News Parade

Commentary on the Highlights of the Week's News . . . by Peter Randel

BOON FOR BUSINESS: If the West's 1938 wheat crop turns out to be as bumper as predicted, our prairie farmers are going to have money in their pockets again—to spend, to pay their debts with. Canadian business will be given a big lift.

It will help the railways out, too. Both the C.N.R. and the C.P.R. have long been saying that if the West could grow just one good crop, the revenues resulting from heavy freight hauling would cut operating losses and substantially reduce the railways' indebtedness.

MATTER OF FACT—Little good though the Runciman mission to Czechoslovakia is likely to do, (the Czechs didn't even ask Prime Minister Chamberlain to send him), this much is certain, that, while he is on the scene studying the situation and preparing to arbitrate between Germany and Czechoslovakia, Hitler cannot afford to make an open move against the little republic. 'Twould be a bad breach of manners for him to do any such thing at a moment when he is courting the favor of the British.

The delay may be maddening to him, but Herr Hitler will just have to stand aside politely till Lord Runciman's through. But then, boys, ah! then . . . .

WE'RE BEAUTIFUL—The well-known English landscape painter, F. M. de la Coze, arrived in Canada for the first time, is full of praises for our country. He had no idea it was so beautiful.

Neither had some of us. We are used to thinking that far-away fields are greener, more lovely than our own. We have developed an inferiority complex on the subject of our own country and its beauties; we roll our eyes in the direction of Europe or the States instead.

Now that someone who should know has told us unequivocally that Canada is beautiful, we may learn to believe it, to feel pride and joy in our Canadian countryside, our own particular sweet corner of Ontario.

BEHIND SCHEDULE—The Chinese may not be such hot fighters but they are managing to hold their own against the Japanese invasion. Their aim now is not to drive the Japs out of the country in a big offensive but to draw them further and further afield till the Nipponese war machine can be finally stalled.

When the undeclared war began, the Japanese military heads had a schedule doped out which must be adhered to if succes is to be theirs. They expected the campaign to last but a couple of months. Now, more than a year later, when Chinese resistance has slowed up the scheulde to a point where it can scarcely be said to work any longer, the Japanese chances of success are becoming smaller and smaller.

THIS WEEK'S QQUESTION—How many Eskimos are there in the Dominion of Canada? Indians? Answer: 6,000 Eskimos and 123,000 Indians (approximately).

NAMES IN THE NEWS

HON. P. M. DEWAN

"Through co-operation lies the salvation of Ontario's rural life," is the central theme of our Provincial Minister of Agriculture, Hon. P. M. (Patrick Michael) Dewan, (pronounced to rhyme with "swan").

That farmers should organize in their own interests is the message of this public-spirited Irish-Canadian, born a farmer himself (near Osgoode, Ontario) and trained from the earliest age to the problems of a farmer. He has had plenty of experience in co-operation, too, having graduated from St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, N.S. (the cradle of co-operation in Canada), and from the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph. In 1925 he became manager of the Oxford Co-operative Association, has advanced it to first rank among such enterprises in Canada. He has also been a successful Secretary-Treasurer of the Woodstock Agricultural Society.

"Educate the People"

Always interested in people and events, Mr. Dewan was inevitably drawn to politics. In 1931 he won a seat on the Woodstock City Council; in 1934 entered the Ontario Legislature as Liberal member for Oxford; following last autumn's election he was chosen by the Premier as Minister of Agriculture.

Mr. Dewan would like to see the mass of our rural people live prosperous and happy lives. Co-operation, in his fervent belief, would help to bring about that end. His mission is to educate the people to its value; he would like to have a staff of instructors go out into the Province on an educational crusade for the co-operative movement, but in this he is sadly handicapped because the government isn't prepared to spend money on such a project. (Not only farmers but people generally would benefit by participation in co-operatives, Mr. Dewan says).

Wants Wheat Pegged

Again, the Minister of Agriculture: "If our young people are to continue to live on the farm, rural life must be made attractive to them."

At present, Mr. Dewan is urging the federal government to set a minimum price for payments to Ontario wheat producers, as well as to western growers. He points out that the price for Ontario wheat now ranges from 35c to 65c, instead of 80c, per bushel.

Warsaw, Poland, now has 66 motion picture theatres.

More gold is being mined in Australia than a year ago.

"We call him Mr. X. until we can decide upon a name."

New Brunswick's Silver Salmon

600 Miles of Coastline Provide Rare Sport for Anglers

If there is one species in particular to which the Province of New Brunswick owes its inclusion on the angler's map of the world it is the Atlantic silver salmon.

Although small in area when compared with the Central and Western Provinces, New Brunswick is blessed with 600 miles of Atlantic coastline. On the south the tides of Fundy lash her shores from Passamaquoddy Bay to the Isthmus of Chignecto. Northumberland Strait lies between the New Brunswick east coast and Prince Edward Island; and Bay Chaleur, that inreaching arm of the open Gulf separates the north coast from the Gaspe Peninsula of Quebec.

Patients Arise After Operation

Rumanian Surgeon Has Been Successful With New Method Of Treatment — Believes It Unnecessary to Stay In Bed.

