

# Voice of the Press

Canada, The Empire and The World at Large

## CANADA

### Children at the Wheel

A 14-year-old Chicago high school girl, driving an automobile along a public highway recently, struck a 7-year-old boy who was riding a bicycle. The boy was not badly injured, and witnesses said that the girl did everything an adult driver could have done to avoid hitting him. But, it preyed on her mind, and the tragic upshot was that after a sleepless night of brooding the girl committed suicide.

It is a pitiful story, and makes a sad commentary on the automobile age. Why should a child of 14 years be permitted to drive a car in heavy traffic—or for that matter in any kind of traffic? Handling an automobile these days is strictly a job for adults. The nervous strain that the accidents of the road can bring to a driver is something no child ought to have to shoulder. —Woodstock Sentinel-Review.

### Protectors Protected

Not newspapermen alone but the public generally will be interested in the new law put into effect recently in New Jersey—under which no court, grand jury, or other inquisitorial body could require any reported to divulge the source of confidential information used in news articles. This law simply recognizes what has long been the code of the news-gathering profession: that a reporter is in honor bound to protect the person from whom he gets information of legitimate interest to the public. It is a new bulwark for the freedom of the press.—Halifax Herald.

### Pepping Up Death Gamble

New trains to run 110 miles an hour are being planned for United States railroads. That should pep up the "Let's beat it to the crossing" fans.—Ottawa Citizen.

### Joke on the Buffalo

A couple of years ago, an expert was driven from Wawa to Michipicoten Falls one cold winter's day. The driver tucked the buffalo robe carefully around his passenger and climbed in. "Of course," says the efficiency man, "this is all wrong. There is really more warmth in a buffalo robe when you wear the hair inside and the skin outside." Mac looked at the engineer. "Well," he says, "it's quite a joke on the buffalo to have been wearing it wrong all these years."—Sault Ste. Marie Star.

### Return to Farms

In sixty years, the entire picture of Canadian life has changed. In 1871 there were 81 persons out of every hundred living in the country, while in 1931 there were nearly 54 out of every hundred in the cities and towns. Even these figures, impressive though they are, do not disclose the whole story, for the reason that persons living in small communities and unincorporated villages are recorded as rural dwellers. Actually, according to figures compiled by the Canadian Government Bureau of Statistics, only 31.7 of the whole population of Canada live on farms. There is, however, a noticeable return movement toward the farms now in progress.—Fredericton Gleaner.

### Why Accidents Happen

In the urban centres the pedestrians have rights which must be respected, but accidents constantly occur because pedestrians are careless or absorbed when crossing the streets. For their own safety they must develop eternal vigilance and caution.

The fatalities and injuries are not inevitable. That is the fact to recognize. Totalled up, these accidents are a ghastly story, they are also ghastly evidence of human lapses of one kind or another, and of the need of a sustained effort to inculcate habits of safe driving and safe walking.—Winnipeg Free Press.

### How's Your Vocabulary?

We read that broadcasting has added five hundred words to the average radio fan's vocabulary. Some say in Ottawa the total now exceeds six hundred.—Ottawa Journal.

### British Clocks

"It ever an industry saw opportunity and took it, the clock trade has done so," reports the secretary of the British Clock Manufacturers' Association, in sending for review a special number of a magazine published in the interests of the trade. The effects of the new British policy of modified protection, coupled with the advantage offered by the sterling exchange situation, have been truly remarkable. It is expected that in the course of the present year nearly one hundred times as many clocks will be produced in English factories as in the year 1930, the increase being from 28,000 to two and a half millions. Millions of pounds have been invested in the industry and foreign competition is being most successfully met, in spite of the fact that imported clocks are made to sell at ridiculously low prices. It is said, in some instances, that foreign timepieces are put on the market at about one-sixth the values asked five years ago. The competition, coming mainly from European countries, with Japan

steadily increasing its output. There are 25 factories now in that country, producing a million clocks a year.—Hamilton Spectator.

