

# Voice of the Press

Canada, The Empire and The World at Large

**CANADA**  
**Aid For Tobacco Growers**  
Tobacco growers in south-west Ontario will be pleased to learn that the disaster which threatened them will be averted, largely if not entirely, through the assistance of the provincial Department of Agriculture. The Minister, Col. Kennedy, has devised a plan for co-operation in the marketing of the fine-cured product. It will be graded, processed and packed in hogsheads for sale when demand restores prices to a profitable level. In carrying out the plan the co-operation of tobacco warehouses throughout the province will be sought. The Growers' Association will be strengthened so that it may be a more powerful factor in the marketing of the crop. If necessary a special representative may be sent to England to look after the disposal of the crop there. The plan does not involve assistance from the Government, but its success depends upon the co-operation of all concerned.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

**Brighter Outlook**  
King Cotton is resting a little more easily now with Europe back in the cotton market in something like her old form, which means that the European textile industry anticipates a greater demand and higher prices for cotton, due to improved business conditions. The cotton states are elated. U.S. cotton shipments the last two months were approximately 60 per cent. greater than the exports for the corresponding two months of 1931, and Europe made up for a loss of more than 150,000 bales in the Far East demand.—Fredericton Gleaner.

**The Value of Mixed Farming.**  
The great lesson of the crisis is the utter condemnation of one-crop cultivation. If the objection is made that beasts, poultry and dairy products are not fetching a better price than wheat, they do at least contribute in great measure to balance the farm budget by reducing the expense account. Our farming population must learn to be self-sufficient. The immense progress achieved in this direction will be very profitable and may avert other crises of the kind through which we are now passing.—La Liberté, Winnipeg (Ind.).

**Unnecessary Deaths.**  
Dr. William J. Mayo believes that mankind is coming appreciably nearer to the day when there will be no "unnecessary" deaths. The death of a small child, so unbelievably hard to bear, the death of a young man who has just begun to make a name for himself, the death of a young woman who has just reached the height of her powers and who has a fine work to do; the death of a loved person with whom one has just started to explore the inexhaustible richness of human devotion—these are the tragedies that darken life the most. If we could once know that death could be made to wait until its season had come, its final arrival would look so appalling. And it is this fair prospect which Dr. Mayo has held out to do.—Victoria Times.

