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THE OLD STORY OF STATE EMPLOYMENT

Springfield Republican: The State supervisor of "administration" is disturbed by the "abuse of sick leave, tardiness and unnecessary absence from duty" in some departments and threatens to use time clocks and personal record cards, if conditions are not improved. He admits that the employees to whom this applies are in a small minority, but their derelictions have an influence entirely out of proportion to their importance. They tend to discredit the Civil Service and help to keep alive prevailing misconceptions regarding the character of the service as a whole.

A SMASHING VICTORY.

The forces of the Meighen government were overwhelmingly defeated in the federal by-election in Medicine Hat, Alberta on Monday, when their standard bearer Col. Nelson Spencer, went down before Mr. Robert Gardiner, the candidate of the National Progressive Party. It was more than a defeat for Col. Spencer, it was a rout. The majority rolled up against him may be in excess of 8000 when all returns are in and the despatches state that the deposit of the gallant Colonel has gone by the board. Mr. Gardiner not only swept all before him in the rural districts of the riding but surprising as it may seem he also won out in the city of Medicine Hat by a substantial majority. The moribund National Liberal and Conservative government has received many hard knocks at the hands of the electors during its brief career, but the blow given to it by the people of Medicine Hat is undoubtedly the worst of all. It was a real sockdolager administered in the region of the solar plexus, and at this distance it looks as if the government will have to take the count. The government chose its own battle ground and fixed the date; its campaigners who included the Minister of Labor who sits in the Senate and H. H. Stevens, M.P. of Vancouver, overrun the constituency and resorted to every means in their power to stampede the electors in favor of Col. Spencer, but all to no purpose. The Meighen government has been weighed in the balance and found wanting and if its members have any regard for the popular will they lose no time in putting their house in order and dissolving Parliament. For them the handwriting on the wall is so plain that even a blind man would have no difficulty in deciphering it. The electors of the country east and west have declared against this band of urarpers now misruling at Ottawa and for the restoration of representative government in Canada. The Meighen government unless it is lost to all sense of decency cannot possibly misinterpret the meaning of the verdict of Medicine Hat.

NEW GOVERNOR GENERAL.

London Times: The new Governor-General will go to Canada as to the home of countless friends in command of the Canadian Corps in France he won golden opinions from that force of eager, critical, independent men; and it is their opinion of him that Canada has been echoing lately in constant hints to the British Government that he was the man desired by the Dominion. Though the actual appointment of the Governor-General is with the King, and his advisers in this country, it is hardly too much to say that in this instance the Canadian people have made their own choice. If such preferences, on such excellent grounds of close personal knowledge, could be expressed with the same frankness every time that an appointment of the kind had to be made, it would be a good thing both for this country and the Dominions. For all that, Lord Byng will have no sinecure in Canada. He enters the succession of a long line of Governors-General of exceptional capacity, distinction and devotion to duty.

Wholesale self-immolations are taking place in the province of Tamboff, Russia, and the neighboring canton of Kazloff. Five hundred peasants dug a moat around their village, posted behind armed guards to keep away strangers, barricaded themselves in their bathhouses and burned themselves to death. When all were dead the fifty guards returned to the village and shot one another. Several similar

tragedies of smaller dimensions have occurred. The causes are stated to be partly religious and partly connected with panic induced by the spread of a new disease called "yellow decay."

More than \$50,000,000 were sunk by American investors last year in dishonest motion picture enterprises, according to a statement made by the vigilance committee of the National Association of the Motion Picture Industry. In its investigation of more than one hundred companies, with a paper capitalization of more \$250,000,000, the committee found a large proportion of them offered by men without experience in the film business, and many others carried on by promoters with bad records.

"The Supreme Court of Maine," says the Boston Journal, "has just decided that where the dining room of a hotel is infested with flies, a guest is justified in refusing to remain at the hotel and justified in refusing to pay board for which he has contracted. The opinion holds that the house fly is the most repulsive and dangerous of insects and distributes the germs of almost every deadly form of contagion."

Jack Johnson's terms of confinement in the Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary will not end till July 7, but it has been suggested to Atty. Gen. Daugherty that Jack has been such a well-behaved prisoner that it might be proper to let him out a few days earlier, so that he might see the Dempsey-Carpentier fight. Now we shall see whether the United States Attorney General has a heart.

Col. Nelson Spencer the rejected of Medicine Hat is a native of Parker's Ridge, York County. He was visiting his native heath during the Federal election of 1911 and indulged in a lot of cheap talk in condemnation of reciprocity. Reciprocity is a leading plank in the Farmers platform and the electors of Medicine Hat have shown the gallant Colonel where he gets off on that question.

Federal by-elections have been held in no less than eleven constituencies since the beginning of 1920, and the Ottawa Government has won four and lost seven. It has not gained a single seat from the opposition in that period and has lost three when it carried in the general election.

Canada's birthrate for 1920 was 27.47 per 1000, with a marriage rate during the same period of 8.94 per 1000, and a death rate of 1.31 per 1000, Canada seems to be doing pretty well.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Lima Beane says the honeymoon is over when the bride invites a few friends in to see her make her cave man lie down and roll over.

Good intentions that start on the straight road, full of happy anticipations, soon encounter the sign, "Detour."

