

The Papers Say

EDITORIAL COMMENT FROM
HERE, THERE AND
EVERYWHERE.

Blondes Vanish

The new models of motor cars appear in the advertisements without a blonde on the running board, suggesting at least the motor car has reached a state of perfection that enables it to stand on its own merits.—Kitchener Record.

Incompetent Drivers

The Department of Highways now requires every driver who has had a bad accident record to be examined by a doctor to see if any physical defect is responsible for the accidents. This suggests that it might be a good thing of those using the highways, if more attention was paid to the physical qualifications of all who drive motor vehicles. Why wait until a driver has established a reputation for accidents before subjecting him to an examination regarding his physical fitness? Plain, ordinary common sense suggests that the time for such an examination is before and not after an accident. In which, perhaps, there has been a loss of life.—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Music and Milk

Science gains much by accident. An Indiana farmer is now getting five gallons of milk instead of the three he used to get before he began milking just outside his back door, where his two cows could hear the radio. But he didn't locate the cows there for their amusement, but his own. In a scientific spirit this column now suggests trying bagpipes on the two cows. Or on the farmer, if you prefer.—Sault Star.

Housing in Quebec

It will be admitted that in Canada we are already behind from the point of view of sanitary lodgings. This delay may be due to a number of causes. It is only recently that the housing crisis became serious; it followed the exodus of country people to the cities. But the crisis is none the less severe. In many centres construction has not kept pace with the increase in population, and before the economic crisis, working men and the poor succeeded in housing themselves much more easily than today. The Federal Government has had the happy idea of choosing the building of sanitary lodgings as a means of lessening the unemployment crisis. For it must not be overlooked that in aiding the population to live in more hygienic dwelling places and more agreeable ones, the public authorities are contributing to procure work for a large number of men, and that they are encouraging all the industries which are allied to those of construction. Let us hope that Quebec will enter upon this movement shortly and with all its power.—L'Evenement, Quebec.

Soars Through Clouds



Like a giant bird with its wings spread, Art Johnson is shown as he flew for 200 feet through the snow filled clouds at Big Pines, Cal. Johnson's spectacular leap won him third place in the invitation ski tournament.

South Africa and Immigration

On the Rand we do not want any more newcomers for the present, either from overseas or from other parts of South Africa, unless they have assured jobs waiting for them. It may be that the decentralization of secondary industry—recently much discussed—will provide a solution. Anxious as we are to see the Rand grow and thrive and prosper, it is as well to remember before it is too late that the Rand cannot continue indefinitely to carry the rest of the Union on its back. The prosperity of the Rand and the prosperity of the rest of the country are, in point of actual fact, interdependent. We must avoid the mistake of Australia, where almost the entire population is concentrated in a few large cities. Increased and more diffused industrial activity should readily attract a larger population of the desired type, which in turn will lead to an increased demand for raw materials and food. What is needed at the moment is a strong lead from the Government.

Wife Ends His Career

The passing of Mrs. J. T. Carroll recalls the history in Vancouver of an interesting pioneer couple. Her late husband, Dr. Carroll, was a busy physician, one of the group consisting of Dr. Duncan Bell-Irving, Dr. Johnson and Dr. H. E. Langis, all now dead except Dr. Langis, who is still hale and hearty at 79.

In 1898, Dr. Carroll was bitten by the political bug, this being about the time that Dr. R. E. McKechnie, now of Vancouver, was first running for office in Nanaimo.

The News-Advertiser, Vancouver morning paper, was friendly to the candidacy of Dr. Carroll for mayor. F. L. Carter-Cotton was proprietor of the morning paper of that day.

One night Mr. Cotton and Dr. Carroll were in conference and they called in a young reporter to dictate an announcement about Dr. Carroll's proposed candidacy. The reporter took his notes, but then remarked: "The only trouble about this announcement is that Mrs. Carroll was on the phone a few minutes ago to say that no matter what we heard from any source about Dr. Carroll running for mayor, there was nothing to it. She said he was not going to run."

"Did she say that?" huskily repeated Dr. Carroll, who was a towering man of huge frame. He turned to the editor and said: "I guess I had better go home and find out."

Mr. Cotton had to find another candidate for that election—Lethbridge Herald.

Florida and the Soo

—You may have your snowbanks and blizzards, Your coughs and your colds and your flu.

But take it from me I would much rather be Down here in the sun. Wouldn't you? W. J. McCormack.

