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## CANADA

### Comparing Casualty Lists

One hundred and five British flyers have been killed in accidents this year. That record sounds bad until it is compared with the highway casualty list during the same period. —Peterborough Examiner.

### Where It All Goes

How much Canadian nickel has gone, and is going, into the manufacture of the world's instruments of war in these years since 1918? That, it seems to us, is a question the Canadian people should put to themselves soberly, earnestly. Because it does involve a most serious responsibility. —Halifax Herald.

### Those Radio Licenses

The government department issuing radio licenses might save itself a great deal of work and householders a lot of inconvenience if collectors were supplied with adequate and reliable information as to those who have remitted their fee. Only a government could afford to offend the public by demanding that householders produce evidence that license fees have been paid. —Financial Times.

### Where Dissent Is Treason

It becomes the people of the democracies to take note of what is going on in the nations of the other persuasion. We have a right to say and believe, on this evidence that is available, that human life is better to live in the democracies than in the dictatorships. That is a very simple way of putting it, but that is the apt expression of what matters. There is a terror abroad in those countries. Men are not free to speak their minds. What we call opposition to the government, those countries know only as treason. —Vancouver Province.

### The Bicycle Craze

There has been an astounding increase in the patronage of bicycles in Ontario. Especially in the cities, towns and villages has the bicycle attained the popularity that was characteristic of 40 years ago. In the last nineties there was a bicycle craze in Canada and the United States. Even the most inferior roads were swarming with male and female bicyclists. Touring clubs were formed and there was much organization to promote rides to various parts of the country. Special trucks were built for racing and circuits were formed for the holding of races at night and electrically lighted speedways. —Sarnia Observer.

### A National Trade Policy

Without suggesting that Canada should turn away from the policy of exporting to markets abroad, it is becoming more than ever apparent that the Government's reliance on the capture of world markets is devoid of any promise of sustained prosperity at home. The productive resources of this Dominion are more than sufficient to assure every Canadian worker of an abundant standard of living. The national policy of Canada must surely be designed first to maintain this standard at home by productive labor applied to home resources. Canadian enterprise in world markets could follow, under conditions of greater security for Canadian workers, when national prosperity is no longer dependent upon competition with workers abroad under a lower standard of living. It will call for more light on Parliament Hill. —Ottawa Citizen.

### Remove License Plates

It is generally admitted that one of the most effective means of remedying violations of the traffic laws is the removal of license plates for a definite period from the cars involved in the offences. . . .

A driver may treat a fine lightly but, as the Ottawa Journal suggests, "an offending driver then would come under the force of domestic or business displeasure and resentment."

That is perfectly true, and if the penalty of removing the license plates from the cars were carried out, their owners would be exceedingly careful as to who was permitted to drive. Certainly the only remedy for the carelessness and recklessness that is abroad today on the part of a small percentage of drivers is by the imposition of drastic penalties, hence the sooner the Highways Department decides upon the removal of license plates in addition to the other penalties imposed the sooner will the highways become safer for law-abiding motorists. —Toronto Examiner.

## They Are Not Exhibits

Dr. A. R. Dafoe, physician of the Dionne quintuplets, has spoken out against treating the babies experimentally as "guinea pigs." He referred to the statement of Dr. Lee R. Rigler, before the International Congress of Radiology, at Chicago, that the quintuplets might help the science of heredity materially by being subjected to complete X-ray examinations.

The story of the five babies is a dramatic one. But any tendency to regard them as exhibits or as material for laboratory probing is a regrettable one. There are human lives involved in Callander, and the supreme right to develop as normal children. Otherwise they drop into the classification of freaks, adding another sorry chapter to the exploitation of physically unique people whose birthright is their greatest handicap. To overcome that handicap should be the main goal of those who have the interests of the babies at heart. Anything that would aggravate it should be checked at the start. —Hamilton Spectator.

