Night.

Two Best Novels

The University of Ohio judges the two best novels to be Tolstoi's "War and Peace" and Thackeray's "Henry Esmond. The choice of "Henry Esmond" will surprise the many who thought Thackeray was no longer read. It is a beautiful story of the 18th century, and perhaps its happy ending in Virginia specially commends it to American readers. Its sequel is "The Virginians," which has an American setting, yet "The Virginians" never attained, even in the United States, in the days when everyone read Thackeray, the popularity of "Henry Esmond," "Vanity Fair" and "Pendennis." — London Advertiser.

Expensive Kiss

Beatrice Lillie has been notified that as a result of her Toronto appearance she must pay Dominion income tax. Now she's wondering if a kiss from Mayor McBride is worth that much. —Peterboro Examiner.

SPORT IDOLS

By KEN EDWARDS

Over the Ropes

The "Mormon Flash" Dean Detton is a wrestler you are going to hear from in the very near future.

"Dangerous Dean" as he was called in New Zealand and Australia, is the latest sensation in the wrestling world.

Dean began his mat career in 1927 as a welterweight, while attending the University of Utah.

In 1929 he won all his bouts in the heavyweight class and in 1931 wrestled his first professional match.

Dean is 27 years old, weighs 215 pounds, stands 6 feet and has been in the "grunt and groan" game for 9 years. His favourite holds are the "toe-hold" and the "aeroplane-spin."

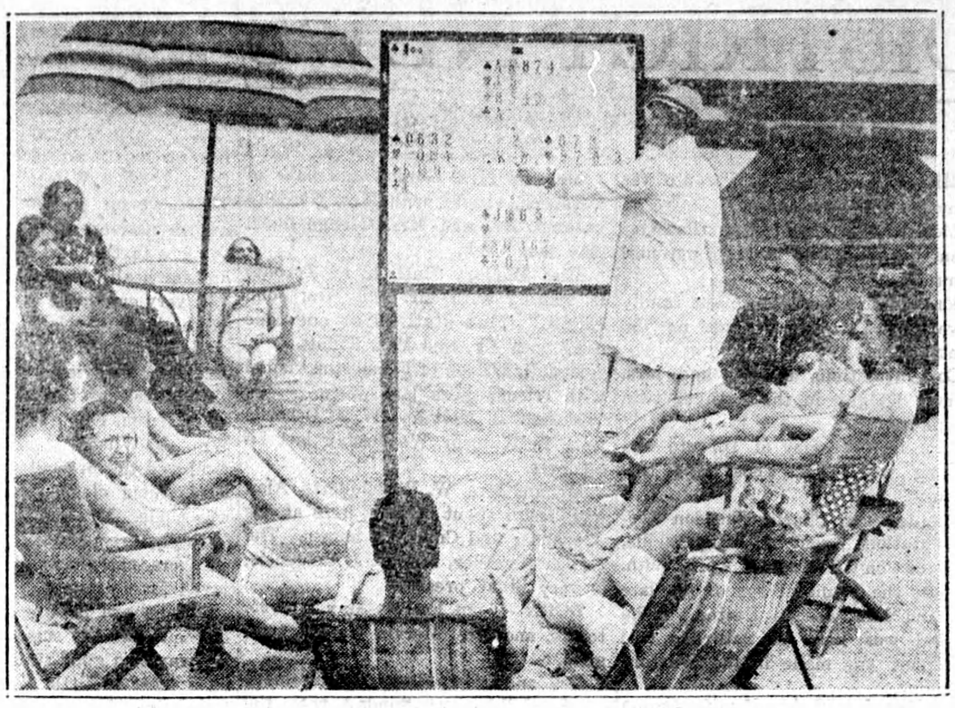
Ed "Strangler" Lewis, five times world's champion, was defeated recently by this clever bone-buster.

Joe Detton, Dean's father, held the light weight title for the Pacific Coast.

Dean has recently thrown Jim Browning, Sandor Szabo, Hans Steinke, Hank Basber, Ed "Strangler" Lewis and others.

To-day's column is dedicated to "Pat" Cameron of Beaverton, Ontario.

Bridging Distance



So that beach loungers at Santa Monica, Cal., can watch lectures on bridge without crowding around table, Frances Flinton, (at board) bridge authority, has invented magnetic board for cards.

THE EMPIRE

Britain's Food Supply

Grow Food, Store Food! If war does come here the enemy airplanes will follow the line of the rivers, pointing like arrowheads to the heart of the great seaports. The bombers will also smash the docks, blow down the bridges, and cripple our overseas food supply. If war comes elsewhere, the cost of that huge dislocation of trade in the markets of the world will drive up prices in this country to near famine level. And if this fear passes, as all good men and women pray and labour that it will, then if our land is fertile and our barns are filled we can give of our abundance, in humble thanksgiving to those that sorely need it. Grow Food! Store Food! — London Daily Express.

