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Buy New Brunswick Goods

If every woman in New Brunswick were each year to buy twenty-five dollars worth of goods manufactured in this Province, this would almost relieve the unemployment situation. This was the message given to the Women's Institute this morning by Mayor Kitchen when he welcomed the women to the convention here.

This message of Mayor Kitchen is worthy of consideration by the women of this Province. It is especially worthy of consideration of a body of women such as the Women's Institute. The Institutes of New Brunswick have promoted many worthy objects. This idea of relieving unemployment by purchasing New Brunswick made goods is a patriotic one. Patriotism does not consist of beating war drums and flying flags, and firing off guns. It consists of helping out our country in a moral and financial way and in promoting the acts of peace. We all honor New Brunswick. We love her as our home. Everything we may do to promote her interests is not only patriotic. It is also for home and country.

Money that is sent out of New Brunswick for goods whether by the mail order route or otherwise never comes back. It goes to promote communities away from here, communities which have no interest whatever in our welfare.

Mayor Kitchen sounded the right note to the leading women of New Brunswick in convention assembled here.

Who Owns Ethiopia?

Mussolini has declared to the people of Italy that Ethiopia now is an Italian possession.

The League of Nations announces that, so far as that body is concerned, Ethiopia still is an independent and sovereign State and a member of the League.

Emperor Haile Selassie has fled from his country, but in spite of this fact Ethiopian leaders assert that the Government otherwise is unaffected, and still carries on from a secret Capital; that it refuses to accept conquest by Italy as an accomplished fact.

These contradictory views leave the outside world in considerable confusion as to the actual status of Ethiopia, but from this confusion certain definite facts emerge.

Italy, when she entered Ethiopia without formal declaration of hostilities, denied that she was engaging in war or committing an act of aggression. Although some 500,000 men and proportionate military machinery of the latest types were involved in her operations, she asserted that they were in reality only "a colonial expedition."

In spite of her denials, the League of Nations denounced her as an aggressor, and refused in advance to recognize Italian claims to any Ethiopian territory seized by force.

But the League's attitude did not restrain Mussolini nor save Ethiopia from the gas bombs which were rained upon her, and it did not prevent the ultimate seizure by Italy of the Ethiopian Capital. It may, therefore, fairly be taken for granted that the League's present refusal to consider Ethiopia a conquered country will not restore to the Ethiopians the peace and tranquility of which Italy has robbed them, nor counteract the fact that the Italian army is already engaged in setting up an Italian government in their country.

However, history suggests that neither Italy, the League, Haile Selassie nor the present Ethiopian Government will have the saying of the last word regarding Ethiopia's destiny.

Centuries before the Christian era, Egypt attempted the conquest of this neighboring State, and at one time Ethiopia was constituted an Egyptian Province. But Egypt found it extremely difficult to keep the Ethiopians in subjection. There were constant rebellions and constant punitive expeditions to quell the rebels. Eventually the Egyptian yoke was thrown off. In the eleventh century B.C. Ethiopia became an independent nation, and about the eighth century B.C. turned the tables by imposing its rule on Egypt.

In the centuries that have passed the people of Ethiopia have not lost their national pride nor their love of independence, and it is not likely that they will submit to foreign rule without strenuous resistance.

It was one of Mussolini's excuses for entering Ethiopia that the Emperor, Haile Selassie, was unable to control the tribes in the outlying sections of the Empire. Probably Italy is overoptimistic if she imagines she can succeed in this respect where the native ruler failed.

The Italian Commander-in-Chief in Ethiopia recently stated that Italy now faces its hardest task—that of inducing the natives of Ethiopia to adopt the ways of Italian civilization. He was wrong. Before Italy begins on that task, she must convince the Ethiopians that they are beaten, and on that point they are likely to be hard to convince.

There is every indication that the ownership of Ethiopia will remain long in dispute as between Mussolini and the Ethiopians.

Those Handsome Men

Mr. McPhee's sense of Parliament's dignity was particularly affronted by the alleged statements of Miss Macphail and Mrs. Black that some honourable members "had eyes too close together and ears that stick out." But the Prime Minister hardly thought this was a question of privilege. It seems rather a question of biology over which even the Canadian Parliament has no control.

Evidently the lady members' opinions of the House, from a purely aesthetic point of view, are not very high. But we do not fear, with Mr. McPhee, that this will seriously undermine our Parliamentary institutions in the public mind, or threaten the life of our democracy.