St. Petersburg, Florida, Jan. 11. (Dear Bill, Had to pay 2 cents postage on your card. This is the warmest January in 40 years. However, there are neither rattlers nor jiggers in the grass, no alligators in the rivers. Sun is so bright a fellow needs to hunt the shady side of the street. The boss shoes have taken a rest, but there is great curling, skating and hockey. It must be terrible down south to just have to sit around and play cribbage.—Editor.) —Sault Ste. Marie Star.

Canada's Young People

Edward Bird, a young Englishman, after travelling in Canada, has an article in the Nineteenth Century about life among the young people in this country. That which most impressed him was the extent to which boys and young men spend their holidays canoeing and camping in the north country, where lakes, streams and forests abound. He tells of the camps for boys on Lake Timagami and elsewhere in the north. The young fellows learn canoeing, woodcraft, and above all acquire self-confidence. He found children aged six swimming and diving well. What he felt was that the young in Canada are looking forward confidently to the fine future ahead of this country. They do not have any doubt about it.—Toronto Star Weekly.

Blinding Headlights

Blinding headlights continue to claim victims on Ontario highways with monotonous regularity in spite of the fact that they are supposed to be illegal and that there are supposed to be officers responsible for enforcing such a regulation.—Brockville Recorder.

Bell's Prophecy

Sending photographs over an ordinary telephone wire was something that even Bell himself would have been loath to prophecy, although he did predict in the early stages of the invention that a single human voice would be ultimately heard around the world.—Brantford Expositor.

Concern For A Dog

A curious incident, according to a cable dispatch from Madrid, held up hostilities for a time on that blood-drenched battleground. It seems that somehow or other a collie dog had wandered on to the danger zone and was rushing back and forth between the opposing trenches in a state of terror. Both sides ceased fire for a whole hour, but the dog refused to leave and was eventually despatched. It is strange to reflect that men who would not hesitate for an instant to kill each other should instinctively refrain from killing a trapped animal. There is, then, a certain remnant of chivalry still surviving.—Hamilton Spectator.

The Empire and the World

The Empire does not involve the world in its domestic problems and crises. Other nations have diverted the discontent of citizens by precipitating crises with neighbouring or weaker nations, but the Empire has kept its domestic troubles within its own boundaries. Even though unemployment and poverty within the Empire have been exploited by the enemies of the British system, the Empire has not retaliated but has gone on in its quiet dignity and brought its enemies to reluctant acknowledgment that the integrity of the Empire is essential even to the welfare of those who would be its enemies, not as a nation but as the exponent of an opposing order. Thus it goes: enemies, rivals, competitors, all know that were the Empire to falter in its stride the peace of the world would diminish. The Empire is the driving-wheel, the motive power, and the safety-valve of international production and welfare.—Melbourne Argus.

Safe Walking Taught In School

The Christian Science Monitor writes—Highway safety will be taught in the public schools of North Carolina, the teaching material to be furnished by Arthur Fulk, director of the highway safety division of the State Department of Revenue. Special booklets have been prepared.

"We are planning to confer with State Superintendent Clyde A. Erwin, with a view to securing the co-operation of the Department of Public Instruction," Mr. Fulk said. "We will suggest that this department use its influence to get the teachers to give definite instructions in safe walking and safe driving in at least one elementary grade and one high school grade, although we believe that some safety instruction should be given in every elementary grade, beginning with the first. Emphasis should be placed on safety in walking, roller skating and bicycling up to the sixth grade and in the seventh additional information should be imparted to the students, emphasizing the importance of safe driving."



IT'S A FACT

By Ken Edwards

It looks as though sparks will fly any time now on the heavyweight horizon. It seems that Braddock and Schmeling were matched to fight in New York on June 3rd for the title, now however, plans have been made for Braddock and Louis to battle out in Chicago on June 15th hence Schmeling is all hot under the collar and reports have it that Maxie will take the Zeppelin "Hindenburg" on a 48-hour trip to New York to try and stop the fight.

Maxie, Baer, who is on the comeback trail, just had his 100-suit wardrobe destroyed by fire, along with the home of Ancil Hoffman, his manager. With this cramp Maxie's style? NOT MUCH!

The popular question that is always being asked at this office is: "In a six-day bicycle race how many miles would each rider travel?" This question was answered only the other day by Torchy Feden, who estimated the mileage to be somewhere between 2300 and 2600 miles per rider.

When it comes to top salaries for managers in baseball, Joe McCarthy scoops up the marbles with a high \$25,000 a year.

Fact..... In New Orleans one of their high school football games drew a crowd of 33,000 fans..... When Jim Londas cleaned up North America and had the championship dangling from his belt he turned his head toward South America, next to his home in Greece; now we see he is in South Africa "busting" more bones, and not his own, either.