### Strawberries En Route

An Alabama woman who raises early strawberries for the market was overcome recently by the inquisitive streak that is popularly supposed to be a component part of the feminine make-up. As the Kitchener News-Record tells the story, a Goderich housewife bought a box of berries, for which she paid 29 cents. In the bottom of the box was a note. It was: "Please write me who bought this box and the price paid for it. We received 75 cents a crate of 24 boxes. Picked by Ruth Williams, Cullman, Alabama, Route 9."

A brief joust with mental arithmetic reveals that the grower received for her product just 3.125 cents per box. The spread, by the time the berries got to the table of the consumer, was just short of 26 cents. Not all of that, of course, was accountable to the profits of those who had handled the berries between patch and retail sale. Duty, exchange and transportation combined to roll up the price, and, of course, the middleman and distributing agents got their bits.—Hamilton Spectator.

## THE EMPIRE

### Increase in Motor-car Sales

There is at least one trade—the motor industry—which cannot be said to be suffering gravely from the general depression. More private cars were registered in March than in any single month hitherto, the total being 1,722 above that for the previous record month, March, 1929. In the first three months of the year 46,105 new cars were registered, a figure which falls below that of the peak year by only 42. The result is not so surprising as it appears, and cannot safely be taken as a sign of returning general prosperity. For in the years immediately preceding 1929 the motor habit was increasing rapidly and the registration figures going forward in a steep upward curve. The market was still very far below saturation point. In the ordinary course of events we should have expected a continuous expansion between 1929 and 1933. What actually happened was that there was some falling off after 1929, and that this deficiency is now being made good. For the industries concerned it is an encouraging sign so far as it goes, showing that the natural growth of the motoring habit is sufficient to counteract the trade slump.—The Spectator, London.

## U.S. and World Peace

America has now formally pledged herself to take from henceforth a direct active part in the guardianship of the peace of the world. That is the effect of Mr. Davis's statement. Mr. Davis promised in the name of his country to join others in abolishing aggressive weapons, to consult with others in case of a threat to peace, and to "participate in a system of supervision to ensure the faithful carrying out of any measures of disarmament." The last is clearly the most important of these obligations. An American representative on the Permanent Commission of Control will be a solid guarantee of America's active, practical concern in the work of disarmament.—The News-Chronicle.

## THE UNITED STATES

### Newspaper Advertising

We learn that starting June 1 Montgomery Ward and Company will discontinue advertising through handbills and give 100 per cent. concentration upon newspaper advertising. Officials of the company, with 500 stores in 46 states, assert this new policy is a test and they will continue it for at least a year, if it yields results. The placing of the newspaper contracts hereafter will be from the central office. Copy will be sent in mail form to retail managers a month in advance for merchandising purposes and for insertion of local prices on specified items. Releases will be on a monthly schedule, and frequency of insertion will depend somewhat upon local competitive conditions.

All right, newspapers will gladly accept the challenge. It will pay out handsomely, if the central control is intelligent and keenly alert to the fact that local merchandising is often a hair-trigger business. There is no comparison between the pulling power of a good daily and a handbill, assuming that the copy is right and released scientifically. Montgomery Ward and Company are set for what the hunter calls a killing.—Editor and Publisher (New York).

### "Long, Long Trail" Author Dies of Sleeping Sickness

Spokane, Wash.—Shodard King, humorist, newspaper columnist and author of "There's a Long, Long Trail," is dead, a victim of sleeping sickness. King succumbed at his home here last week nearly five months after he was stricken with the disease.

Remember, you cannot have ability unless you do what Lincoln did—study and prepare yourself.—Van Amburgh.

## Pneumonia Serum Cuts Death Rate

### Two Year Experiments Prove Injections Successful in Treating "Type One"

Milwaukee.—The possibility of cutting in half the death rate from at least one of the four major types of pneumonia by injection of serum into the veins of patients was announced last week before the American Medical Association.

The results of two years' experiments to learn the practical value of the serum treatment for pneumonia, which ranks second as the cause of death among people in early adult life, were reported by Drs. Gaylor Anderson and Roderick Heffron of Boston, Mass. The tests were made to determine the advisability of continuing the production of the serum, usually made from the blood of horses by an expensive process.

