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Reason For Optimism

Canada has marched far back on the road to recovery, to a point which is perhaps safer and more wholesome than 1929, in the opinion of the Ottawa Journal.

Anyone who thinks that this is idle optimism need only look at the various indices of the economic condition of the country—in addition to the trade figures—the increase in the physical volume of business, in the total of bank debits, in the retail sales throughout the country, and in the figures showing the general economic index as reported by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The evidence all points in the same direction. Canada is on the up grade and making good progress.

Everyone knows why this is felt more in the East and in British Columbia than in the prairie country. There is some improvement here, but with the normal production that can be reasonably expected next year, these provinces should go forward to a much greater extent. There is plenty of ground for hope and confidence.—Winnipeg Free Press.

Education For Life

The Hon. Dr. Simpson, Ontario's Minister of Education, has the right idea in his decision to overhaul the curriculum in the primary schools of the province so that emphasis will be placed on the "education of pupils for life rather than for the universities." When this is accomplished we may expect to see fewer misfits in life and fewer failures in the higher seats of learning.—Brockville Recorder and Times.

Watch for Apoplexy

Viewed from the stratosphere, according to fliers, this terrestrial sphere is a deep purple. You can scarcely blame Mother Earth these days if she develops symptoms of apoplexy.—Windsor Star.

Does Noise Prolong Life?

Along comes a Nipponese scientist in an attempt to knock the props from underneath anti-noise organizations by furnishing a proof that noise prolongs life.

A series of experiments on rats subjected one group to normal sounds and another equal litter to the roar of trains under an electric roof. And strange to relate, the latter lived 53 days longer than those kept in peace and quiet.

Another group was housed in the presence of a daily newspaper and one of the same size in a sound-proof room. The results were the same as in the first experiment.

So, according to this scientist's findings, the neighbor's radio actually lengthens your days when it is going full blast.—Kitchener Record.

Time To Get Busy

There is no greater need in New Zealand than there is in Ontario for reforestation, probably there is not so much; but in New Zealand they are doing this work extensively, while in Ontario all that is now doing is little more than a mere pretence.

In New Zealand an intensive reforestation has been carried on for more than a decade. Millions of larches, oaks, spruces, Douglas firs and eucalyptus have already been planted, and vast numbers of seedlings are coming in all the time.

The reason for replacing the native trees with species from this continent, Europe and Australia, is that the native trees of New Zealand are too slow of growth, although some of them produce excellent timber. Fortunately for the country, the imported trees thrive well everywhere.

When will the Ontario Government show any symptom of being more alive than their predecessors were to the importance of starting reforestation on an extensive scale? Every now and then we hear of new concessions of pulpwood areas being made, apparently without any condition of reforestation.

If the present system of granting such concessions needs to be altered, then by all means change it, but get a beginning of reforestation made as soon as possible; and what is true of spruce is equally true of white pine.—Guelph Mercury.

Character That Counts

Nobody ever takes seriously the old saying to the effect you can never trust a woman with a secret. Neither sex has a monopoly on wagging tongues. It is the character and the individual that counts, not the sex.—Windsor Star.

Apple Pie First

Apple pie ranks first in desserts, it is revealed by a tabulation made of meals served on the dining cars

of railroads and announced by the Association of American Railroads. Here are other facts on the food likes of the travelling public. Science Service reports:

The dining car steward knows that out of every 100 diners, 85 will order coffee and 15 tea; that 35 will order roast beef and the rest will order chicken, fish, chops and steak, in the order named.

America's railway dining cars serve 25,000,000 meals each year, which are prepared in a kitchen less than seven feet wide and 13 feet long. One man alone sometimes must wash 1,000 dishes at each meal in a sink less than two feet square.

Dining car stewards, waiters and chefs go through a training school before going on the road. One large eastern railroad had three such schools where there are reproductions of the space equipment limitations encountered in actual service.—Toronto Telegram.

Our Apples in Glasgow

Appropos this subject it is interesting to note from a report in the Glasgow Herald that the demand for Canadian apples is such that wholesale prices are from 60 to 75 cents per case higher than a year ago, and that at the particular week-end at which the paper was published, not a single Canadian apple was left in the wholesalers' hands, and the whole of a cargo due there on the Monday was sold in advance.

