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CONGRATULATIONS

Howard P. Robinson of St. John who started out life as a newspaper man on the Sussex Record conducted by his father was this week elected one of the directors of the Royal Bank of Canada.

THE SAGA OF A TELESCOPE

One can imagine the shades of Galileo, Kepler and Newton watching was amazed interest all that happened the other day in the glass works at Corning, N. Y.

At Corning twenty tons of molten glass were ladled from the vast belly of a fiery furnace to be molded into a mirror 200 inches in diameter. It will be the second of that huge size, and both will go to serve a telescope, greatest of its kind, on a plateau of Palomar mountain, forty-five miles north of San Diego.

And what, asks the hard-headed reader, will be the practical value of it all? The practical value in the hard-headed sense, has never been considered.

Meanwhile back of the telescope conceived at Mount Wilson observatory lies the Carnegie Institute, and back of the Carnegie Institute the millions of a money-making Scott, who wrested his wealth from the competitive conflict of steel mills.

NO SOLUTION YET

A man from the United States, accompanied by a son, reached the ferry dock at Fort Erie, Ont., on Christmas Day and there met his wife and another son living in Canada.

This was the first meeting of the family in four years. The mother and one son had paid a visit to relatives in Canada, but on seeking to return home the mother was denied admittance because she had been born in Italy.

For four years the governments of two great nations have been obdurate. Neither would concede anything that would allow this family to dwell together.

Here is an imaginary line drawn across the new world. It is called a boundary between two nations of this new world—and across it a mother and son and a father and son gaze hopelessly at each other. For four years!

Could not Prime Minister Bennett and President Roosevelt get together and explore the possibility of having something done to solve this unsocial and inhuman difficulty?

Ed Howe says that what America needs most is better behavior. The trouble is that so many people seem to think behavior is something you do with a megaphone.

OUR MAIL BAG

THE ARCTIC RINK

Editor Daily Mail, Dear Sir:— A few days ago an old man walking with a cane entered the Arctic Rink. He was met by a formidable man at the inner entrance who asked "have you a ticket."

No not even to look around that's my orders. As far as I was able to see there were no notices posted giving information as to visitors, patrons or any general information.

The manage ment of this public place receiving aid from the city is not encouraging public sympathy when such drastic rules are enforced. OLD TIME CITIZEN.

SNAPSHOTS

Men sometimes excel. There was a large puddle of water yesterday morning at the street crossing at Dibblee's Corner. Then men were able to jump across without getting their feet wet, but when the ladies attempted to cross, they landed in the middle of the slushy puddle.

Bedbugs inhabit York County Jail, says reports. One thing about it is that all prisoners start from scratch.

Thanks Rev. Mr. Bate and Adjutant Kimmins for your aid in regard to the County Jail. This is REAL Christianity — the best kind of religious work.

How do you like the streets? It is too bad that there was such a scarcity of labor yesterday when the streets needed cleaning.

It speaks well for our conditions when the city could not pick up a few men to keep the gutters clean of water.

The Waverley Hotel people know how to handle a banquet or a dinner. Last night's dinner came in for much favorable comment—nicely decorated tables and good "eats" well served. You can't beat the Dewar's on this kind of stuff.

Warden Gaynor was a good host and came in for many deserved bouquets during the evening.

It was a nice thought of the Warden to have his old school teacher, Major Good, and members of his old High School class of 1905 at the Warden's dinner last night. It was also nice to hear Major Good's tribute to his former pupil.

Council Reinstates Dog Tax Levy

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the effect that dogs be tagged in all parishes, be endorsed by the council. Several of the councillors were of the opinion that part of the resolution was not exactly suitable to the council. Coun. Griffin read a resolution made by the N. B. Guides Association for the sake of giving a simpler angle on the situation. Coun. Doherty stated that what is good for the Guides Association might not be good for the farmer and added that he thought the dog tax alone would be sufficient to cover the need of checking on sheep-killing by dogs.

The question of whether or not the expense of dog tags should be included in the dog tax levy was discussed and Coun. Robert Graham suggested that the council go ahead and handle the whole thing if the municipality had the proper authority. County Solicitor McNair confirmed the fact that the municipality had authority to control the running at large of dogs and that the council had the power to pass a by-law controlling the running-at-large of dogs.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn to two p.m. and the dog tax question be resumed then.

A movie actress has divorced her husband on the ground he reads in bed. Possibly she prefers a husband who sleeps in a library.

MEASURES BEFORE HOUSE JAN. 21

Speedy Action Will Be Taken to Impliment Reforms

Ottawa, Jan. 10—On the first day in which it will be possible to do so—Monday, January 21—the Government plans to introduce in Parliament its legislation respecting unemployment insurance. It will be item No. 1 in the program of social security. Presumably similar measures regarding health and accident insurance will soon follow.

The purpose is to create a board which will attend to the administration of the system. Generally the British plan will be followed, though over there the administration is under a member of the Cabinet. Here the intention is to have it under a board, although some Minister—probably the Minister of Labor—would be the channel of communication to the Government and Parliament.

Opposition Parties Committed

The basis of all these projects would be contributory, and the intimations are that projected reforms in the old-age pensions system would make that contributory as well. In regard to insurance against unemployment, the state—the Federal Government—the employer and the employe will contribute to the fund, probably a third each. Still to be decided, it is understood, is the period of contribution to qualify for a prescribed period of benefits under the act.

The general preparations suggest that the Parliamentary program is being expedited, and they are also consistent with the possibility of an early election. But that will depend very largely on the sessional event. The estimates are being reviewed today, while the situation is that, if necessary the budget can be brought down in very short order. The fact that in a short time the fifth vacancy in the House will be created by the appointment of Hon. Murray MacLaren as Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, with no apparent move to bring on the by-elections, is also indicative of the general appeal not being delayed. Under the old law, still operative, it would require at least two and a half months before the newly elected members could take their seats so the bother may be avoided.