The study showed that there were less than half as many deaths among patients treated with the serum for type one pneumonia as among patients not given the serum. It also was fairly successful in the treatment of type two, but did not produce so great a reduction in deaths. The serum is usually considered chiefly valuable in treating these two types.

The great problem, now that the serum's usefulness has been proved, the doctors said, is to develop a method for wider distribution of the serum, while conserving the supply as much as possible because of its high cost.

Serum offers the only practical method of controlling pneumonia, which outranks all other infectious diseases except tuberculosis as a cause of death.

More than half the cases of pneumonia in young people are type one or type two, so it is advised that the serum shall be given even before it is determined what type has attacked a patient.

## Hailstorm Costs Ottawa \$90,000

### Worst Storm in History Shatters Glass of Hotbeds—Young Plants Ruined

Ottawa.—Last week the worst hailstorm in the memory of the oldest inhabitant, with the heavens discharging frozen projectiles the size of hens' eggs, wrecked the hopes of hundreds of market gardeners in suburban Ottawa and caused damage estimated at \$90,000 in the Village of Cyrville alone. The glass in thousands of hotbeds was shattered and the young plants flattened, while numerous green houses collapsed under the bombardment with their contents ruined.

Joseph Cyr, prominent market gardener of Cyrville, president of the Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Growers' Association, suffered heavy loss and declared that the village was practically ruined so far as this season was concerned. The work of months had been destroyed together with much valuable equipment.

## English Firm Solves Black Smoke Nuisance

Sheffield, Eng.—An innovation in smoke prevention has been brought to a high state of efficiency by a Sheffield firm. Applied to locomotives and to marine boilers on tugboats, complete elimination of black smoke is claimed.

The apparatus is easily fitted, requires no structural alteration to the interior of the boiler or interference with the fires or grates, and is automatic. The system is one of introducing steam-driven secondary air over the fire in such a manner that it is pre-treated and meets the volatile gases as they are given off from the fresh fired coal with considerable turbulence.

Black smoke is never formed, the efficiency of the boiler is increased owing to better combustion, and in many cases the use of cheaper fuel has been possible, thus adding to the economy obtained.

## Industrial Drive Organized

### Plans Started to Rebuild Economic Structure

Washington, June 18.—President Roosevelt's campaign to put millions of men back to work "before the snow flies" will begin in earnest this week in perhaps the greatest economic and social experiment in history.

For all practical purposes, the economic structure of the country is to be made over.

The campaign is concentrated here. The capital today was reminiscent of war-time Washington. There was the tense and buoyant air of a great adventure as the "generals" of the national recovery plan and their aides eschewed golf and other recreation and spent the day in hastily-provided headquarters in government buildings.

A seven-day week will be the schedule of those who are seeking to establish the five-day week for American industry.

## Mother and Son Killed in Smash

### Sun Rays Blamed When Cars Collide Near Brighton—Three Injured

Belleville.—Two persons were killed and three injured Friday night in a head-on collision between two motor cars four and one-half miles west of Brighton. The injured were brought to hospital in Belleville.

Those killed were Mrs. Edith Patterson of Kingston and her eight-year-old son, James. Thomas Martin, a Toronto teacher, whose home is at 40 Parks Street North, Belleville, driving alone in one of the cars, suffered two broken ribs, a broken arm and severe cuts and bruises.

Dr. C. J. Haig, Oklahoma City, Okla., driver of the other car suffered scalp injuries, severe bruises and cuts from flying glass, and 15-year-old Jack Patterson, brother of the dead boy, received scalp wounds and cuts. The Patterson family were all passengers in Dr. Haig's car.

Dr. Haig, a graduate of Queen's University, Kingston, and for the past two years a teacher at Oklahoma University, was returning to Kingston accompanied by Mrs. Patterson and her two sons. It is believed he was temporarily blinded by the rays of the setting sun, and pulled his car to the left side of the highway into the path of that driven by Martin.

