

# Voice of the Press

Canada, The Empire and The World at Large

## CANADA

**Speed Menace**  
Terrific speed on the highways continues to take a heavy toll of life, one of the latest victims being a traffic officer who met death in a collision near Lavaltrie, while chasing a motor car which witnesses say was going at "terrific" speed. The pursuing motorcycle itself was going at "from 70 to 80 miles an hour." The wild drivers may be observed even on city streets at this time of year when wet pavements and fallen leaves enhance the risks. As appeals and liability to fines do not seem to be effective, the cancellation of licenses for a lengthy period would seem to be the only corrective policy.—Montreal Gazette.

## Long-Distance Flying

The Graf Zeppelin has made a record trip from Germany to Brazil in a few minutes over 72 hours. The Graf runs on regular schedules without any notice being taken. A few years ago every stage of the journey was "news." This just shows how commonplace long-distance flying is nowadays.—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

## Hen Beats Eagle

The Blue Eagle is expected to bring prosperity to the United States. But in Canada the good old every-day hen has kept many a farm out of the hands of the mortgage companies.—Glencoe Transcript.

## Hunting Fatalities

To read the death toll of fatalities in Nova Scotia woods during the last two years, one would be led to believe an awful lot of people resemble moose. How much longer will the criminally careless hunters get away with it?—New Glasgow News.

## Better Prospects

Reports from Cumberland, Colebrook and other districts throughout the province tell of much better conditions in the lumbering industry. The best prospects for increased sales are, of course, in the British market, where Canadian lumber enjoys a preference and where no effective measures against foreign dumping are likely to be taken in line with the provisions of the Canadian-U.K. trade agreement.—Halifax Herald.

## Fish From Hudson's Bay

Once again the "experts" seem to have been confounded. It is not so very long since they were telling us that there were no commercial fish in Hudson's Bay. Now comes word that a shipment of a thousand pounds of salmon trout, taken from James Bay, one arm of the great body of water, has been sent to Toronto, and George W. Lee, chairman of the T. & N. O. Railway Commission, declares that commercial fishing in that northern sea is a sure.—Sault Star.

## Canada's Pension Bill

The number of pensioners paid to war veterans and their dependents has increased substantially in Canada in recent years. According to the official figures there were at March 31, 1927, a total of 19,306 dependents drawing \$10,558,896 and 75,879 veterans drawing \$39,958,571 for a total of \$51,517,467 drawing \$41,558,377 per annum. In 1919 there were 59,685 pension recipients and the total amount paid was \$17,062,755.—Border Cities Star.

## First Fall Fair

Small fall fairs have always claimed many distinctions for their particular fair. A host of them even lay claim to being the "World's Fair." None have yet put in a claim or being the first fall fair in Canada. According to history, the first agricultural fair in Upper Canada was held at Newark, Ontario, on October 21, 1793.—Elmira Signal.

## Mysterious Minong

In a very interesting way the Fort William Times-Journal suggests that the "Lake Superior Shoal" as it is officially known, or the volcano as it is generally referred to, is really the Ile Minong of the early French maps, and that through seismic disturbances the island, now supposed to be imaginary, has sunk beneath the surface of the water. The theory is plausible and may in fact represent the fact. Geologists say that the Sault area has alternately risen and sunk at least six times. It is now rising again, they say. The whole Lake Superior area is volcanic. The evidence of upheaval is extensive. The height of land followed by the C.P.R. main line, is merely the remnants of mountains that were at one time probably as high as the Rockies.—Sault Star.

## Race is Improving

Dr. George W. Cline, of Cleveland, a noted medical man, who sees visions and dreams dreams in the laboratory where he investigates the riddles of life and death, told the recent Congress of the American College of Surgeons that the human race would be a much finer and healthier one inside of a century. This is more encouraging than the pronouncements made by some distinguished scientists that the present fast pace of human life would result in an ever-increasing number of mentally diseased persons.—Brantford Expositor.

## Britain Advances

Here are some further signs of business recovery in England: Birmingham and Coventry motor car manufacturers report great increases in orders, wool prices rose from 10 to 15 per cent. above recent levels and are now 50 per cent. higher than a year ago; Tyne coal and coke shipments in July and August were also 50 per cent. above last year's levels. Old country industrial conditions certainly appear to be improving.—Kingston Whig-Standard.

