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## Premier Aberhart

Premier Aberhart now says: "I don't see anything else for us (Alberta) but to default. I am sorry, but it is impossible for us to do otherwise." But Alberta was not in a worse position than any of her sister Western Provinces and had no more cause for financial failure, except one, namely, Aberhart. The truth is, had Aberhart not come, Alberta would not have defaulted. "I can't see anything else..." explains the whole situation. The blind leads the blind, and Alberta has fallen into the default pit," says the Moose Jaw Times-Herald.

"It (the Reduction and Settlement of Debts Act) is unconstitutional, discriminatory and inconsistent," says the Brandon Sun, "but it has diverted the attention of supporters from the failure of Aberhart to give basic dividends... It made dishonest men out of honest ones. It is bound to weaken the moral fibre of the people and will go far to destroy the will to pay that did exist in many Alberta hearts. It took from the supposed 'haves' to give to the 'have nots.' It created administrative problems that are beyond the ability of this inexperienced government to handle. It challenged the constitution and set Alberta against the rest of Canada. It was dishonest—but it is popular. That is the danger of Aberhart to true Canadianism."

"When a city invests its sinking fund in government bonds," points out the Brandon Sun, "that money is just the fund it has collected from taxpayers. It is our money and individually every citizen must suffer loss and hardship if the city loses money. Brandon has \$400,000 capital invested in Alberta bonds. The property a city government can mortgage as security for borrowings is the property of the residents. And the losses brought upon a city must be borne by every one of the citizens in higher taxation."

"The story comes from Alberta that a not inconsiderable number of people depending for income on interest in small amounts from government bonds will be forced to secure public relief, thereby adding to the financial problems of the province. It is another illustration of the cost of repudiation of public debt," comments the St. Catharines Standard.

"The Calgary Women's Musical Club," comments the Brantford Expositor, "has had to abandon the bestowal of all scholarships because the funds, invested in Alberta bonds, have had the interest so deeply cut by Premier Aberhart and his associates that these benefactions will have to cease. Clerical funds are also embarrassed for a like reason. In many other instances people who have invested their all in said bonds, as a source of income during declining years, now find themselves in bad shape financially. These are only a few of the instances of havoc resulting from Social Credit manipulations."

"While, on the other hand, Premier Aberhart, with a chip on his shoulder, demands 'Hands Off Alberta,' he considers that it is perfectly right for him to meddle in the politics of sister provinces. This is invariably the attitude of a demagogic politician," says the Moose Jaw Times-Herald.

## Radio Defies Barriers

Canadian radio authorities recently decided that political and campaign talks over the air shall cease, so far as this country is concerned, two days before the election to which they apply.

Many radio listeners who are not ardent politicians and partisans welcomed this decision; but Victoria, B.C., is the first to discover that it does not debar the political orator from the wireless during the proposed "closed season."

In mid-December Victoria held its usual civic elections, and local radio owners were surprised to hear, right up to polling day, enthusiastic addresses in support of one of the candidates pouring from their sets.

These came, not from Victoria or Vancouver, but from Seattle, Washington, whose station supplies much of Victoria's radio entertainment. Speakers from the Coast Capital, not being allowed to broadcast from their own country, had sailed across the line and bought time on a United States programme.

It seems probable that the same course may be followed elsewhere in the Dominion, and Buffalo and Detroit may open hospitable arms to Ontario speakers anxious to bombard their compatriots on election eve.

Apparently the only method open for combating this unforeseen development is for Canadian stations, on such occasions, to set up adequate interference and spoil the across-border contributions; but this would be rather like cutting off its nose to spite its face.

And the situation is interesting as showing how difficult it is for a nation in these days to live entirely to itself, and to what extent any country must take into consideration the fact that there are no borders, frontiers nor barriers between its own native air and that of its neighbors.

## While 200 Philosophers Listened

Two hundred noted philosophers gathered in convention at Radcliffe College heard Prof. Harold C. Brown of Stanford University say words about the social order.

