

## Canadian Fish Take to the Air

From Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, comes the news that fish have taken to the air in the Canadian northwest. To be exact, they have been taken by air to market. A Government bulletin supplies the following interesting information on this subject. "Fish caught in Lac la Ronge, in Northern Saskatchewan, are flown twice daily to Prince Albert, a distance of 200 miles and from there shipped by rail to Chicago, New York and other American and Canadian centres. Each plane carries about 1,600 pounds of fish in an unfrozen condition, and immediately on reaching Prince Albert they are packed in ice for shipment in 50-pound boxes. While airplane transportation has been reported satisfactory, it was found that increasing demand for the northern fish made necessary an additional means of carriage; so two motor tractors, each hauling a heated caisson with a carrying capacity of about 7,000 pounds of unfrozen fish, have been put into service, and a trip from the lake by the two tractors means approximately sufficient fish can be brought to Prince Albert to make up a carload lot for shipment. Though this is the first year in which fish have been hauled by plane, catches from waters in the more remote areas of Northern Saskatchewan and Alberta have been successfully marketed as far away as the cities of the United States for several seasons past. Fish from Lake Athabasca, Northern Alberta, for instance, have won market favor, notwithstanding that the distance they have to be carried from the lake to the international boundary alone is about 700 miles."

## The Bridal Cactus

A cactus was carried by a bride instead of the more usual bouquet of orange-blossom at a Warsaw wedding recently. It was stated, in reply to inquiries, that the cactus brought good luck. It will come as a surprise to most people to know that the cactus is "lucky"—so far it hasn't usually been credited with producing either good or bad fortune. Carried by a bride, indeed, it rather suggests a warning to the bridegroom, because the average cactus is fairly well provided with the means of self-defence. The cactus is hardly likely, therefore, to win general favor as a bridal bouquet. The more usual orange-blossom can, after all, produce reason for its claim to be a luck-bringer. According to authorities on folk-lore, it is appropriate at a wedding because the orange-tree bears flowers and fruit at the same time. So the bride's orange-blossom means that she will have a family and keep her good looks.

## Value of Farm Lands Declines \$5 An Acre

Ottawa.—Value of farm lands in Canada in 1930 showed a considerable decline in consequence of the fall in the prices of agricultural products, says a report issued recently by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Average value of occupied farm lands as a whole, including both improved and unimproved land, as well as dwelling houses, barns, stables and other farm buildings, is returned as \$37 in 1929. By provinces the average values are as follows, with the previous year's values within brackets: Prince Edward Island, \$42 (\$43); Nova Scotia, \$39 (\$38); New Brunswick, \$23 (\$25); Quebec, \$48 (\$55); Ontario, \$52 (\$60); Manitoba, \$22 (\$26); Saskatchewan, \$22 (\$25); Alberta, \$24 (\$28); British Columbia, \$76 (\$90). The average values in 1930 of orchard and fruit lands, including buildings, etc., in the chief fruit-growing provinces, are estimated as follows, the figures for 1929 being given within brackets: Nova Scotia, \$94 (\$118); Ontario, \$110 (\$147); British Columbia, \$291 (\$314).

## A New Seasoning from Japan

An interesting condiment devised and marketed by Japanese chemists several years ago, and described in The Industrial Bulletin of Arthur D. Little, Inc. (Cambridge, Mass.), has come into wide use throughout China and Japan, and is now making friends in this country. We read: "Chemically, the material is sodium glutamate. It is made from the gluten or protein part of wheat by acid hydrolysis, followed by bleaching, neutralization, and crystallization. It is thus of vegetable origin, and does not violate the food proscriptions of any race or religion. "Ajinomoto is white powder, looking like bicarbonate of soda, of such character that it keeps well and may be dispensed from a salt shaker. "It has a faint but definite odor of rather strong cheese. "The taste, however, is that of the red juice from roast beef; salty, 'meaty,' and piquant. "This condiment is the 'making' of chop suey and other Chinese dishes. It goes especially well with spaghetti and other vegetable dishes, and makes them satisfying as well as palatable. "The combination is worth experimenting."