## Bicycle Grows in Favor

Certitude that the bicycle is coming into its own again is shown by the importations. Although September is supposed to be late in the year for a great sale of wheels there were actually 517 imported last month compared with 22 a year ago. As usual the greatest number came from the United Kingdom; there were 499 British and 15 from the United States. Contrary to experience 23 motor cycles came from the United States and seven from the United Kingdom. Usually the majority of these imports are British. However in the case of motor cycles also there were more imported than a year ago.—Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

## THE EMPIRE

**British Guiana Rice**  
British Guiana has secured five prizes out of twenty offered for domestic samples of padi at the World Grain Exhibition held recently at Regina, Canada. There was only one country above British Guiana, and that was Siam, which obtained the first three prizes. This is undoubtedly a remarkable achievement for a rice-growing country whose total production, even though increasing by leaps and bounds, is still so small as to have no effect whatever on the world's markets.—British Guiana Commercial Review.

## Banks and Public Confidence

Recent events in many countries have shown that no matter how perfect the banking system may be theoretically, it is completely wrecked unless public confidence is maintained. For that reason merely theoretical considerations about bank reserves are of minor importance. Even in countries where Reserve Banks have been established for a long time and where the people take the practice of banking for granted, there have recently been shocking exhibitions of what happens when confidence in banks ebbs away.—Bombay Times of India.

## The Air Menace

Russia is training 3,000 aeronautical engineers a year. It is equipping its forces with all-metal machines. Its strength is such that it is to-day one of the dominating Powers in Europe and Asia. It can threaten India almost as easily as it can threaten Poland—a fact which it would be madness to ignore. Moreover, this Soviet air development is parallel to what is proceeding in every country except simple-minded Great Britain.—London Daily Mail.

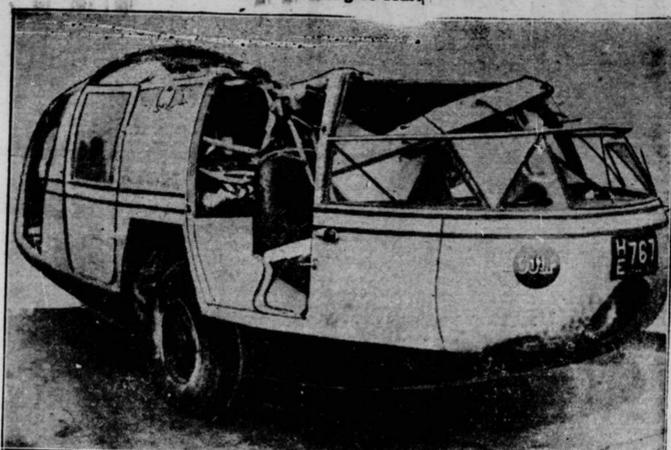
## Overseas Students

In inviting an American and an Australian student to hold the research scholarships at Manchester University to which they were officially welcomed, the English-speaking Union has set a valuable precedent. There are already a number of schemes for the exchange of students between English and foreign universities, and there are, of course, scholarships held by students from the United States and the Dominions at Oxford and Cambridge. The new scholarships, however, are apparently the first of their kind to be offered by one of the younger universities. The advantages derived from this form of intercourse between nations cannot be overemphasized at a time when the post-war nationalist tends to regard any sort of cultural exchange with the same suspicion as he shows towards the dumping of cheap foreign goods.—Manchester Guardian.

## Britain's Air Defences

It may well become, and before long, the dominant issue in this country. Assuming by necessity that war is possible despite our best striving, we lavish vast sums on obsolete traditions and leave ourselves exposed to appalling risks. Out of over £110,000,000 per annum for the three services, only £17,000,000 odd—less than one-sixth—goes to the vital modern arm, the Air Force. It is more vital to this island than to any community. Though we spend over £110,000,000 a year on armaments, we have no longer any "first line of defence." The Navy—indispensable for other reasons—is no barrier against the modern overhead power. If we maintain armaments at all, we must be second to none in the arrangements. This country does not dream of attack, but must be able as of old to deter and repel aggression. While we spend on defence at all, we shall be blinder than before 1914 unless we make up our minds that our Air Force must be our First Force, equal to any in the world.—London Observer.

## "Graf" Passengers Hurled



This experimental car turned turtle on a Chicago boulevard, killing the driver and injuring Col. William Sempill of London and Charles Dollfus of Paris, passengers who arrived aboard the Graf Zeppelin. The auto, a three-wheeled affair, turned over several times.

## Woman Rug-Maker Pays Off Mortgage

Here is the story of a woman who met adversity with a smile and turned it into good fortune by courage and industry.

