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**Muriel Miller, Authoress**

Another laurel has been added to Fredericton's crown of glory as the home of Canadian authors. That Miss Miller is doing her bit in keeping up the good name of the old capital and old U. N. B. is heartening in this day of modern rush and excitement. Hardly out of her teens the authoress of the Portrait of Bliss Carman has cultivated a taste for poetry that is bound to win for her future distinction.

**Oratory—Good and Worse**

Many eminent writers who essay the role of public speakers are disappointing to their public; but not Lord Tweedsmuir. Canada's new Governor-General. Few modern writers have been more prolific in output than John Buchan, as he is known wherever good literature is appreciated, nor covered a wider field. But even this preparation, were he not dowered with the gift of ready expression, would not make him an orator.

Perhaps the term orator does not apply. Fluency of expression does not necessarily mean oratory. Much more attractive to a discriminating audience is a clever marshalling of argument, clarity of thought, and a nice economy of words. In all of these the Governor-General excels. And he is especially at home when, as before the Ottawa Canadian Club, the subject chosen by him is public speaking, with passing references to the style and effect of oratory as exemplified by men reputed eloquent, or merely forceful and convincing of speech.

Oratory of the old perfervid style is not popular these days; nor is the long speech. He is a courageous speaker who today gives free rein to eloquence. In the first place he must be a master of oratory, with an absolute command of language—and the best language—if he is to arouse more than amusement. The day of the spellbinder is gone, though many of his class do not know it. And still, as Lord Tweedsmuir said, "you will never do away with the reign of the personal orator. You will always have Parliament; you will always have the effect produced by certain public meetings held at a key moment."

There are occasions which bring out the effective orator; sometimes to his own surprise. In fact, the man who knows his subject and speaks from a full heart always will be heard attentively, even though he have little of what is generally termed eloquence. For example, Sir Oliver Mowat was a halting, hesitating speaker, but he knew his subject and kept to the point. And Sir Oliver's speeches read well in print.

Ridicule and humor skillfully used are a public man's greatest weapons. Sarcasm has its place and its value, and perhaps in Canadian public life there were no greater masters of this than Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon. S. H. Blake. Older people still hear echoes of the stinging arguments and retorts of these Canadian speakers.

And where could be found greater contrasts in oratorical style than marked the deliverances of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir John A. Macdonald? Each was a master of his own method. Sir Wilfrid the real orator; Sir John the astute reasoner, and aided by a never-failing flow of humor that was valuable in driving home his point—and confusing his opponents.

In the course of his address Lord Tweedsmuir referred to many of the great orators, past and present, and it is interesting to note that he paid high tribute to Mr. James Maxton, Glasgow Socialist. Mr. Maxton stands for many things that are deplored by Lord Tweedsmuir, yet he presented his arguments in a manner that reminded his Lordship of the masterly speeches delivered by Lord Rosebery.

**Scrap the Commandments**

Society is getting a long way from the faith of our fathers when it seriously considers scrapping the Ten Commandments. That is just what is proposed in the movement now under way to permit physicians to take the lives of patients who, as far as medical science can determine, will suffer intense pain in the course of incurable maladies. "Thou shalt not kill" is a commandment so simple and direct that it cannot be misunderstood nor misinterpreted except as there is the determination to do so; there is nothing there to permit of exemptions. The ground-work of the moral and religious system of Christianity is contained in those Ten Commandments. No move to make legal the taking of human life under any circumstance can succeed in a society that remains true to Christianity.—St. Croix Courier.

**Flight Into Egypt**

An Ontario paper says Col. Chas. A. Lindbergh, with his wife and child, spent Christmas on the high seas on his way to England, hounded from his native land by a horde of criminals who appear to have paralyzed, if not taken control of, the machinery for the enforcement of the law in parts of the United States.

