

## Around the Maritimes

Last Monday was set by the Attorney-General's Department as the deadline for the operation of various types of gambling machines in New Brunswick. Orders have been issued to the R.C.M.P. to clean up the situation.

The Halifax Retail Clerks Union is seeking legislation for a 48-hour week in the retail stores of the city. George E. Ingraham, formerly of Sydney, one of the organizers of the union, has been elected president.

A decrease in the total estimates of \$1,500 was made in the joint estimates of Halifax County as committees from Halifax, Dartmouth and the municipalities met in the council chamber of the County Court House last week. Mayor E. J. Cragg presided.

The Nova Scotia Fisheries Exhibition will be held at Lunenburg from September 15 to 18 inclusive. It was decided at a meeting of the executive of the Nova Scotia Fisheries Exhibition last week at which the president, Mayor A. W. Schwartz, presided.

The "Island of the Gulf" started the year well with an increased creamery butter production amounting to nearly 25 per cent. The January make was 52,000 pounds, compared with 42,000 pounds in the first month of last year—a gain of 23.8 per cent.

Seven firms in New Brunswick were engaged in the production of chemicals and allied products in 1934, according to a federal report. Some 147 persons were employed, on an average, through the year and the gross output value amounted to \$642,409.

The new officers of the Farmers' Union Co., Ltd., of Nova Scotia, for 1936 have been appointed. The company have increased their business 13 per cent. over last year and are declaring a dividend of six per cent. on stock and a rebate of six per cent. on purchases.

E. R. Mellinger, president of the recently incorporated Excelsior Company of Canada Limited, which has taken over the plant of the former Canada Sardine Com-

pany at Chamcook, Charlotte County, announced that the new company will probably be in production by mid-April.

Termed it "a means of correcting wasteful and demoralizing competition," a large delegation from the Provincial Bakers' Association waited on members of Premier Dysart's executive council at Fredericton recently for the purpose of drafting a bill for the government's consideration.

There were 81,035 tons of potatoes in storage in the Maritime Province and Quebec at February 1 this year, as compared with 238,942 tons at February 1, 1935, a reduction of 157,907, according to figures given out by Hon. F. W. Pirie, Minister of Lands and Mines, a prominent New Brunswick potato grower and shipper.

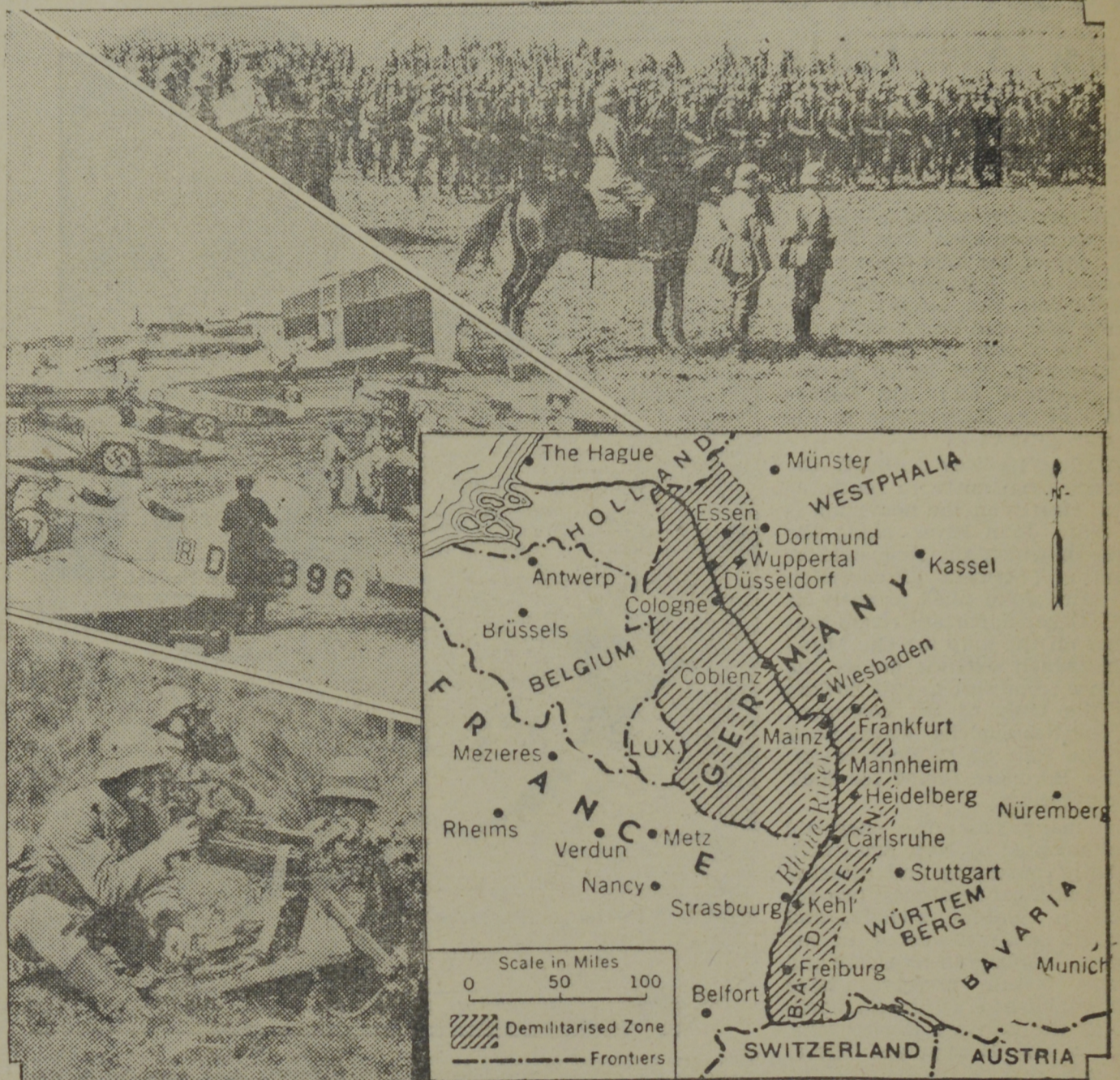
Revision of regulations governing the fisheries of the Maritime Provinces and the Magdalen Islands were completed recently by a convention of supervisors of the eastern division of the Department of Fisheries. No announcement of the proposed changes will be made until they are accepted by Ottawa.