Vancouver's Jubilee

Today the world traveller can have no more memorable experience than the journey which takes him, perhaps in the still snowbound spring, across the white expanse of the prairies, and lifts him thousands of feet through the Kicking Horse Pass, and drops him gently into a bustling city that enjoys the climate of the south coast of England, with a background of mountain scenery that has no equal in Europe. At present, even in a time of world depression, some 15,000 ships with a total tonnage of over ten millions use the port of Vancouver each year. The construction of the Panama Canal gave it an added value, for it is found cheaper to haul the grain of the western provinces over the Rockies and ship it to Europe by the canal from an ice-free port than to train it eastwards. There are few places of which progress can be more confidently predicted in a normal world than this fifty-year-old port with the North American continent at its back and its face turned to China, Japan, and Australia. — Manchester Guardian.

Motion Pictuhes Aid in Education

TORONTO, — Motion pictures were a vital force in elementary and adult education and in moulding citizenship, Mrs. Mary B. Lowthian, only woman member of the Niagara Falls Board of Education, asserted in an address to the urban Trustees' section of the Ontario Educational Association.

"Publicly denouncing objectionable pictures usually packs the theatre with irresponsible people," she declared. The Dominion should have a non-dramatic educational film bureau supported or aided by a government grant, Mrs. Lowthian state.

"We all agree, I am sure," she said, "that it is vastly more important for a child to know the processes by which he receives a letter By which the salmon he likes to eat is caught, prepared and delivered to his grocer, or by which the book he reads is made ready for use than it is to know how many people were killed at the Battle of Hastings, the names and dates of the victories won by the Black Prince or the number of ships in the Spanish Armada,"

The fat man and his wife were returning to their seats in the theatre after the interval.

"Did I tread on your toes as I went out?" he asked a man at the end of a row.

"You did," replied the other grimly, expecting at least an apology.

The fat man turned to his wife.

"All right, Mary," he said, "this is our row."

Lord Tweedmuir's Son

Hon. John Buchan, eldest son of His Excellency, Lord Tweedsmuir, has arrived at Ottawa for his first visit to Canada. He had been in Government service in Africa.

So They Say!

"You cannot get peace by running away from war any more than you can get it simply by joining peace societies or carrying peace banners." —Lady Astor.

"All book publishers worthy of the name are somewhat literary themselves, and hence more or less insane.' —Bruce Barton.

"New industries and wider usefulness of established industries are beckoning." —David Sarnoff.

"If this civilization of ours is going to endure we've just got to start learning to mind our own business or the day may come when there won't be any business to mind." —Irvin S. Cobb.

"Most of our troubles today are the result of defective distriution —I mean distribution of ideas and people as well as goods." —John Erskine.

"We are apt to look too far away for the accomplishment of reforms. Improvement is generally a personal and local matter." —Charles E. Hughes.

"I think and think, for months, for years. Ninety-nine times the conclusion is false, the hundredth time I am right." —Albert Einstein.

"We would not dream of treating a strain of race horses the way we do ourselves." —Herbert Hoover.

"The trouble with modern civilization is that we are cafeteria-conscious." —Hendrik Willem Van Loon.

"A sense of humor is an unerring sense of proportion." —Emily Post.

Unusual Job Thrills Leonore Chapman

She Travels Into Far North Selling Lubricating Grease and Oil

OTTAWA—More than 750 mining engineers and metallurgists and their wives attended the recent annual convention in Ottawa, but only one woman came on business—grease and lubrication.

Miss Leonore Chapman, young, tall and prepossessing, travels into the north by dog team, by plane and even tractor to help mining engineers solve the problems of keeping engines running smoothly in unusual temperatures above and below ground.

She has travelled through Northern Ontario and Quebec, into Newfoundland iron mines, across country to the pulp and paper mills, visited plants at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., and has been up to Moosonee at the James Bay terminus of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway.

In the last five years she has watched a rapid change in frontier towns and remarks: "There are no hardships left and when you come to where you found the jumping-off place last time, you notice that the edge of civilization has extended until once again it lies just the other side of the horizon.

"Some people might find such life dull, there are none of the usual diversions, but I am thrilled to be in contact with men who bring dreams into reality. G. K. Chesterton wrote some time ago that he always found interest in out-of-the-way places that some called dull as ditchwater and that ditchwater placed under a microscope could prove very entertaining. I have found the same thing. Grease and oil may not appeal to everybody, but they fascinate me, they can accomplish such wonders and are such an interesting study.

"Then, too, the north is now a hive of industry and one of the few places where there is little time for discouragement or defeat."