Doing everything just right is one of the most difficult habits to acquire. It takes thought and care to roll off a log gracefully.

Much is said about the woman in business. In Idaho one who has had five husbands is on trial. Each of the five had his life insured.

There is a surprise in store for the woodpecker that takes on the job of pecking a hole in a tree that has been doctored with concrete.

About the time a man feels as if he would have enough money saved soon to buy a new necktie along comes a notice that his life insurance premium is due.

Fine Weather Alone Wanted.

All that is wanted for a most successful opening of the Maine & New Brunswick Harness Racing Circuit there is fine weather. The horses are to be called to the wire at 6 p. m. Daylight Time on Thursday by Starter Webber of St. Stephen "twilight racing" being tried here for the first time. Harry Nevers' horses were brought here from Houlton Tuesday by motor-truck the occasion being the first for that method of transportation as far as Fredericton is concerned. The truck was fitted for four horses but only three came. Stables from Hartland, Woodstock and St. Stephen also arrived on Tuesday.

Engagement Announced.

Mrs. M. R. Brown, Chipman, Queens county, announces the engagement of her daughter, Cora Rosalia, to Stanley Gordon Brown of St. John. The wedding is to take place in the near future.

THE ALBERTA ELECTIONS

Calgary, Alta., June 28.—The success of Robert Gardiner, Progressive candidate in yesterday's Medicine Hat federal by-election, has stimulated Alberta farmers to greater action in the provincial election which will be held on July 18, and the United Farmers of Alberta will have candidates in most of the rural ridings. There is not the opposition to the Stewart government, however, among the farmers since there is no broad question of policy at issue, it is pointed out, in agrarian circles. The farmers are preparing for conventions in many of the ridings next week. It is quite probable that the U. F. O. and government forces will unite on a candidate in certain constituencies. For the next week the farmers will be holding two conventions a day.

MID-WEEK MARKET.

Strawberries offered more plentifully—Other produce slightly higher in price.

The midweek market was small to day, and as a consequence prices rose slightly. The weather during the past few days has been better than previously for strawberries, and a large number of boxes were offered. There were no turnips or carrots in the market. Prices were as follows:—

Butter per lb.	30—35c
Eggs per doz.	40c
Veal per lb.	12—13c
Lamb per lb.	25—30c
Mutton per lb.	12—15c
Salmon per lb.	30c
Shad per lb.	25c
Potatoes per bbl.	\$1.00
Chicken per lb.	40c
Fowl per lb.	35c
Strawberries (by the crate)	20c per box.
(by the box)	22c per box.
Wild strawberries	40c per box

Returned From Maine.

H. G. Miller, Provincial Apiarist has returned from Maine where he has been attending conventions of beekeepers held in Augusta and Lewiston. The chief work done was demonstration of treatment of various bee diseases.

Died In St. John.

Ambrose Leger an employee of the Provincial Garage received a telegram this morning to the effect that his eleven months old child had died in St. John. Mr. Leger left this morning to attend the funeral. The child is survived by his parents and six brothers and sisters.

Rothsay To Play Tennis.

The Rothsay Tennis Club has been invited and has accepted the invitation of the local club to play a tournament here on the first of July. The players will arrive by train and one of them will be Hazen Shortt, Maritime champion in Men's Singles and Provincial Champion in mixed doubles. Some of the local players who have been winning fame will now have an opportunity to size up this man, and get in line for the championship tournament in the fall.

Prizes for Special Essays.

Miss Jeanette Beyerly, secretary-treasurer of the Fredericton S.P.C.A. donated two prizes for special essays in the schools of the city. The prize in the High School, the subject "Why we should not allow Exhibitions of trained animals in Fredericton" was awarded to Miss Margaret Fowler with honorable mention given Miss Katherine Cox. In Grade VII of the York street school Roy Forbes was the winner with honorable given Reginald Beatty of Grade VI. The subject was "Why we should be kind to animals" Beatty not being in Grade VII was not eligible to compete but wrote an excellent essay.

Love is not blind, as frequently proclaimed. Love can see around a corner.

FREDERICTON HOUSING BOARD

Application for loans under the Housing Act of 1919 may be made to the undersigned, at the Board of Trade office, where full information may be obtained.

R. H. SIMONDS, Secretary.

PUBLIC CLOSING

The public closing exercises of the Fredericton High School will be held in the Assembly Hall of the High School building, York Street, at 8 p. m. Daylight Time, Wednesday, the 29th. The public closing exercises of the Charlotte Street School will be held in the same hall at 10 a. m. Daylight time, on Friday the 30th. The public closing exercises of the other schools of the city will be held at 10 a. m. Daylight time on Friday the 30th. All exercises are open to the public which is cordially invited to attend.

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NOTICE OF MEETING

MUNICIPALITY OF YORK.

The semi-annual Session of the County Council of the Municipality of York will convene at the Council Chamber, County Court House, Fredericton, on TUESDAY, the 5th Day of July, at 2 p. m.

J. M. SCOTT,
Acting Secretary-Treas.

TEACHERS WANTED—By Fredericton School Board, 4 male teachers of Grammar School license for the Fredericton High School. The positions to be filled include that of the principal and three secondary positions. Apply to R. D. HANSON, Sec. of School Board.

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