Four years ago Mrs. Estella Withers, of Granville, N.S., was faced with a mortgage that threatened her with the loss of her home. She had no money, and it seemed "no home must go for lack of it. Perhaps it would have, too, had not Mrs. Withers been out of the run of ordinary individuals. She cast about for ways of raising cash. Her handiwork was excellent. She made some sales of her designs; infrequent, it was true, but when some had been sold, why could not more be sold? Finally needed mats.

She finally decided to take up rug-making as a business. She disposed of a few at first, but gradually her sales increased as knowledge of her skill widened. One rug she sold for \$125; others brought proportionately smaller prices. Soon the mortgage had been paid off. Other debts went too. And Mrs. Withers found that she was deriving a comfortable income. She decided to keep hooking and selling her rugs. Now she sells them as fast as she can hook. More than that, she has hooked orders which will keep her deft fingers busy all winter. One order for nine large rugs came from a commercial firm in Halifax.

## Huge Russian Plane Carries 128 Passengers

London.—A giant airplane which can carry 128 passengers in addition to the pilots and crew has been built at Kharkov in Soviet Russia, according to news received by the Russian Trade Gazette here.

This great aircraft is known as the K-7, and has 16 compartments fitted with four sleeping berths in each. For day flying each berth can be converted into two seats. There is also a cabin with seats and sofas, and a promenade in the middle of each wing. The plane is built mainly of steel and was designed by Mr. K. A. Kalinin, director and chief designing engineer of the Kharkov Aviation Plant.

## King Carol May Marry Bulgarian Princess

Berlin.—Reports are circulating that King Carol of Rumania and King Boris of Bulgaria, conferring recently aboard Carol's yacht in the Danube, discussed a possible marriage between Carol and Boris's sister, Princess Eudoxia.

## Lindberghs to Make Long Stay on Riviera

Paris.—Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh plan a long sojourn on the Riviera after completing a European survey for a prospective commercial transatlantic air route.

## 40,000 Wheat Growers Seeking Higher Prices

Canberra, Australia.—A conference of the Australian Wheat Growers' Federation representing 40,000 growers, has decided to recommend that the members withhold their wheat from the market during the current season unless substantial aid is forthcoming from the Federal Government.

## German People Still Faithful to Kaiserin

Potsdam, Germany.—In a touching demonstration of fidelity, thousands, on Oct. 23, made the pilgrimage to the tomb of the Kaiserin Augusta Victoria, former Kaiser Wilhelm's first wife, in the Park Sanssouci. It was the 76th anniversary of her birth.

## Planes to Carry Mail to the North

Ottawa.—The drone of aircraft carrying His Majesty's mail to the isolated settlements of the far North is a feature with which those scattered along the banks of the Mackenzie River have become familiar within the past two years. On the barren shores of the Arctic, however, airplanes are little known; but in a few weeks the remote settlement at Coppermine will be hooked up in the serial mail system, and one more conquest over the sub-continent will have been achieved.

## Montreal Confiscates \$50,000 Slot Machines

Montreal.—Valued at more than \$50,000, slot machines numbering 400 were seized last week in an apparently vacant store. The machines, weighing more than 32,000 pounds, were carted to police headquarters and will be destroyed within the next two weeks.

## Low Street Car Rates For London Students

London, Ont.—Experimenting in an effort to check steady decline in revenue, the London Street Railway to encourage the riding habit among the youth of the city, announces a plan by which all London school children, under 19 years of age will be given cut rates. On presenting certificates they will be sold tickets seven for 25c. Regular sale is 4 for a quarter.

## Mussolini's Envoy



Checking up for Mussolini, Signorina de Luca, Bologna, Italy, is visiting the United States to study the accomplishments of her countrymen.

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The Post Office Department contemplates two extensions to its existing service down the Mackenzie River. One will be the carrying of air mail to Camsell Bay, the principal settlement on Great Bear Lake, while the other will reach out to the shore of the Arctic Ocean itself, to Coppermine, which is 200 miles north of Camsell Bay.

## Ends Long Service

Lindsay.—After 44 years in five different quarters, William Martin, regimental quartermaster-sergeant of the Victoria and Haliburton Regiment, has handed in his resignation. At the age of 17 he was in the 31st East Surrey Regiment in England, going to India in 1893, serving in the Imperial Army until 1899, when he left with the first troops for the Boer War, spending three years there in active service. Coming to Canada in 1905, he joined the Ontario Regiment, and in 1908 enlisted with the 45th Regiment at Lindsay, going overseas in 1915 with the 21st Regiment. Invalided to Canada in 1917, he has been an active member of the Victoria and Haliburton Regiment. He possesses six medals—the Queen's South Africa, the King's South Africa, Victory, Service, 1919 and 1915 Mons Star, besides the Long Service Medal.