## THE EMPIRE

### Sign of Social Progress

In the small groups of English folk found all over the Empire, every one knows every one else, hence the bank clerk's wife will be entertained by the British Consul's lady. There is consequently a leveling of classes, and the leveling is upwards. Every one uses finger bowls. —London Queen.

### Problems of Eastern Europe

"The problem of Eastern and Central Europe is the one which, if mishandled, is most likely to lead to a general war. And it is the one in which British policy finds it most difficult to follow a clear line. On the one hand the dictatorships of Great Britain and still more of the overseas Dominions, view Eastern Europe as the field in which their own interests are least directly engaged, in which they can exercise the least direct military force, and in which they are least willing to commit themselves beforehand.

"Indeed, with a navy which cannot reach Eastern Europe at all, an army which has practically no European expeditionary force, and a home army in numbers with Germany, the only way in which Great Britain could exert direct force would be by turning what might be a local conflict into a world war. On the other hand, neither Great Britain nor any Dominion can be indifferent to alterations in the status quo in Eastern Europe, especially if they are brought about by power politics or war, because of the far-reaching effect they may have upon the balance of power in the world as a whole. —Round Table Magazine.

Out of the neck of one Edward Simpson, Massachusetts police doctors last week dug evidence which may convict him of murdering a policeman. The evidence—a bullet from a brother policeman's gun.

## Air Troubles On The Stage

Nervous Hubbies and Wives Squabble in Therapeutic Theatre and Are Cured.

Troubled husbands and nervous wives have found a new cure for family rifts, a therapeutic theatre at Beacon, N.Y., where they go on the stage and quarrel to their hearts' content.

The results of the first six months' use of this theatre for domestic, and for more serious mental troubles, is reported in a new publication, "Sociometry, a Journal of Inter-Personal Relations." The editor is Dr. Gardner Murphy of Columbia University. The publisher is J. L. Moreno, M.D., who built the theatre.

### Comes To Surface

The idea is defined thus—"The full psychodrama of our inter-relationships does not emerge; it is buried in and between us." In this theatre, spontaneous play-acting, done under medical supervision, has brought out some of the hidden facts of married lives.

The new journal describes the play-acting of "Robert" and his wife, "Mary." They reenacted some of their tiffs, and at the same time spoke aloud the thoughts they had felt, but not uttered, during the quarrels. "She never puts things in the right place," was one of "Robert's" asides. One of "Mary's" was: "He is so restless. Why didn't he let me wash the dishes?"

### When Things Went Wrong

"Robert's" trouble, it developed, was two neuroses, one about time and the other about space. He always worried for fear of being late for appointments. This "time" trouble was so bad he went to one appointment three hours early to escape worry over being late. In "space" anything misplaced, even the slight uptilted corner of a rug, worried him.

"Robert" and "Mary" found the cure for their troubles on the therapeutic stage. They learned how to talk to each other when things went wrong.

## News In Review

### No Longer Take Risk

LONDON—British insurance companies have announced their decision to refuse to accept war risk insurance.

### Break's World's Record

LEXINGTON, Ky.—The 15-year-old mile world's record for trotters was broken here by Greyhound.

### Sleeping Beauty Dies

Death brought an end to the 67-month coma of Patricia Maguire, Chicago's famous sleeping beauty, this week-end. Double pneumonia ended her life as physicians prepared to operate upon her to remove a tumor which menaced her life.

### Vacancies in Senate

OTTAWA—Death of Senator Rodolphe Lemieux in Montreal increased the number of vacancies in the

Upper House to four. Two of these are in Quebec, one in Ontario and one in Alberta.

### Youthful Murderer Confesses

SARNIA—A signed confession of William Labadie, 17, on trial for the murder of seven-year-old John Luckins, in which he allegedly states he was under the influence of liquor and struck the lad with a hammer, was admitted as evidence by Mr. Justice Keller MacKay.

### Struggle for Control of Border

HENDAYE, Franco-Spanish Frontier.—A large-scale battle through-out Northeast Spain raged as Government and insurgent forces struggled for control of principal avenues to the French border.