## Finds West Favors Ontario Produce

Toronto.—Growing tendency in the prairie provinces to favor Ontario farm products was found by A. H. Wilford, chairman of the recent campaign, "Ontario Week," who has just returned from a trip across Canada to ascertain the results of the campaign. Careful grading and packing in Ontario goods were the reasons offered by Mr. Wilford for increased use of Ontario produce. Buyers favored Canadian-grown fruits and vegetables, he said, and care in their packing and grading had resulted in building up assurance of their dependability. Many more onions were being used in the prairie provinces as the result of the campaign, he said. "The campaign is well advanced."

## Beauty

By L. L. Wyn Griffith in "The Welsh Outlook." This pattern we call Good and Ill Is but the play of light and shade Upon a hill. Born but to die with set of sun, Foredoomed to birth when night is done.

His hand who held the Scales of Right In iron days of Rome is dust Motes in the light The sword that slew at his behest: In his dread court the swallows nest. Forgotten now the Evil wrought In Egypt's town by dark-browed kings. A thing of naught The sorrow, sand-engulfed the tears, But Beauty journeys down the years.

I know of naught can e'er outlive This fleeting fashion in man's mind. This fugitive Pursuit of Right and fear of Wrong, Save golden echoes of an ancient song. Or crystal words the poets write To illumine the darkness of a troubled heart. The cool delight Of Venus rising from the deep, The mirrored stars, a child asleep. What then is Beauty but the thread Of life that binds our days in thrall To years long dead, To unborn hours, and of this Now A phantom makes? Go pay thy vow!

## Reversible Vestees

Women who make their own detachable vestees, have learned the advantage of having these bits of daintiness finished with equal care and attractiveness at both ends. When this is done, the vestee is quickly changed, end for end, in case it becomes spotted while being worn. This has been found a simple way to avoid the embarrassment of having to wear an untidy-looking vestee resulting sometimes from a little mishap at table or during the serving of informal refreshments. When selecting ready-made vestees it is well to consider this interchangeable, end-to-end, advantage. If the decoration is vertical, in the nature of pin tucking, drawwork or insets of lace, one has only to add a corresponding band of lace to the lower end of the vestee, thus making the entire piece suitable to wear with either end at the top. Now that small buttons are so much in vogue as a trimming detail, a closely set line of these, either in white or color, is a modish color decoration for a vestee of georgette or voile, both of which fabrics are easily kept fresh. Eggshell, flesh, or any of the off-white shades, are excellent for combining with white or slightly ecru lace which finishes the vestee at top and bottom. Several small tucks on each side of a center row of buttons gives the desired vertical trimming. Dark buttons on light fabrics are specially smart just now, the color matching the predominating tone of the dress, but there is never any mistake in using small, white pearl buttons, which make the vestee wearable with other than one dress.

## Family Watch Sold to Former Kaiser

Potsdam, Ger.—A gold watch that ticked for Frederick the Great a century and a half ago was knocked down for 5000 marks, or about \$1200, to Wilhelm von Hohenzollern, the last of Frederick's successors, at the auction here recently of the furnishings of the Glienicke Castle. This castle is the property of Prince Friedrich Leopold von Hohenzollern, a cousin of the former Kaiser, who has been living in Switzerland the last few years. Other bidders withdrew when the offer of the "House of Doorn" was announced, and a crowd of bargain hunters who had come to pick up relics of the imperial regime applauded when the auctioneer declared the watch sold to the exiled former Kaiser. Surprisingly low prices were paid for other items. Some idea of the popularity of royal portraits in Germany these days was indicated in the price brought by five lithographs of Prussian kings and princes, the whole lot being knocked down for \$15.00.