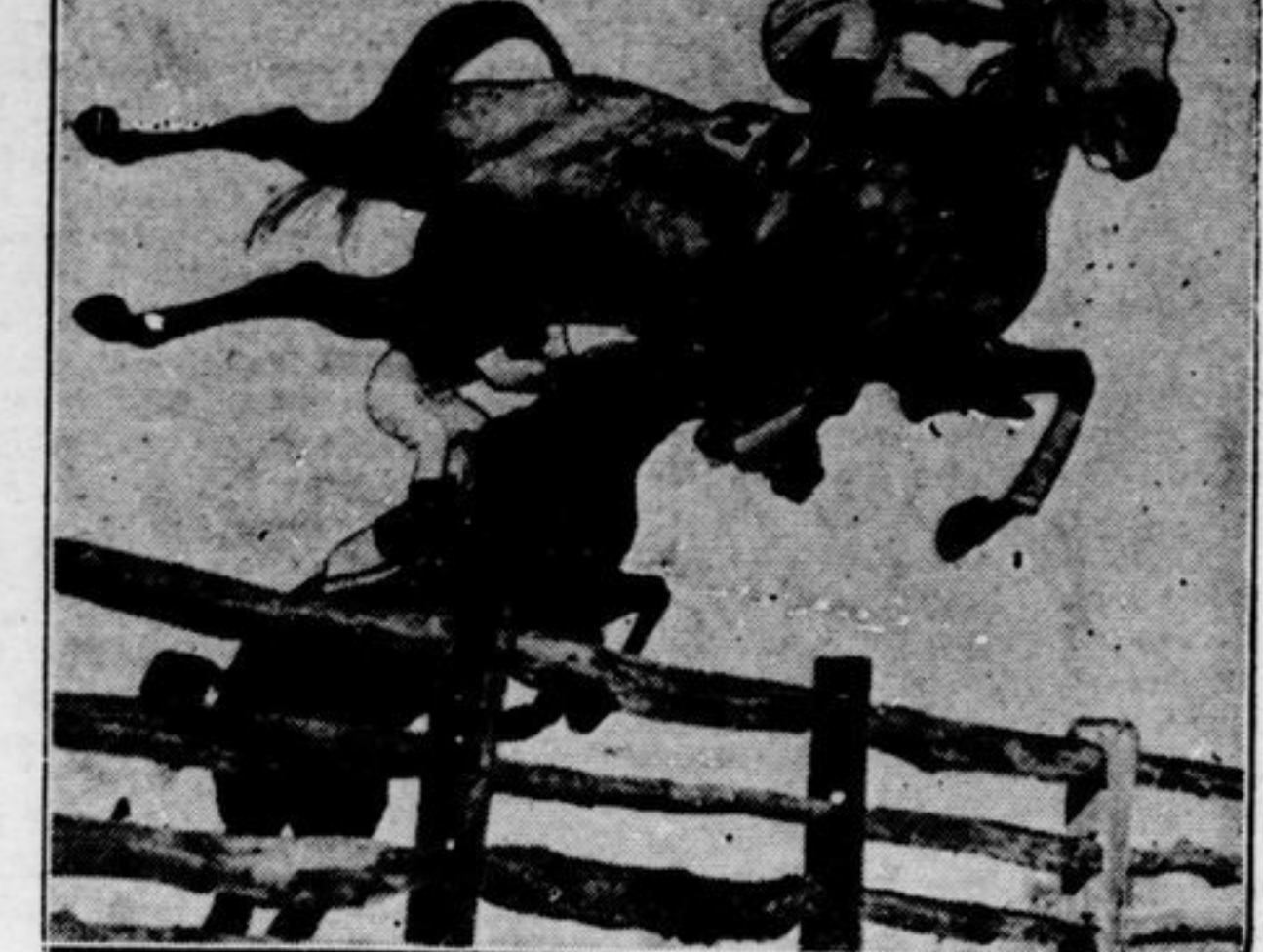
**Better Rail Outlook.**  
There is a considerable significance attached to an official inspection of the Pere Marquette lines in Canada this week. A year ago the annual visit of the officials was cancelled for financial reasons. As the officials look over the division with the idea of making improvements there was little use in coming last year, when funds were lean and the outlook dim for revenue increases.—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

**Mother Earth.**  
Agriculture has made our province what it is; it is to agriculture that she owes her greatness; it is in our country districts that we find the finest specimens of manhood, and it is here also that the traditions of our race are the best preserved. Many townspeople today seem to forget that it was in the country that their ancestors lived and as soon as they assume the superficial polish of the towns, they do not wish to remember that if they go back one or two generations they will find themselves descended from peasants, the brothers of those whose needs they now seem entirely to ignore.—"La Terre de Chez Nous," St. Jerome.

**Short Story.**  
We always did admire brevity such as this: "A California man had a quarrel with his wife. The bullet lodged in his neck."—Stratford Beacon-Herald.

**Good Business.**  
By running cheap excursions to Montreal and Boston the railways are certainly putting one over on the automobile these days and are finding it good business. The excursion from Saint John to Boston last week was a decided success. Upwards of one thousand people made the trip.—Fredericton Mail.

**Sign Worries.**  
A Montreal realist says he cannot see wooden signs as they are taken to burn. Tin signs are taken to help



**Rider and Mount Injured**  
Taking the air. With front and rear sally over line Grofres, ridden by Bliss Flaccus of New York, sails high over the barrier to crash at the far side. Flaccus was injured, too.