The fight was for possession of areas which might provide, for the Government, a broad lane for transport of French munitions and supplies, and, for insurgents, isolation of Government Spain from Barcelona and Upper Catalonia. France has intimated she may open her border to supplies and arms if foreign "volunteers" are not withdrawn from Spain.

### Robbed By Fake Doctor

CHATHAM—A "fake" doctor robbed 87-year-old James Hawkins of \$10 while the aged man lay helpless in bed at his Ridgeway, Ont., home where he lives alone. Two \$1,000 bonds were overcalled by the thief.

### Pope's Encyclical

VATICAN CITY—Pope Pius XI has issued a dramatic encyclical which is construed as an attack on Communist Russia, Nazi Germany and the leftist-inclined governments of Spain and Mexico.

The document, "An encyclical letter on the rosary of the blessed Virgin Mary," urged the Roman Catholic faithful to pray against the evils of Communism and the tendency of some state leaders who war against Communism to "exhume pagan errors and morals."

### Want Eight Hour Day

TORONTO—The Provincial Federation of the Ontario Fire Fighters' Association have renewed efforts to have the Provincial Government pass legislation for the establishing of the three-platoon system or eight-hour day for firemen.

### Epidemic Like Dysentery

TOKIO—More than 5,500 persons are ill of an epidemic disease resembling dysentery in Fukuoka Prefecture and 283 have died. The Domei Agency reports. The disease was devastating the town of Omata, where the municipality was experiencing difficulty in cremating corpses. Fifteen emergency infirmaries have been established there.

### Japan Resents Animosity

TOKIO — Japan's newspaper re-acted over what were termed "unjust" accusations that her army conducted ruthless warfare in China took an anti-League of Nations, anti-British course this week-end.

The Nichi Nichi attacked Great Britain, which, it claimed, "uses China, as well as the League, as tools for checking Japan."

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## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE NEWS

A Compendium by ELIZABETH EEDY

### On Outstanding Events of the Week

### A New Civilization In North

Just back from a tour by airplane of the Central Manitoba mining area, Northern Saskatchewan, Alberta, and the Northwest Territories as far north as the Arctic Circle on Great Bear Lake, the Dominion Minister of Mines, Hon. T. A. Cresser sees in the Canadian North with its slower tempo, a more contemplative people arising, a people with more time and aptitude for thought, not beset by city excitement and quite content to do without it.

### Quinta Have Complete Set

This week Yvonne Dionne cut her twentieth tooth, the last of the Quintuplets to acquire the full score of baby grinders. The five now have 100 teeth amongst them.

### Rome-Berlin Axis

Ever since the autumn of 1935 when Germany refused to join with the other European nations in imposing sanctions on Italy for her aggression in Abyssinia, we have been hearing the phrase, "Rome-Berlin axis." Especially late, in the Mediterranean crisis when Italy was accused of piracy and nations rallied to one side or another. Last week the "axis" was made doubly solid by the visit of Mussolini to Adolf Hitler. The

Association, Gray said, and \$1,000,000 had been spent in experimental work before it had been put into service.

### Noiseless Streetcar Being Developed

OTTAWA—Development of a noiseless street car with new standards of comfort, was described to the Dominion Tariff Board at Ottawa by George Gray, representing the Canadian Transit Association, Montreal.

### Canada's New Ultra Modern Broadcast Station at Forxby, Ontario, to Have Aerial Tower 200 Feet Higher Than Tallest Building In British Empire—One of World's Most Modern Transmitters.

## Giant Broadcaster 'CBL' Will Take Air This Month

Canada's first high-powered broadcasting station, the ultra-modern etherizer to take the air early this month as the first in the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's coast-to-coast chain of eight new \$250,000 transmitters, is rapidly nearing completion at Hornby, near Georgetown.