## Claims Discovery of New Propeller

Regina.—Applying knowledge gained through "puttering around" with model aircraft, William Mountford, unemployed Regina youth has perfected a "floating propeller." By means of new design and streamlining, Mountford has created a propeller which equalizes the back pressure, causing the "prop" to float on the shaft without loss by friction against rear bearings.

## Rockefeller's 1932 Donations \$11,577,064

New York.—The Rockefeller Foundation in 1932 appropriated \$11,577,064 for projects in the fields of the medical, social and natural sciences, the humanities and public health.

## Saskatchewan Harvests Coffee From Forty Plants

Nipawin, Sask.—A new product for Saskatchewan farmers has been grown by Mrs. Frank Morris, whose husband farms in the Petajung district. Using seed obtained from the Old Country, Mrs. Morris this year harvested 16 pounds of coffee from 40 plants.

## Watch the Children Motorists Urged

Superintendent of Hospital for Sick Children Makes Special Appeal to Drivers

Toronto.—In a recent radio broadcast, Miss B. B. Austin, superintendent of the Hospital for Sick Children, appealed to motorists and parents throughout the Province to co-operate in safeguarding children on the highways and crowded streets of cities and towns.

Children, who had been run down by motorists in Toronto streets, were brought into the hospital daily, Miss Austin said. "If it were possible, I should like to take every reckless driver and those parents who perhaps have failed in their duty in cautioning the children, through the wards of the Hospital for Sick Children and allow them to see for themselves the price of this carelessness. I am quite sure that no further appeal would be necessary."

"Much the same type of story could be told of almost all the motor accident cases which we have in the hospital from day to day," said Miss Austin. "Surely this continuous waste of child life can be decreased to a marked degree. Remember that these little victims are nearly all bright, energetic children, full of the joy of life, and would make good citizens, in the future, if given the opportunity to reach manhood and womanhood without the physical and mental handicaps often resulting from motor accidents.

## Makes Sixpence Grow Into Seventeen Thousand

London, Ont.—Job Cox, 92-year-old retired farmer who died at his home here last month, had but sixpence in his pocket when he arrived in New York from England in 1862. His will in probate court revealed that he left \$17,948 in real estate and had \$6,349.37 in a joint bank account with his daughter, Miss Mary Cox, London.

## League Chief Bans Wireless Invention

Geneva.—For a few hours journalists covering the World Disarmament Conference had the unique pleasure of eulogizing the League of Nations through the halls while listening to speeches through wireless headphones.

## Nosed Out!

Putnam, Conn.—Judge M. H. Geisler ruled in City Court that under Connecticut statutes a man's nose is not part of his body. He so held in acquitting Vincent Girardi on a charge of mayhem.

## Lost All Her 22 Sons

Croydon, Eng.—The tragedy of motherhood has fallen heavily on "Nanny" Heartfield, 80. She has had 22 sons and lost them all. Ten were killed in the world war, three were killed by a runaway horse and the other nine have died of various illnesses.

## News of the Week Across Dominion

Ottawa.—In a few weeks the barren shores of the Arctic will be hooked up in the government's serial mail system, when Coppermine post office, 200 miles north of Camsell Bay, becomes a calligraphic place for the mail aeroplanes of the department.

Winnipeg.—The Manitoba Paper Company will begin cutting 20,000 cords of pulpwood shortly for its mill at Pine Falls, Man. It is an undertaking of Hon. J. S. McDiarmid, Manitoba minister of natural resources and industries.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.—The handsome speckled trout cup of the Sault Ste. Marie Club was won this year by Nats Airhart of the Sault with a trout weighing four pounds, taken in the Sault rapids with a home-made bucket fly.

Stoney Creek.—Not content with stealing part of Norman Widow's flocks of chickens early in the year thieves finished the job on Hamilton. They gained entrance to the chicken house by prying open the window, taking 35 fine birds, the remainder of the flock.

Hamilton.—The boy mayor of Hamilton for 1934 will be Alid, Harold Morris, who defeated Ald. Roy Larner.

Stratford.—Edith Branton, Toronto, appeared in police court recently charged with shoplifting and was remanded for a week.