## Holds Record

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## First Plane Leaves Croydon For Africa

Imperial Airways Inaugurates Nine-Day Service Over 5,114-Mile Route to Tanganyika

London.—The first section of the Imperial Airways route to Capetown, Union of South Africa, was inaugurated on Feb. 28th when a nine-ton Argosy air liner left Croydon with thousands of letters for delivery in various parts of Africa. A large crowd, including Colonel W. H. Franklin, Trade Commissioner in East Africa, and air line officials, cheered as the great machine took off in a drizzling rain. For the present, no passengers will be carried in Africa on this service, but two passengers were aboard on this initial flight, one for the Continent and the other for Karachi, India, changing at Cairo. The mail consisted of fifty bags containing more than 40,000 letters, 10,000 of which were sent by stamp or by air. In addition, the plane carried half a ton of urgent freight. The aircraft travelled across Europe to Athens, where the cargo was transferred to a flying boat for the Mediterranean journey to Egypt. From Cairo the boat flew long the new 2,760-mile route to Mwanza in Tanganyika Territory, completing a journey from London in nine days, a journey taking thirty-two days by ship and train. The new service is to be run each Saturday morning from Croydon. Captain H. H. Perry was the pilot, accompanied by a mechanic. The first return flight leaves Tanganyika March 10th, and the air liner to arrive back at Croydon March 19th with African mails. In several months the whole route will be opened and it will be possible to reach Cape Town from London in eleven days at a fare of about \$650. The first class boat fare is about \$450, but the air route saves six days. This inauguration is a sequel to the pioneer work of Sir Alan Cobham, commenced six years ago, when he made a great survey flight to South Africa and back.

## Tourists to Make Trips in Zeppelin

Graf Zeppelin Will Also Be Used as Taxi to Egypt and Spain

Arrangements for low-priced flights on the Graf Zeppelin will bring the experience of a ride in the famous world-roaming dirigible within the reach of almost all travelers to Germany this summer. Short flights over Germany for as little as \$36 a passenger will be offered for the benefit of tourists, says an announcement of the Hamburg-American Lines, general agents for the Luftschiffbau Zeppelin. The minimum fare will be charged for a four-hour flight over either Lake Lucerne, the Black Forest or the Tyrol. Most of the flights will be from Friedrichshafen, a few from Berlin. In addition to serving as an outing machine, the Graf Zeppelin will be run in a taxi service to Egypt, Spain, the French Riviera and other countries, including the Scandinavian. The ship will be made available for charter by groups of tourists, societies and clubs, whenever a minimum of fifteen passengers is booked. The dirigible will accommodate thirty-five passengers. Tentative plans have been made for a cruise over the Mediterranean to Egypt in April. Definite arrangements have been made for a cruise over Spain, leaving Friedrichshafen on May 29. The Zeppelin will stop at Seville, and cruise over Lisbon, Oporto, Vigo, Santander, San Sebastian, Biarritz, Toulouse, Barcelona, Valencia, Malaga and Gibraltar, returning to Germany June 2. Other trips will be made to the Baltic, the Mediterranean, over the Alps and to England and France.

## Pussywillows Early

Fort William.—A large sprig of pussywillows in full bud, found on Island No. 2, Feb. 24th, by a local resident is said to be six weeks ahead of schedule. An old-timer, resident here for 37 years, says he has never seen a February so mild nor pussywillows so early in the season.

