PUCK CHASERS

NEWS OF O.H.A. DOINGS

Herbie "Sweets" Mortimer, is seriously threatening Harry McQueston's regular berth as goalie for the Goodyear club. Mortimer held Hershey to a tie and scored a win over Atlantic City on their tour of the Eastern Hockey League. Port Colborne Sailors are scheduled to make the same tour in February.

Jack McEwen of Oshawa G.M., is in for a great season as netminder for the Motor City boys. He appears to have plenty on the ball when it comes to controlling the puck during scrambles in front of his net.

Ossie Carnegie came through with mighty fine effort for the St. Catharines Indian Chiefs as they defeated the Brights right in Niagara Falls. Only excellent goal-tending by Mowers, for the Falls, kept the St. Catharines boys down to a 3-1 victory.

Doug Runions moved over from his win position to centre-ice for Port Colborne last week and celebrated the event with a scoring bee of four goals and one assist for a total of five points.

Runions is leader in the race for the fur-lined glass jar, an honor accorded to the individual player who gathers the most points in any one game.

ST. CATHARINES ARENA

Latest schedule points to the grand opening of the new hockey arena in St. Catharines on Tuesday, December 20. The Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League have accepted the invitation of the Garden City officials to participate in the grand opening ceremonies. St. Catharines' new hockey arena will be the last word in artificial ice palaces and the Senior O.H.A. circuit is proud to have the Garden City team and its new rink as members of circuit.

White Man Has Need Of Eskimo

To Survive in the Far North, He Must Learn to Co-Operate With the Natives Who Know Their Environmenet

"Co-operation of the natives, who have lived for centuries in the environment that is new to the white man, must be sought if the present work in the Far North is to be successful," Major D. L. McKeand told members of the Ottawa Junior Board of Trade last week. "They alone fully understand the conditions under which the human being must live in the North. They not only have survived, but have managed to make a great deal of progress."

How They Live

In a country where nothing grows except moss, the Eskimo depended on the animals of the sea for food, and the white fox as a medium of exchange. He was not interested in wood, but for heat and light had developed an efficient seal-oil lamp. His people lived in scattered groups of two or three families, eating cariboo meat and fish, and wearing white fox clothing, and sealskin mitts and boots.

Oysters Must Be Cultivated

If the Industry is to Survive — P. E. I. Would Restore Depleted Fishing - Grounds

As far as Prince Edward Island is concerned, oyster fishing has been a declining industry in the last few years, but with the combination of closed areas, scientific experimentation and cultivation, hopes are held the industry will regain its former status.

The beds in the far-famed Malpeque Bay region, in the western part of the island, which produced oysters noted the world over for their quality, have been reduced to extremely low levels.

Overfishing, Disease Do It

According to A. W. L. Needler of the Prince Edward Island Oyster Experimental Station, the decline is a direct result of over-fishing, disease and the oyster's greatest enemy, the starfish. Starfish eat the spawn and attack fully-developed oysters, open the shells and devour the meat.

Only possible way to prevent extinction of the industry, Mr. Needler said, is by cultivation of the oyster.

Howlers !

Prize Errors Picked From Examination Papers

Algebraical symbols are those used when you do not know what you are talking about.

In this country you have to produce a certificate before you can prove you are born.

Quebec Goldfields Acquire New Rouyn-Senneterre Railroad Line

The rich gold fields of northwestern Quebec acquired direct transportation with the opening of a new railroad line between Senneterre and Rouyn. The new branch line was officially opened by Hon. Onesime Gagnon, Quebec's minister of mines, who is shown RIGHT, assisted by S. J. Hungerford, president and chairman of the Canadian National railways, cutting the golden ribbon to open the line. The traditional gold spike, to mark the completion of the line, was driven by Hon. C. D. Howe, LEFT, federal minister of transport.

Canada's First County Airport

Huron Council Takes Over the Operations of Sky Harbour At Goderich

Huron County Council, at its closing session in November, made an important decision, after a long discussion, to take over Sky Harbor airport, just north of Goderich, Ont., and in future conduct it as a county municipal airport, probably the first of its kind in Canada.