Advertising DOES pay.—Stratford Beacon-Herald.

Balanced Budget

Possibly for the first time in its history, North Bay will this year enjoy a balanced budget.

This pleasing situation is due to city council's close adherence to the program outlined at the commencement of the term, and to supervision by the Department of Municipal Affairs.—North Bay Nugget.

Proved

If there is any lingering doubt concerning the advisability or value of toxoid treatments, Brockville's record of not one case of diphtheria, during the year ought to dispell it beyond question.—Brockville Recorder and Times.

THE EMPIRE

Look to the Empire

The Americans carry a million passengers a year through the air. We carry a quarter of a million. The American airplanes have a longer haul than ours. For, though they carry only four times as many passengers, they fly nine times as many miles. And, of course, the advantages of the air as a medium of transport are displayed in the long flight. Does that mean that the Americans enjoy an advantage over us which we cannot overcome? Not a bit. We have greater opportunities for long-distance than any country on earth. In the Empire! In the

development of air routes over its vast expanses.—London Sunday Express.

An Experiment

An experiment in the housing of the populations of big cities in a new way is to be carried out by the Liverpool municipality on its housing estate at Speke, where the corporation is planning to erect 5,000 houses at a cost of £2,100,000. The scheme aims at providing not merely a dormitory for the lower-paid workers, with the resultant anti-social segregation of one class, but a complete self-contained unit accommodating all classes.

A new idea for the safeguarding of pedestrians is incorporated in that through traffic and buses will not be allowed within the estate. Planned in the form of an oval, the estate will be completely encircled by a ring road, which will carry all through traffic and buses, but the layout is

such that no resident will have more than a quarter of a mile to walk to a bus stop.

No buses will front on to the ring traffic road, but only to the subsidiary roads of the estate, and between these and the main road will be a green belt 150 feet wide encircling the whole area.

In one direction the oval will be dissected by a central boulevard, running from end to end, but not open to through traffic or bus traffic. On this will be situated shops, clinics, doctors' and dentists' surgeries, a library, cinema and all the necessary social amenities.

Sites have been reserved for seven schools, several churches, children's playgrounds, rest gardens and a large recreation ground.

Work will be provided for 2,000 building operatives for two and a half years and for about 350 men for three years on road and sewer construction.—Industrial Britain.

Duke of York Becomes The Empire's Sovereign

Following Announcement of King Edward VIII's Abdication Duchess of York Becomes Queen.



HIS MAJESTY THE KING

LONDON.—King Edward VIII abdicates and the Duke of York ascends the throne. This was the effect of formal announcements made to the assembled houses of Lords and Commons. The Duchess of York becomes Queen.

The announcement to this most momentous meeting of parliament in all the history of British royalty, came in the form of a direct message from Edward as King, which was read to the Commons by the Speaker, being repeated simultaneously in the House of Lords.

The King is saying farewell to the Empire he loves, to go to the woman he loves more.

He has signed away his great throne and his heritage as King-emperor and the Duke of York will be crowned in his stead as George VI.

Necessary Legal Steps

- The following legal steps are necessary in the event of abdication:
1. The King signs and presents to his ministers a notice of his desire to abdicate.
 2. The cabinet through the prime minister, communicates the King's notice to parliament.
 3. Parliament approves the abdication and passes an act establishing the line of succession, or, actually names the new monarch.
 4. The privy council meets and

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEW CARS

The PONTIAC 224 by Low Skruce

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NEW VALVE-IN-HEAD 200-H.P. ENGINE ALWAYS HAS POWER IN RESERVE

NEW VIBRATION TAKE-UP TAKES CARE OF ROUGH ROADS

NEW DOOR-HANDLES ARE NOW TURNED 90° TO AVOID CATCHING

THE NEW FIBER BODIES OF UNSTEEL CONSTRUCTION ARE AS SAFE AS MODERN SCIENCE, ENGINEERING AND SKILLED CRAFTSMEN CAN MAKE THEM.

THE 1937 PONTIAC SIX

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MORE VISIBILITY—MORE SAFETY.

Large, Recurring Wage Rises Urged

WASHINGTON.—Large, general and recurring wage increases throughout all industry was the goal set by the American Federation of Labor in its monthly survey of business.

Only by such wage increases, said the federation, "can we create a market great enough for capacity production and full employment."