Life is sweet, tho', isn't it? Yeah! They only want \$99.00 for a box at the Kentucky Derby this year..... quick! gimme six, I've got long 'eggs! So-long again.

Juliana's Honeymoon



Princess Juliana, the future Queen of Holland, and her husband, Prince Bernhard zur Lippe Biesterfeld, pictured skiing at Krynica, popular Polish winter resort in the Carpathians where they are spending part of their honeymoon.

This Week's News In Review

Toronto Leads

OTTAWA — According to a statement issued on income tax collections for ten months ending January 31st, Toronto leads the list with a total of \$31,787,865, an increase of \$7,663,236. Montreal was second with \$25,211,996 and other districts — Kingston, \$323,676; Belleville, \$421,266; Hamilton, \$6,358,673; London, \$3,602,476.

\$10,000 Damage

KITCHENER — Damage was estimated at \$10,000 when fire broke out in the Brandt Furniture Company plant here. The plant is housed in a building which was used as a church when first erected in 1834.

To Protect Quints

TORONTO — It is announced by the Hon. David Croft, that the Ontario Government is seeking Federal Legislation to prevent business firms from using the name quints, quins or quintlets in unauthorized exploitation. A bill to incorporate the famous babies will be put through Parliament.

Western Voices Richer

EDMONTON — According to Major W. E. Gladstone Murray, General Manager of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, Western Canadians have better speaking voices than Eastern Canadians. "They are richer, rounder," says the Major.

Dead At 63

TORONTO — This week, Internationally known race-horse owner, Edward Froude Seagram, President of J. E. Seagram & Sons, Limited, Waterloo distillers, died here at the age of 63, after an operation for stomach ulcer.

Five Still Grips Britain

LONDON — Last week's death toll of 1,155 shows that the influenza epidemic in Great Britain is still severe. Reports for the previous week had listed 1,137 victims.

Bear Down on Slot Machines

OSHAWA — On Tuesday, the Oshawa City Council made an amendment to the by-law licensing slot machines; calling for a fee of \$50 for each machine, instead of \$30 for the first and \$25 for each additional device. The amendment was made in an effort to check the use of the machines here. The amendment forbids any person under eighteen years of age from operating them, and restricts their use to the hours between six a.m. and eleven p.m. during weekdays only.

Biggest In Empire

TORONTO — According to confirmed reports received here from the Turner Valley field, Alberta, the largest crude producing well in the British Empire was brought in this week, one of the most important economic events in the history of Alberta, or of the West.

New Lease Given Fair

BRAMPTON — While it had appeared that the Peel County Agricultural Fair's discontinuance this year was likely, W. L. Wilkinson, the president, now declares matters are very much brighter, with the assurance that assistance will be forthcoming from county municipalities. Already the Peel County Council has voted the \$500, and Brampton Town Council has decided to vote \$268, which in effect will offset the local taxation for road improvement. "I am almost certain I will not be misled if I predict that the fair will be held as usual, after all of our worries," said Mr. Wilkinson.

Temple Meads Station at Bristol, England, is the largest covered freight depot in the world.

Canadian Girls To Have Training

National Employment Commission Finds Unwillingness To Work As Domestic

VICTORIA. — Too many Canadian girls want business positions and not enough are willing to go into domestic service, according to Mrs. Mary Sutherland of the National Employment Commission. Mrs. Sutherland, a resident of Wells, B.C., asserted that handling of the female unemployment problem depends upon the work of local organizations that can deal with the individual cases. The Commission is interested in training girls for domestic service. A number of classes had been established and are doing an excellent work.

"Placement of women in suitable employment is much more difficult to do than placement of men," Mrs. Sutherland said. "Avenues of employment are fewer and it is not the work of the Commission to create new industries. You can't place several thousand women in forestry, mining and farming occupations as in the case of men." The National Unemployment Commission's objective, she said, was to find suitable jobs for capable persons in existing industries.

Advices Study Of Information

Child Psychologist Considers The Emotional Soundness of Parents Essential

NEW YORK. — Dr. Miller Fisher, child psychologist, told a conference of the American Birth Control League recently that birth control information should be made available to the young people so they could get married in these economic and socially maladjusted times.

An instructor at Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville, N.Y. Dr. Fisher said many married persons require birth control information because of the fact that they have not settled their emotional problems and need time to become adjusted to the marriage status before they have children.

"The young child needs an emotionally sound mother even more than a physically sound one," he added.

Women Should Form Union To Educate The Modern Man

CHICAGO — The Rev. Clinton C. Cox has proposed that women "unionize to get men away from their present idea that they are doing a girl a favor when they take her out."