Martin, alone in his car, was returning to Belleville after completing his year as a teacher in Toronto. The cars were reduced to a mass of twisted wreckage by the impact, but none of the occupants was thrown clear and were found jammed in the ruins.

## B.B.C. to Broadcast Canadian Pageant

### Historical Review of the Dominion to be Given in London July 1st

A picture of Canada in 1953 as reflected in the Canadian National Exhibition of that year will be broadcast at midnight on July 1st, (London time) by the British Broadcasting Corporation as one of two most elaborate radio programs ever devised by the famous British institution. It is timed to coincide with the anniversary of the Dominion's birth.

Written by a former young Torontonian, E. D'Arcy Sullivan, son of the well-known Canadian writer, Alan Sullivan, plans for an inspiring historical pageant of Canada are well advanced. E. J. King-Bull is co-operating with Mr. Sullivan as producer.

After the opening address by High Commissioner G. Howard Ferguson, the story of the 250 years of Canada's history opens with King Charles granting the Hudson Bay charter to Prince Rupert with whom are Captains Stannard and Gilliam. There follows a thrilling moment when, in 1743, Explorer La Verendrye and his three sons are the first white men to set eyes on the Rockies. Scottish traders on the shore of Hudson Bay will be heard seven years later receiving the news of Wolf's capture of Quebec. Another graphic episode will be Canada's entry into the Great War.

## Carloadings Show Good Movement

### Transportation Mail Lines Reflects Increasing Confidence of Buying Public

Ottawa, June 19.—The transportation situation in Canada is showing considerable improvement and reflects the increasing confidence of the buying public and improving internal and external commerce, according to a bulletin issued by the department of trade and commerce. Carloadings for the week ending June 10, numbered 40,842 cars, an increase of nearly 2,000 cars over the preceding week and representing the largest movement of freight in 34 weeks.

"Movement of merchandise freight, representing as it does the shipments from manufacturers to wholesalers and from wholesalers to retailers, showed a marked improvement," proceeds the bulletin. "Movement of merchandise by railroad has climbed to nearly three-quarters of normal, while that shipped by canal boats in May was approximately double that of the corresponding month last year."

"Lower values for rents and fuel have reduced the costs of living in Canada from 78.6 in April to 77.6 in May on the Dominion Bureau of Statistics index. The retail value of food, however, was slightly higher, in keeping with improved prices for agricultural produce.

Do not despair if you fall once. Your repentance will be a more beautiful act than any you have yet done. Begin self-improvement, not by cultivating noble impulses, but by ruthlessly cutting away all evil that is in you.

## Athlete Killed In Car Accident

### Maurice Becker, 18, of Ottawa Loses Control of Car—Companion Thrown Clear—Other Accidents

Ottawa, June 18.—Losing control of the automobile he was driving, Maurice Becker, 18, a versatile St. Patrick's College athlete, was killed here late Saturday night, and a companion, George Kieff, also a student of the same college, escaped miraculously when he was thrown through a window of the car and landed on his feet. Both youths were of Ottawa.

According to Kieff, Becker suddenly lost control, the wheel slipping from his hands. He jammed on the brakes in an effort to bring the car to a stop, but the machine somersaulted against the curb and turned over twice more.

Kieff was thrown out when the vehicle hit the curb. Police said young Becker was thrown out also, his head hitting the curb and fracturing his skull. Death was instantaneous. The crash attracted nearby residents, who rushed into the street to render what aid they could. King Clancy Toronto Maple Leafs hockey player, who was visiting nearby, was one of the first to reach the scene.

St. Thomas, June 18.—Gerald Jacobs, 5-year-old Yarmouth Centre boy, was knocked down by a car driven by Henry E. Hart of Syracuse, N.Y., this afternoon, and removed to the Memorial Hospital for observation. Young Jacobs was walking on the highway with his sister when the Hart car approached. The lad stopped apparently to let the car pass, only to dart forward as the car was almost opposite him. The car passed over the boy, the wheels straddling his little body. It is expected that the boy will make a recovery.

