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## R. D. Hanson

In the passing of R. D. Hanson at his home last night after a short illness, Fredericton has lost a good citizen and the Fredericton schools have lost an official who has given faithful service during the past 16 years. Previous to his connection with the Fredericton schools Mr. Hanson did good work in the educational field throughout New Brunswick, both as a teacher and as an inspector. Fifty years is a long time to give the service of education, and this is the record of Mr. Hanson from the time that he left the University of New Brunswick in 1886 until he was taken ill on Thursday while attending a conference of teachers. He practically died in the harness. This is a record that is almost unique in the record of New Brunswick education. Many old pupils and teachers throughout New Brunswick will learn of Mr. Hanson's passing with feelings of the very greatest regret and will extend a sympathetic thought to his widow and other members of the family. In this sympathy The Daily Mail sincerely joins.

## Eat Fish For Health

We feel that the Canadian Department of Fisheries has earned congratulations upon the timely and intelligent manner in which it has waged a campaign looking towards the consumption of more fish in this country.

In striking advertisements, the Department has relied upon no mere sentimental appeal to promote the sale of fish, but has plainly told the public in simple terms just what health value lies in the use of this kind of food.

It has even carried its policy of practicality to the point of printing recipes which show the housewife how fish can be prepared in a tasty and appetizing manner.

Now if the Canadian Government has considered it good business for a great Canadian industry to thus merchandise one article of food, why do other great Canadian industries not realize the importance of merchandizing in a similar way their particular articles of food?

We have in mind, among others, the bread and milk industries.

In British Columbia the chief problem of the dairies and dairy farmers is the disposition of fluid milk. After taking out all the by-products feasible, the industry must depend upon fluid milk to bear the cost of production and distribution.

The result is a price to the farmer that does not enable him to make a fair profit and a price to the consumer that bears no relation to the producer's profit.

The only way to bring those prices more closely together is to increase the volume of milk sales.

And the only way to increase milk sales is to raise milk consumption by telling the public in a simple and scientific way the value of milk as a food and by teaching the public new ways in which milk may be used.

Exactly the same thing is true in the bread industry. For better prices to the consumer, better wages to the bakery workers and better profits for the bakeries, the one solution is a greater sale of bread.

And the only way to sell more bread is to teach the people what bread means to them and to what uses it may be put.

The new scientific merchandizing of fish undertaken by the Department of Fisheries is a practical illustration of what both the bread and milk industries can do towards solving their own peculiar problems.

## Buy Potatoes Now

Official figures relating to potato acreage and production in Canada reveal that the 1936 potato crop is another relatively short one. Consequently, it may be reasonably expected that prices will be \$1 a bag or over during the present harvesting season of the main crop, to be followed by periodical price advances throughout the winter and spring months. This trend already is reflected in the current market price levels. Recently, the Montreal wholesale potato price ranged from \$1.10 to \$1.15 per 80 pound bag; in Ottawa, from \$1.20 to \$1.25 per 80 pound bag, and in Toronto, from \$1.35 to \$1.40 per 80 pound bag.

Total Canadian production of potatoes, namely, 38,500,000 cwt. for 1936, compares favorably with the total crop of 1935, but the 1936 crop is 10,000,000 cwt. less than 1934, and 6,000,000 less than the five-year average. Not only is the Canadian crop short but the crop of the United States is the shortest for many years. Therefore, U. S. prices are bound to have a bearing on Canadian price levels. Some Canadian growers and potato marketing agencies are already looking forward to the United States as a substantial marketing outlet this season.

At this time of the year the market is inclined to be over-supplied, since potato growers are either digging or have harvested their crop and are anxious to turn a portion of their crop into cash. Now is the time, therefore, to buy potatoes before the market makes another price advance, and in this connection it is anticipated that the market will be firmer within a week or two. Another reason for buying now is with regard to storing quality. Potatoes bought and stored now run less risk of being chilled after sub-freezing temperatures commence.

Temperatures from 40 to 50 degrees are quite suitable for the proper storage of potatoes, but the danger point is reached if the temperature in the storage room is allowed to fall below 38 degrees F. People who are able to buy now and have a suitable place to store them in, will be well advised to do so within the next two or three weeks.

## Food Supply and Rebellion

Cluster table raisins from Spain, known as Malagas, are going to be on the short side for Christmas this year, states Canadian Grocer this month. We can't have a rebellion such as the Spaniards are staging and not expect an upset in the channels of trade. So far there is nothing definite that any Malagas will leave that country in time for Christmas, although as formerly reported in Canadian Grocer a shipment of olives (part of last year's crop) got away from Seville. As a result Australia and California will be called upon to supply the deficiency in clusters. Spain has been one of the main sources of almonds and these nuts are distinctly on the short side. It will mean that walnuts, pecans, Brazils, etc., will have to take their place and some of these are high in price. There will, however, be no dearth in the supply of dates from Smyrna, but there is not any too large a quantity of the top quality fruit. Smyrna figs, however, are likely to be a bit short, the cause being attributed to bad weather in the harvesting season and some move on the part of the government there, which importers are unable to fathom.

