

# Voice of the Press

Canada, The Empire and The World at Large

## CANADA

HOW INDEED!

Some people think that the blowing of factory whistles should be abolished. But if there were no factory whistles how would we keep the clocks straight? — Brockville Record.

## 100,000,000 SHEEP

Australia in the comparatively near future is expected to carry 50 million more sheep without being overstocked. Recent experiments in districts prepared with new grasses resulted not only in decreasing sheep parasites, but in increasing the weight of wool per sheep as well. Australia now carries approximately 100 million sheep, each producing 9 to 9 pounds of wool a year. — Brandon Sun.

## FLOODLIGHTS AT CURVES

The suggestion that floodlights be placed at some of the more dangerous curves on Western Ontario roadways has merit. With the majority of main highways in this section of the province served by a network of night lines, it has been pointed out by several interested organizations that the cost of putting up two or three floodlights at each curve would not be great. The idea is a good one in that the cost is negligible and it might be the means of preventing a great many accidents. — Guelph Mercury.

## HOME ACCIDENTS.

The majority of accidents in the home are preventable. They result from falls, poison, loading guns, cuts, burns, escaping gas and so on. They can be prevented by such measures as standing on step ladders instead of kitchen chairs, clearly labelling bottles in the medicine chest, avoiding the use of stairways as a resting place of parcels and papers, leaving revolvers to policemen — in other words, by exercise of simple common sense. — Kingston Whig-Standard.

## BRAIN SURGERY.

There was celebrated in London last week, by the traditional English method of a dinner, the jubilee of the first operation for the removal of a tumor from the brain, which was performed on November 25, 1884, by Sir John Rickman Godlee, Lord Horder president, and among those present was Sir James Crich-ton-Browne, who is the sole survivor of those concerned in the operation, and who was 94 years of age last week.

Sir James told a story of the late Sir Frederick Treves, who, he said, operated on an army officer who had been injured in the hunting field and removed part of his brain. Several years later they met at a party, and the surgeon avoided his former patient. "You don't seem to remember me?" said the officer. Sir Frederick Treves explained that he did, but in view of the operation was afraid to meet him. "That's nothing," said the officer. "I am now head of the Intelligence Department." — Banffshire Journal.

## THOUGHT ON HOCKEY.

In a fast game like hockey there are bound to be hard knocks, but when players deliberately go in for this sort of thing, they are just fools. Neighborhood hoodlum tactics, and deliberate assaults with sticks, should not be tolerated, and the men who perpetrate them on the ice show themselves to be utterly childish in spite of their ability to give it and take it. — St. Thomas Times-Journal.

## THE DROUGHT AREA.

It is true that governments are spending a lot of money on relief to western farmers and on transporting animals to regions where fodder and pasture are more abundant; it is true also that private charity is showing itself very generous toward the victims of the drought, distribut-

# DAVID COPPERFIELD



Eight-year-old David Copperfield, lives in a pleasant vine-covered cottage at Blunderstone, he meets his beautiful young mother. His father is dead. One evening, as David reads from his Crocodile book to Peggotty, his ruse, the door opens and his mother comes in with Mr. Murdstone, whom David secretly calls "The Black Panther." Disturbing him, David is rude and his mother is displeased.

## PREJUDICES

Most of us, of course, have quirks and prejudices. Folks are influenced to read the things that feed their prejudices or viewpoints. A man who believes in a new banking system usually reads everything he can find to support his views. If it is suggested to him that he ought to read something on the other side he refers to it as "propaganda" and passes it up. Quite often this is true of the other type of man who is afraid of a new idea. He keeps away from speakers and books that might be upsetting to what he believes in, or else the desert will remain desert forever. From this point of view the question is a truly national one. — The La Presse, Montreal.

## THE TOT OF RUM.

The daily grog to naval men afloat dates from the days of "the wooden walls of England." Ships made long voyages and took a long time to make them, having only sails. The crews had to live on "salt junk" and there was no fresh meat or fresh vegetables. The art of cooking had not even been thought of. Neither did the medical service know anything about vitamins. The result of the lack of fresh food was that sailors developed scurvy. Then someone found that scurvy could be thwarted by daily administrations of rum, or by lemon juice. — St. Thomas Times-Journal.

## WAWA LAKE.

The original name of Wawa Lake in Michigan was spelled Wawawgonk or Wawawagongk. The last part of these old names is the adverb of location, and thus signifies that it was a specific name for the lake. "Good Lake There," as outsiders would call it. Residents would use the ending "ing" here. — Sault Ste. Marie Star.