More than 140 men were given employment with the opening of the rolling mills of the Canadian Car and Foundry Co.'s plant at Amherst, N.S. It is understood the company received an order for rolling 800 tons of rails which will keep the plant busy for a month or more. The mills have been closed for some time.

Trade conditions continued generally satisfactory throughout Canada last week, an announcement of the Canadian Credit Men's Trust Association said. The reports for Halifax and Saint John were as follows: Halifax—Business continues satisfactory, with collections fairly good. Saint John—Retail trade fairly good in most lines.

Announcement was made recently at Amherst that the annual meeting of the Maritime Stock Breeders Association will be held at Amherst Wednesday, February 26. The directors meeting

## WILL GERMANY MILITARIZE THE RHINELAND?



France is greatly perturbed over the possibility of Germany militarizing the Rhineland, which was made a demilitarized zone following the Great War. Germany makes no secret of the fact that her army is now very strong, and that the demilitarized zone on the Rhine is an insult to her prestige. Above are pictures of the various sections of the Reich army, while the map depicts the demilitarized zone on the Rhineland.

will be held the previous evening. A departure will be made in the program this year in having special speakers discuss specific topics.

The Government of New Brunswick has decided to undertake to assume all charges on municipalities of the Province for one-half the cost of maintaining wig-wag or other protective devices at dangerous level crossings, despite the fact that an order of the Board of Railway Commissioners places the burden of one-half of the ex-

pense on the municipalities affected. This was announced by Premier A. A. Dysart.

Discussions of problems facing truck operators during the winter were a feature of the annual meeting of the Truro Board of Trade recently. The meeting favored the appointment of a special committee to investigate the situation confronting the winter use of the main highway, to consider such recommendations as would be necessary to forward to the Provincial Highway Department.

### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICE

At First Church of Christ, Scientist, Saint John, N.B., corner of Germain and Queen Streets, the subject of the lesson-sermon next Sunday is: "Mind." Golden Text: Proverbs 9: 10, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding."

Among the citations are the following: Proverbs 3: 5, 6, "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." And from Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy, p. 276: 1, "Having one God, one Mind, unfolds the power that heals the sick, and fulfills these sayings of Scripture, 'I am the Lord that healeth thee' and 'I have found a ransom.' When the divine precepts are understood, they unfold the foundation of fellowship, in which one mind is not at war with another, but all have one Spirit, God, one intelligent source, in accordance with the Scriptural command: 'Let this Mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.'"

### THIS BRITISH CROW MUST HAVE ITS LITTLE JOKE

There's dirty work on washing day at Chesham, Bucks—and all because of a coal-black crow.

This crow has a sense of humor—but it is not the sort of humor that appeals to the housewives of Chesham. It's like this: When he was quite a little crow and hadn't yet learned to be a practical joker, the bird was captured and tamed by a small boy. Then one washing day when housewives in the neighborhood had hung their clothes out to dry, the crow flew from one back garden to another and quietly removed the clothes pegs. . . . And it was a muddy day, too! Housewives were not amused. Now it has become a habit with him.