In a hospital at Brasov, Rumania, a man was operated on for the removal of his appendix. As soon as the operation was completed he got up from the table and acted as assistant to the surgeon at the same kind of an operation on the following patient. This is not an unusual situation at Brasov. Here the great majority of the patients get up from the operating table, dress, walk to their room or out into the garden and remain ambulant instead of going to bed. Dr. Livius Campeanu, surgeon at the hospital, has been working for years under the theory that it is not only unnecessary for patients to remain in bed for long periods of time after an operation, but that it is beneficial for them to walk around.

A Psychic Stimulant

Since 1934 Dr. Campeanu has performed 3,150 abdominal operations in which the patients left their beds on the day following the operation. Since the beginning of 1937, encouraged by his earlier results, he has had patients, operated on under local anesthetics, get on their feet from the operating table.

When operations are performed under spinal or general anesthesia the patients are on their feet the second day. They return on the seventh or eighth day for removal of stitches.

Dr. Campeanu states, according to a report on his work in "The Journal of the American Medical Association," that getting up immediately after an operation is a psychic as well as a physical stimulant and curtails the duration of disability. Among the 1,300 patients operated on since January, 1937, there have been three deaths.

Desert Yields 1848 Skeletons

Believed to Be Of Eight Men Who Went on Expedition Into Interior of Australia

The skeletons of eight men, believed to be members of an expedition led by a German explorer, Friedrich Leichareit, which left Moreton Bay, on the Queensland coast, in 1848, to cross the continent and disappeared in the interior, have been found in the Simpson Desert in the northern part of South Australia by a ranch-owner while rounding up cattle.

Grouped In a Circle

Seven of the skeletons were grouped in a circle, suggesting that the men were around a campfire when they were surprised by blacks and speared. The eighth skeleton lay two miles away and the presumption is the wounded man fled and later fell exhausted and expired.

The expedition was last reported at Innaminaka, just over the South Australian border, thirty miles east of where the skeletons were found.

The South Australian Government is organizing an expedition to examine the skeletons, comprising an anthropologist, ethnologist, surveyor and a cinematographer. It is believed that torrential rains probably uncovered the skeletons.

Campaign Against Hatless Germans

Geruany's Latest Slogan is "Buy a Hat"

Hard-up Germans have been economizing and joining the hatless brigade, with the result that there has been a terrific drop in the sale of hats.

Apart from an intensive advertising campaign, women are being asked not to walk with hatless men. It is "primitive," say the authorities, for a man not to wear a hat.

For Seagram Gold Cup

Last year, as the cut shows, Ralph Guldahl got his hands on the Seagram Gold Cup but that was all. Lighthorse Harry Cooper, one-time Hamilton boy, got the cup, the $5,000 cash and the Canadian Open Golf championship. Now Guldahl is burning up U. S. golf courses, retaining the U. S. Open title, winning the Western Open and leading all the golf stars as point winner of this year. He's one of the biggest threats for this year's Canadian title, to be played at Mississauga-Toronto on August 18 to 20. So, for that matter, is Cooper, and there are a hundred other threats, including ace golfers from Bermuda and South Africa, coming for the first time to Canada.

Two hundred empty cotton mills in England have been converted into new factories.

Brazil has ordered insurance companies not to agree to pay losses in foreign currencies.

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CANADA

MAKE STARLINGS WORK

If the starlings present with us in such numbers would only take it into their heads to dine on army worms, their reputation would improve immensely. — Woodstock Sentinel-Review.

WITHOUT THE TURKEY

Thanksgiving Day will be held in October again. The great trouble with a thanksgiving on that date is that the turkey crop is not ripe while the cranberries are scarce.—Guelph Mercury.

TELL THE PLAIN TRUTH

We wonder whether it would have a salutary effect if the newspapers, instead of calling these deplorable affairs accidents, were to state plainly that someone was the cause of his own death or that of someone else. It might.—Cornwall Standard-Freeholder.

THREE EXPLANATIONS

Woman near Belleville has a hen which laid an egg with three yolks in it. Our poultry expert says any one of three things can explain that: (1) the hen does not know how to count, (2) she is a trifle ambitious, or (3) she is short of shells.—Peterborough Examiner.

POLL TAX FOR WOMEN

Barrie town council has endorsed the proposal te make women who earn over $100 a year, subject to the same municipal poll tax as men. There is really no valid reason why there should be any more discrimination between the sexes in taxation than there is in giving employment. Some day the provincial legislators may have courage enough to place both upon equal terms in the matter of poll tax. In the meantime, the fair sex have little cause to worry over the matter.—Barrie Examiner.

The EMPIRE

NO DEATH FOR ME

Five hundred and thirty-six people were killed, twenty thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight injured on the roads last month. These figures will not mean much to you. You know you are a careful driver. You know you walk delicately. People read of the casualties on the roads as they used to read of the casualties in the war. You always think the other fellow will get it. Never yourself.—Daily Express, London.

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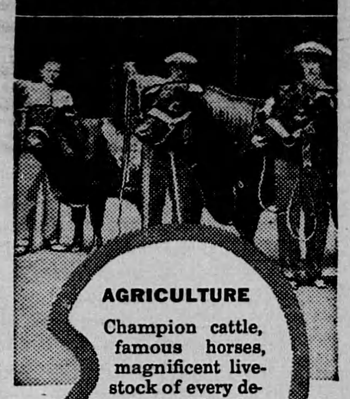
The sale of opium is a State monopoly and buyers must register each purchase.

AT THE 'EX' Everyday IS FARMER'S DAY



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