Such a sudden and secret exit at that season of the year, when everyone was turning homeward to enjoy the peace of the family circle, presents a sad and tragic picture, which is dramatically reminiscent of the flight into Egypt of Joseph and Mary with the Christ Child. The Holy Family fled from the tyranny of Herod, the criminal despot, who had issued an edict for the slaughter of innocent children. Similarly the Lindbergh family fled hastily before the threats of American gangsterdom, which had already murdered their first-born in safe under the protection of the law, which seems reluctant, even now, to do its duty to the State.

The latest proposal to postpone the execution of the wretched creature in the jail at New Jersey comes at this time as a cruelly ironical comment upon the departure of the Lindbergh family. It would seem as if the custodians of the law had joined with gangsterdom in saying: "Well, the people of the United States and the newspapers have lost the heroic Lindbergh but they still have their popular villain Hauptmann — let this be a warning to all whom it may concern!"

The kidnapping racket in the United States, which recently made an excursion into Canada in the Labatt case, can never be stamped out by any other method than that which swept the traffic of piracy and buccaneering from the seas. It is scarcely believable that such brigandage could be so rampant in a modern civilized community with all the apparatus for preserving law and order. Swift justice may make mistakes, but it is the only means of curbing crime when it has got so much out of hand. Laxity of law against the criminal not only encourages and protects crime, but it also puts the machinery of the law into the hands of the criminal.

**SNAPSHOTS**

Sometimes the "not outs" are not in very much.

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The same man is running down the back street again with beer. But the friend wife's husband is watching out so beware. The husband had a scout on the corner last night at nine o'clock but the man waited in the graveyard with the beer.

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If the man who wrote us the "sassy" letter today does not like our gate he does not have to swing on it. We are absolutely right. So far as the threats go they are clear "bull." We have butted up against funny fellows like him before. The letter is being framed.

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It costs money to practice vice; poverty covers a multitude of virtues.

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Our thought, after a long study of the pastime, is that the hockey goalie, as well as an army, lives on its stomach.

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If first downs counted in the final result, Il Duce would have this war in the bag.

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Calling on a Dionne, some years hence, may lead to much jolly confusion, unless the suitor brings along a complete fingerprinting outfit.

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New wireless sets look like grand-father clocks, cocktail bars and book-cases. Some manufacturers have gone even farther and made wireless sets resembling wireless sets.

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Modern warfare is ruthless. Haile Selassie tells our reporter at the ring-side that he is encouraging the importation of motor vehicles by the Italians in Ethiopia, and coolly waits to see all his enemies exterminated in traffic accidents.

**CHURCH SERVICES**

**Gibson Memorial Church, Devon**  
Morning service at 11 a.m.  
Evening service at 7 p.m.  
The service, Rev. W. A. Burge, minister. With a song service. Service at Nashuaakiss at three o'clock. Baptismal service, Rev. W. A. Burge, minister.

**Brunswick Street Baptist Church**  
Morning worship 11 o'clock, "Repentance." New Year Communion Service. Sunday School and Brotherhood, 2:30 p.m. Evening worship, 7 o'clock. "Faith." Gerald W. Guion, pastor.

**Wilmot United Church**  
New Year services, 11 a.m., public worship, subject "How to Make the New Year Happy." 2:30 p.m., Sunday school, Brotherhood in Pythian Hall, 7 p.m., evening service, subject, "If I Were Methuselah." Methuselah lived to be 969 years old. New Year Communion after evening service. Welcome. Rev. J. W. Bartlett, minister.

**St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church**  
Rev. G. E. Ross, D.D., minister. 11 a.m., public worship. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed. 12:30 Sunday school and Bible classes. 7 p.m. public worship. Subject: "Christ as a Man of Prayer." Annual Week of Prayer Begins today.

**Devon Baptist Church**  
Morning prayer, 10:30 a.m.; worship, 11 a.m. Subject: "What does it mean to follow Christ?" Church school and Brotherhood 12:15. Evening worship 7 p.m. Subject: "Religion on Business Principles." Rev. David L. Kennedy, minister.