## Naval Treaty Terms Accepted By Italy

France and Italy Now Reach Basis For Limitation Compromise

Rome.—The Italian government have now accepted proposals advanced by Great Britain which will permit its full adhesion to the London naval treaty. The proposals previously had been accepted by the French government. Adhesion of the two governments to the London treaty, reached at conclusion of the naval conference almost a year ago, which makes that pact a five-power instrument instead of a three-power treaty as it is now. Negotiations which brought the Italian acceptance were carried on by Rt. Hon. Arthur Henderson, foreign secretary, and Rt. Hon. A. V. Alexander, first lord of the admiralty for Great Britain, and Dino Grandi, foreign minister, and Rear Admiral Giuseppe Siriana for Italy. Premier Mussolini himself, carried on part of the conversations. The proposals advanced by Great Britain, some reports said, specify a specified relationship to the British that of Great Britain and inasmuch as France previously has accepted a specified relationship to the British navy, fix indirectly the relationship between the Italian and French navies. It is understood that the Franco-Italian parity controversy is in effect postponed until 1935, when the entire naval treaty comes up for review. The agreement apparently eliminates at least for five years the threat of an Italian-French naval race. The London treaty, signed last April, prescribes limitation and reduction of naval armament for the United States, Great Britain and Japan and agreement on some phases of the naval disarmament problem among those three nations, France and Italy. Under the limitation clauses 8-inch gun cruiser tonnage is fixed at 146,800 for Great Britain, 150,000 for the United States and 103,400 for Japan. Six-inch cruiser tonnage: Great Britain, 192,000; United States, 145,500, and Japan, 100,450. Destroyers: Great Britain, 150,000; United States, 150,000; Japan, 105,500. Submarine tonnage is equal at \$2,700 for each of the three. France and Italy signed only those sections relating to "humanization" of submarines, a capital ship holiday and certain other technical phases. A new scheme of naval limitation whereby world powers will be asked to limit their maximum construction to 25,000-ton warships will be proposed by France, Britain, and Italy, it was learned at the foreign office recently.

## Machine Transmits Written Text on Radio

Detroit.—A machine which transmits written words by radio and reproduces them instantly at any distant point or points in the same manner as a telegraph printer circuit, has been perfected by Glenn W. Watson, local salesman. The sending apparatus resembles a typewriter, to which has been attached a revolving disc, and the receiving set is of similar construction. As the letter key on the sending machine is depressed, its characteristic impulse is sent over the air, causing the disc to revolve. When the impulse is received, the disc on the receiving set is turned so that the same letter is printed by the receiving apparatus. Each disc contains the normal characters found on a keyboard. The discs are perfectly synchronized and controlled by the radio waves, thus assuring exact reproduction of the message sent. When exhibited to local scientists here, the machine is believed likely to revolutionize transmission methods for police work or others requiring circuit connections within a limited area.

## Motoring Troubles

The motorist adopted pleading tactics. "I wish you'd overlook it this time, constable," he said. "As a matter of fact, I was hurrying to town on very important business." "Fraid I can't help that," said the policeman. "I never drive fast as a rule. But I've got to get to town quickly to see my solicitor." "Well," said the policeman, "you'll have a bit more news for him now."

## In the Same Boat

It was little Timothy's first day at school. Shortly after the opening of the first lesson he walked up to the school-teacher's desk and said: "I ain't got no pencil." The teacher, with a shocked expression on her face, said: "Oh, Timothy, I haven't a pencil!" A sympathetic look crossed the small boy's face, and he replied: "Ye ain't, either? Well, we're both in the same fix, ain't we?"

## Find Vitamin C In Peas and Beans

Washington.—Dried peas and beans can be endowed with some of the valuable food properties of fresh vegetables by the simple process of sprouting them, recent studies by the Bureau of Home Economics of the U. S. Department of Agriculture have revealed.

Ordinarily dried beans and peas are lacking in the valuable vitamin C, but the sprouting process in a measure produces this essential diet accessory. Complete absence of vitamin C in the diet results in scurvy, formerly the dread of sailors on long sea voyages, many persons endanger their health because of an unperceived deficiency of vitamin C in their diet. This food deficiency also is thought to be an important cause of tooth decay and of many cases of so-called rheumatism. Citrus fruits, tomatoes and raw cabbage have been recognized as important sources of vitamin C for a number of years, but until recently beans had not been considered as a possible source. To obtain vitamin source from dried beans and peas, the Bureau of Home Economics experimented with several methods of sprouting. One simple method was simply to roll up a sheet of cheesecloth sprinkled with dried beans, and keep moist until the sprouts were an inch long. Sprouted seeds, long used in Chinese dishes, have a mild flavor and make up into tasty dishes.

