

# Louisburg Guns Seen Only At Other Points

## Effort Being Made to Restore Historic Fortifications in Cape Breton Island.

Louisburg, C. B. — There are Louisburg guns at Quebec, Toronto, Halifax; in fact, everywhere, except where they ought to be—in Louisburg. It is time the people of Cape Breton woke up to reclaim these historic treasures, and I would suggest that steps be taken immediately with the proper Federal authorities to have this carried out. Such was the statement made here this week by Judge Walter Crowe to "The Maritime Broadcaster," while discussing the scarcity of genuine French Louisburg cannon which the members of the Cape Breton Historic Society hoped to place in the new Louisburg Memorial Park which is rapidly being completed.

French guns of the period 1700-1760 have been recovered from Louisburg harbor and shipped to other parts of the country and abroad for the last century or more. About 30 years ago three schooner loads of French cannon were salvaged and shipped to Quebec. These guns came principally from two sources—ships of war and armed merchantmen sunk in the harbor during various sieges, or dumps of ordnance thrown into the harbor by the garrison to prevent them from falling into the hands of the English. Brass cannons are most in demand, said Judge Crowe, as it is a metal that does not corrode from centuries under water as iron cannons do.

Many caches of historic relics have been discovered from time to time by local residents and are concealed in various homes until the day when they may be utilized for historic purposes. One old resident says he knows where there is a large cache of French guns in comparatively shallow water in the harbor to which he is prepared to lead an expedition when there is some assurance given that the old artillery will be retained for the embellishment of Louisburg and not shipped to some foundry or government arsenal.

Four or five years ago, Judge Crowe said, a Sydney expedition succeeded in locating some guns and in actually getting one up on deck, but by that time official interest had been aroused, and the ship was ordered to land the cannon at the custom wharf and leave it there in Crown custody. This move automatically put an end to that particular junking operation. Through the various

salvaged operations supplemented by distribution of cannon after the British evacuation in 1760, the fortress armament has been effectually scattered. "If Louisburg Park is to take its place among the historic sites of Canada, it is important that all historic mementoes should be confined within the grounds of the park, and members of the Cape Breton Historic Society are already taking steps to carry out this plan," said Judge Crowe in conclusion.

### City of Saint John Founded By United Empire Loyalists

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1785 this name was changed to Saint John and a charter was granted, so that the present city is the oldest incorporated town in the Dominion of Canada.

The first ship of Loyalists arrived at Saint John on May 10, 1783, and by the 18th 20 more ships had arrived. The first party remained on board the ship until May 18, when all landed and took shelter in temporary sheds and a few log huts, as well as tents.

At that time there was only a small clearing around Fort Howe, the site of the city being a dense forest.

Almost as soon as a landing was made the surveyors got busy and laid out a town site. The first plans showed 1,454 lots and on the first grant there were 1,184 names of those receiving lots. On another grant there were 93 names.

One year after the landing of the Loyalists there were 276 stores and buildings in Saint John. There were settlements along the River Saint John. In Sunbury County there were settlers, who had come from the colonies to the south. Many of the Loyalists were kinsmen of these people who had settled along the river several years previously.

New Brunswick was constituted a separate province in 1784 and on August 16 of that year Sir Thomas Carleton was sworn in as governor. The first big fire in Saint John was in 1784 when many of the buildings were burned and people left homeless. This disaster caused some of the citizens to give up their ideas of having homes in the city. They migrated and took up land for farming outside the city. Some went to Black River, Golden

### Romance From Afar



RUTH ST. DENIS, internationally-known dancer, who has not been dancing with her equally-famous husband and partner, Ted Shawn, for quite a while, has recently announced that although she and hubby have separated, they have no intention of getting a divorce. Since their separation they found they love each other more than ever. Distance, apparently, lending enchantment to the marital view.

Grove, the Kennebecasis and the Belleisle.

The first brick house was built in Saint John by Noah Disbrow. This building was at the corner of Germain Street and Cooper's Alley (now known as Church Street).

Many changes have been made in Saint John since the landing of the Loyalists, but the Loyalists' traditions have been kept green and the citizens still boast of their Loyalist blood. The celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Landing of the Loyalists on May 18 is an evidence that the spirit still lives.

"Only as more is spent will there be more produced. Only as more is produced will there be more to divide."—Roger W. Babson.



### WESTERN GARAGES BUSY

"Doing a capacity business" is the report received from service departments of automobile dealers in Western Canada. This boom in service and repair work, thinks C. E. McTavish, general sales manager of General Motors Products of Canada, Limited, is the outstanding development in the automotive business in the West this spring. Mr. McTavish, just back from a tour, reports service business a great deal more active than last year. New car sales records, too, are extraordinarily better in many cities. Sales of Chevrolet, for instance, in Regina, Moose Jaw and Calgary range from 18 per cent to 100 per cent better than last year. Chevrolet, both standard and master models, is getting an enthusiastic reception in the West.

economist estimates that people from the United States spend \$500,000,000 annually in this ideal vacation land, and sees no reason for any considerable decrease in the amounts that will be spent from year to year. Of the 4,103,777 tourist automobiles entering Canada from the United States last year, every province got a share except Prince Edward Island, and a net profit of many millions was shared by garage men who fueled and serviced the visiting cars.

