

## SCOUTS ARE NOW SEEKING TALKIE TALENT

Hollywood, Sept. 26.—The scouting system is now to be used by film companies to find talent for the talking moving pictures. Plans have already been made for the sounding of Europe's operatic and musical talent.

Among the first of the scouts who will go aboard to scout for "talkie" talent is the well known screen star and favorite, Ramon Novarro, who for some time has been preparing himself for a debut as an opera singer. He returned recently from aboard, but will return to Europe early next year to seek singers and musicians of talent.

While in England, Novarro expect to take a course on composition. On the

continent he will resume voice studies under Louis Graveure and before returning he plans to sing in one or two operas.

During all these activities in preparation for his own screen-operative career, Novarro also will be acting as the representative of Louis B. Mayer, producer, empowered to open negotiations with any singer whose voice and personality impress him as particularly suitable for the new era of screen entertainment in sight and sound.

### THE WOMAN OF IT

There was a girl in our town And she was wondrous wise She painted up her ruby lips And penciled both her eyes And when she found this didn't win The fame that she would know She went and shot her husband up And now she's in a show!

## DECLARES THAT EYES ARE THE LURE OF CUPID

Philadelphia, Sept. 26—Science, always puzzling over the answer to some question that the average man concedes is too much for him, now tackles the problem of "Why do people fall in love?"—and answers it, too.

Eyes, says Prof. Clarence Smeltzer of the psychology department of Temple University, are the chief lure employed by Cupid. At least investigators have found more lovers who attributed their state of mind to that source than any other.

In discussing the "Social Characteristics of Adolescents," Prof. Smeltzer said that eyes, whether blue, brown or assorted are most often responsible for persons falling in love.

According to replies of many who answered a excellence of teeth came next in importance and, in some instances, proved irresistible.

"The largest group," he, said "mostly from the male side, pointed to their innamoratas' hair as justification for their sentiment, emphasizing its color, length and arrangement.

"Fourth in order is the nose of the loved one, while the voice rates fifth among the characteristics named. It is not infrequent for these in love to overlook all other deficiencies.

The standard of beauty is still far in the lead as a qualification used by young persons in selecting a mate.

Fort Fairfield, Me., Sept. 25—The potato raisers of Aroostook county are so busy digging the crop and hauling it, taking advantage of the favorable weather, that not much attention is paid to the market and hauling to shipping points has fallen off with a slight rise in prices.

At some points in the county today as high as 80 cents a barrel was paid for Cobblers and \$1 for Green Mountains. Prices were less at other points. With a falling off in offerings, the shipments out of the county dropped to a little more than 100 carloads.

H. M. Sewell of Moncton is in the city today.

## HALIFAX JOURNALIST HAS A GOOD STORY IN HIS PAPER ON THE FREDERICTON EXHIBITION

Mr. James W. Power, sporting editor of the Halifax Recorder, who was a delegated visitor at the Fredericton Exhibition, writes in his paper his impression of the same as follows:

76 years of age and still going strong. Such is the record of the Fredericton Exhibition, and in a few words, speaks for its success, and was just as much so this year as ever, and with large attendance. The reason, therefore, may be illustrated by the fact that it is splendidly arranged, is run by a system, provides first-class attractions with horse racing of the best, splendid stage show, with elaborate fireworks, and a capital Midway. Then, besides, the people themselves are enthusiastic over the Show, and they are most remarkably hospitable, while Fredericton is a most beautiful city to visit.

The people make a newcomer welcome, while the Exhibition officials do everything possible to please those who go there. This was well illustrated at a dinner given at the Experimental Farm, where one of the speakers remarked that when he met the Directors he was asked if they could do anything for him, or if not then, later. Such treatment he had not received everywhere he visited. By the way, this dinner bringing together the different breeders and having some interchange of ideas, was a feature that the Nova Scotia Exhibition Commission might emulate.

