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Canadian Gold

Ontario continues to be Canada's principal gold producer, about fifty per cent. of the Dominion's production coming from the mines of the Porcupine and Kirkland Lake areas, according to the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa. Other important gold-producing regions in Ontario include the Little Long Lac and adjoining areas in the Thunder Bay district; Red Lake, Crow River, Sachigo River, and Lake of the Woods areas in the Kenora district; Larder Lake and Matachewan areas in the Timiskaming district, and Goudreau and Michipicoten areas in the Algoma district. While gold quartz mines are by far the principal source of gold in Ontario, there is also an annual production of approximately two million dollars from the nickel-copper ores in the Sudbury district.

Quebec's chief single producer is still the Noranda copper-gold mine, but the output from the gold-quartz mines in the Bourlamaque, Siscoe, Malartic and Cadillac areas in Abitibi county, and the Arntfield, Duparquet, Rouyn and Mud Lake areas in Temiscamingue county in northwestern Quebec, is increasing rapidly.

Canada ranked third among the gold-producing countries of the world during 1938, with an output of 4,715,480 fine ounces valued at \$165,867,009, an increase of 619,267 fine ounces, or \$22,540,516 in value. The value of Canada's gold production in 1938 was equal to 51 per cent. of the total value of all metals and 37 per cent. of the total value of the entire output of the Canadian mineral industry.

Value of Home Paper

"You never miss the water till the well runs dry," is a saying well known to most; and the people of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, a city of 100,000 population; had its proven to them for almost six months when their newspapers were compelled to suspend publication through labor troubles.

Outside papers were available to the people of that city, but they were not satisfactory, and when the Wilkes-Barre papers resumed publication 38 business establishments used special advertising space to express their delight. Under the heading: "We Missed You and Needed You; We Are Glad to Have You Back," appeared the following tribute to the local press.

"Return to publication of Wilkes-Barre's three newspapers is an event of such fundamental importance to this community that the undersigned merchants have felt impelled to take this means of extending their congratulations to the publishers, their employees and the entire community.

"We know that no normal, healthy civic life can long be maintained without strong, independent local newspapers. It is not only the civic but the patriotic duty of every citizen to support his local newspapers and contribute what he can to their healthful functioning.

"We merchants here gathered together, therefore, wish the newspapers of Wilkes-Barre every success in resumption of their long-suspended service to the community. We trust that never again will any circumstance arise to interrupt their steady, daily fulfillment of the vital missions they perform for the community."

EDITORIAL NOTES

The Park is a source of pleasure to citizens these days. Few there are who do not use it.

Oh, for the good old school days! We mean, of course, the two summer months when the schools are closed.

Highways and the lakes and rivers are taking toll. Improvement in these figures can only be made by the individuals.

Acton will not enjoy a lower tax rate this year, and the present rate will not allow for any new expenditures at the present time.

What to do in the summer vacation is a problem that confronts everyone. It appears one must do something different from the usual every-day life, whether it suits or not.

"Liners' Clocks Put Ahead on Order of His Majesty." We had hopes for a moment when we read that heading that the daylight saving question had been settled as a result of the Royal visit.

European activities do still find a place in the smaller headlines, but it's remarkable how the general public have ceased to be concerned over them. The "Wolf! Wolf!" cry does lose if it is repeated too often.

A merited honor has been accorded Acton school children. A large audience will have the opportunity to hear the selections they put in so many hours to perfect, when they present their radio program on Saturday evening.

Saturday might be termed Music Day for Acton but not in Acton. The Band participates in a contest at Waterloo and the school children broadcast from CFRB in Toronto. We wish them both success. It is quite apparent music has its place in Acton as well as sports.