### Three Severely Injured.

London, Ont., June 18.—One man is dying, two others are under hospital treatment and lives of ten, in all, were imperilled in a spectacular midnight collision at the junction of No. 22 and No. 4 Highway, three miles north of London.

No hope is held for the recovery of Lorrie McKay, age 28, of 936 Oxford Street, driver of one of the machines, which hurtled into a ditch upside down.

A moment after six had been pulled from the wreckage, the car was destroyed by fire. Michael Barratta, 16 Dundas Street, and Marian Campbell, 2 Brighton Street, are also in St. Joseph's Hospital, Barratta with cuts about the head and possibly fractured ribs, and Miss Campbell with many cuts and bruises. Margaret Forest and Marion Parker, nurses in training at the Ontario Hospital, were other members of McKay's party who received minor hurts.

### Occupant Vanishes.

A man named Scott, who was sixth in the party, disappeared from the scene soon after the crash, and became the object of an anxious search when the report spread that he had been burned to death in the wreck. The occupants of the other car were Jacob Vincent, 1278 King Street, Preston, and his wife, and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bayham of Dashwood. Bayham was in the rumber seat and was thrown clear with minor hurts as the car rolled over and finally came to rest on its wheels. Vincent and the two women, who were in the front seat, sustained only slight hurts.

Michael Barratta, a well known rugby player, dragged himself from the wreckage and though severely injured pulled McKay out and then the two girls. A moment later as Lin Towle, of London Township, peered under the car in search of other victims it burst into flames, scorching Towle, who reached safety with difficulty.

Inspector T. G. P. Lucas and Traffic Officer J. L. Whitty investigated the case.

## Jobs and Wages Show Recovery

### U.S. Labor Secretary Reports They Are Far in Excess of Seasonal

Washington.—An increase in employment and payrolls in manufacturing industries in May, reflecting the first substantial gain in any one month since January, 1932, was reported last week by Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins.

Miss Perkins described the increase as "far in excess of the normal trend at this season of the year," but warned against over-optimism, declaring that the statistics "should not be interpreted as meaning that the course out of the industrial crisis of the past years is clear."

The secretary's bureau of labor statistics, which canvassed 89 of the principal manufacturing industries of the country, reported an increase of 4.8 per cent. in employment and 11.5 per cent. in payrolls in May over April, 1933.

A portion of this advance, Miss Perkins explained, should be regarded as a recovery from the precipitate decline in employment payrolls following the bank holiday in early March.

## Toronto Athlete Wins U.S. Marathon

### Tireless Finn Sprints Last 100 Yards for Margin of 15 Seconds

Washington, June 18.—A lean, tireless runner from Toronto maintained his reputation as the most consistent marathoner on the North American continent. He was Dave Komonen, former Canadian national champion, who chugged home in a \$40 automobile, carrying with him the emblem of the United States Amateur Athletic Union marathon championship he won Saturday.

Komonen, along with Percy Wyer, 98-poung Toronto running idol and other Monarch Athletic Club mates, scraped together the \$40 with which to buy the car to come here and enter the grind when they were unable to secure sufficient funds for train fare. Their confidence in themselves was amply rewarded. Komonen ran into exhaustion a field of 87 runners, including a majority of the best distance men in the Eastern United States.

The diminutive Wyer finished fifth, while another Torontonian, Dick Wilding, was seventh.

Komonen, however, did not win the classic without a terrific battle. Little Mell Porter of the Irish-American A.C. of Newark, N.J., fought stubbornly the entire 26 miles 385 yards, to lose only when the Toronto man burst loose with a mighty sprint in the last 100 yards.

## The Markets

### PRODUCE PRICES.

Toronto dealers are buying produce at the following prices:

Eggs—Prices to farmers and country shippers: Ungraded, cases returned, fresh extras, 14c; fresh firsts, 12c; seconds, 10c; cracks, 9c. Graded, cases free, 16c for fresh extras, 14c to 14 1/2c for fresh firsts, 12c for seconds. Butter—No. 1 Ontario creamery solids, 19c; No. 2, 18 1/2c. Churning cream—Special, 18 to 19c; No. 1, 17 to 18c; No. 2, 14 to 15c; L-o-b. shipping points.