### The Officials.

President Clark is always about, and with his genial manner greets visitors most pleasantly. Vice-president Jas. A. Cain is a valuable assistant. C. D. Holder is not only a real treasurer but is an excellent chairman of the racing committee. T. V. Monahan, who has been so well styled by an American turf writer as the "King of Goodfellows" is an outstanding member of the race committee. He has been a big factor in the success of racing at Fredericton for about two score years and it is principally through his efforts that the people of the Provinces and Maine see such fast horses. Then they have a racing secretary in D. W. Griffiths, who is worthy of a place in a similar position in the largest turf centres. He is a most energetic worker, but all done in the quietest possible manner. He is held in the highest esteem by the horsemen, and his going to other meetings with Mr. Monahan means attaining numerous entries for Fredericton.

### New Secretary.

The Association has a new secretary in C. L. Sypher, and he has fitted perfectly in the position, genial in manner, answering all questions with ease and always on the job. Frank L. Cooper has charge of the amusements, he is there throughout the shows, always seeing the performance is properly carried out. A. C. Fleming, chairman of the house and grounds, fills his position similarly. D. W. Oits not only handles the tickets, but helps to make visitors pleased in his own unique manner. F. B. Edgecombe, one of Fredericton's leading citizens; Roy W. Smith and Harry A. Smith have long done much for the general success; Alonzo Staples, Ald Thompson, Currier and Ross are also directors, who have the same enthusiasm as the others. There is another director worthy of a first place who has been the main cog in the wheel for years and is so favorably known in Halifax. This is W. Storey Hooper, who has been President and Secretary of the Institution for years, and who this season did so much for publicity. These directors all have working committees, the members of which worked hard for years. There is another former director, ex-Ald. W. Farrell, who had much to do with the success of former years, and who still retains his interest and makes visitors to Fredericton feel at home.

There were many excellent displays in the main building, and two which attracted particular attention were those of the Canadian Pacific Railway showing the Toronto lake front, featuring the Royal York hotel, being built by the C. P. R., and also West Indies' cruisers and that of the Canadian National Railways, featuring the Maritimes with remarkably attractive

marine views, with sailing ships. The latter was in charge of F. C. Sayre, a most efficient member of the advertising staff, while the former was in charge of H. H. Hamilton, the popular and esteemed travelling C. P. R. passenger agent, so favorably known in this Province.

### Some Pointers.

There are some pointers to be obtained from Fredericton for the Provincial Exhibition at Halifax. They have a main building which is always attractively decorated, with lots of room in the aisles for promenaders, and they can all see what is going on. There is also a fine automobile show and they make much revenue from the dance hall, which is conducted under the auspices of a local club. Signs are displayed with much prominence giving patrons some idea of what they are observing.

Then there is a big Midway, with novelties brilliantly illuminated at night and managed by Ben Williams who has been providing the attractions at Fredericton for years just as he does at various other Fairs in New Brunswick and also New England Fairs. A new bandstand has been erected just above the first story of the main building. The people of Fredericton as well as those who visit there go to see their Exhibition and races; they like a jolly time and thus they go about the Midway or visit the various buildings. People crowd the grounds in the evening, more so than the afternoons, and they pay 50 cents admission, and on the free-for-all days the admission fee to the races is raised from 75 cents to \$1.50, and with an increase for reserved seats, but nobody is heard to complain. The stage show was supplied by Wirth and Hamid, New York, who provided the acts for the Halifax and Saint John Exhibitions. There was a great show, with Millie Goldie, the wire-walker; Mme. Bedini and her horses, who have appeared at Toronto, Brockton and other prominent Fairs; the Honey Trio, Australia's remarkable acrobats; five Bicycle Belles and others.

The Masonic Band, from Halifax, was present, playing for all the acts, making a splendid impression, but where they scored was in their concert selections, which were immensely enjoyed and appreciated. Many visitors were present, all of whom were comfortably lodged at the hotels or by the Lodging Committee. Horsemen were present from the various sections of the Provinces and New England; one of the pleasures they find is to have an exchange of greetings once more. The great majority make their headquarters at the Queen Hotel where they received such a friendly greeting from the genial proprietor T. V. Monahan, where they thoroughly enjoy their visit. This hotel always has the most prominent people staying there, including the Chief Justice and Judges who are generally on circuit at the time of the Exhibition.