The philosopher said that today the economic pressures encountered by young persons when they enter the competitive world often prove too strong for moral training in the home, school and church.

While the report before us does not include the statement, we are confident that so clear-sighted a philosopher as Prof. Brown must recognize that competition and even adversity at times improves the character and stamina, moral, mental and physical, of the youngster.

Prof. Brown gladdened the hearts of every unselfish person when he said that no efficiency should be recognized that did not include the basic virtues.

Greece fell, he said, not because of a lack of necessities of life, "but because of the characters she had produced." Greece fell, he declared, because of vainglorious display and economic dishonesty.

We, too, have altogether too many of these internal weaknesses. There may still be time to make fashionable those basic virtues of which Prof. Brown, speaking with the tongue of an angel, called to the attention of his fellow-philosophers and ourselves, each and every one of us.

## SNAPSHOTS

Some newspaper reporters make mighty poor cabinet makers and also mighty poor guessers.

The Rubbie Brigade should be kept away from the block on Queen street between Regent and Saint John Sts.

The leading citizen should leave his lady friend's house before two o'clock in the morning.

When Lord Beaverbrook's daughter-in-law arrives, they should invite her to listen to the Beaverbrook chiming and then have her prepare a report and send it home to Max. We can imagine good old Max letting go some choice language in regard to these chiming.

Hon. Mr. Michaud does well to get after Hon. C. D. Howe, regarding the Australian-New Zealand steamship service for Saint John. This seems to be clearly a violation of contract. Hon. C. D. Howe's interest in New Brunswick and its rights seem to need a stirring up once in a while.

Nowadays, so many girls of the debutante age seem awfully bored and sophisticated. To them, life is so real, so material, so prosaic! Men are just something to dance with, to run around with, to "catch," to marry: "boy friends," "old dears" or "good spenders."

It is announced that University of British Columbia co-eds spend an average of \$6.50 monthly on beautification, while in United States colleges they keep spick and span on 78 cents a month. Surely B. C. co-eds are not so much harder to fix up as this implies.

## 88 Pneumonia

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and claimed 142 victims since Dec. 12.

Influenza, pneumonia and bronchitis took 566 lives in the Greater London area this week, the health department announced tonight, and physicians said they believed the "flu" wave had not reached its peak.

Influenza brought deaths to 232 Londoners; 215 died of pneumonia, 119 of bronchitis. In other large cities of England and Wales 93 died of influenza during the week.

Reports from throughout the country showed the disease was spreading at an alarming rate, although the influenza was not of the very dangerous kind.

Public services in a number of the more densely populated cities was seriously crippled. The Army sick list was mounting rapidly, despite drastic preventative steps. Public officials were urging the inoculation of civil servants.

More than 600 employees of the Austin automobile factory at Birmingham were confined to their beds. Leicester reported that fully 40 per cent. of the city's students and 11 per cent. of its workers had been hit by the epidemic. Street car service there was reduced considerably due to illness among the personnel.

Unlike the 1918 epidemic, which caused more deaths throughout Europe than the whole of the Great War, the present wave has caused but comparatively few deaths. The type of influenza in the present epidemic apparently is a mild one.

## Canadian

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the Parliamentary menu, and interest will be added to its debates in the revision of the Anglo-Canadian fiscal agreement is completed in time for the inclusion of the tariff changes.

Of the new legislation which is projected the most important measures will be sponsored by Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Transport, who plans the establishment of a Dominion Transportation Board with wider powers than the present Railway Commission.

There is also expected legislation about the new trans-Canada air service. The Federal Government is providing the airports and aids to flying at a cost of \$8,000,000.

The ministry's plan for defense and armament has not been disclosed, except in regard to the purchase of two destroyers from Britain, but it is understood that the Cabinet has declined to sanction an ambitious program formulated by the Department of National Defense.

George M. McDade, ex-M.P., of Chatham is a visitor to the city today and is a guest at the Queen Hotel.

## DIED

SULSTON—At Oromocto, Jan. 7, 1937, Mrs. Elsie Sulston, wife of Rev. J. H. Sulston, of Oromocto.