**Order Restored in District Jail Last Night**

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four leaders to obey orders. They stirred up 19 other men confined to the jail. Seven women, completing the jail's total list of 30 prisoners, did not take any part in the disturbance. When the revolting prisoners gave way before authority they had been without food for 24 hours, it was believed. They had not gained possession of the kitchen and jail heads stated no meals had been served since the disturbance started.

**Lindberghs Plan Return to America**

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J. L. Morgan, outside Cardiff, Wales, said the manager of the Hotel Adelphi, where the Lindberghs stayed here, it was the first time they had ventured from the hotel.

At the Morgan home the famous flier and his wife hope to find "quiet rest" and safety for their three-year-old son, Jon.

They were accompanied by Aubrey Morgan, brother-in-law of Mrs. Lindbergh and son of J. L. Morgan.

**IN CITY TODAY**

Judson Hinchey, former councillor for the parish of Stanley, was in the city yesterday. During his short visit he renewed many old acquaintances.

**MAY APPLY FOR PENSION, AGE 69 YEARS, 9 MONTHS**

An application for an old age pension in New Brunswick may be made at any time after the proposed pensioner has reached the age of 69 years and nine months, according to regulations set down in the Pensions Act. Already the New Brunswick Old Age Pensions Board, headed by W. P. Jones, K. C., has handled between 3,000 and 4,000 applications and expects to handle as many as 17,000, it was made known today by the Chief Director.

Mr. Jones, assisted on the board by J. G. Robichaud, and Robert Scott, is directing the work of receiving, classifying and filing applications for pensions. As yet no additions have been made to the staff at their new office on King Street, other than those who have already been mentioned.

(Regulations)

According to a Dominion act respecting old age pensions, which applies in all provinces of the Dominion, where such pensions are paid, payment of a pension will be made to every person, "who, at the date of the proposed commencement of the pension:

"(a) Is a British subject, or, being a widow, who is not a British subject, was such before her marriage;

"(b) Has attained the age of 70 years;

"(c) Has resided in Canada for the 20 years immediately preceding the date aforesaid;

"(d) Has resided in the province in which the application for pension is made for the five years immediately preceding the said date;

"(e) Is not an Indian as defined by the Indian Act;

"(f) Is not in receipt of an income of as much as \$365 a year;

"(g) Has not made any voluntary assignment or transfer of property for the purpose of qualifying for a pension."

The act states further that, "the maximum pension payable shall be \$240 yearly, which shall be subject to reductions by the amount of the income of the pensioner in excess of \$125 a year.

It says further:

"Where a pensioner is the owner of an interest in a dwelling house in which he resides and the pension authority accepts a transfer to it of such interest, the pension payable to the pensioner shall not be payable to any reduction in respect of the annual value of such interest, but the pension authority shall, on the death of the pensioner or on his ceasing to use such dwelling house as his place of residence, be entitled to sell the pensioner's interest therein and to retain out of the proceeds of such sale the amount of all payments made to the pensioner by way of pension in excess of the amount he would have received if such interest had not been transferred to the pension authority, together with interest on the said payments at the rate of five percent per annum, compounded interest."

Regulations under the act provide that "an application for a pension may be made at any time after the proposed pensioner has reached the age of 69 years and nine months; and "where an applicant is one of two spouses living together, his or her income shall be taken to be equal to one-half of the sum of the incomes calculated as in the act and these regulations provided, receivable by each of them separately."

**Social Credit Members Have Strength of 17**

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sions for the blind. In this, he will take the place of Dr. I. D. Cotnam, who was defeated for re-election as a Conservative in Renfrew/North.

Dr. Cotnam used to move this resolution each year. Last session, he managed to have it referred to the Committee on Industrial and International Relations, which brought in a favorable report.

**FUNERAL YESTERDAY**

Many were present at the funeral of Mrs. Edith M. Barker which took place at Sheffield yesterday afternoon. Prayers were said at the home at 2:00 o'clock followed by service at the United Church by Rev. E. E. Fytche. Interment was in the Sheffield cemetery. The pall bearers were Ralph Neilson, John Wall, W. Bagley, Charles Svenson, Harry Bridges and H. Harris. The mourners were Harry Veunring, Percy K. Barker, Sydney Burpee, John Jewett, Harry Wason, W. W. Hubbard and Harry Gilbert.