The ROYAL VISIT

By S. J. DORNAN, C.W.N.A. Representative on the Press Pilot Train

Fifth Release Covering the Visit of Their Majesties to Washington and New York

Washington, D.C.—The usual procedure followed since we left Quebec, was altered during the early hours of Thursday morning, when a car on the Press train developed a hot box and this delayed us while the car was taken off the main line. This gave the Royal trains of Blue and Silver a head lead and this was not overtaken; we reached Washington a few minutes behind the Royal party, but in time to witness the spontaneous reception accorded Their Britannic Majesties, in this, the capital of the great American Republic. Old Sol was on duty and registered a temperature of around 90 in the shade, with a distinct humidity which was very oppressive. Excellent arrangements had been made at this side of the International border for the convenience of the press; supplied with a new set of arm badges and lapel buttons, we co-mingled with our American cousins of the fourth estate in an effort to do justice to this memorable and historic occasion. Standing at the approach of the Union Depot, where Their Majesties were greeted by President and Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt, I had a gorgeous sight; the greeting was decidedly sincere and a wonderful time while in this great country. Rushing in press cars at a speed of 65 miles per hour, we reached, by a detour from the Royal route, the Treasury Building, where a special stand gave us a clear and uninterrupted view down Pennsylvania Avenue, towards the capital; with the White House in the background at our rear. Fifty-two tanks followed the mounted police escort and the Royal car was occupied by His Majesty, in the uniform of Commander in Chief of the Army, along with President Roosevelt; in the second car was Her Majesty, along with Mrs. Roosevelt; then followed a distinguished party composed of the Royal entourage, accompanied by the dignitaries of the President's party. Overhead there were fifty-two United States bombing planes in formation and following the Royal procession were five hundred cavalry. This magnificent avenue, one of the finest I have ever seen, was one solid mass of dazzling color; the Union Jack mingled with the Stars and Stripes; the immense crowds which lined the both sides densely, gave a very enthusiastic greeting to Their Majesties. The car with the King was surrounded by foot police in plain clothes and they had quite a time to keep pace with the car. This portion of the story is being written in the Washington Press Club, which has very kindly been placed at the disposal of the press; we are sitting writing in a room 13 stories above the street, and it gives a wonderful view of this part of the city. It may be of interest to readers of this story to know that the press train was accorded Royal privileges and passed through Customs without inspection. The Royal party were met on the American side of Niagara Falls by Secretary of State Cordell Hull and Mrs. Hull, Sir Ronald Lindsay and Mrs. Lindsay and a number of other official citizens of the U.S.A. The reception was entirely informal and took place at the station platform under a powerful arc light, while a bright crimson carpet decorated the centre of the space where the reception took place.

I was one of the few press men to be invited to the greatest social function ever held in Washington, D.C., that is, if discussion and gossip can be taken as a rule of measurement. 1,400 people chosen out of these United States of America, from a reported 50,000 applicants all of whom thought they had real claims. The British Embassy, within whose walls is the only bit "of old England" in the U.S.A., is a wonderful place; it is known as the million dollar mansion and is occupied at this time by Sir Ronald Lindsay and Lady Lindsay, the British Ambassador and his wife; the staff is quite extensive and the place is very beautiful. Arriving in a long line of autos, all with distinctive stickers on the windshields in order to secure passage through the police lines, I had less trouble at the main gate than some of the dignitaries of the city; the grounds are very lovely with a profusion of shade trees and shrubbery. Commemorative marquees were on the lawn and delicious ice cold refreshments were dispensed; these included (oh why should I tell all). Millionaires and multi-millionaires, political chiefs, clerical dignitaries, ambassadors from several European countries, industrial magnates, etc., made up the selected and carefully scrutinized list of guests. A squad of secret police had searched the spacious grounds previous to the arrival of any guests and having felt quite satisfied that no "reds" were around, the function was given the word "go." Their Britannic Majesties received a very warm reception on their arrival with their suite. Shortly after arrival both the King and Queen walked around the grounds and mingled with the guests, speaking to many of them and enjoying a restful period which this very informal gathering granted them. As I stood close to His Majesty I noticed that he is about five feet eight inches in height and is now more bronzed than at any previous time I have noticed him; Her Majesty