## Many Ontario People Receive Awards for Bravery

Hamilton.—Awards of bronze medals and parchment certificates for bravery were announced recently, when the annual meeting of the Royal Canadian Humane Association took place here. George E. Copley, Hamilton, President of the organization, presided, and the report of awards was presented by H. E. Waterman, Honorary Secretary. Medals: Bronze Medals: William James Hilton, Vancouver, for the rescue of Martha Wagner from drowning in the Canadian Pacific Railway docks, Vancouver. Thomas Harris Bulteel, Chapeau, for his rescue of George Samakeese from drowning in the Kebesquashing River, Chapeau. Denals H. Chivers, Humboldt, Sask., for his rescue of Wilhelm and Stefan Hansen from drowning in Waldsea Lake. Joseph R. Douglas, Webbwood, for his rescue of William Belch from in front of a train at Massey on Dec. 1, 1930. Emmie Bluns, Vancouver, for her heroic rescue of William B. Williams from a burning aeroplane, going from Victoria, B.C., to Seattle, Wash. Nellie Drake, Courtenay, B.C., for her rescue of Mrs. Irene Lennon from drowning in the river near the Dyke Mill. F. E. Lothian (deceased), Vancouver, for the attempted rescue of J. A. Hyndman (deceased) from drowning in Lynn Creek, North Vancouver, on April 23, 1929. The bronze medal was posthumously awarded to Mr. Lothian. Jacob Eby (deceased), Kitchener, posthumously awarded the bronze medal for the rescue of Ephraim Ernst from gas-filled well, Sewer Farm, Kitchener, Sept. 2, 1930. Ephraim Ernst, Kitchener, for his rescue of William Stevenson and Alban Meyer from gas-filled well, Sewer Farm, Kitchener, Sept. 2, 1930.

## Certificate

Parchment certificates: Melville C. Blachford and Leonard S. Plachford, Toronto, for rescue of Nancy and Jane Simcoe from drowning near Port Carling, Muskoka, July 12, 1930. Lloyd G. Fair, Grimsby, for the rescue of Miss Frances Bushman from drowning at Grimsby on Sept. 5, 1929. Fred B. Robinson, Moncton, N.B., for the rescue of Miss George B. Barnhill from in front of a train. William Cook and Dr. S. Kizer, Hamilton, for the rescue of Robert Scott and Lloyd Leach from drowning in Lake Ontario at Hamilton on June 23, 1930. Ruby Flinders, Montreal, for the rescue of Yetta Trachtenberg, Ida Shrybman and Sara Kapustin from drowning in the North River, near Shawbridge, Que. N. P. McDonald, Beeton, for the rescue of Keith Eric Rogers from drowning at Beeton on May 24, 1930. John McDonald, Winnipeg, for the rescue of Romaine Lanthier from drowning at Seven Sisters Falls. Dominic Sisty and Logie Serviss, Iroquois, for the rescue of Lester J. Watkins from drowning in the St. Lawrence Canal, Iroquois, Jan. 11, 1931. Aubrey Wilcox, Grimsby, for the rescue of three boys from drowning in Lake Ontario, Grimsby Beach, June 30, 1930. Archibald McDonald, Owen Sound, for the rescue of Cecil J. Mundle from drowning in the Sydenham River, Owen Sound, July 8, 1929. Stewart A. Thompson, Iroquois, for the rescue of Cecil Larabee from drowning in the river, Iroquois, June 4, 1930. Leonard Goble, Vancouver, for the rescue of Donald McAlpine from drowning in the Burrard Inlet, Vancouver. R. H. Manley, Westmount, Que., for the rescue of K. Fisher from drowning in Broome Lake, Knowlton, Que., August 31, 1930. Ira Smith, Clarendon, Alta., for rescue of David McKee from drowning in Willow Creek, near Clarendon, Alta. Arthur A. Lock, Toronto, for rescue of Miss Margaret J. Simmings from drowning in Rice Lake, Gore's Landing, July 19, 1930. Hugh H. Bailey and Walter Ronalds Whiting, Moncton, N.B., for the rescue of Miss Belle Mabee, from serious injury at Moncton. Harry Hagen, Wallaceburg, for the rescue of Donald Truman from drowning in the River Sydenham, Wallaceburg, January 13, 1931. Dorrance Bates, Grand Valley, for attempting to rescue Elgin West from drowning in the Grand River, Township of East Luther, June 14, 1930. Lawrence J. Herbert, Brantford, for the rescue of Clarence Edwards from drowning in the Grand River, Brantford, Jan. 2, 1931. Mr. Hambleton, Brantford, for resuscitating Clarence Edwards, after he had been rescued from drowning in the Grand River, Brantford, Jan. 2, 1931.

