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THE KING'S JUBILEE CELEBRATION

There has been a good selection made in regard to the different committees who are to handle the celebration in connection with the King's Jubilee on May 6. The men and women composing the committees have evidently been placed in the different departments where they should be able to do the most work.

The announcement made by Ex-Mayor R. L. Phillips, chairman of the Transportation Committee of the Fredericton Board of Trade that arrangements had been made with the different railways for cheap week-end passenger rates, should bring many to the Capital for the provincial celebration.

It has been suggested that the Retail Merchants Association branch of the Board of Trade get together and arrange a special sales week scheme in connection with the celebration. It is this done on the proper scale it should prove very successful.

It is to be hoped that all citizens will do their part towards boosting the provincial celebration here and in helping to make it a success. The indications even this early are that we are to have the best celebration ever seen in Fredericton.

STRESA

In the beautiful castle of Isola Bella, on Lake Maggiore, at Stresa, the heads of three European governments meet today in an effort to arrive at an effective basis for a collective peace pact. The uneasy resting-place of Napoleon before the fateful battle of Marengo, Isola Bella has a memorable historic past. It is possible that history will once more be made within those walls.

There go to the Stresa conference Mussolini, of Italy, Simon and MacDonald, of Britain, and Flandin of France, attended by their foreign Ministers and other advisers. Stripped of its various ramifications, the issue seems to be between Britain's desire for conciliatory action towards Germany, on the one hand, and on the other the resolution of France and Italy to take the strong arm attitude against Germany in co-operation with Russia, and hopeful that Britain will join in, but determined on their own stand irrespective of British accord or not. The Montreal Star says:

The British appear to be convinced that no accords or series or schemes of accords can be effective unless they include Germany as a participant. Mussolini seems equally convinced that it is useless to try conciliation and that nothing but an agreement providing for the employment of force against any aggressor — with Germany specifically in his mind as the aggressor — is of any use. M. Flandin stands pat for a similar sort of accord, basing his stand on the established fact that France faces a re-armed and still re-arming Germany.

What the outcome will be, as between aggressive pacts and non-aggressive pacts, is on the lap of the gods. But international conferences in the past have opened with the participants far more apparently antagonistic in their views than the statesmen who will meet today, only to smooth out apparently irreconcilable difficulties and surmount seemingly unsurmountable obstacles. Out of a bitter conflict of aims if it is not inconceivable there may emerge something calculated to allay war fever.

Tuesday's Franco-Russian accord appears to be an effort on the part of Russia and France to put teeth into the League of Nations covenant regarding sanctions against aggressors. They are careful to make it clear that it is to be "within the frame of the League of Nations". That is a phrase susceptible of various interpretations and adaptations, but for whatever it

is worth, it may tend to allay some nervousness.

European opinion regarding Britain's policy seems to have been upset somewhat by Mr. Baldwin's frank declaration in the House of Commons on Monday: "If war can be stopped only by letting the aggressor know that war will not be permitted in Europe, this country will play its part. I am convinced, with the rest of Europe to see that no aggression shall take place".

THE QUALITY OF MERCY

Weeks and days, in succor of various causes, some of the "lost," and some of them advertising, have become so frequent that their appeal sometimes leaves the public cold. But there are few whose hearts will not warm to the call of "Be Kind to Animals" week now being celebrated throughout Canada and the United States.

The record of humans in regard to their consideration, or lack of consideration for the "lesser ideas" of creation, is pretty dark. It improves, but more improvement is greatly needed. There have always been humane men and women who have preached and practiced kindness to animals. Plutarch, in his "Lives" quotes the aphorism, "Honour your parents; worship the gods; hurt not animals." Still, when centuries later, Burns spoke of man's inhumanity to man, he could well have added that a similar lack of love made countless millions of animals mourn.

Would it not be possible to extend the Be Kind to Animals campaign to stretch over fifty-two weeks? The adult who has gone to the rescue of a puppy bewildered and frightened by the sticks and stones of unthinking children—and who hasn't?—asks himself why gentleness to dumb creatures is not more stressed in school and home? In 1931, Miss Jane Brownlee, principal of an Ohio school, and a staunch friend of animals, stated that "it is just as practicable to teach children justice and kindness as it is to teach them geography and arithmetic, if the right methods are used."

To those who know how they are achieved many animal acts cause a sickening feeling rather than a smile; fur-bearing creatures are tortured, though in some decreasing degree, in cruel steel traps. Vivisection is still with us. In one direction, happily, great progress has been made. The lot of horses almost everywhere is happier, partly through the invention of the horseless carriage, but also largely through public opinion.

Yes, frankly, there remains much to be done. "Be Kind to Animals" week is a splendid contribution toward payment of the debt long overdue by men to the inarticulate animal kingdom.

John Sullivan, M.P., May Go To Bench

OTTAWA, Ont., April 11—John Sullivan, M. P., for St. Ann's division of Montreal, is being strongly mentioned for the Superior Court vacancy caused by the death of the late Mr. Justice Coderre.

15, HE'S ARRESTED ON LIQUOR CHARGE

MONCTON, April 11—A youth who told police his age was 15, was taken into custody by R.C.M.P. constables who found him in possession of seven and one-half gallons of alleged contraband liquor. The youth, from Kent County, is being detained at police headquarters here until it is decided what may be done with him. It is perhaps the first case in this section of the province of such a young person being allegedly engaged in illegal liquor traffic.

ENGINEERING OFFICERS

The annual election of officers of the University of New Brunswick Engineering Society took place at noon today with the officers elected as follows: Honorary President, Prof. E. O. Turner; president, Herbert Wallis, of Quebec; vice president, Robert Peacock of Saint John; secretary-treasurer, John McKnight, of this city. The retiring president is David T. Nagle, of Saint John.