**Royal Christmas Cards**  
Each year there is keen interest throughout the Empire in the Christmas cards. This year the King's card shows Sir Francis Drake explaining to Queen Elizabeth one of his navigation projects. Her Majesty and the Princess Royal chose beautiful garden scenes. On the Prince of Wales' card is a representation of London Bridge in 1850, with old St. Paul's in the distance, while the Duke and Duchess of York will send their friends a stirring picture of the old days when full-rigged sailing vessels plied the ocean routes. These cards are beautifully executed, and reveal the good taste of the Royal family in selecting suitable media for conveying to personal friends the good wishes of the Yuletide season.—Toronto Globe.

**Canadian Icebreaker Ends Patrol of Hudson Straits**  
Quebec, Que.—The government icebreaker N. B. McLean, which has been carrying on patrol service and doing convoy duty in Hudson Straits during the summer arrived here last week. The vessel had on board a number of passengers, including some members of the Geological Survey staff who have been working in the Hudson's Bay region, and several wireless operators who have been in the north for the last two years. The McLean rescued the crew of the grain-laden steamer Bright Fan, which sank in Hudson Straits.

**All Set For Thrift Week**  
An insurance man walked into a lunch-room and, taking his place on one of the vacant stools, ordered bread and milk. The fellow sitting on the next stool asked:  
"On a diet?"  
"No, Commission."—Christian Register.

**Someone**  
Somebody did a golden deed;  
Somebody proved a friend in need;  
Somebody sang a beautiful song;  
Somebody smiled the whole day long;  
Somebody thought, "Tis sweet to live";  
Somebody said, "I'm pleased to give";  
Somebody fought a valiant fight;  
Somebody lived to shield the right;  
Was that "somebody" you?

**Intimacy**  
One of the charms of an intimacy between two persons of different sexes is that the man loves the woman far qualities he does not envy, and the woman appreciates the man for qualities she does not pretend to possess.

**Harold Lloyd's Father Weds Again**



A letter of introduction started it—and now Harold Lloyd, screen comedian, has a new stepmother. Miss Helen Marshall, Virginia society woman and stage actress, arrived in Hollywood five years ago—made a hit with J. D. Lloyd, Harold's father.

## Speed of Air Transport Brings Strange Cargoes to London Airport

Oil paintings, valued at thousands of pounds, going out by air to exhibitions; radio tubes consigned to the Royal Palace at Bucharest; pump-fittings for a plant at the Suez Canal; special gas masks being rushed out to fight an obstinate fire in mines in India; spare parts for a motor car party stranded in Africa; consignments of cut flowers being rushed to the London markets; day-old chicks and hatching eggs for Germany, Russia, Rumania and other destinations abroad. Such air-freight consignments, picked at random from recent way-bills, illustrate the variety of the loads which now pass through the London airport. At present from sixty to eighty tons of urgent merchandise, inward or outward bound, are handled at Croydon every week.

**Insomnia Routed By German Doctor**  
Germany is especially a land of unrest in these days, and a German physician, Dr. Marloth, gives his fellow-countrymen some advice in Felsen's Universum (Leipzig), on how to go to sleep.

**Activities of Russian Emigres Theme of New Moscow Films**  
Moscow.—Anti-Soviet activities of Russian emigres in Paris, Prague and other foreign centers provide the theme for two new films here, one already under production and the other in preparation.

**New Haven Commuters To Get Breakfast Car**  
Westport, Conn.—A New York railway has added a breakfast car on its morning train to New York. The car was designed by a commuter who was forced to go without his breakfast one morning and became hungry and hungrier on the ride to New York.