**TODAY'S MARKET**

The week-end market at Phoenix Square today was a large one, and although the roads were in terrible condition there were many farmers present. Produce was quite plentiful and prices varied only slightly from Wednesday. Butter sold for 25 cents per pound; chicken for 20 to 25 cents per pound; eggs for 35 cents per dozen; potatoes for \$1.80 per barrel; beef, for 5 to 7 cents per pound.

**WINTER'S WITCHERY OF NIAGARA**

NIAGARA, Falls, Ontario, Jan. 4.—The winter witchery of Niagara Falls, with its filigree and other striking decoration of ice and snow, which glitters and glistens under sunlight, will be transformed into a night spectacle under colored lights, the Illumination Board, which has charge of the great searchlights in Queen Victoria Park, announced yesterday. The board stated that the lights will be played upon the scene whenever weather conditions invite.

**Mayorality Contest Now Is a Surety**

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the pressure of his parliamentary and other duties after having served faithfully and well for almost ten years. Ald. Kitchen filed his papers yesterday.

The only alderman to date to file nomination papers is Dr. Byron R. Ross, local dentist, who is seeking election in Carleton ward. The week-end will likely see developments in the aldermanic contest. So far the mayorality hubbub has hogged most of the attention, and only the names of Dr. Ross and W. Raymond Crowdon have been mentioned as new candidates for aldermanic positions. Among those aldermen who complete their two-year terms of office this year only two seem sure of offering again. These are Ald. Ivan McKnight in Kings ward, and Dr. H. S. Wright in Carleton ward. Of the other retiring aldermen, Ald. Mitchell is seeking the office of mayor, and Aldermen T. Earle Doohan and Hedley Forbes do not plan to offer again.

Ald. Mitchell filed his papers this morning with Fred I. Haviland, city clerk and treasurer. Those signing his papers were C. L. Dougherty, W. J. West, D. J. Shea, W. C. D. W. Oils, R. G. Loughlin, B. M. Johnston, E. N. McKee, George W. Brown, Fred W. Segoe, K. R. Jewett and W. A. McLellan. Horace A. Hanson was the witness.

Nominations day in the city of Fredericton is Monday, the last date for filing nomination papers for mayor or aldermen being four o'clock. Election day is the following Monday. Approximately 1,400 voters are eligible to vote in the coming civic contest.

**FREQUENT VISITOR HERE**

Sir Shirley Benn, who resides in England, and was amongst those who received Knighthood in connection with the King's New Year honors, is well known by the older residents of this city. During the years that the New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Land Company held extensive lumber lands in this province Mr. Benn was a frequent visitor to Fredericton as a representative of the Old Country stockholders in that company. His many old friends in Fredericton will be pleased to learn of his having received a Knighthood at the hands of His Majesty the King.

**THE EASIEST WAY**

All the song writers agree the easiest way to write a picture hit number is to be given a title that hints at a story. This can suggest both melody and lyrics.

Sometimes a lyric writer may hit on a clever verse and bring it to the composer working with him. But, in 75 per cent of the song hits of the screen the tune was written first and the words later fitted to it.

Gordon and Revel almost always start with a title. They hit upon a catchy phrase and build a tune round it. Among their hits are "Love Thy Neighbor," "Did You Ever See a Dream Walking?" "I Wish I Were Aladin," "Without a Word of Warning," and dozens of others, all with every-day phrases for titles.

On the other hand, titles don't mean a thing to Rainger and his team mate, Clyde Robin. Once they hit upon an idea, they work it over until they are satisfied. If a title develops on the way, it's all right, and if not, they'll figure one out later.

Their first draft of "Love in Bloom" didn't have anything to do with blooms, Rainger said. The song which Crosby finally sang, and which sold half a million copies, was their twenty-fourth version of the piece. It bore only a slight resemblance to the first copy.