The giant broadcaster, to be known as "CBL", is to radiate programs to all Ontario. Its huge output tubes, each valued in the neighborhood of \$1,000, will power the station to 50,000 watts. This is more power than

speeches of both men on that occasion while reaffirming their united front against Bolshevism, declared also that Nationalism and Fascism are joined in a common desire for world peace. With the coming of such a bond, entered also by Britain, and later France, we may see a better day dawn for Europe and the world.

### Terminal Market Proposed

"A terminal market in Toronto would do a great deal towards rectifying sorry conditions in Ontario where farmers in the Holland Marsh and other areas, possessed of bountiful crops and no markets," declared the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, J. B. Fairbairn. "All produce would come to the one market," he suggested, "thus permitting control of supply and demand, better prices to producers."

### Right Jobs For Jobless

Surveys being made under the leadership of the National Employment Commission are attempting classification of all unemployed persons in Canada, to discover forms of work to which they are best suited. Eventually it is hoped to have every relief recipient classified according to his fitness for some form of employment. Special mention will be made also if the jobless man is permanently unemployable as a result of some physical, mental or social handicap.

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Wanted: a girl who is not afraid of being killed—Prayed All Way Down to Earth

Pretty 17-year-old Gloria Allen "pedaled" and prayed her way back from a professional parachute jumper's death when her chute ripped at 1,700 feet near Blackstone, Va. She came through it with two broken legs.

As the Batavia, N.Y., high school girl detached herself from a balloon over an exposition crowd the fabric of the "chute snagged somewhere on clothing of her brother, Eddie, 19, who also was hanging to the balloon with her sister Florence, 15.

The cloth tore from side to centre, and the girl dropped like a rock, the parachute fluttering behind.

### Says Honey Crop Lowest in Decade

The honey crop this year is one of the lowest in the past decade, according to Dr. E. J. Dyce, head of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph. The extraordinary shortage of honey is due to the wet weather of last year and to the wet weather of this year, he said. There has been no clover available. The honey shortage is particularly unusual since almost all other crops were good, Dr. Dyce said.

## Claims Dogmatic Science Killed Amelia Earhart

Journalist Contends That Science Is Ignorant of the True Nature and Dimensions of the Earth.

Amelia Earhart and Fred Noonan were "murdered by Dogmatic Science," Tiffany Thayer charged in the first issue of the Fortean Society magazine published at Los Angeles.

"Unless by some miracle they found land and food and fresh water, they were sent to their death by the snug complacency of Authority, of the schoolmen and the physicists and the astronomers," wrote Thayer, secretary of the society, a national group of scientific agnostics, including several prominent writers.

### To Blame For Failure

Thayer contended Science is ignorant of the true nature and dimensions of the earth and therefore is to blame for the tragic failure of the Earhart-Nonnan "round-the-world flight."

The Fortean Society was organized in 1931 by J. David Stern, a paper publisher, Thayer, Ben Reeb, Booth Tarkington, Burton Rascoe, Alexander Woolcott, writers, Aaron Sussman and others, to perpetuate the ideas of Charles Fort, a scientific iconoclast who suggested, among other things, that things might be so far away and the earth might be "nearly" stationary if all evidence was considered.

### Charts Are Guesswork

In his treatment of the Earhart-Nonnan flight, Thayer declared "the latest and most detailed charts of the South Pacific Ocean, prepared by the U.S. Navy, are a crazy-quilt of guesswork."

He pointed out a chart of the Guinea-Hovland Island route of the Earhart and her navigator, Harold Gatty, and reefs marked "probable doubtful."

"The 'magnetic compass is erratic in this district, its variation averaging two minutes annually," said Thayer, a novelist and former Hollywood movie writer, now in New York.

"This area is a sort of fairyland where anything may happen."

## Visit to Russian Farms Obstructed

Many Obstacles Set In Woman's Path by Officials

Speaking of her visit to Russia, among 27 other countries in a recent trip around the world, Dr. Cona Hind, well-known agricultural writer, told a Winnipeg audience last week many obstacles set in her path by officials who did not want her to visit the farming areas.

