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## AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE

**C**OMPULSORY insurance against accident liability for automobile drivers is being considered in the State of New York. Some New York papers are surprised that there is opposition to the bill. There has been some discussion of such legislation for New Brunswick but so far nothing has been done.

People are constantly being killed or injured in automobile accidents and only a comparatively few drivers carry insurance. In case of accident, where there is no insurance, it is impossible to collect damages for whatever injury drivers may do, because they have not the money to pay.

It is said that insurance companies get very diligent and very tough when their pocket nerves are irritated. If they were compelled to take on automobile insurance they would get out and lobby for laws forcing long suspensions and revocations of careless or habitual drunken drivers' licenses. They would have their spotters check up incessantly on these public menaces; they would become the most active single group working for highway safety. Compulsory insurance would go a long way in the reduction of automobile death and injury totals each year.

## PROTECTING THE PEOPLE

**D**ANGER is lurking in the chipped cup, so we are told by those who would have us guard our health. It is said that disease germs congregate in cracks and chipped spots on dishes and they are thus passed along from one person to another. In some countries there are laws which prohibit chipped dishes in restaurants. England particularly is waging war against chipped dishes in eating places and those places are compelled to keep renewing dishes all the time.

One medical experiment showed that on a chipped spot on a cup there were germs of four diseases, among them being the deadly tubercle-bacillus, which is the cause of consumption. Similar experiments conducted all over the world brought shocking results.

The cost of maintaining the dish supply in eating places is enormous, particularly in those countries where chipped dishes are taboo. In Western Australia there is a law which says: "The occupier of every public house, public bar, refreshment room, tea room, eating house, drinking booth, or other place of refreshment shall not permit the use of any drinking vessel unless it is free from cracks or chips." The penalty for any infringement is \$100. New South Wales has more drastic laws.

In these modern days it is found that every possible precaution must be taken to protect the health of the people and new health regulations are continually coming into light.

## LET US STATE FACTS

**E**VERYONE has heard of the lie-detector. It is some kind of an instrument which is hitched to an individual to show whether he is telling the truth or not, when being questioned. What a fine thing it would be if we could be possessed of some gadget so that when we read the newspapers we could tell by an indicator whether we are reading the truth or merely a bunch of political or other kind of propaganda.

The Province of New Brunswick and the other Maritime Provinces have suffered untold damage by just such false propaganda, and misleading statements to satisfy selfish interests or party politicians.

How often have people of the Maritimes and Maritime Governments appealed to Ottawa for consideration, only to be told that they must be mistaken because our newspapers say something different, the result being that our delegations have returned empty-handed.

If there ever was a time when this Province and the Maritimes should be pictured in their true light it is now. Look at the West. Do they say times are good when they are bad? No, they state facts and their delegations to Ottawa go back home with purses bulging with loans, to which we contribute a large portion and with their demands met, while we get nothing. The demands of the Maritimes have been just but the Maritime press played party politics or moved in accordance with selfish desires, so as to discredit our claims.

While we boast of being a democratic country and laud democracy, we must admit that some of the so-called dictators have good ideas. If people cannot of their own will realize that love of country is one of the first principles of an united and prosperous people, then force will have to be used to make them realize that unity is necessary, and that false statement as to our condition is treason.

## POEMS THAT LIVE

### THE WAY

They find the way who linger where  
 The soul finds fullest life;  
 The battle brave is carried on  
 By all who wait, and waiting,  
 dare  
 Deem each day's least that's fitly done  
 A victory worthy to be won  
 Nor seek their gain with strife.  
 —Sidney Henry Morse.

## Haytassel Says



"Suntimes I see that the open door aint a l w u z et City Hall, in Sent Jawn, in Monckton end in Frederickton. Suntymes it seams that publick bodies hev busyness that they want to tawk over in privat but sum uv the publick think that they shud no awl about publick busyness. That is ez it shud be, no doubt, but it aint offen that the publick will go to meetins wen they air open." This was Mr. Josh Haytassel's utterance when he visited the office of "The Broadcaster" this week. I aint got no breek, ez the lawyers sey, fer publick bodies but I bet that if the meetins wuz awl open, very few peepul wud attend. Peepul air queer thet way. Wen they think they kant git ennything they want it, but wen they no they kin git it they dont want it.

"It is jist the same with houses. Wen yew see a house with the blinds awl up end lits goin full blast no one wants to luk in, but wen the shades air awl down end only a pint uv lit showin then yew will find peepul peekin. I gess it is jist human natur fer peepul to be perverse. They want wot they kant git end done want wot they kin git.