### MOTOR VOCABULARY GROWS

The word "Octane" long familiar to engineers but new to the laymen, now seems likely to become every-day language. Its popular usage is traced to the introduction of 1933 Chevrolet Master and Standard Sixes, both equipped with the device known as the "Octane Selector." Its function primarily is to give the motorist knockless performance and a nearly uniform cost per mile from all grades of gasoline, with an increase of economy by as much as two or three miles per gallon. The device resting on the distributor arm regulates spark timing through a range of ten degrees on either side of zero. The reading is advanced for good fuels and retarded for the cheaper ones. Gas station attendants know the octane content of the fuels they sell, and if the motorist has to purchase an unfamiliar brand, he can set his Chevrolet Octane Selector accordingly.

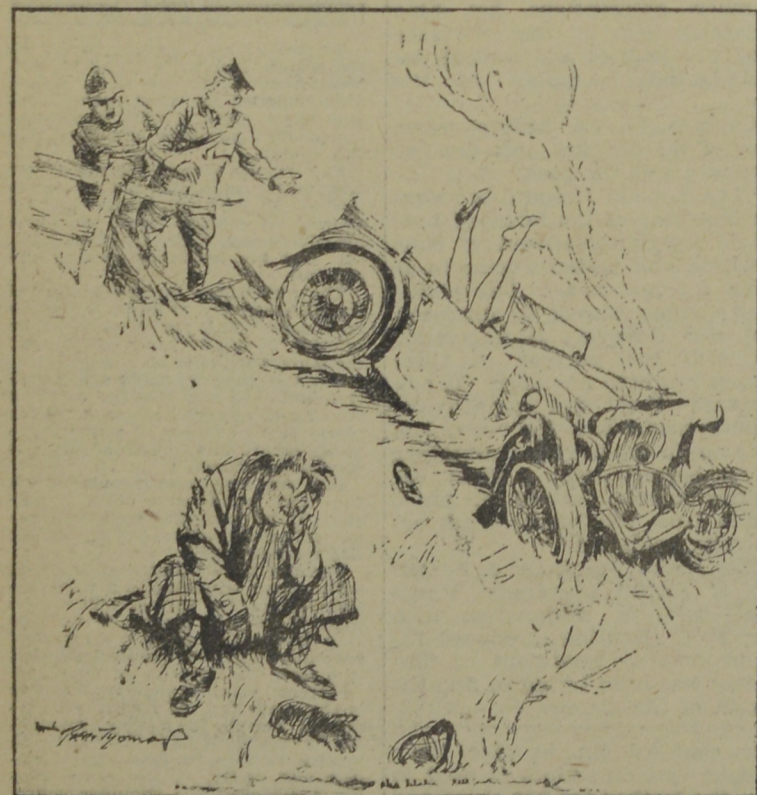
### HONOR MOTOR INVENTOR

Berlin.—A monument to Carl Benz, inventor of the motor-car, will be unveiled at Mannheim on Easter Sunday. There will be various sporting events. A Benz placquette is offered to the winner of a rally open to all motorists. The unveiling ceremony will be preceded by an historic motor-car parade. Over 50 ancient cars will be seen, including the oldest Benz and Daimler cars of the '80's and the beginning of the '90's.

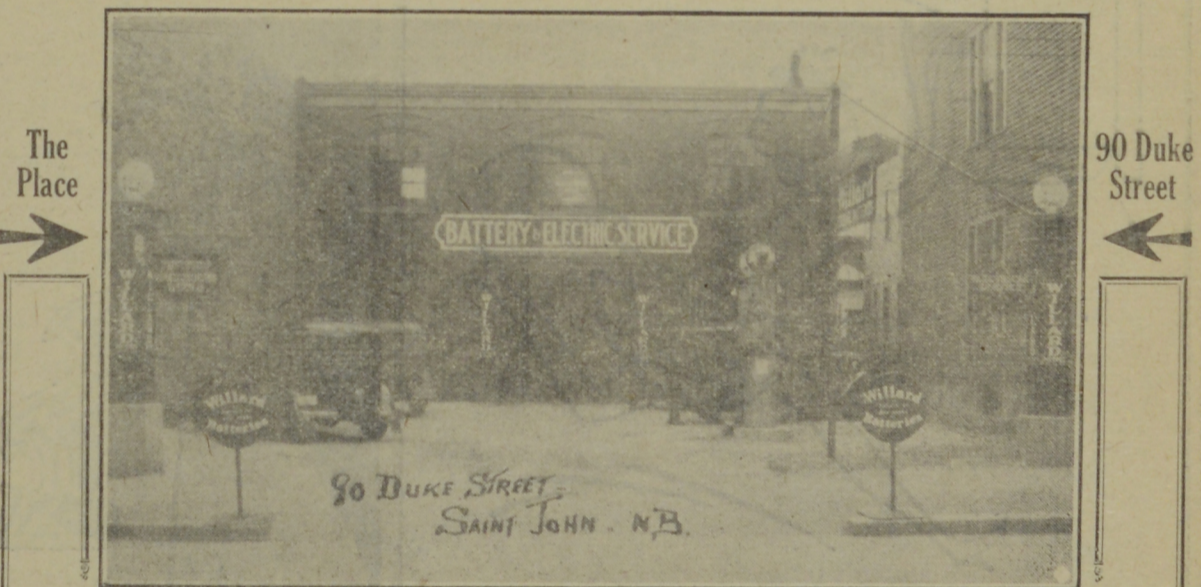
### GETTING READY FOR VISITORS

Tidying up for company is a fairly general occupation throughout Canada, in view of the approaching tourist season, which will bring probably 4,000,000 automobiles for visits ranging from 24 hours to 90 days. An American

A replaced headlight bulb of higher voltage than one recommended in the light system will not only burn dimly, but will burn out quickly.



THE MOTOR LEAGUE MAN: "You look after him. I'll take care of the girl." —"The Humorist," London.



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