Party Supports Premier's Program

The Prime Minister is to be on the air tonight while the final pronouncement before the session will be Mr. Bennett's more length discourse in Montreal next Tuesday night. The idea of any schism in the party is scouted. Instead, the warmest commendation is reported.

No pronouncement of Liberal attitude is likely till the debate on the Address after the session starts, but his year it may be on the 18th.

In the closing hours of the last session, Mr. Mackenzie King demanded a general election and hinted that, if it were not held, the Opposition would be constrained to resist the Government and all its works. If this attitude is persisted in, it is the opinion in Parliamentary circles that the effect will be great in determining both the date of the appeal to the country and also what can be accomplished before that event. Money for the public service, no doubt, would be voted by consent, but how much further Parliament may go is for the moment in a cloud of obscurity.

ONE LONDON STORE'S SALES \$927,258 IN DAY

LONDON, England, January 10—An indication of the popular optimism about business here is to be found in a statement issued yesterday by one London departmental store to the effect that a recent single day's sales amounted in value to £190,012 (about \$927,258).

There are times when the lack of a smile seems to be a stern necessity.

SAYS SIGNATURE IS NOT GENUINE

Handwriting Expert Testifies in "Gypsum Queen" Case

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 11—The disputed certificate of ownership of the "Gypsum Queen", filed with the Canadian reparation commissioner in October, 1930, did not bear the genuine signature of J. S. Henderson, former registrar of shipping at Parrsboro, N. S., Arthur B. Farmer, hand-writing expert, testified in the exchequer court of Canada yesterday.

"I have arrived at the conclusion beyond any shadow of doubt", the Toronto witness told the court. "The signature on the certificate was not written by J. S. Henderson".

His evidence occupied three hours yesterday in the hearing of the government action for recovery of \$71,000 reparation money from Senator Hants J. Logan and Captain Freeman Hatfield, native Nova Scotians. Called as a government witness, Mr. Farmer will continue his evidence today, when he will be cross-examined by W. N. Tilley, counsel for the senator.

The disputed certificate was filed by Senator Logan with the reparation commissioner as proof of ownership by Hatfield of the three-masted schooner. Henderson on the stand Wednesday denied signing the document, while Senator Logan at sittings of the royal commission held by Chief Justice Horace Harvey of Alberta two years ago swore Henderson had signed the certificate.

Testimony of two witnesses taken on commission in New York City was placed before the court.

The much-discussed Alexander Allison, colored mate of the lost vessel on her fatal voyage in 1915, and now a rigger employed on Staten Island, repudiated in his evidence on commission the statement he had made before the reparation commission in Boston on October 11, 1930, that he had seen a torpedo which struck the "Gypsum Queen". He only had been "told" by his first mate the "Gypsum Queen" had been struck by a torpedo. This was when he had rushed to the deck after a hearing a "crash" and First Mate Andrew Upshaw was now dead, Allison stated.

John Pratt, a Canadian mariner living in Massachusetts, swore in his evidence on commission that Hatfield on arriving at Liverpool, England, after being rescued, had said the "Gypsum Queen" was lost in a storm. Hatfield, who before the reparation commission stated his vessel had been torpedoed had denied in Liverpool in 1915 the "Gypsum Queen" had been struck by a torpedo, submarine or by gunfire, testified Pratt.

Objection by W. G. Pugsley to acceptance of the evidence of Allison, and Pratt as against his client, Hatfield, will be decided today by Mr. Justice E. R. Angers, who is presiding. The grounds of protests put forward were that Hatfield had not been properly notified of the commission and had not had an opportunity of participating in the commission.

Henry Ford tells this story on himself: He was in the habit of using a Ford car to drive to and from his factory in Detroit, and his summer home just outside of Detroit.

One evening on his way home he came upon a man on the road who could not get his ford started. Henry Ford got out of his machine, and in a few minutes managed to get the machine to move.

The man, very much pleased, offered Ford two dollars for his trouble.

"Keep your money," said Ford. "I have moer now than I could possibly spend."

"Then why," said the man, "do you drive around in one of these damn things."

DIED

PEARSON:—Died at Victoria Public Hospital, January 10, 1935, Clarence Vradenburgh Pearson, aged 42 years.

The funeral will take place on Saturday with prayers at the home at 2:15 o'clock, and service at Christchurch Parish Church at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Ven. Archdeacon A. F. Bate and assisted by Rev. W. J. Bate. Interment will be made at the Rural Cemetery extension.

GAIETY

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Bathurst Notes

Bathurst, Jan. 10—Schools re-opened here Monday, Jan. 7th with a full attendance.

Dr. Paulin, medical school inspector is visiting the schools here this week. Grace Densmore, Mary Morse, Hugh Duncan and Tom Morse returned to Montreal this week to resume their studies.

W. G. Fenwick who was operated on at the Montreal General Hospital is expected home this week.

Mrs. 'Dr.' Coffyn entertained the Ladies Aid of the Gloucester Hospital Wednesday evening.

Mrs. A. J. Fenwick, held her post-nuptial reception in her home on Murray street Monday afternoon.

Miss G. Burns left by Ocean Limited Wednesday evening for Montreal and Ottawa where she will spend a few months.

Mrs. J. P. Byrne leaves on Friday for Fredericton where she will spend a couple of weeks the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Justice Barry and from there she will go to Montreal to spend the rest of the winter.

The I.O.D.E. Chapter Nicholas Wennis, is holding its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Coffyn Friday evening, officers for the year will be nominated.

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