"I bet if yewr city council sent out a invite to awl the peepul, nun wud kum after the first meetin er so. Jist like wen a meetin is being held with wide open doors, no one hangs around to lissen. They aint curyus, wen they think peepul aint hidin sumthin.

"They do sai thet the lonsumist place is in a crowd en mor things kin be dun thair then enny place, without gittin caut. That is wy pickpockets git along so well in a crowd. So if yewr spekin to enny uv them them fellers et city hall, tell them that they is more privacy with the open door then they is



## B. WISE says:

While a man may get mad at you for refusing to loan him money, he cannot but respect your good judgment.

MR. B. WISE

wen they air shut. So thet is thet end I gess I better be git tin bac to the Washademoak wear the grass is beginning to turn green end wear the plantin will sun be underweigh. S'long. I'll be seain yew."

## CLIPPINGS

### FLORAL EMBLEM FOR NEW BRUNSWICK

(Fredericton Daily Mail)

From time to time the Daily Mail has advocated in its columns the adoption of a national floral emblem for New Brunswick. We have suggested the humble violet, so loved, so true to the beautiful season of spring, as a suitable emblem for our Province. The Daily Mail would like to see the Horticultural Society take the necessary steps to have established by legislation the violet as New Brunswick's national emblem. We are publishing in this issue an interesting article giving the history of the floral emblems of several Provinces in Canada and other countries of culture.

### MOVING SLOWLY

(Campbellton Tribune)

From day to day, from week to week, from month to month press dispatches tell us what is thought to be "doing" in the longed-for move for peace. Yet we are no nearer the goal than when the start was made. When things are running smoothly Hitler throws a pocket-wrench into the works, and the machinery stops till he cares to take it out.

While a heavy responsibility rests on Great Britain, who cannot be taxed with impatience, or precipitancy, and who is standing loyally by the League, it must be admitted that her gait is slow and hesitating. There is an absence of swing about it, which Hitler and Mussolini appear to have noted, and on which they are clearly trading. The former would hardly have dared to remilitarize the Rhineland and keep it so if Britain had put on a firmer front, with a meaning full behind it. Differences un-

doubtedly exist in the cabinet as to the course to be pursued, but they must soon be settled, or Hitler will win out. Nonetheless, we must not lose sight of the weighty fact that Britain apart from her connection with the League is not individually concerned with the Dictator's affront to France. But France must act through reason and not through passion. She must not taunt her great and true ally.

### GOLD MINING IN NOVA SCOTIA

(Truro News)

Figures just published indicate that the gold mining operations in Nova Scotia now underway are in line for a fair chance of some reasonable returns.

In the years 1861 to 1910 the gold mines of Nova Scotia produced from \$250,000 to approximately \$500,000 every year of the precious metal at the then value of around \$20 an ounce. In 1911 the production fell off to about \$150,000. From then until 1931 the production of gold ran from \$60,000 down to less than \$10,000 a year. In 1932 the value of gold mined in this Province went up to \$120,000 and in 1934 to approximately \$300,000. Last year exceeded 1934 and indications are for a bigger 1936.

There are nearly 600 men now employed in mining gold in Nova Scotia and generally the work is on the soundest basis and in the sanest hands for many years. We look for gold mining in Nova Scotia to improve and become a real source of revenue to Nova Scotians.

The total value of all gold produced in Canada in 1934 was over \$100,000,000. Of this Ontario contributed \$16,000,000 dollars and British Columbia \$14,000,000.

Great stories were written of the gold boom and gold rushes of the famed Yukon; but the records show the largest output to have been \$80,000,000 in the ten year period, 1901 to 1910. In 1934 the Yukon's output of gold was nearly a million and a half dollars, so that territory is still a great factor in Canadian gold production.

### TRUCK LICENSES

(Moncton Times)

The Provincial Government has announced a reduction to 60 cents per hundredweight on licenses for all passenger automobiles; but no alteration has been made in the rates on small trucks. Many protests have been heard from farmers who own small trucks, half-a-ton or three-quarters-of-a-ton vehicles, which are used mostly for carrying farm produce to the market or for business in connection with farming, because the rate of \$1.15 per hundred-weight still applies to those small trucks. Many heavy passenger cars weigh more than these small trucks, even when the latter are fully loaded.

This is a matter which might well be looked into carefully by the Government. We believe that a reduction in the rate on all small trucks used on the farm would meet with general approval.

## CLIPTOGRAPHS

"I am resolved to follow in the way my beloved father has set before me."—King Edward VIII.

"The world is the fatherland of fatherlands. When this is understood there will be permanent world peace."—Salvador de Madariaga.



THE MAD HATTER!

—Talbot is the New York World-Telegram.