### A Fast Track.

Fredericton has a track which for speed is unequaled in this country, as demonstrated by the many records it holds. This is due to the fact that it is so wonderfully attended to by Messrs. Monahan, Griffiths, Roy Smith and the others of the committee, including Grover C. McGoy, who devotes so much time thereto in preparing for the meet, and during race week it is scraped and treated as to obtain the best possible results. Fredericton track is another good pointer that improvement of the Halifax track should commence this Fall.

Such speed as developed by Jeanette Royal and others—quarters at a 2.00 clip, a half at a 2.01 clip, and a mile in less than 2.05—could only be made on such a fast track as Fredericton. The time of 2.06½, 2.04¾, 2.06¼, is the fastest race won in straight heats in the Provinces, and is faster than the three heats made in the free-for-all in 1926, when Bessie McKlyo won the first heat in 2.04¾, and Hal Malone the next two in 2.06¼, and that of John R. Braden when he won in 2.05¾, 2.06¼, 2.06¼ in 1923.

Three faster consecutive heats have been made in the Provinces, 2.05, 2.06¼, 2.04¾, but this was in the sec-

ond, third and fourth heats, and not by one horse, being by Ruby P. and Bessie McKlyo. All these records were made over the fast Fredericton track.

Lee Scott's 3-year-old in winning surpassed the record for horses of that age made on Maritime tracks, surpassing that of Peter Tanlac, 2.17¼, made in 1922, and equalled this year by Joe McKinney in an exhibition mile, all at Fredericton. Johnny Miles, the speedy and easy going trotter by Captain Aubrey, lowered the trotting record for Maritime Province geldings to 2.11¼.

One of the most popular results of the meet was the winning of Dustless Grattan, owned by Frank Adams, in the 2.24 pace in straight heats and making a new record of 2.13¾. Mr. Adams has been such a genuine and popular supporter of the racing game that it was with spontaneous feelings of pleasure to have him successful. A prominent New Brunswicker congratulating him, told him he deserved a gold medal for having come so far with a Canadian bred pacer to defeat a number of speedy American bred horses.

### Government Control.

The operation of Government Control was of interest to many visitors. The law in many respects is similar to that in Nova Scotia, but with no prescriptions required, though the penalties are higher than in this Province in persons having liquor not purchased from the Government. These laws are quietly but effectively carried out under the direction of Rev. R. G. Fulton, Chief Commissioner. Mr. E. R. Teed is the Deputy Commissioner, who is in charge of the stock at the large warehouse, and has the business on a systematic basis. The Government issues a price list of the various liquors and with extra rush Exhibition week, and with 50 different brands of Scotch whiskey alone on the list for their patrons to select from not to mention the many purchases of beer and other liquors, the staff had a busy time, but the efficient superintendent has a perfect system with which all can be handled with alacrity, so that all were attended to just as in a busy hour in a bank. While there will always be a difference of opinion among people as to Government Control, there is one thing that impresses in connection therewith, that while people will have liquor, that it is far better to have the money go to the Government for the benefit of the country than in the pockets of bootleggers.

## COURT FREES WOMAN HELD IN MAN'S DEATH

Edmundston, Sept. 25—At the hearing here today in connection with the charge of manslaughter preferred against Miss Bertha L'Abbe, of Waltongrass, Maine, in the death of George Dube, son of Maxime Dube, of St. Jacques, N. B., the case was dismissed. Several witnesses were heard and Magistrate Begin decided that the Crown had adduced no evidence from which he could find that the death was caused other than by unavoidable accident. A. M. Chamberlain conducted the prosecution and Max D. Cormier appeared for the accused.

Dube was struck by a car driven by Miss L'Abbe.



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