The tomato canning season ended definitely a couple of week ago, following the cold weather and frost. Same applies to tomato juice, and while the packs of these in some districts in Ontario was splendid, the total Canadian pack is by no means any record breaker. Quebec is going to be away shy on supplies this year, because of the cool weather retarding canning for a couple of weeks and the early frost. But there is not going to be any famine in tomatoes, although by May and June of next year, the quantity in Canada will not be excessive. It is for these reasons that the market has been firm.

## SNAPSHOTS

After all, the college students are good theatre patrons and they were only having a little fun.

The police should keep an eye on the outskirts of the city tonight. Last year considerable damage was done to residential property by boys from below town.

The new bridge seems to provide news. The latest move is that the Minister of Transport takes the matter up with the Mayor of Fredericton. He never said a word to the Mayor of Devon, so maybe the bridge is only going to go half way across the river. Better get after your end, "Mac."

The best dressed girl in the departmental buildings is said to be en route to the marriage altar.

The good looking teacher from the tall timbers should not have made the date with the two boys for the same night. The tall male teacher is counted amongst the girl as "a good catch." She should have held on to him.

The girl who was escorted home around midnight by the married man should not have talked so loud as she told all their intimate secrets to the whole neighborhood. If she had stopped after the first snort or two she would not have had so much to say.

Nova Scotia Board of Trade considers C.N.B. bridge here is necessary.

## Daylight Raid

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They also struck the Rastro—the flea market—in the Calle de Nuncio, opposite the palace of the Apostolic Nunzio to Madrid.

A bomb landed in Vicente street not far from the North Station. Another killed eight persons and wounded 38 others near the Madrid headquarters of an Anarcho-Syndicalist organization.

All the projectiles struck the city at about 4.40 p.m. Eleven children were among the most gravely wounded, struck down as they played noisily in the sunlit Plaza Progreso. One of the exploding bombs killed a woman and her child in bed during the afternoon siesta.

Two Scottish Red Cross ambulances were destroyed by incendiary bombs, although none of the Scottish staff was reported injured. Eight persons were killed and 38 injured by one bomb alone which struck near the Syndicalist headquarters.

The noise of a city at war drowned out the roar of the airplane motors so that the planes were diving on the city itself before the populace was aware of the raid. Officials said they believed the raids were in retaliation for government counter-attacks earlier in the day at Torrejon de la Calzada, south of Madrid.

The government, forcing all available men into the fight to break the insurgent siege of Madrid, tonight decreed conscription dodgers would be punished as deserters from the army. All professions are equally affected by the new mobilization, the decree said.

Premier Largo Caballero announced plans for Syndicalist cabinet representation. Ministers of the Syndicalist C.N.T. (federation of labor), the premier said, "will soon sit at the same table" with the incumbent government.

## Former

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Hungerford to be president of the system.

Mr. Hungerford will combine the duties of president with those of chairman of the board. The appointment is subject to approval by order-in-council and steps are being taken immediately to procure this approval.

The statute passed at last session of Parliament authorizing a new set-up for the management of the Canadian National System left to the discretion of the board of directors whether these officers should be combined or two men named. After careful consideration the board decided that Mr. Hungerford should fill both posts.

As chairman and president of the Canadian National, Mr. Hungerford will have charge of the operation of a property employing 85,000 men on 24,000 miles of railway in Canada and the United States, having also telegraph, express, hotel and steamship enterprises.

His first job on a Canadian railway was as an apprentice and he has held positions of steadily increasing importance in the operation, construction and executive departments. He was appointed chairman of the new board of directors of the national railways in September last, associated with him on this board being J. Y. Murdoch, K.C., Wilfrid J. T. Gagnon, H. J. Symington, K.C., B. L. Daly, R. J. Moffatt and D. H. McDougall.

## OUR MAIL BAG

### EDUCATION AGAIN

(The Daily Mail, while it finds "Observer" articles interesting and popular, does not always agree with what is said, and is not responsible for the writer's opinions).

From the reports in the press, and from the remarks of many teachers which I have heard, it appears that some very excellent addresses were given at the York-Sunbury Teachers' Institute, whose meetings have just closed.

The claims of various organizations and types of education were presented; among them a plea for a different type of rural education, a wider form of vocational training, and the claims of Home and School Clubs. There seems to be a general agreement that the time is now ripe for some radical changes in our educational system, and no doubt that is why these various claims are so much to the fore at the present time.

Now, there is not much doubt that all these projects are very worthy. I have heard the opinion expressed, however, by many teachers, that they wonder why these speakers take so much time and energy to present their claims before teachers. The teachers are very glad to hear them, and are much interested, but from the speakers' point of view it would seem to be largely a case of wasted breath, since the teachers of themselves are powerless to change things. The view is expressed that these sponsors of the various educational movements ought to get busy and go after those who are in authority, and who have the power to change things.

It seems incredible, that if these very eloquent speakers were to present continually their claims as forcefully to the government as they do to the teachers, that some substantial result would not be attained. Perhaps the speakers are being misjudged, perhaps they do continually importune the government, but if so it seems rather remarkable that there are no tangible results yet.