## A Doctors' Dinner-Party

Dinners for doctors depend largely—too largely—on luck. Get a member of the profession comfortably seated at the table and set an appetizing meal before him—and it's dollars to doughnuts that some urgent patient will desire his presence before dessert is served. Probably Mrs. H. W. Carter, wife of a Washington, North Carolina, physician, knew this all along. But if she didn't, she does now. Not long ago, says an Associated Press dispatch from Washington, "she invited several of Dr. Carter's fellow practitioners to dinner." Reading on: While the guests were awaiting the summons to the dining-room, the telephone rang. It was an emergency call for Dr. DeWitt Klutz, and he grabbed his hat. Two minutes later Dr. P. A. Nicholson was called to the phone. He disappeared in the wake of Dr. Klutz. Just as dinner was served, a call for Dr. D. T. Taylor, and before the oyster cocktails had been finished, Dr. E. W. Larkin also had to leave. "Well," began Mrs. Carter. "Just then the telephone rang again. Dr. Carter answered, seized his hat, and rushed out of the door. Mrs. Carter finished the dinner in solitary state. Taking a Risk The doctor stared hard at his client as the latter entered his surgery. "I perceive that you are in a very despondent mood," he commenced. "In fact, you don't seem to care what happens to you." "Good gracious!" the client gasped. "How on earth did you deduce that?" "You came here in a motor-car and you let our wife drive," he said.

## The Pleasure Was Theirs

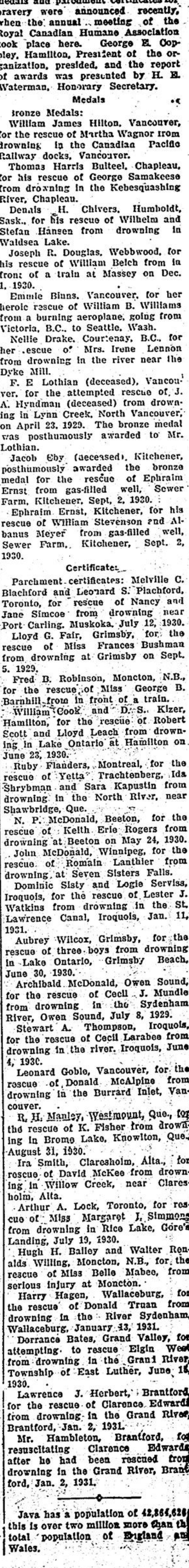
The mistress of the house rang the bell to call her maid. "Jane," she said, when the girl arrived, "did you tell those ladies who just called that I was not at home?" "Yes, ma'am," replied the girl. "What did they say?" asked the mistress. "They all smiled and said, 'How fortunate!' Jan," answered.

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