The studious, sedentary life which is forced upon men who take their political duties seriously does not make for good looks or athletic figures. It makes rather for premature baldness and an enlargement of the waistline. Thus, an assembly of successful men in any line of intellectual endeavor is not apt to be scenically impressive. Perhaps this is merely an old prejudice, but if our Parliaments became filled with handsome men of athletic figure, we should begin to fear for mental capacities. If Miss Macphail and Mrs. Black could find more than ten really handsome men in the House it would probably be a pretty dangerous sign. Fortunately, that danger, at the moment, seems remote.

SNAPSHOTS

The Rubbie Brigade is now making its headquarters in the Queen Hotel Alley, much to the amusement of the visitors to the city. The brigade adds much to our dignity. No person blames the police force. They have to do as the chief says, and if they do not get orders to move these undesirable people off the street they are not supposed to do so.

A funny thing happened the other day. A lady missed her two small children. After some hours she became anxious and phoned the police for assistance in finding the kiddies. A male voice answered, "Yes, this is the Police Station. Yes, we will get busy at once and find the children for you. We will have them back in no time." They did not ask whether the children were black or white, fat or lean, tall or short. Our police force can find children without descriptions. Shortly after the first call was put into the police, the children returned. The lady tried to reach the police to tell them of the children's return. She tried eight times to get the police station but no reply. They must have all been out looking for the children—or busy in a checker game or something. So that's that.

"Has Mr. Malcolm moved his bank?" asked a farmer who stood in front of "Mr. Malcolm's bank" on May first, moving day. We explained that the signs were only being moved to be renovated.

"Is that where Mr. Dysart lives?" asked a lady visitor today, pointing to the Departmental Building. "No, but he spends most of his time working in there day and night," answered the man approached.

"Is that the Governor, that nice looking gentleman going in now?" said the lady. "No," said the same man. "That is the King's Printer." "My, he's a long way from the King now," replied the lady.

One of the down town street corner lights has been out for nearly a week. We don't know whether this comes under the Police Commission, the Alms House Commission or the Liquor Commission. It would be nice if some of the Commissions would turn on the light.

Japs Bringing Narcotics

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customers how to smuggle the narcotics into their countries.

The Tokyo government has been supplied with complete details of the illicit traffic, the reports said.

The Canadian Government report indicated the quantities of illicit narcotics seized in Canada during 1935 were slightly less than in the previous year. A total of 163 persons were convicted on narcotic charges last year compared to 226 in 1934, the report said. Of the persons convicted 69 were deported as undesirable aliens after serving prison sentences.

PREPARE TENNIS COURT

The tennis court back of St. Dunstan's hall, has been in process of being built during the last few weeks it is stated by Dr. P. G. Thompson, chairman of the tennis committee of St. Dunstan's Young People's Society. The courts will be ready for play in about three weeks the chairman states. The field has been ploughed and raked and hand rolled and the clay has been donated by Ald. F. S. Mundle.

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Women's Institutes

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you may derive much good from the contacts you will make while here. We extend to you the right hand of fellowship and hope to meet you often at our annual meetings in the future.

It is our sincere wish that all of you will enjoy the time you spend here and I can assure you that the members of our group will do all within their power to make your visit here interesting and memorable.

Again, on behalf of the members of the Fredericton Women's Institute, I extend all of you a hearty welcome."

MRS. A. D. MCCAIN

The following is the address given by Mrs. McCain:

On behalf of N.B.W.I. I thank you all for your words of welcome and greeting. We always look forward to coming to Fredericton and we are not disappointed. To the Fredericton W. I. let us only add they are noted for their generous hospitality, and I feel that the success of our convention is assured by the good aid we have had from the local Branch.

We are especially pleased to receive greetings from the I.O.D.E. I read with interest of their convention in Saint John and noted the deep religious trend of all their meetings, which only tended to emphasize the good work they are accomplishing.

The death of the King was a shock and surprise to us all, and his death was more keenly felt on that account. The N.B.W.I. sent a message of condolence through our Federal president. They were also notified of suitable mourning badge.

When Lady Tweedsmuir came to Canada, we sent greetings to her at Quebec, which were graciously acknowledged.

We also had the temerity to invite her to visit our Convention. This, however, she was unable to do.

Last year your president visited four district conventions, Perth, Woodstock, Devon and White's Cove. All were most enjoyable. There is one little suggestion I would like to make and that is that you endeavor to arrange for your District Presidents to attend the provincial convention. Then the aims and projects advanced at that convention can so well be passed on thus giving continuity to our work.