Recently Jim, the Crow With a Sense of Humor, has taken to carrying away ladies' stockings. Housewives are wondering what next. The District Council has been approached and asked what they are going to do about it.

We have reason to believe that there's a black mark against Black Jim in the minutes of the Council meetings. And some black looks among the housewives.

They say women always have a soft spot for the black sheep of the family. Perhaps they have for the black crow, too.

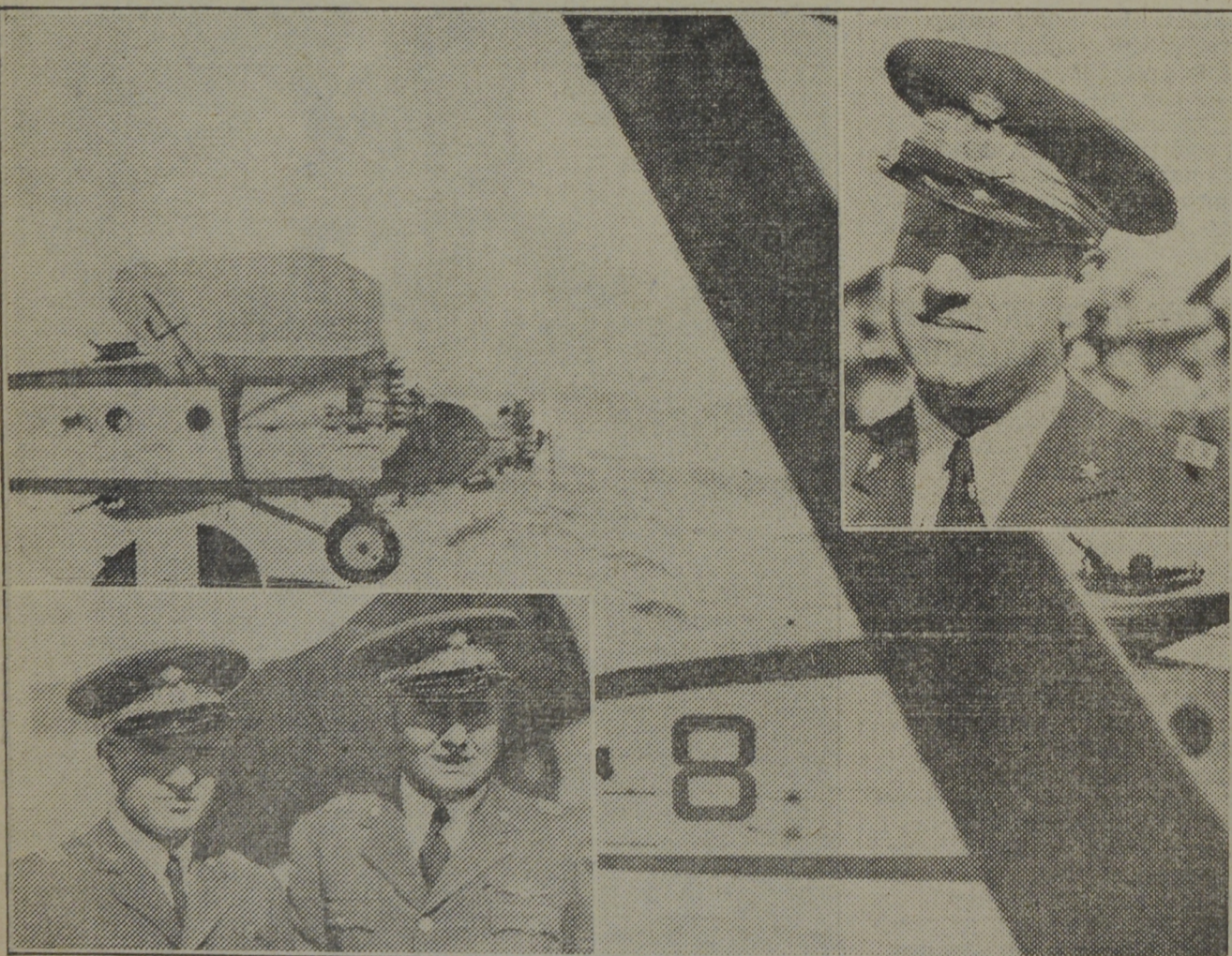
### PRIME MINISTER IS FINED OVER AN "UNCLAD" CANINE

London.—Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin once stood in the dock of a police court when he was fined \$2.50 because he "had a dog of very inquisitive turn of mind" which went on the street "insufficiently clad" and was picked up for not having a muzzle.

"I often wish in this strange life which I pursue," added Mr. Baldwin, amid further laughter, "that muzzling orders were more common than they are."

"I attribute my long life to having been extremely considerate of my stomach." — Daniel Frohman.

## HAS MUSSOLINI'S SON-IN-LAW BEEN ORDERED HOME?



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