The county will only take over the private lease for the present and will take out the 1939 license in the municipality's name. It also will henceforth maintain the landing field.

The day was visioned when the airport would be a training ground, perhaps a testing field with a factory manufacturing airplanes.

"This will go down in history as the first county in Canada to establish an airport," said Reeve Turner, of Goderich. "We are setting the example and it is not without the bounds of reason, with the British Government spending millions for air defence, that Sky Harbor may develop some day into a large industry."

Royal Itinerary Being Prepared

Ottawa to be Centre of Activities During the Visit of King and Queen to Canada Next Year

Ottawa is proposed as particular ceremonial centre for the visit of Their Majesties the King and the Queen. The stay in Ottawa as now planned tentatively, will be the longest by reason of it being the national capital.

Ceremonials At Each Place

The itinerary has not yet been worked out finally and when it is the Royal sanction will be required but the present prospects are for arrival at Quebec on Monday, May 15, go, the next day, to Montreal and arrive in Ottawa Wednesday night or Thursday, to stay four or five days. The King's birthday, will be specially observed on May 20th. That week-end and probably Monday will be spent in Ottawa.

There will, of course, be proper ceremonials at every place visited but the greatest number of functions will be for Ottawa. Both there and in other places, there will be care to ensure that the population at large have an opportunity of seeing the King and Queen. That, in fact, is described as the primary objective of the tour.

VOICE OF THE PRESS

UNIFICATION

Those people who are looking for a man to unite all Canada can take hope. Santa Claus will soon be here. — Toronto Saturday Night.

FEED THEM WELL

Canada could take more advantage of the United States market if our live stock raisers would put more grain into their cattle. —Farmer's Advocate

BLOOM IN DECEMBER

After being dead all summer, a large locust tree at Albuquerque, in New Mexico, has suddenly come to life and is now in full bloom. Most municipal candidates are the same way. — St. Catherines Standard.

PROGRESS

It was a news item when a church in Petrolia recently decided to pull down the driving shed in which horses used to be tied during church services. But will the next news item from the same church concern the parking problem? — Kingston Whig-Standard.

ROADS IN THE NORTH

It is unbelievable that any section of the South should protest development of the North. Practically every dollar expended by northern industries finds its way to southern Ontario to keep manufacturing plants in operation and to sustain wholesale houses and contribute to the welfare of producers of farm products. What would Ontario be without the North? — North Bay Nugget.

"AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING"

A letter from Quebec reads, in part, as follows: "Everything looks gloomy with us; to all appearance the ensuing winter will be a very troublesome one . . . Emigration, the very lifeblood of a colony, has almost ceased; agriculture quite neglected; the ordinary trade of the country depressed; all energy and enterprise paralyzed, and confidence between man and man almost destroyed." No, it was not written this year; it was sent to the London Times 100 years ago. — Edmonton Journal.

Automobiles of Japan may be equipped with a carburetor attachment, just invented by a Tokio man, which is said to greatly reduce gasoline consumption.

During the imposing of speed limits in Bombay, it was emphasized that Bombay City is on an island and has only one road connection with the rest of India.

New Outlet Vital For Wheat Crops

Place in World Markets Declared Only Solution for Prairie Problems

Unless Canada blasts a place for western wheat in world markets, the Prairies will not be able to support their existing population on a Canadian standard of living, Prof. Jacob Viner, of the University of Chicago, declared at Ottawa last week before the Royal Commission on Dominion-Provincial Relations.

Subsidies would be a kind of alternative to new markets but they would be no real solution, he said, and Canada did not have unlimited revenue sources from which to support its wheat.

The warning signals had been given far back in the last century. He claimed "The people of the Prairies were trapped, were drawn in on the basis of prospects grossly exaggerated."