Cheese—No. 1 large colored paraffined and government graded, 11c; fine, 11 1/2c; triple's, 11 1/2c.

Poultry—"A" grade, alive—1933: Spring broilers, over 3 1/2 lbs., 18c; over 3 to 3 1/2 lbs., 16c; over 2 1/2 to 3 lbs., 13c; over 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 lbs., 11c. Fowl, fatted, over 5 lbs., 10c; over 4 to 5 lbs., 9c; over 3 to 4 lbs., 8c. Old roosters, 5c. Turkeys, market price. Squabs, per pair, 25c. Pigeons, per pair, 15c.

Poultry, "A" grade, dressed—Fowl, fatted, over 5 lbs., 12c; over 4 to 5 lbs., 11c; over 3 to 4 lbs., 10c. Old roosters, 8c. Turkeys, market price. "B" grade, 2c lb. less than "A". "C" grade, 2c lb. less than "B".

GRAIN QUOTATIONS.

Following are Saturday's closing quotations on grain transactions for car lots, prices on basis c.i.f. bay ports.

Man. wheat—No. 1 hard, 72 1/2c; No. 1 North, 68 1/2c; No. 2 North, 63 1/2c; No. 3 North, 67 1/2c.

Man. oats—No. 2 C.W., 32 1/2c; No. 3 C.W., 30 1/2c; No. 1 feed, 29 1/2c; No. 2 feed, 28 1/2c; mixed feed oats, 21c.

Man. barley—No. 3 C.W., 40 1/2c; No. 1 feed screenings, \$14.75 per ton. South African corn, 67c.

Ontario grain, approximate prices truck shipping point—Wheat, 65 to 67c; oats, 28 to 30c; barley, 33 to 42c; corn, 56 to 58c; rye, 35 to 38c; buckwheat, 30 to 32c.

HAY AND STRAW PRICES.

Toronto dealers are paying for hay and straw, baled, car lots, delivered, per ton: No. 2 timothy, \$8.50; No. 3 timothy, \$6 to \$7; wheat straw, \$6 to \$6.50; oat straw, \$6.

LIVE STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Steers, up to 1,050 lbs., good and choice, \$4.75 to \$5; do, med., \$4.25 to \$4.50; do, com., \$3.50 to \$4.25; steers, over 1,050 lbs., good and choice, \$4.85 to \$5.25; do, med., \$4.50 to \$4.75; do, com., \$4 to \$4.25; heifers, good and choice, \$4.75 to \$5; do, med., \$4.25 to \$4.50; do, com., \$3.50 to \$4; fed calves, good and choice, \$5.25 to \$5.60; do, med., \$4.50 to \$5; cows, good, \$3 to \$3.50; do, med., \$2.50 to \$3; do, com., \$1.75 to \$2.25; stocker and feeder steers, good, \$4 to \$4.25; do, com., \$3.25 to \$3.75; milkers and springers, \$25 to \$45; calves, good and choice, \$4 to \$5; do, com., \$2 to \$2.25; hogs, bacon, f.o.b., \$5 to \$5.10; do, off trucks, \$5.25 to \$5.35; do, off cars, \$5.50 to \$5.60; good ewe and wether lambs, \$9; do, med., \$8 to \$8.50; culls, \$5 to \$5.50; good light sheep, \$2; do, heavies, each \$1 to \$1.50; do, culls, 50c to 75c.

## Flu-Preventive Is Now Claimed

London, June 18.—Effective treatment for influenza is reported to have been found, following extensive experiments in the National Institute of Medical Research.

Officials remained silent, but it was understood they had succeeded in transmitting the virus to animals and then cured them.

The tests were said to insure an effective preventive medicine, although isolation of the germ itself has not yet been achieved.

A successful cure could save Great Britain alone millions of pounds sterling. Insurance companies paid \$1,500,000 in January and February on policies held by persons who died of influenza.