## EARLY DAY RELICS

The automobile is so all present that it is difficult for our children to visualize a time when all traffic either was a foot, horseback or behind horses. Earlier days and their manners and implements almost forgotten, and probably it would be difficult to gather together a complete set of the implements and the relics of pioneer days. We forget so quickly that the first motor cars looked like. Yet the early days should not be forgotten and it would be a good thing if it were possible to provide a place where such relics of our earlier history might be viewed. — Niagara Falls Review.

## FLYING

The unusual is news. When an airplane accident occurs, the report is flashed throughout the world with all the distressing details; the fact that every day thousands of planes are performing their routine duties without mishap is ignored, while the public imagination fastens on the new tragedies as confirmation of a false impression that one is playing with death on leaving "terra firma." — Hamilton Spectator.

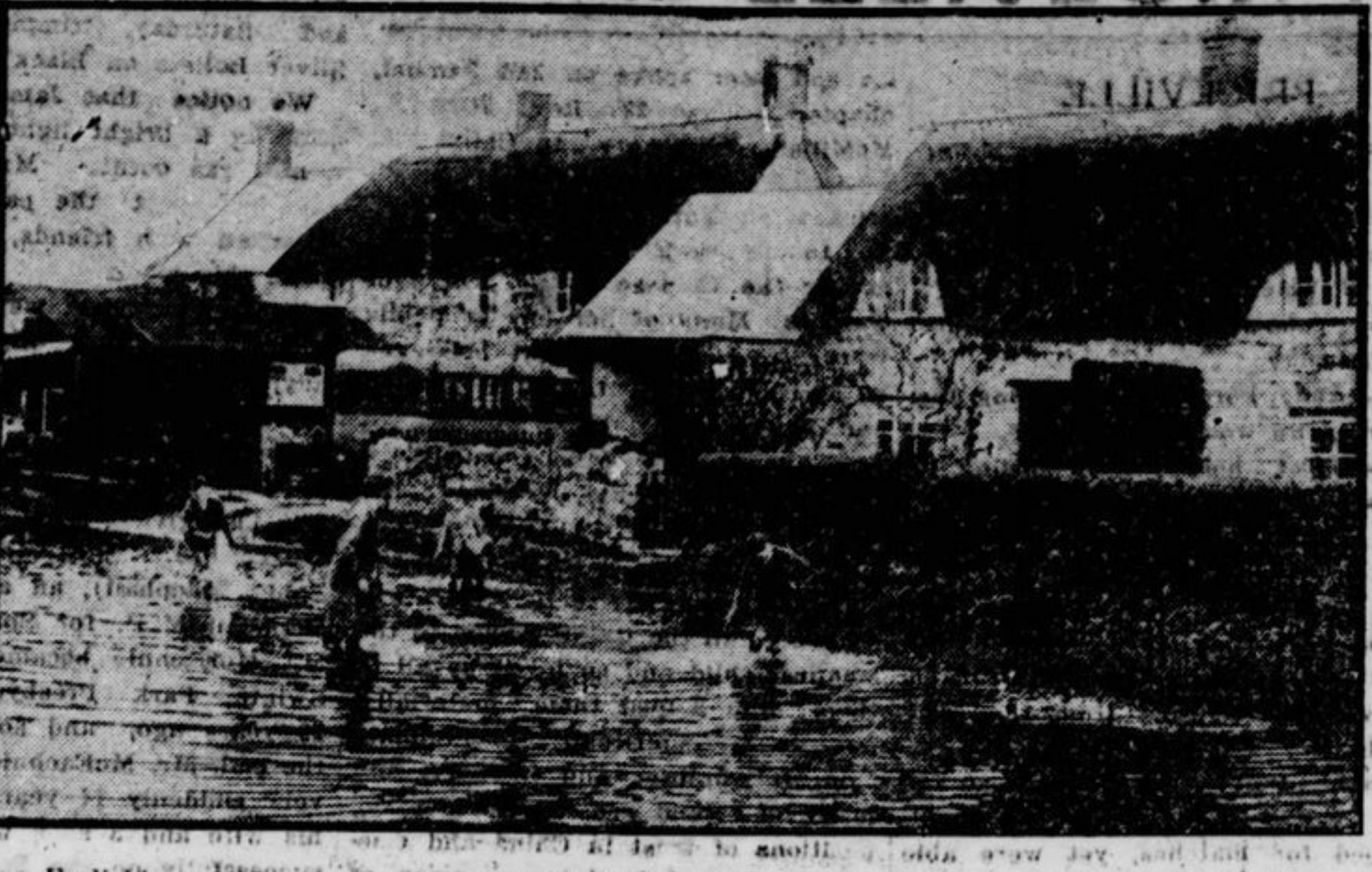
## UPS AND DOWNS

There are seven ex-millionaires on the Los Angeles County poor farm. It used to be that it took three generations from shirt sleeves to shirt sleeves. But we live in a speedier age. It is possible now to make the whole tour in one generation.