"It is inconceivable to me that all the propaganda issued for settlement purposes was believed in by those who prepared it," Dr. Viner, appearing for the Manitoba Government, said. "Source of these agencies still issue the same type of propaganda. Chicago newspapers even today are carrying advertisements of land opportunities in Western Canada."

We Are Ignorant Of French Canada

"One of the Greatest Barriers to Canadian Unity," Montrea Barrister Declares—Advocates Understanding One Another

J. Alex Edmison, Montreal attorney, addressing an audience in Ottawa last week said that "one of the greatest barriers to Canadian unity is the great ignorance of the most people, particularly Ontario concerning the French-Canadian."

Mr. Edmison, told his listeners he spoke, "as one who has spent the last 10 years in the province of Qebec, after spending 25 years in Ontario."

Many Misconceptions

"When I lived in Ontario, I had a complete misunderstanding of the French-Canadians, and a prejudice against them based on current misconceptions.

"The sooner the people of Ontario get to know the French-Canadian, get to appreciate his viewpoint and understandings, his aspirations and ambitions, the sooner we will bring about interprovincial unity, which is absolutely necessary in the future if Canada is to take the leading part she should in world affairs."

News Parade

By Elizabeth Eedy

MYSTERY PASSENGERS: The new Trans-Canada Airlines planes aren't carrying passengers yet. In fact, you can't buy a ticket to fly aboard 'em. Their sole cargo is His Majesty's mail. Before the inauguration of the Trans-Canada service, it was announced by the powers-that-be that no "dead-heads" ("no-pay" passengers) would be carried aboard the planes. Who then are the phantom passengers who step out of Trans-Canada air ships every time one lands at Malton, say, or Montreal? The planes are full of them. 'S a funny world!

TWO DEMOCRATS: What were some of the things that Prime Minister Chamberlain of Great Britain and Premier Daladier of France talked about when they conferred in Paris? (Of course it's a miracle to us that they could even hear themselves speak above the noise of civil strife, threatening voices from Germany and Italy). They decided to defend their countries by: increase of French artillery forces in the Far East to supplement British defenses; approval of the Hitler-Daladier Peace Pact; purchase by France of 6,000 war planes, mostly in Canada (on credits extended from London); expression by Chamberlain of his resolve to try and get national military conscription voted in in the United Kingdom.

THE PAY-OFF: You surely didn't think that Mussolini gave Hitler a big hand in the Czechoslovak business free, gratis and for nothing, did you, without any expectation of reward? If such was your naive belief, you underestimated the cleverness of the Duce, or should we say the diabolical ingenuity of Mussolini plus Hitler—equals "the Rome-Berlin axis." The pay-off comes now, in the aftermath of Munich and the signing of the Anglo-Italian accord, when Hitler is helping Mussolini (in, oh, such a very subtle way) to advance his claims on France's Corsica, Savoy, Nice, Tunis.

As long ago as the first of August, 1938, a purported secret document sent by Mussolini to all his ambassadors abroad said that Italy "is determined in the near future to urge its claim to the Latin soil of Tunis, adding that construction of 14 airports on the Libyan-Tunisian frontier has been ordered, "which will make a speedy campaign possible."

Mussolini's next objective is the complete domination of the Mediterranean basin and the Suez Canal. Towards this he will be helped first by the reduction of France to a state of vassalage (with Hitler's aid); then by the overthrow of Britain as a world power (with Japan's aid, too).

SIGN OF THE TIMES: Is Premier Hepburn losing his hold in Ontario? We pose the question, made curious by the results of the mayoralty contest in Windsor. David Croll, M.P.P., won out there by majority of 5,000, in spite of the Premier's intervention, personally, to oppose him.

THE WEEK'S QUESTION: What new type of legislation is likely to be introduced at the next session of the Federal Government, opening in January? Answer: Unemployment insurance measures and a marketing program.