**Wedding-Rings**  
Records show that the ancient Egyptians used wedding rings; in hieroglyphics a circle represents eternity, the ring being therefore a symbol of the enduring nature of the marriage ties, and the intention of both the man and woman to keep their vows. The early Romans used a plain iron ring, and an elaborate ring was used in Hebrew marriage ceremonies. The Anglo-Saxon bridegroom included a ring in the pledge or the betrothal ceremony. Rings, bearing the names of newly-married couples, were handed round among the guests in Early Christian times in England in the ninth century. Rings have been made of almost every kind of material, some even being made of rush in peasant marriages. Elaborate rings were often heavy and elaborate. In Shakespeare's time rings were engraved with mottoes. The plain gold band has been favored by English people since the time of Queen Mary.

**3 Lessons For 2 Cents**  
Vienna.—Educational courses for the unemployed are being arranged during the coming winter by the leading adult educational institutions, the "Volksheim" and the "Wiener Volksbildungverein," at prices within the reach of the poorest.

## Opinions

"Do a kind act the moment it occurs to you."—August Heckscher.  
"We must harmonize the machinery of finance with the usual processes of production and consumption."—Eugene Meyer.  
"Russia is to-day a transition between a medieval past, and a communist future, a compromise between chaos and a principle."—Julian Huxley, once and a prince.  
"I don't read books; I've been a listener all my life."—Alfred E. Smith.  
"Europe is like a clock running down for which nobody has found the key."—Hendrik Willem Van Loon.  
"If there is any lesson in history it is that reactionaries rather than radicals incite revolutions."—Harry Elmer Barnes.  
"By the time you see your brain children on the screen, they are not yours any longer."—P. G. Wodehouse.  
"The test of a worthwhile book lies in its capacity to stand re-reading."—Peter B. Kyne.  
"If the actor can behave like a human being he needn't worry about acting."—John Barrymore.  
"It is not money that is scarce; it is confidence in money."—Bernard M. Baruch.  
"Seventy-five per cent. of those who go to concerts and listen to music don't understand music."—Jascha Heifetz.  
"Religion and morality are for me, synonymous terms."—Mahatma Gandhi.  
"The only time love is any fun for a man is when the conditions have been made very difficult for him."—Peter Arno.  
"A government that is based upon bayonets abuses the most precious possession that nation has."—Adolf Hitler.  
"The command of nature has been put into man's hands before he knows how to command himself."—Sir Alfred Ewing.  
"Some of us have begun to feel that the shriek of the young is at least as monotonous as the groan of the old."—G. K. Chesterton.  
"In statesmanship an ounce of foresight is better than a pound of hindsight."—Franklin D. Roosevelt.  
"The sharing of an ideal is the 'rat condition' of international peace."—Alfred I. Sayer.  
"No doubt many of the rich spend more on the acquisition of material possessions than they would if they pursued happiness wisely."—Bertrand Russell.  
"Facts that are not frankly faced have a habit of stabbing us in the back."—Stanley Baldwin.

**Creaseless Neckties**  
A favorite necktie will not have to be thrown away so soon if it is made from a new fabric which withstands tying as readily as wool. Says the New York Times:  
"All textiles wrinkle to some extent, linen being the most crushable, and wool the least. Cotton and artificial silk have been put through experiments for years in the attempt to make them comparatively creaseless. A report from a textile firm of Manchester, England, announces that at last science has solved the problem, and so cheaply that fabrics are now being made and sold. Neckties, being a stiff test for wrinkles by their use and nature, were the first articles of commerce in the new material.  
"Like so many inventions made with a purpose, this one is discovered to carry additional and unexpected virtues. Intended merely to make the cloth as elastic as wool, it also strengthens the fabric. This should make it especially valuable to manufacturers of artificial silks, which have been strong enough when dry, but greatly weakened by water. The actual process is the last one in manufacture, following bleaching, dyeing and printing. It consists of 'putting a synthetic condensation product inside the filaments of cotton or silk.'"

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**Zeppelin Leaves Rio For Home**  
Rio de Janeiro.—The German dirigible Graf Zeppelin left for Europe at 8:25 a.m., Oct. 29, on the return half of her ninth and last mail-passenger voyage of the season.