Curiously, Gordon and Revel came to Hollywood almost three years ago to write music for the screen, and they haven't written a song in Hollywood yet. They maintain offices at Paramount but each time they get an assignment they dash out of town, seeking peace and quiet for their work.

They've written songs at Catalina, Palm Springs, San Francisco, Reno and even New York, but not one tune has found its finished form in Hollywood.

"Writing a song," says J. J. Rob-

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HERE MON. - TUES. - WED.  
**'HARMONY LANE'**

**IN CHINA'S HILLS**

Westerners acquainted with China will scarcely be astonished to hear of the luscious singing of Chinese bandits in their fastnesses. If the picture does not quite square with the conception of Occidental latterday practitioners of banditry and kidnapping, it does square with what the Westerners hear of the Chinese people at home. The picture of lonely ravines and mountain fastnesses whose great silences are broken only by a voice or voices rising in song, is one which our minds retain—from stories of travelers and from frequent allusions in the literature of the Chinese themselves.

But the traveler, in one section of the China of today—or tomorrow—would be startled if he passed near enough to hear the words of the singing and discovered that they were English, and that the songs were those he himself had sung, or heard sung, at home. Strains of "Smile, Smile, Smile" and other Rotary Club and Broadway favorites of its period would start him asking questions of the first person he would meet.

The explanation would have to do with the ingenuity and courage of an English girl, Mrs. Muriel Pawley, who was kidnapped by Chinese bandits in the region in 1933. In company with a companion, she was captured while riding one day on the Newchang race track. She was 19 at the time, and had been married only three months. During the days of her captivity she fought off what she describes as boredom and the fear of going mad by teaching her captors to sing in English songs which she had enjoyed as a girl. Apparently the fruits of her teaching were multiplied, because, now, hundreds of the outlaws have caught the contagion.

Imagination reconstructs the scene of those lessons. The defenceless white girl, armed only with her wits against the ruffians, beguiled them with a new toy. And imagination moves forward, also, into the future when the incident has been forgotten but when an isolated Chinese hillman, here and there, may be found possessed of a curiously garbled version of something that sounds like "Smile, Smile, Smile"—acquired, he could not tell how, by an ancient who had taught it to him. The purity of the English would decline into something almost beyond recognition—a Chinese song with alien coloration, with "inorganic" elements, the professors will say. And we'll have an analogy to Mr. Kipling's "Nangay Doola," and "The Wearing of the Green"—as heard in the interior of India.

bins, the dapper little fellow who is in charge of song writers at the MGM plant, "is, after all, a great gambler. Out can't tell whether a song is a bit or not until it's tried on the public. Often a song written for a certain screen situation, and one that the composer has no particular hopes for, may sweep the country."

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**CHOOSING SPEAKER IS DIFFICULT TASK**

English M.P.'s Reported Fighting Choice of French Member

OTTAWA, Jan. 3.—Election of a speaker in the House of Commons for the new Parliament is likely to be one of the first major problems for the King Government. Continued delay in any indications of the Cabinet's choice of a presiding officer lends color to the reliable reports that, even within the Liberal party, there is disension.

There is within the party a definite drive for the choice of an English speaker. The original intention, of course, and that sanctioned by precedent was to elect a French-speaking member to the chair.

During the time the Liberals were in power before, they sat through three Parliaments continuously, except for the brief shadow government' hiatus in 1935. Throughout those three Parliaments, one man, Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, continuously occupied the chair. He was elected in 1921, in 1925, and again in 1926, remaining as Speaker until the Liberal defeat in 1930.

At that time, there was rumblings of discontent. At the opening of the session immediately following the 1926 election, Hon. Hugh Guthrie, then Conservative House Leader, voiced his objection to the re-election of Mr. Lemieux. Though he did not go to the length of forcing a vote, he registered his protest against a speaker remaining in office despite the installation of a new Parliament. He made it plain that he was not objecting to Mr. Lemieux personally, but was opposed to the violation of the precedent which dictated that there should be a new Speaker in each succeeding Parliament.

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