There would seem to be some danger that amid so many conflicting claims of educational reform the average citizen would become somewhat bewildered. Not only the average citizen, but the teacher and the educational authorities as well. No doubt some of these projects relate to Adult Education, and can be classed as such. But there are pleas that young people be taught home-making crafts in the schools; that they be taught agriculture; that there be much more vocational guidance than at present.

Now, as I said before, these things are all very well, but they must be regulated. We don't want our present system, imperfect as it may be, entirely superseded. We don't want the academic element in the system lost sight of altogether. There is a danger of the pendulum swinging too far in the opposite direction when it does swing. We must guard against that. It would be just as grave an injustice to have our province given over wholly to a purely technical and vocational type of education, as it is to have the accent too strongly placed on the academic, as is true at present. What is needed is an effort to attain the golden mean. And that is a hard thing to do, in education or anything else.

All honour should be given to those leaders in educational thought in our province who are trying to remedy some grave injustices. They are wholehearted and sincere people, and have the best interests of the province at heart. But there is always the danger of overenthusiasm, which may become in time, fanaticism. It is quite correct to say that every person in our province is not destined by nature to be a member of the white collar class, and therefore should not be forced into a course of education which tries vainly to place him there. But it is not correct to think that all our prospective citizens are destined to become automobile mechanics or sheet-metal workers. Two wrongs don't make a right. Preserve the golden mean.

And let us try not to be over-critical of those who have it in their power to make such changes as are necessary. Let us all, Observer included, school ourselves to patience.

## The Church and Canadian Life

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We believe that the time is ripe for such a movement. Wherever anyone brings a vital message there is a warm response. It is time to present the Divine message for which the churches stand as a challenge to every life and to every side of life, and IT IS TIME FOR EVERY ONE WHO LOVES HIS COUNTRY TO MAKE HIS STAND WITH THE FORCES THAT ARE DEFINITELY AND CONSTRUCTIVELY CHRISTIAN.

IT IS ONLY BY THE DIFFERENT CHURCHES WORKING UNITEDLY FOR THE CAUSE OF CHRISTIANITY AND FORGETTING THEIR DIFFERENCES MAY WE EXPECT TO COMBAT THE SERIOUS DANGERS WHICH CROWD THE WORLD TODAY.

## Treaty Revision

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reux (Switzerland) last summer for revision of the Straits Convention at Lausanne. The successful outcome of this conference, to which I am pleased to think that my Government contributed, has set a happy example for the future.

This conference revised the convention that took from Turkey control of the Dardanelles, the historic waterway that connects—and separates—the Black and Mediterranean Seas.

The example it set was that there was a peaceable, friendly way for nations to seek revision of repressive treaties—apparently including colonial and other clauses.

The King mentioned his concern at the Spanish civil war, and his country's efforts to localize it by insuring neutrality of other nations.

He mentioned also the recent American-British-French financial agreement on the occasion of the devaluation of the French franc, the first step in a hoped-for programme of economic disarmament.

"My Ministers were glad to be able, in conjunction with the Government of the United States of America," he said, "to lend their co-operation to the scheme for readjustment of the value of French currency."

"I trust that the measures taken recently by the French and several other governments will pave the way for further improvement in international trade."

The measures were coincident with devaluation of currencies and lowering of tariff barriers.

### Voices Appreciation of Nation's Sympathy

The King started right out in his speech with an "I" and then made a moving reference to the death of his father, King George V, and the sympathy the nation had shown for him and for Queen Mary.

Topics upon which he touched included revision of the League of Nations Covenant, negotiations for a new Locarno Treaty, national defense, betterment in trade and employment, housing—a problem in which he had interested himself since youth—and other domestic matters.

As the result of the 20-minute ceremony, Parliament was adjourned until next Tuesday, the occasion of the State opening. Lord Onslow, seated on the Lord Chancellor's Woolsack, read the speech for Viscount Hailsham, the Lord Chancellor, who is ill.

Later, the recess decree and the King's speech was read again in the House of Commons by the Speaker, Capt. E. A. Fitzroy.

## Canadian

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ments are of no particular interest but Mr. Lamb's story is an entirely different matter.

For some years Tommy Lamb has operated a trading post at Moose Lake, which he took over from his father. In the early days fur was plentiful in the North, but of recent years the marshes had dried up and the muskrats were disappearing.

Tommy believed he could restore the muskrat industry by declaring a trapping holiday and restoring the water levels. He was willing to spend his own time and money, but first wanted assurance that the experimental area would be protected from outside trapping. He therefore asked the government for a ten-year lease on 54,000 acres of waste land in the Moose Lake district. He received the concession.

That was in 1931. It wasn't until the spring of 1934 that he permitted the first harvest, and the season's trapping yielded 12,000 pelts and the muskrat houses by that time numbered more than 4,000. About 25,000 pelts were taken in 1935.

The young fur trader then bought a plane to rush his furs to market and it was this that brought him the name in Winnipeg of "the flying trapper."

and believe in the good intentions of the present government to remedy such educational abuses as exist. They are alive to these abuses, and have expressed their intention of doing something about them.

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HANSON—Entered into rest suddenly at Fredericton, October 30, 1936, Rupert Douglas Hanson, in his 69th year.

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