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SPEAKER LEMIEUX.

If there is one man in Canada who has reason to be pleased over the action of the House of Commons in taking a recess it is Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, the Speaker. It is doubtful if any Speaker since Confederation ever had a more strenuous time in discharging his duties than fell to the lot of Hon. Mr. Lemieux during the past seven weeks. He was obliged to carry on without the aid of a deputy, as it is not customary to make such an appointment until after the debate on the address has been disposed of. The speaker had to work long hours, he no doubt; the words of felicitation on his appointment he received from practically every one of the 150 odd members who participated in the protracted debate, made his task more congenial than it otherwise would have been. Naturally during the course of such a long drawn out debate the Speaker was called upon to decide numerous points or order and not infrequently he was compelled to ask for the withdrawal of language which seemed in his opinion to be not in strict accordance with the rules of debate. His decisions were generally fair and impartial, and only once was an appeal made to the House from his ruling, and on that occasion his decision was upheld.

Speaker Lemieux is really one of the veterans of the House of Commons having been a member continuously for thirty years. He is a lawyer by profession but has had considerable journalistic experience. According to Col. John Bayne MacLean of MacLean's magazine he was once offered a salary of \$25,000 a year by the late Mr. Frank A. Munsey to take over the editorship of the Parish edition of the New York Herald. Col. MacLean writing in the Financial Post of Toronto a short time ago, told the story as follows:

"I was in New York a few days after the deal was completed and in telling me about it he said he would amalgamate the Herald and the Sun but he did not know what to do with the Telegram and the Paris Herald. I replied that I thought the Paris Herald was the most likely money-maker of the trio. He could not see it and said he would make me a present of that paper. Next morning I went up to breakfast with him, as I invariably did when in New York, and he handed me some correspondence, including a number of cables bearing on the Herald and again urged me, if I thought well of it to accept the paper and go over to Paris, where I had many friends and which had then become the chief centre for world news on economic and financial matters. He thought I could do it by spending a few months there every summer. I explained that that I could not do, but we discussed the situation for some time. The more we talked about it the more we realized the possibilities and it became a question of finding a suitable man to take charge. The thought came to me that the Paris Herald could be made to serve the purpose of Canadians as well as Americans in France, that as a matter of fact the Canadians were the only real friends France had and that an ideal man for the position would be Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux. I knew of Mr. Lemieux's journalistic experience, of his ability, his great personal popularity in France and I knew that he desired to retire from Canadian public life at that time. He did not know Mr. Lemieux, but the plan of a Canadian for the position appealed to Mr. Munsey and he agreed to my making a specially generous proposition to Mr. Lemieux. This was to include in addition to a salary of \$25,000 a year, a generous allowance for expenses. I thought he was going to accept. He had, I am sure, made up his mind to do so when some of his colleagues prayed him not to desert the Liberal party at a critical time when they needed him most. He had not been friendly to the King leadership, but his loyalty to party won over his personal interests."

Mr. W. T. Dewart, who now has control of the publications of the late Frank A. Munsey, is the son of a Canadian and nephew of the late Rev.

Dr. Dewart, editor of the Christian Guardian of Toronto. The late Mr. H. H. Dewart, one time leader of the Liberal opposition in the Ontario Legislature, was his cousin.

German doctors have discovered a new skin disease that results from carrying matches in paints' pockets. This is different from the old skin disease that results from not carrying them in any pocket.

The husband who claims that he runs things at his house may be referring to the vacuum cleaner, the electric washing machine, and the furnace.

It is said Mussolini is being urged to undergo an operation, just as if an operation would have any effect on the condition from which he is suffering!

Makers of men's fashions are the most jubilant optimists. Every February they decree that men shall wear rainbow hues, and yet men go on wearing the same old grays and browns.

"A long face is brightened by a short skirt," says a sartorial expert. Well, maybe; we don't know. Personally, we never saw a long face wearing a short skirt.

If you wish to be poetical you can call the little old bus a "us-ed" car, making it hit on both syllables, as it were.

There is one consolation about being a college professor; you know you are married for love and not for money.

A lecturer says somewhat cryptically that "Those who had the right kind of home training still maintain a belief in hell."

People are queer. Many scold because boys shoot song birds, and yet keep a cat themselves.

If kids were better in the old days, that speaks well for dad's reign as head of the house.

Ten thousand dollars' worth of gum stolen in New York! Some working girl needn't worry about the future.

The times and customs do change. Formerly it was the boy who got the shingle. Today, generally, it's the girl.

When a woman has nothing else to fret about she worries over how her great grandchildren may turn out.

The best speech is the one that contains the most information in the fewest words.

The thing most needed by some of the old family trees is vigorous pruning.

Walking isn't a lost art. One must, by some such means, get out to the garage.

Years ago the man was boss; then the woman; now the kids.

PUBLIC OPINION

PARAGRAPH ON PROHIBITION.