North Bay.—Leave of absence for an indefinite period has been granted Sheriff A. Y. Angus because of ill health.

Hamilton.—"I think you had better consult a nerve specialist," Magistrate Burbridge told Bessie Hall, complainant, dismissing an assault charge against Richard Pickvance.

## Science May Restore Girl's Femininity

Oakland, Calif.—Scientific efforts to restore the feminine charm of a once pretty girl who has developed masculine characteristics, even to the extent of a mustache, were announced here by Dr. Theodore Schwarz, assistant director of Highland Hospital.

Dr. Schwarz said the patient, Miss X, is 23 years old and presents a case of "extreme glandular disorder."

In addition to the mustache, he said she has developed sideburns, "rigid" manly muscles and masculine hands, "girlish and pretty," he added.

The physician, who is associated with Dr. George E. Nesche, supervisor of the Oakland clinic, in the attempt to restore the woman's femininity, said her condition was due to an imbalance in pituitary and thyroid glands.

## No Unwritten Law In British Lands

London, Ont.—There is no such thing as an unwritten law in British countries," County Judge Joseph Wearing told Daniel Dorenschenko in sentencing him to jail for a month for the stabbing of Frank Noster.

"In the United States," Judge Wearing said, "judges and juries recognize an unwritten law. They hold the husband or father may in such cases as this take the law into their own hands. In British countries there is no such thing as an unwritten law. Under no possible circumstances may a weapon be illegally used."

## Cats Steal the Show

Pittsburgh.—Cats are threatening steal the show from the canine entrants in the forthcoming annual "Mutt Show" of the Pennsylvania Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

One of the feline entries is described as having rabbit's legs, two sets of claws and a double portion of eye teeth. Another washes itself under running water and two have corsew tails.

## SMI

Keep pushing—  
And sighing and  
the tide.  
In life's career  
rail,  
Who always  
say (at)

Friend—"Say, did  
cut loose from that  
has a ferocious temp  
mother."

Victim—"You see,  
why I darsn't cut lo

Man—"Is that the  
yours any good?"  
Neighbor—"It's  
suspicious noise at  
got to wake him and

"Hallo, old boy!"  
lustily. "I hear you  
married. Congratula  
"You've made a m  
Jokes. "I am not get  
"No? Ah well, look  
tions still!"

A farmer was asked  
how he found the war  
place. He replied, "O  
outside the house and

The Sweet Young Th  
office of a fashionable  
tripped up; to the  
man at the desk:  
Sweet Young Thing,  
want a pet?"  
Handsome Young Ma  
love to, but the boss is

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posal of marriage to a  
back in the country. A  
day at the telegraph of  
ply, he received an affir  
late at night.

"Well, if I were you,"  
graph operator who  
message. "I think be  
married a girl who kept  
long for an answer."

"Na, na," he replied,  
me is the lass who waits  
rates."

Nice Quiet Gal  
Mrs. Robinson who  
husband's golf series  
of those people to whom  
a mystery.

One day she accom  
the links and followed  
grumbling all the way.  
landed in a bunker, and  
time floundering about  
his wife sat down on  
bunker, opened a novel, a  
familiarly, "You see, dar  
tingly well you could do  
ing in one place if you

A man stepped up to a  
counter and bought t  
cigars. A Scotman wh  
ing to be served push  
Scotman—"You sell  
three for a quarter, don't  
Groom?" "Yes."  
Scotman—"Well, here  
I'll take the other one."

Jerry—"So your grand  
had case of hay fever?"  
Larry—"He sure has  
sneezes every time he  
window."

Old Ragson Tatters for  
says: "There are two kind  
good and bad. The chaly  
I done by the good."

The following fish story  
rounds: A man voyag  
age, while on a fishing  
spied a snake which ha  
frog. Desiring the frog  
tried unsuccessfully by  
other means to make the  
snare its prey. Finally he  
flank and poured a little  
snake's mouth. The snake  
frog and slithered away.

Some time later, the fish  
a tug at his trousers, and  
snake, looking up expect  
other and larger frog in b

First Friend—"I wonder  
ed work, anyway?"  
Second Friend—"You say  
You'll never intrude on his

It's a good thing Romeo  
he did, else he would ha  
the saxophone and how to

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newspaper headline. It's a  
fact that a good many of  
most or totally broke.

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except that the swelling sh  
ferent places.

"Civilization is not a  
duct, but the result of in  
and incessant efforts of hu  
directed by human intel  
Aldous Huxley.