cleared to permit walking, as there were no means of transportation, we entered Broadway and passing through the famous financial district of the city, Wall Street, we made contact with a sister-in-law and her husband (The doctor and Mrs. H. Ross Magee). With this lady and gentleman we enjoyed a very lovely visit. The Royal party received a great ovation from millions of spectators on the way to the World's Fair, where they inspected this great international exposition. Later that afternoon they drove to Hyde Park, the palatial home of President and Mrs. Roosevelt, where the King and Queen and their immediate attendants spent a very quiet weekend. On Sunday Their Majesties attended divine service at the little church on the east; on Sunday afternoon there was a private party at which it is stated "Hot Dogs" were on the menu. I have it, on the most reliable authority, that Saturday in New York was one, if not the most, very trying day for both the Royal visitors; this no doubt was due to the enormous crowds. I might here say that contrary to the anticipations of quite a number of prominent persons, these United States of America have really and truly taken Their Britannic Majesties to their hearts. I have read some editorial comment by the leading daily newspapers of New York and they are all of the opinion that this Royal visit will leave a deep impression on the relations between the U.S.A. and Britain. Having received instructions by wire from Central Office at Brampton, to release this section of my story immediately, I have to conclude a few hours before the Royal train leaves for the Canadian border on its return to Canada.

I am leaving the party on return to Canadian soil. This will be at Sherbrooke, Que. where Frank Burns, the general President from Kentville, N.S., will take over this very important task and give the weekly press readers the highlights of the concluding days of the Royal tour. In signing this, I do so with some regret. It has been a great experience and a great honor to represent the C.W.N.A. on this most important assignment ever given a weekly publisher; however, I will be very delighted to return to my wife and family from whom I have been absent for five weeks with pleasant memories of a historical trip.

HER RETORT

"Mary" enquired the lady of the house suspiciously, "did you wash the fish before you baked it?" And Mary replied: "What's the use of washing a thing that has been in the water all its life?"

SCOTT'S SCRAP BOOK

By R. J. SCOTT

Advertisement for Scott's Scrap Book featuring illustrations of a mouse, a turtle, and a house, with text describing their lifespans and other facts.

"A BANK WHERE SMALL ACCOUNTS ARE WELCOME"

Advertisement for Bank of Montreal featuring an illustration of a man and a woman, and text promoting savings accounts and emergency services.

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- DR. J. A. McNIVEN, Physician and Surgeon, Office and Residence—Corner Bowe Avenue and Elgin Street. DR. E. J. NELSON, Physician and Surgeon, Electro Therapy, Phone 88. DR. WM. G. CULLEN, L. M. C. C., Physician and Surgeon, Office Hours—1-4 and 7-9 p.m., Sundays by Appointment, Wilbur Street—Just North of Mill Street, Telephone 128.

LEGAL

- C. F. LEATHERLAND, B. A., Barrister and Solicitor, Notary Public, Issuer of Marriage Licenses, Registrar of Births, Marriages, Deaths, ACTON, Office 22, Phone Residence 151. KENNETH M. LANGDON, Barrister, Solicitor, Notary Public, Office: Georgetown—Gregory Theatre Building, ACTON—Over T. Seynick's Cafe, For Appointments Phone Acton 65—Georgetown 85. Office Hours—Acton, Tuesday and Thursday, 1.30 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Evenings on request.

DENTAL

- A. J. BUCHANAN, D. D. S., Dental Surgeon, Office: In Leishman Block, Hours: 9 a. m. until 6 p. m. Evenings by Appointment, Gas for Extractions, X-Ray, Closed—Wednesday Afternoon, Phone 149. P. W. PEAREN, D. D. S., L. D. S., Dental Surgeon, Office in the Symon Block, Phone 29, Mill Street, Acton, Rockwood Office open Every Thursday Afternoon and Evening.

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- B. D. YOUNG, V.S., B.V.Sc., Veterinary Surgeon, Office: Brookville, Ontario, Phone—Milton 1464. F. G. OAKES, V.S., B.V.Sc., Veterinary Surgeon, Office and Residence—Knox Avenue, Acton—Phone 130.

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Advertisement for General Insurance listing various policies like Life, Fire, Health, Accident, Automobile, Windstorm, Plate Glass, Boiler, Fidelity Bonds, Farm Insurance, Annuities, and All General Lines of Insurance.

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Table with columns for train lines (Canadian National Railways, Gray Coach Lines), destinations, and departure times.

Table for Gray Coach Lines showing coach departure times from Acton to Toronto and Montreal, including eastbound and westbound schedules.