## Heat Wave Hits Prairie Provinces

### Thermometer 104—Farmers Work Fields at Night to Avoid Terrific Heat

Winnipeg, June 17.—Summer's first sustained heat attack had taken a firm grip on the Canadian West to night. The wave had claimed at least one life and threatened damage to sprouting wheat crops as Old So closed the mercury in a dizzy ascent to new high marks.

The heat was most pronounced in Alberta and Saskatchewan where torrid weather has persisted for five successive days. Already scorched by the burning rays, prairie citizens gasped as thermometers recorded century marks and better at 13 widely scattered points.

First death from prostration was reported at Lethbridge in Southern Alberta, where Mike Kukuro, best worker, succumbed to the intense heat. Heat "honors" for the Dominion went to Kindersley, in Saskatchewan, where the temperature had risen to 104 degrees, a new record for the date.

High readings of 102 were registered at Medicine Hat, in Southern Alberta, and at Empress, Elbow, Kamloops, Consul, Shaunavon and Moose Jaw, in Saskatchewan. Heat was most oppressive in the cities. In the country, farmers herded their cattle to nearby watering places, preferring to work their fields at night to escape the burning sun.

There was a cooler side to the weather report, too. Ice was reported still in the river at Churchill, Manitoba's baby seaport, and along the coast of Hudson Bay in the vicinity of the port. The temperature at Churchill was 38, with cool northwest winds prevailing.

## Gandhi's Son Weds High Caste Brahmin

Poona, India.—Devi Das Gandhi, youngest son of the Mahatma Gandhi, on June 16 married a daughter of Raja Gopal Achariar, a high caste Brahmin and one of the Mahatma's oldest friends.

Full Hindu rites were observed, except that there was no gift to the bride and no dowry.

Handsomeness young Devi Das first underwent a purification ceremony, virtually becoming a Brahmin, one of the first of the four castes in India. Early last year Devi Das' patriotism triumphed over his romance with the beautiful 20-year-old girl who has become his bride, when he deliberately courted arrest for civil disobedience.

The Mahatma himself played a leading role in the romance a few hours before his own arrest in connection with the civil disobedience campaign, when he gave Devi Das in marriage, and the ceremony was to have followed at the earliest opportunity.

His father-in-law was once the president of the National Congress. The Mahatma, according to latest reports, is recovering from a three week's fast in protest against untouchability.

## New and Better Banana

Trinidad, B.W.I.—A new banana has been discovered here which promises to meet export trade requirements, including the ability to withstand reasonably rough handling. Its flavor is said to be better than the already known varieties. At a naturalist's meeting at which the discovery was announced, it was stated that the Trinidad Department of Agriculture is testing the new banana. Shipments of bananas from here have so far been purely experimental, and the fruit have been mostly Gros Michel variety.

## Thousands at Work On Province's Road

Quebec.—With an estimated 7,000 to 8,000 men employed, repair work on the province's network of highways is now in progress all over Quebec, it was stated by J.-L. Boulanger, Deputy Minister of Roads and Mines, last week.

The men are paid at rates varying from 20 cents an hour upwards, depending on the type of work. These workers do not come under the new plan announced recently by Premier Taschereau, whereby they are paid only half their wages during the working period and receive the rest later.

## Remedy For Diabetes Is Distributed Free

London, Ont.—A report issued by Dr. A. J. Slack, director of the faculty, shows that the Institute of Public Health during the past year distributed more than 2,491,200 units of insulin for diabetic patients throughout Western Ontario. A total of 59,951 examinations were given to patients from 180 municipalities.

## A Long Survey Line

Ottawa.—The Second Meridian of the Dominion Lands system of survey has been surveyed northerly from the international boundary to the north bank of Kamuhawic lake in township 85, a distance of over 500 miles. This lake, which lies across the Manitoba-Saskatchewan provincial boundary, and the northern terminus of the surveyed meridian are shown on the Reindeer Lake South map sheet recently issued by the Topographical Survey, Dept. of the Interior, Ottawa.