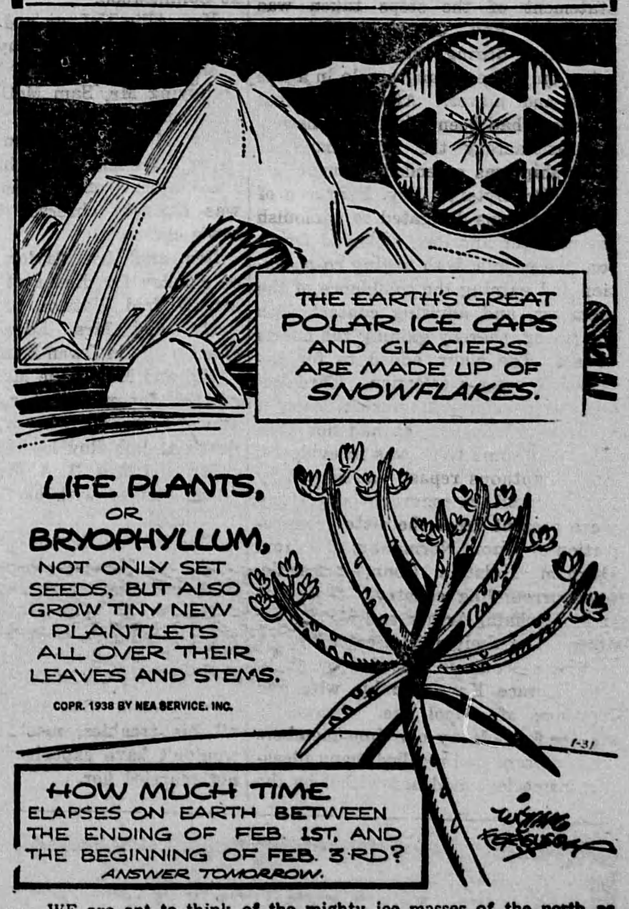
Favor Azores Route For Winter Flying

Further investigation of the proposed winter transatlantic air route via the Azores is recommended by Captain George Thomson, special survey officer for Imperial Airways, London. He has returned to England after a year's study of flying conditions in the South Atlantic.

Although the Azores Islands present certain geographical difficulties, Captain Thomson believes the route should be seriously considered as an alternative in winter to the more direct route from England to New York via Ireland and Newfoundland.

With co-operation of Portuguese meteorological and radio services to Horta, he suggests a series of flights could be usefully and safely carried out during the coming winter.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



WE are apt to think of the mighty ice masses of the north as frozen from large quantities of open water. Yet all the great sheets that held whole continents during the Ice Age were formed by the packing, partial melting and re-freezing of countless billions of tiny snowflakes.

WONDERLAND OF OZ

By L. Frank Baum

Beside the path were paper trees all cut out very neatly and painted a very brilliant green color. Back of the trees were rows of cardboard houses painted in various colors, the most of them having green blinds. Some were large and some were very small, and in the front yards were beds of paper flowers quite natural in appearance. Over some of the porches paper vines were twined, giving them a cosy and shady look.

As the visitors passed along the street, a good many paper dolls came to the doors and windows of their houses to look at them curiously. These dolls were all the same height, but were in different shapes, some being fat and some being lean. Th girl dolls wore many beautiful costumes of tissue paper, making them quite fluffy; but their heads and hands were no thicker than the paper of which they were made.

Some of the paper people were on the street walking along or congregated in groups talking, but as soon as they saw the strangers they fluttered into the house as fast as they could go, so as to be out of danger. "Excuse me if I go edgewise," said the captain, as they came to a slight hill. "I can get along faster this way, and not flutter so much." "That's all right," said Dorothy. "We don't mind how you go, I am sure."

On one side of the street was a paper pump and a paper boy was pumping water into a paper pail. Accidentally the yellow hen happened to brush against this boy with her wing, and he flew into the air and fell into a paper tree, where he stuck until the Wizard gently pulled him out. At the same time the pail went soaring into the air, spilling the paper water, while the paper pump bent nearly double. "Gracious," said Pillina, "what if I flapped my wings?"