Editor Daily Mail,

Sir—One of the striking bits of testimony contained in the report of the recent survey on prohibition made by the Los Angeles Times comes from a warehouse laborer. He said: "Listen, buddy, I used to cash my check in a saloon every Suddaday night see? Now the wife gets it. I used to wear work shirts and overalls on Sunday. Now I wear a real suit and a silk shirt and a white collar. I never used to see shows; now we see 'em. I can remember when the kids had never had a ride in a nauto; now we got one, and it costs me less'n 2 cents to ride to work when it used to cost me a nickel on the street cars. Me—I'm dry!" R. J. D. Fredericton, March 5th, 1926.

ST. JOHN WON NORMAL LOST

Saint John, March 8—The Saint John High School basketball team maintained its record of undefeated champions of the league by beating Rothesay collegiate school at Rothesay, N. B., 31 to 18 on Saturday.

St. Vincent's High School pushed Provincial Normal School into the cellar position by taking them into camp at the Y. M. C. I. 39 to 20. The games were the concluding fixtures of the league season.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Knowing everything would be the same as having the attic full of rubbish.

What's become of the old-fashioned girl who was afraid something was showing below her skirt?

Premier Mussolini announces that he is in perfect health. So, if there is anything the matter with him, it is not physical.

March, the tail of the winter, simply has to swish around considerably to keep in accord with the natural order.

One outstanding difference between the young people of yesterday and the young people of today is the modern facilities for speed.

Ours is essentially a government by party. It can't be anything else. The ins are the boosters and the outs are the knockers.

We have a notion that everybody should brew his own happiness. And when he says "brew" there is in the suggestion no idea of violating the prohibition laws.

A lot of time that could be devoted to hallelujahing is wasted on evolution. If a fellow must give up one or the other, a heartfelt of emotion seems preferable to a headful of contradictory notions.

GREAT COMEDIAN, BOB ANDERSON, HERE TOMORROW

The ovation accorded Bob Anderson every time he appears in Fredericton with the "Originals" has seldom, if ever, been exceeded by any comedian appearing here in recent years. When he returns in the latest revue "Thumbs Up" tomorrow and Wednesday evenings at 8.15 at the Capitol theatre, Canada's greatest comedian will launch a new line of song hits that will keep the town humming and laughing for months. Among his latest gems will be "Could Lloyd George Do It", and another of those side splitting Dame numbers (the kind that Bob excels in) that simply make the audience cry with laughter. Bob hails from Lancashire and Lancashire comedians are famous the world over. His style of comedy is not unlike that of Wilkie Bard and J. W. Rickaby, two of England's foremost Music Hall Stars.

The outstanding point about this noted funmaker is his smooth easy manner of humor, he gets his laughs without any effort whatsoever and keeps his audience in screams every moment he is on the stage. As the hostess in the skit "What They Say and Think" Bob is a riot. It is no exaggeration to say that he stands out by his versatility, singing and acting as one of the foremost character comedians of the day.

SPECIAL ATTRACTION
AT GAIETY THEATRE

"Mannequin" is the photo play at the Gaiety for Monday and Tuesday featuring a star cast. It isn't every day that a picture like "Mannequin" comes along, and when it does, almost every audience eats it up. The old, old recipes of smiles and sobs this time seasoned with the Cruze brand of emotion and the efforts of the best cast of the season. The grown-up daughter is played by Dolores Costello, daughter of one of the screen's first idols, Maurice Costello. "This little girl" captured her audience completely; she has beauty and poise and youth—just about everything she needs. The Costellos are carrying on! Miss Joyce, as the mother, never did such splendid work. Warner Baxter and Zasu Pitts contribute their share, while Walter Pidgeon, a St. John boy making his film debut, also makes a good impression.

DIED.

SLOAT—At Cambridge, Mass., on the 7th inst., Mrs. Annie Sloat widow of Charles Sloat, aged 70 years. Body will arrive Tuesday. Funeral from the home of Harry A. Smith, 221 George street, at 2.30 p. m. Service at 2 p. m. by Rev. I. A. Corbett. Interment in Methodist Cemetery, Marysville.

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Notice of Legislation

Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the next Session of the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick by the City of Fredericton for the passing of the following Acts:

"An Act authorizing the City of Fredericton to issue Debentures in a sum not exceeding the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, (\$25,000.00), for the purpose of completing the installation of a new unit in the water system.

An Act to amend the Buildings Laws of the City of Fredericton.

An Act to amend the Acts authorizing the City of Fredericton to borrow money."

Dated at Fredericton, February 20, 1926.

C. FRED CHESTNUT,
City Clerk.

Notice of Legislation

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made by and on behalf of the Town of Marysville, at the next session of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick, for the passage of a Bill to amend 49, Victoria, Chapter 25, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Town of Marysville" and acts in amendments thereof.

Dated the ninth day of February, A. D. 1926.

(Sgd.) D. BIRD,
Town Clerk.



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