On her rounds of mining machinery, Miss Chapman wears breeches, high boots, a windbreaker and beret, silk underwear and silk stockings. "It may be just vanity, but I really believe they keep me warmer." When she is in a town, no matter how small, she is just another attractive girl.

"Up in the north we take planes as you might take taxis, they have few accidents as the pilots are scrupulously careful of their machines. We have our transportation problems, our food problems and that is about all. There is lots of work and lots of fun if you look at it that way."

Huron's Record

(The Sault Ste. Marie Star)

Talking about Huron County, it has produced a quintea of political leaders in relent year:

Hon. James Garfield Gardiner, born at Exeter, November 30, 1893.

Hon. Thomas Alexander Crerar, Minister of Interior, Mines, Immigration, etc., born at Molesworth, in Huron County, six years earlier.

Hon. Robert Weir, former Minister of Agriculture born at Wingham, December 5th, 1892.

(Huron County has thus produced three of the four most recent federal Ministers of Agriculture.)

Hon. William Aberhart, premier of Alberta, born at Seaforth, December 30th, 1878.

Robert John Deachman, Liberal economist and tariff expert, born in Howick Township, December 15th, 1878.

Need Pointers About Marriage

Y.W.C.A. Gives Course In Subject Dealing With Matrimony

TORONTO—The enthusiastic attendance of the senior members of the Young Women's Christian Association at the six-week course of discussion groups on "Ideal Marriage," has confirmed the opinion of leaders who felt that there was need for instruction on this subject among older girls.

Mrs. Donald McCullagh, B.A., a recent graduate from the department of social science at the University of Toronto, led the group and was able to clear up many superstitious ideas and prejudices by giving scientific sex information. Many of the girls expressed the wish that everyone might have the opportunity of attending such groups. The discussions centred around such subjects as "Choosing a Husband," and "The Purpose of Marriage."

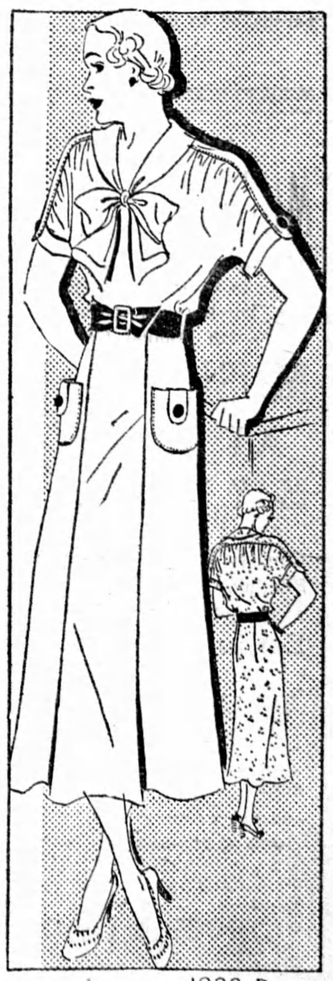
Other efforts of special interest in the education department of the Y.W.C.A. which have helped toward development of personality, charm and good speech are the classes conducted by Mrs. Dora Mavor Moore in "The Art of Conversation," and "Social Demeanor."

The girls in these classes know that to be a conversationalist one must learn proper breathing, correct posture and mouth expression, discrimination in the selection of reading matter, the constant need to refer to the dictionary and to familiarize themselves each day with new words.

To acquire good speech the girls were taught to turn their attention to the best in radio broadcasts, to listen whenever possible to good speakers and to avoid certain topics of conversation when talking with strangers and the necessity of finding common interests such as the weather, current events or the theatre as the starting-off point.

If the proposed "fixed" calendar is adopted by the world, Good Friday would fall on April 7, Easter Sunday on April 9 and Whit Sunday on May 28 of every year.

Modified Shirtwaist



1822-B

For those of you who have been waiting for something a little different in shirtwaist styling, something with softer lines and a more pleasing contour, this charmingly simple all-occasion daytime frock will ring the bell — and that's no gong. Featuring an extended yoke across the shoulders to form a novel and engaging effect, there are just a few simple pieces to the pattern. The waist is gathered to the yoke, the rounded collar ends in a graceful bow, and the pockets are tabbed to match the cuffs. You'll set the style pace by using sports silk, novelty weaves, acetate, and printed cottons.

This Barbara Bell Pattern, No. 1822-B, is available in sizes 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44. Size 34 requires 4¼ yards of 35-inch fabric plus ¼ yard, cut crosswise, for the belt.

HOW TO ORDER PATTERNS

Write your name and address of pattern wanted. Enclose 20c in stamps or coin (coin preferred); wrap it carefully and address your order to Barbara Bell, Room 230, 73 Adelaide W., Toronto.