Just this same contact we want with our Federal Branches. We have the pleasure of having our Federal President with us and know that this will increase our interest in our National organization. A great treat is in store for us in having her.

At the Carleton County District Convention last August, the following resolution was passed unanimously and enthusiastically and was sent on to the Advisory Board, who expected to present it to our annual convention. For once the government anticipated our wishes, a precedent was established, we have a Minister of Education.

Now we would like them to go one step farther. We need a woman on the Board of Education, and who should it be but an Institute woman.

The W. I. is the largest women's organization in New Brunswick and incidentally in the world, and it is particularly a rural organization. That is what we want, an Institute woman as a member of the Board of Education. Our organization has 180 branches and in practically every one are rural branches. Two members visit the school each month, thus making contact and having the rural viewpoint, are qualified as no one is to fill such a position.

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Hon. Mr. Meighen

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guarantees and accept pledges for security," Mr. Meighen thought.

Distributing Jurisdiction

For the first time, Mr. Meighen said, "We are asking for an amendment that goes right at the heart and life of the arrangement of 1867." For the first time, he added, "we are disturbing the line of jurisdiction as between the provinces and the Dominion."

Senator Meighen urged his fellow senators to move slowly and not dispose of the address until full consideration had been given its possible effect on the structure of confederation.

"Surely," Senator Meighen declared, "we should go (to the British Parliament) with something more than a resolution that this is desired by the House of Commons and Senate of Canada." The measure of consent given this move by the provinces should be embodied in the resolution. Senator Meighen declared. As a matter of fact, the provinces had not agreed, he said, although practically all of one political faith.

Power to impose indirect taxation, Senator Meighen said, had been taken away from the provinces at the time of confederation, when the Dominion took exclusive rights to levy and collect customs and excise.

Had the power to levy indirect taxation been left with the provinces they could have exacted a revenue as great as customs and excise.

Cites N. B. Act

As an instance of what he saw as the evil that might arise from passage of the proposed resolution, Senator Meighen referred to an act recently passed by the New Brunswick Legislature, which, he said, would impose a tax upon retail sales of goods manufactured by firms outside the province. The act was not constitutional, but would become so immediately the proposed resolutions had been acted upon.

Trade and commerce, which according to the constitution are within the jurisdiction of the Dominion, would pass beyond that jurisdiction if such power were given the provinces, Senator Meighen declared. "Instead of a Dominion of Canada we will have nine more or less helpless provinces." It would be a first step, Senator Meighen declared, "toward the dissolution of confederation."

If this resolution were passed there was no way to prevent other provinces doing what New Brunswick proposed. "We propose to sacrifice the first citadel of confederation," Senator Meighen declared. "We are putting in the hands of each province a sharp sword to smite the other provinces."

In Case of Retaliation

Senator Meighen pictured the plight of Nova Scotia if Quebec retaliated against New Brunswick's proposed legislation, and throughout the Dominion with one province set against the other.

As an alternative to the measures proposed Senator Meighen suggested that the Dominion abandon the field of income tax and leave it to the provinces or to impose the indirect taxation involved in the resolution, and pass the revenue along to the provinces. It was not necessary, he declared, to disturb what he described as 'the very essence' of confederation.

"The two amendments are correlated as they tend to bring closer cooperation with the provinces in financial matters," Senator Dandurand said. The provinces were in accord with the proposed changes. "No province has raised the question of the provincial legislature meeting to approve these changes, as nothing is taken from the provinces," he said. The field of taxation for the provinces would be widened by allowing them to levy indirect taxation.

WHOLESALE PRICE

On and after June 1, 1936, all permit holders in all areas established in the province of New Brunswick by the Dairy Products Commission, purchasing milk for resale or sweet cream for re-sale as fluid cream shall be entitled to purchase such milk or cream at the whole price determined by the Commission for the area in which purchase and sale is made. Announcement of the above is made in today's issue of the Royal Gazette.

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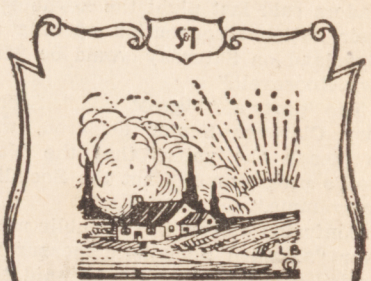
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