## THE EMPIRE

STREAMLINED TRAINS FOR BRITAIN? In an experimental journey under ordinary conditions a steam train covered over 370 miles at an average

## Children Find Cloud's Silver Lining



Frolicking children making merry in the "flooded" main street of Iste of Brewster, Somerset, England. A continuous and heavy rain lasting for several days played havoc with roads and seriously interfered with travel and transportation. When the sun shone again these children were quick to take advantage of the situation.

## Deplores To-Day's Trend

Of Advertising  
TORONTO — Modern trends in advertising and descent to terms and phrases that are offensive were deplored by John Nelson, president of Rotary International, in a recent address here at the annual convention of the Association of Canadian Advertisers.

## Plan Extension Of Dole System

LONDON — Wide extension of the British dole system is contemplated. Seven hundred and fifty thousand laid-workers who hitherto have been excluded from unemployment insurance are expected shortly to be brought within its scope.

## Italy Will Remain On Gold Standard

MILAN, Italy. — Italy's lira is on the gold standard to stay and persons who promote rumors to the contrary will be punished severely, Premier Benito Mussolini's newspaper, Il Popolo d'Italia, assured the nation last week.

## Country Fair

Below a lot of furrows, widely strewn With shadow lengths, the clear late afternoon  
Is glittering upon the country fair. Now laugh and jigging music swim the air.

## Chinaman Gyps Smart Philadelphia Lawyers

PHILADELPHIA. — Lee Kuan evidently hadn't heard of the proverbial sagacity of the "Philadelphia lawyer."

## They'll Make Good Wives For Somebody

Wheeling, W. Va. — When the boys in Wheeling High School go home to mother they may say: "Well, this evening we can have a nice fluffy omelet, some Devil's Food cake, creamed peas and — Oh, yes, spinach."

## Woman Told Methods Of Ending Handicaps

LONDON — Proposals for overcoming prejudices against women in the labor market have been given here by Miss V. Sackville West, well-known novelist, at a lecture at Bedford College for Women.

## Conflict Was Lacking Peace and Plenty

It was a hundred-acre farm with no oil or coal or gas stations, or even a dairy herd. Just a farm. The children grew up with the most wonderful disposition. There were no conflicts to wear them out.

## World's Biggest Nose

The huge cavity in the skin of the sperm whale, which is used for storing the valuable mace oil of commerce, have recently been recognized as creature's nostrils! This huge nose is six times as big as the whale's brain case, and a whole whale will fit in it.

## Ceylon's First Woman Lawyer

Colombo. — A lady barrister will practise in the Ceylon courts of law early next year.

## Australia Willing To Cut Wheat Quota

CANBERRA, Australia. — Australian Wheat Advisory Council recommended recently that Australia accept an export quota of 120,000,000 bushels if a new wheat agreement between the major export countries is reached. The recommendation was made subject to stipulation that Argentina abide its quota.

## HYSTERICAL MEN

It was a belief that only women were hysterical, but hysteria was a nervous ailment of either sex, said Dr. Elizabeth Cline Shearer, in an address delivered in Bournemouth, England. Some men in the grip of an ailment with psychosis, she said, were "frenzied or seifness."

## DAVID COPPERFIELD



The next day Peggotty takes David to her brother's bathhouse at Yarmouth for a short visit. He meets Uncle Dan, Ham and little Em'ly. He loves the little fishing village with the proud sailing vessels in the harbor, but he is soon glad to be journeying home again to his mother. The door of his home opens to disclose a strange woman servant with a hard, forbidding face.

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David enters the cottage and finds, to his horror, that Mr. Murdstone is now his stepfather. A new existence begins for him. "The Black Panther" and his sister Jane are cruel and merciless. Mr. Murdstone is harsh to Mrs. Copperfield and beats David for the slightest reason. A year later David's mother dies.

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The Murdstones dismiss Peggotty and David tearfully bids her farewell, sure he will never see her again. Then Mr. Murdstone, threatening David with the cane, tells him he is a wicked boy and is being sent to London to work. How will little David fare in the great city?

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Based on the Novel by CHARLES DICKENS