Rev. Cox said the growing attitude of men toward women is illustrated by the following story:—

"A young chap, seeking the advice from his uncle, related he had taken a girl out to dinner and a show. 'Should I kiss her good-night?'" the nephew asked. "No," replied the uncle. "Don't you think you have done enough for her for one night?"

Women's new-found freedom and modernism has turned out to be something of a green persimmon, Mr. Cox averred. "Women don't want men to treat love and marriage as casually as is the present tendency," he said.

"Women should unionize to change this tendency," he said. "The lone girl, who prefers to stay at home rather than go to a show with a man if she has to pay with a kiss, can't, single-handed bring about a changed attitude. She is more liable to be a wallflower or an old maid."

A penknife weighing 42 pounds and having 1,851 blades is the largest ever made. It is valued at more than \$7,500.

Written Exams Soon To Go

Writes the Sarnia Canadian Observer: Lieutenant-Governor Dr. H. A. Bruce of Ontario has added some words of disapproval registered against the written examination which constitutes the standard test in the Canadian educational system.

Speaking at the Stratford Collegiate Institute recently, he expressed his belief that ability, personality and character were far more important than capacity to memorize studies for written examinations. He favored the plan whereby a student is judged by demeanor and work throughout the term rather than by the result of the written examination.

It is reasonably certain that the time is coming in our educational program when the written examination will be supplementary rather than primary in testing the proficiency of students. How many individuals prominent in business or in public life who quit school thirty years ago could remember the propositions of Euclid or could translate a sentence into Latin to-day, yet that was the sort of thing they had to drill on mentally when preparing for graduation. As things have turned out, it would have been more advantageous to have had a course in contract bridge.

It is encouraging however, that so many practical people in the educational profession and outside it are devoting so much thought to the task of evolving a system that will be more effective in training youth for the modern life task. It is a fairly definite conclusion that the method employed up to the present is faulty, very faulty. It is not so easy to know just what is the best method, but there are many reforms that could be introduced advantageously right away and one of these would be to relegate the written exam to the less exalted status.

Pruning Fruit Trees In Winter

Increases Yield And Quality Of Fruit

Numb fingers tingling ears and cold feet are unavoidable features of the job of pruning fruit trees in the winter. But the orchardist who goes right ahead with the job anyway will reap his reward in increased yield of better fruit next year. Horticultural specialists recommend that the pruning begin as soon as apples are harvested. And it should continue until the job is done. But if it has been interrupted or postponed, it should be done in the winter and not put off till the milder weather of Spring. Before the orchardist realizes it, time for the dormant spray will arrive, and the pruning will be abandoned for that.

Pruning is necessary on several counts. Trees which are too dense cannot be well sprayed; production is increased by proper pruning, as is the quality of the fruit; picking is easier and cheaper in a well pruned orchard.

Winter pruning while all right for the apple trees, is somewhat dangerous for the grapes and peaches, so it is recommended that the grower of grapes and peaches wait until after the severe portion of the winter has passed before beginning on them. Damage to the trees may occur if they are pruned during the very cold weather.

The main idea, in any case is to do the pruning done before Spring work interferes and leaves the orchard in a shaggy, unkempt, inconvenient condition, and with lowered production.

Influenza Brings No Mortality Rise

OTTAWA — Although influenza is more prevalent this winter in Canada, than usual, it is of a mild type and there has been no increase in mortality over previous years, Dr. R. E. Wodehouse, deputy minister of pensions and national health, said.

The disease has been more in the nature of head and chest colds, he said, than true influenza and is quite different from the type of infection that occurred in the winter of 1918. The number of cases reached a maximum the past week. Reports were received by the department from all provinces, but exact figures are not available for Quebec.

"The Maritime provinces report very few cases and the mortality in those provinces is negligible," the deputy minister declared. "For example, in Prince Edward Island only one case was reported during the last week of the month and no deaths. For the same period only 64 cases and only one death were reported in New Brunswick and only 10 cases and no deaths in Nova Scotia.

"In the Province of Quebec there have been many cases of cold of a grippelike character during the winter months and the mortality has been very slight. In Ontario 586 cases and 10 deaths were recorded. In the western provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the number of cases were few and only one death occurred in each province. There has been no indication of an outbreak in British Columbia."

Off On South Seas Expedition



George Vanderbilt and Mrs. Vanderbilt at the helm of the 175-foot topsail schooner Cressida, on which they set sail from Palm Beach, Fla., for a five-month scientific expedition in South Seas.