Something new and different Thursday and Friday, April 12th-13th. The Oddfellow's Revue. Don't fail to see it.

OUR MAIL BAG

APPRECIATES LETTER

Editor, Daily Mail.

Dear Sir:

Just a few lines to express my appreciation of the very sane letter signed "A Thot" which appeared in your paper tonight. This letter struck the right spot, and expressed the ideas here by many of us who are unable to express our sentiments as well as this correspondent did.

Will you please publish this note of appreciation.

Yours truly,
STUDENT.

SNAPSHOTS

The Board of Trade had a regular live wire supper meeting last evening. The addresses were snappy and to the point.

R. H. Simonds has given good service to the Board of Trade. His resignation is regretted.

The Secretaryship of the Board of Trade should be handed to a man who is a hustler. There are several qualifications required. The executive should not jump at any one man. Consider the qualifications of several and pick out the best.

We'd like to hang on another ten years, or at least until the Dionne girls learn about money, and collective bargaining.

"He is one of the noblest men I ever knew", says Princess Mdivani of the Prince. However, Reno may become technical and insist on other grounds.

A film studio, just erected near London, is described in its press releases as enormous. Evidently an obscure English synonym for "colossal".

Two wrongs do not make a right—but the wrong that is done as reprisal for the first wrong, may inject a sense of discretion into the man who began the row.

Considering how little success they have had in operating many businesses it seems strange that the politicians should want to operate more businesses, but then maybe they need the money.

The heathen look at our moves and realize that, like the devils, we can do many miraculous things, but console themselves on their belief that, nevertheless, we are devils.

Two editors kidnapped in Havana were quickly released, upon warning the kidnappers that unless they got back to the office immediately they couldn't get the full story into the first edition.

LATE FLASHES

NEW YORK, N. Y., April 11—The United States Student strike against war scheduled for Friday, had an early start in New York yesterday with demonstrations in two high schools.

SAN PEDRO, California, April 11—An explosion that rocked the waterfront yesterday sent the 40-foot fishing boat Liberty to the bottom of the harbor channel and injured seven men, three of them critically.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 11 — The House of Commons yesterday accepted a Senate amendment to the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act stipulating it would not apply to debts contracted after May 1, 1935. There were also two legal amendments to the act applying to Quebec, none of which were opposed.

ASSAULTED DOCTOR

Convicted on charge of assaulting Dr. S. F. A. Wainwright at his office here recently, Medley Devillers was sentenced to a fine of \$10 and costs or a jail term of 30 days by Magistrate Limerick here yesterday. The man was sentenced also to a fine of \$8 or a jail term of 30 days for being drunk, the two sentences to run consecutively.

SALES TAX A PROBLEM FOR MERCHANTS

Delegation Waits on the Executive For Full Instructions

MONTREAL, P. Q., April 11—Operation of the new municipal sales tax is puzzling to local retailers. A Retail Merchants' Association delegation headed by Camille Dansereau, president and Rosario Messier, secretary, waited upon the executive committee yesterday afternoon to tell them this. The delegation was seeking instruction on the collection of the new tax.

The delegation comprised representatives of butchers, grocers, garage owners, bakers, pastry-makers, contractors in plumbing and heating, furriers, jewelers and dealers in iron, wood, coal, shoes, tobacco and furniture.

Mr. Messier explained that now that the tax has been adopted, merchants, who will act as agents for the city, must be informed as to the method of collection. The merchants sought the easiest and least complicated means to collect the tax for the city so that their accounting systems will remain in the simplest from possible.

The delegation also requested the Executive Committee to increase the minimum sale on which a tax may be levied from 10 to 25 cents.

The Executive took the matter under consideration.

North Shore Civic Election Tuesday

NEWCASTLE, April 11—Nominations for mayor and aldermen of Newcastle will be received at the town office until Friday, and the election will take place on Tuesday next. The election will be for a mayor and four aldermen, Mayor Waldo Crocker term having expired. He will not seek re-election. The terms of Aldermen Brander, Durick, Creaghan and Roy also expire. Messrs. Roy and Brander will seek re-election. The only new man in the field so far is William MacKay, who filed his nomination papers Tuesday.

Important National Confer Taking Place

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rumors. Since Britain still holds by the League of Nations, it is suggested that Clause 16 of the League Covenant invoking sanctions should be strengthened. The covenant, in effect, would then embody President Woodrow Wilson's idea of a League with teeth. Another suggestion from Paris, widely reprinted in the Italian newspapers, is that Mussolini should assume the leadership of a common front.

And with all the realism, the delegates have their compensations. No more beautiful scene was ever chosen for such a conference. Isola Bella lies like a jewel on the shimmering waters of Lake Maggiore. Northward the Alpine snows glow in the spring sunshine. Priceless old masters hang upon the walls of the conference room.

In the adjoining room Napoleon slept before he swept with the armies of the first French Republic across the rich plains of Lombardy.

DIED.

NILES.—At Fredericton, April 10th, 1935, Thomas A. Niles, aged seventy years.

The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon under the auspices of the I.O.O.F. Service will be conducted at his late home by Rev. G. W. Gufon. Interment will be made at the Rural Cemetery.

BREWER.—At Marysville, April 11th, 1935, Susie A. Brewer, aged sixty-years, wife of Herbert B. Brewer. The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon, service at the late home at 2.30 p.m., with Rev. M. H. Manuel conducting. Interment at the Methodist Cemetery at Marysville.

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Dominions Kept Fully Informed

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low," he further quoted the South American statesman.

Mr. Thomas also told a questioner that there had been constant consultation with all the Dominions on all the aspects of the World Disarmament Conference. So far as he was aware, however, no Dominion had made any official pronouncement on the subject of France's proposal for an international air "police force," advanced some time ago and still the subject of discussion.

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