One 5 to 10 per cent. increase this year is not enough for workers, said the federation, asserting that "in the months ahead we must plan for general and recurring wage increases throughout all industry." The federation added:

"We must plan for a progressively rising wage level that will eventually create production for a comfortable living standard. That industry can eventually pay the comfort wage is unquestioned, for, provided distribution of income is equitable, capacity operation of our industry will in itself create the wealth necessary to pay it.

"Steps toward this goal must come progressively. We may begin with an effort to bring every family up to the minimum health standard, and today between 10,000,000 and 15,000,000 American families are living below the standard."

"Dinosaur Park"

Observes the Calgary Herald:—Alberta has a unique natural resource in its dinosaur "cemeteries" on the Red Deer river, and a movement has been started in the Steepleville area to interest the Provincial and Federal Governments in the establishment of a dinosaur park somewhere in the region known as the "bad lands" located there. The boards of trade of Brooks, to the south, and Hanna, to the north are interesting themselves in the proposal. It appears to be one worthy of general support.

The geology of the "bad lands" in the Steepleville district proves that the valley of the Red Deer River there is older than the Rocky Mountains. Millions of years ago the region was the habitat of mighty dinosaurs of various species. Fossil remains of these extinct creatures were found there a generation ago and a number of expeditions led out by large museums in eastern Canada and the United States gathered a large number of excellent and rare specimens. Professor Barnum Brown of New York City shipped carloads of his findings to the New York Museum of Natural History. The Sternberg brothers have supplied splendid specimens to the Canadian museums in the East. Alberta is being bereft of these rare, invaluable and it is time that some move were made to correct the situation.

It is argued, and sensibly too, that if a dinosaur park were created in the Steepleville district and remains of these prehistoric animals dug up, mounted and arranged in suitable groups, this part of the province would have an attraction that would bring motor tourists for hundreds of miles, as well as provide an interesting and educational exhibit for Alberta people.

The story paleontologists tell of the lives of the strange and mighty dinosaurs which roamed through certain areas of southern and central Alberta in the dawn age is fascinating. This is part of Alberta's history about which little is known to the people of the province. Such a situation would be overcome by the development of the proposed dinosaur park.

Mr. Hearst Hires

Observes the New York Times:—Politicians have an adage that goes: "If you can't lick your enemy, join him." Last week William Randolph Hearst, who was a bitter pre-election foe of the New Deal, engaged President Roosevelt's son-in-law, John Boettiger, to publish his Seattle Post-Intelligencer. The appointment followed the settlement of a three-months-old strike called by members of the American Newspaper Guild against the paper.

Mr. Boettiger is a veteran newspaper man, having been assistant chief of the Chicago Tribune's Washington bureau, a post he left in 1934 to become assistant to Will Hays, motion-picture "czar." His wife, the former Anna Roosevelt Dall, may join the staff of the Post-Intelligencer. Mr. Hearst indicated that he would not interfere in the future policies of the paper.

Another member of the Roosevelt family, Elliot, is vice-president of Hearst Radio, Inc., in charge of the Southwestern division at Fort Worth, Texas. Recently the engagement of Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr. and Ethel du Pont, member of a family that gave the President considerable opposition during the campaign, was announced.

"You can't concentrate and work in a metropolis."—Eugene O'Neill.

BOW TIE By GLUYAS WILLIAMS

PULLS ON VERY NEW TUXEDO, CALLS NO, OF COURSE HE DOESN'T NEED TO HAVE MOTHER TIE HIS TIE

GETS BADLY ENTANGLED WITH HIS ARMS AND HANDS

SIGNS AND TRIES TO FIGURE OUT JUST HOW IT IS HE TIES A BOW KNOT WITH SHOE LACES

AFTER TEN MINUTES MANAGES TO TIE A BOW TO HIS SATISFACTION

TURNS AWAY TO GET COAT, TIE IMMEDIATELY PHOTING TO A QUEER ANGLE AND MORE OR LESS COMING APART

STARTS IN ALL AGAIN

GETS COMPLETELY RATTLED WHEN MOTHER CALLS TO HURRY UP, HE'S GOING TO BE LATE

SIGNS HE SUPPOSES HE MIGHT AS WELL LET HER HAVE HER WAY, AND WEARILY LETS HER TIE IT

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