Dr. Hind was warned of bad roads, lack of transportation, unusable time for inspection and other things that indicated official unwillingness to have her carry out much personal investigation.

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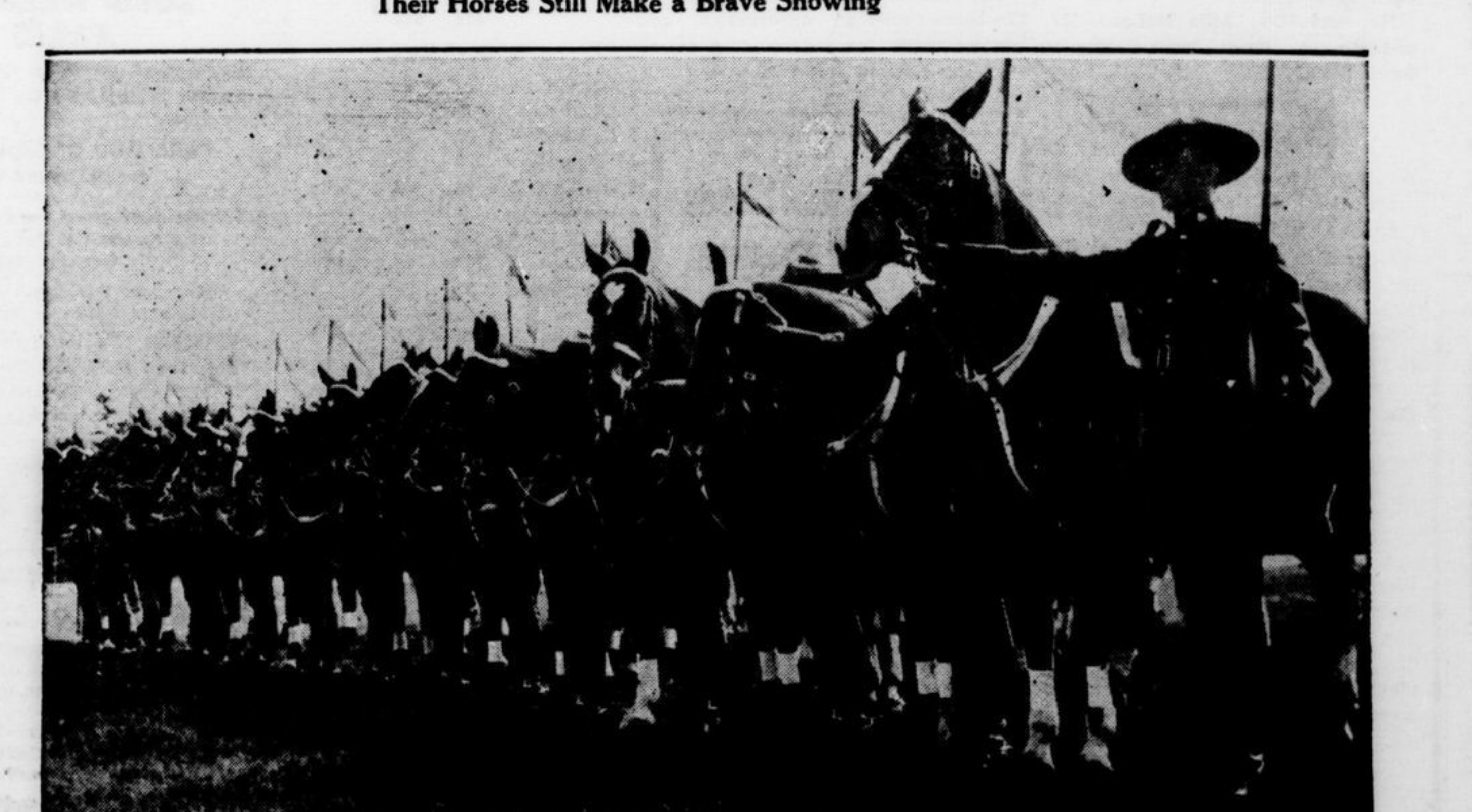
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