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MUSKRAT RANCHING.

A writer in a C. P. R. publication, dealing with conditions in western Canada makes the following reference to muskrat ranching, an industry which is taking hold in the west:

From all indications the new industry of muskrat farming continues to take hold of the popular imagination in a manner in which few newly developed Canadian activities have done, and from the way in which ambitious recruits with proclivities toward out-of-door occupation are coming to engage in its pursuit there seems every likelihood of its coming to outstrip most other branches of the domestic fur farming industry. Marsh and slough land, formerly regarded as waste territory, in all sections of the country, is being fenced off and transformed into muskrat farms, either by farmers adding to its side line to their main activities or by newcomers engaging in this profitable and interesting profession as a whole-time pursuit. There is very evidence that soon the country will be quite thickly dotted with domestic establishments devoted to the intensive raising of muskrats for fur.

Certain sections of Alberta and British Columbia would seem in particular to be receiving marked attention. In the Peace River country of Northern Alberta, muskeg lakes continue to be taken up on quite an extensive scale according to report, to become domestic muskrat farms. The Columbia-Kootenay Valley, with large tracts adapted to the pursuit, is experiencing a somewhat similar invasion. A Milwaukee cattle rancher, establishing in the Lake Manitoba district of Manitoba, purchased in addition an area of swamp land to turn into a muskrat farm to raise these valuable little animals on a large scale as a profitable side line to cattle raising. The muskrat is a valuable fur bearing animal and thousands of them are taken in New Brunswick each season. It has been proved that they can be raised in captivity and there is a lot of waste marsh land in this province, particularly in the counties of Sunbury and Queens which might be utilized for the purpose. Muskrat ranching could be made a very profitable branch of farming in sections of this province.

Pennfield, in the good old prohibition county of Charlotte seems to have been given a place on the map lately because of a large shipment of liquor alleged to have been made from there. The car containing the liquor was shipped as laths and was seized at McAdam. The liquor was stored in vats and there were 216 of them in all valued at \$30,000. The liquor was destined for Toronto and had it gone forward would no doubt have come into active competition in the home market with the famous Corby, Walker and Seagram brands. It is difficult to understand why Ontario should find it necessary to import liquor.

Chief examiner for a big insurance company says people are staying up too late. In a speech he goes after night hawks. The doctor is only partly right. Too many people are sitting up late in order to kill more time. They can't waste enough in the limited hours of the day. Sitting up late is not such a bad habit. Sitting up late to no purpose is very bad.

The tendency of modern invention and science is to give us every thing—to leave nothing wanted or to be imagined. A university president complains that the trouble with the modern mind is that it can't keep up with the growing fund of knowledge. We may have to have minds that grow faster and work faster, he says.

It is announced that an invention is at last successful which will make it possible for voices of film actors to be heard in perfect synchronism with their pictures. This may be disappointing. The imaginative sight-seer at the movies would rather imagine what the hero tells the villain when he gets him with his back to the precipice.

An Oregon, Wis., child fell asleep on the running board of an automobile and was carried four miles by the unknown driver of the car. Just possibly nothing further need be said in behalf of Wisconsin's good roads.

The graduating class at the U. N. B. today probably includes a number of prospective governors, judges, wits and sages who will write their names on history's pages.

It has occurred to some that possibly the anti-prohibition contingent would come nearer accomplishing its aims if it emphasized the free-lunch side of the question.

A Chicagoan had a "fine yourself" plan of traffic law enforcement adopted in that city. Through an inadvertence last week he discovered that it works.

Flour mill companies are reported to be resisting the investigation ordered by the United States Senate. They don't want to be sifted.

There is quite a lot of interest in just when the farmers will get relief. For one thing, the potato consumer would like a little of it.

A minister says profanity is on the increase. He may have got within range of somebody taking down the stovepipe.

A Kansas City man advertised the loss of his favorite wicker rocking chair. He probably won't rest easy until he finds it.

Jack Dempsey will get \$450,000 for his next fight. It represents, maybe, what it really will be worth and interest.

Loyalty is the dominant trait of a dog, but many a man is so mean the rest of us can't help wondering what his dog sees in him.

A florist should be able to do a great deal for his mother after Mother's Day.

As Grandma used to say about June peas, it takes quite a number of francs nowadays to make a mess.

A woman is indeed indifferent to the opinion of others when she won't even lie about her age.

Never judge by appearances. You can't always measure a man's religion by the length of his face.

One half the world doesn't stop to consider that it's none of its business how the other half lives.

You never can tell. When a man begins to feel that he is appreciated he is perhaps overestimated.

Probably the reason hope springs eternal in the human breast is because it costs nothing.

To keep up appearances requires a buoyant nature.

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\* THROUGH OUR SIEVE \*  
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\* Trousers don't look good on a girl if they fit. \*  
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Poor human nature! So many things it likes do not agree with it.

Lima Beane says the reader of much modern fiction ends the story this way: "Ho, hum!"

It's now a matter of pouring oil on the troubled lawn mower.

Mr. Einstein's theory of relativity is to be amended but not many will notice the difference.

Hes not a fool because he doesn't agree with you. Maybe "you're it."

It used to be said: "Walls sometimes have ears." The dictograph has made truth of that fancy.

You'll see the day, if you live long enough, when men will be clamoring for equal rights with women.

JAILS ARE EMPTY.

Sofia, May 14—Several prisons in large towns of Bulgaria are now closed for lack of prisoners and the judicial machinery of the country has virtually no cases of a political nature on the dockets.

Todor Kuleff, minister of justice attributed this state of affairs to the amnesty law voted by the Sobranie.

Has Retired.

Halifax Chronicle—After twenty years of service with the National Drug and Chemical Company, the last six years of which he acted as assistant general manager for the Maritime Provinces, L. A. Miles has retired on superannuation. Previous to his retirement Mr. Miles was presented with a gold mounted cane by the Halifax staff. H. L. Ganter will remain in charge of the Halifax branch.

## BIRDS, BEASTS, HAVE THEIR DAY

Lewiston, Me., May 14—Somebody has been feeding the city park pigeons "split" or some sort of an alcoholic beverage, officials believe as the birds have been acting in a tipsy condition all day.

They have been reeling about and rolling over on the grass, so dizzy and dazed they have been unable to fly. About a year ago these pigeons are said to have been the victims of a homebrew party. An investigation is to be made.

Lewiston, Me., May 14—Attacked by a heifer he was leading, Frank W. Morrill of 794 Main street, Lewiston, was hooked in the face, the animal's horns tearing a deep gash in his nose, breaking the bones and narrowly missing an eye. He is at Lewiston Hospital as comfortable as could be expected.

Putney, Vt., May 14—Hearing a commotion outside his house, Charles W. Hewitt of this place went outside to investigate. He found his pet cat engaged in an encounter with a strange feline. When he seized the visitor Hewitt found he had a biting, clawing wildcat in his arms. He succeeded in despatching the animal but not until he suffered severe lacerations on his face and hands.

## MARVEN GET A GOOD PRICE

Moncton, May 13—The sale of the J. A. Marven, Ltd., property here, including all machinery, furniture, etc., and land, to the Canada Biscuit Company, Limited, has been registered. The consideration was \$255,465. The sale is consequent upon the recent announcement of a merger in which the Marven company participated.

## BOY SCOUT CONCERT.

Peterson's Entertainers Gave Excellent Performance at Barker's Point.

The Community Hall at Barker's Point was crowded to the doors last night, the occasion being a musical entertainment staged by Peterson's Entertainers. The affair was under the auspices of the Boy Scouts. Scout Master E. G. Merritt acted as chairman and the following excellent program was successfully carried out:

Selection, orchestra.  
Solo, Prof. J. McP. Peterson.  
Selection, Dawson Club Quartette.  
Selection, Orchestra.  
Solo, Mel McInnis.  
Violin Solo, Miss Horwood.  
Cartooning, Mel Chappell.  
Intermission, sale of ice cream.  
Selection, Orchestra.  
Sleight of hand tricks  
Reading, J. Barry Allan.  
Selection, Orchestra.  
Solo, Albert Stafford.  
Selection, Male Quartette.  
Solo, Prof. Peterson.  
Violin Solo, Miss Rice.  
Reading, J. Barry Allan.  
Orchestra, God Save the King.  
Every number on the programme was heartily enjoyed and the whole entertainment was greatly enjoyed by all.

## WEEK-END FARES VIA THE C. N. R.

Effective May 1st, the Canadian National Railways will inaugurate reduced week-end fares from and to various points in the Maritime Provinces. Tickets will be good going on all trains leaving terminals after Friday noon, in addition to Saturday and Sunday, and returning the following Monday. The first Friday upon which tickets will be on sale will be May 7th and their sale will be continued until Sunday, October 31st. For further particulars apply to Canadian National Railways Ticket Agents.

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