The funeral will take place on Sunday at two o'clock at the United Church, Oromocto, when the service will be conducted by Rev. George Telford. The body will be taken to Toney River, Picton, N. S., on Monday for burial. A service will be held at that place on Tuesday.

## C. P. R. TRAINS WILL HAVE AIR CONDITIONING

MONTREAL, Jan. 8.—A large and comprehensive programme of air-conditioning for the 1937 season is now under way, by the Canadian Pacific Railway at its Angus shops here, according to an announcement today by D. C. Coleman, vice-president of the company. Standard sleepers, dining cars, tourist sleepers, parlor cars, and day coaches to a total of 136 cars will be air-conditioned, and with the 130 cars air-conditioned in 1936 will permit a very considerable extension of air-conditioned services throughout the Dominion.

The 1937 programme makes provision for air-conditioned dining cars on all trains carrying air-conditioned sleepers or parlor cars, besides additional sleeping and parlor cars for use on the trains between Montreal and Quebec, Montreal and Ottawa, Toronto and Ottawa, and trains 39 and 40 between Montreal and Saint John. A new and interesting feature of the 1937 programme is the air-conditioning of tourist cars for use on the transcontinental trains between Toronto and Vancouver and between Montreal and Vancouver.

The cars air-conditioned in 1937 will supplement those provided during the past year, and which allow air-conditioned standard sleepers, compartment-lounge bedroom and parlor cars to be used on transcontinental trains between Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver; the Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, Chicago services; and the night trains between Montreal and Boston. Air-conditioned sleepers and lounge cars were also provided for the "Mountaineer" service between Chicago, St. Paul and Vancouver.

In air-conditioning equipment in 1936 and again this year, the Canadian Pacific Railway has included extensive interior improvements to the cars, making them comfortable in every respect to the highest present day standards. The structural and interior improvements include the introduction of permanent head-boards, improved lighting systems, new porcelain wash basins, window shades and upholstery in sleepers. Old standards are being changed throughout, and passengers on Canadian Pacific air-conditioned cars and trains will find themselves in bright, cheerful, and most modern conditions.

## Roosevelt Will Sign Bill This Afternoon

(Special to The Daily Mail)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 8.—President Roosevelt will sign a bill this afternoon in regard to stopping shipping of arms to Spain. It is not expected that the bill will be signed on time to prevent a second shipping which will be rushed to Mexican waters before the signing of the bill. Mexico does not intend to stop shipments to Spain.

## Big Advances

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field of study and offers great possibilities."

In surgery technique also great advances have been made, he said. In stomach surgery there had been the introduction of the gastroscope, an instrument by which the surgeon can see the inside of the stomach. And in the treatment of cancer of the stomach, the total removal of the stomach had been found successful.

"Use of the vacuum treatment for the blood vessels and for the prevention of gangrene and treatment of impending gangrene also has been made this last year," he pointed out. "And surgery is now being used in the treatment of high blood pressure, in severe cases, with moderately good results."

Twenty-seven London school boys have left for a trip to South Africa and Rhodesia.



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## Germany, Italy

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Other participating nations should adopt the same attitude; The question of indirect participation in the civil war should also be tackled immediately;

All participating governments shall agree to unconditional effective control of various prohibitions agreed upon, such as control to be carried out upon the spot.

The reply also urged the advisability of removing from Spain all non-Spanish participants in the conflict, including "political agitators and propagandists."

It is understood in Rome the Italian reply agrees in principle to discourage the movement of volunteers to Spain, but makes numerous reservations, notably in regard to Franco-Spanish frontiers.

The reply was said to include proposals for ending international tension. At Rome, officials said, "they embrace the whole field of non-intervention including war materials and financial support as well as volunteers."

JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 8.—The South Rhodesia Parliament is to meet early in March when members will be selected to go to the Coronation. They will leave on April 28th for London. The South African government will also be represented by the Prime Minister and other members.

## Skipper Tells

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But maybe the whale did swallow Jonah. We know about a man—a Frenchman—who was actually swallowed by a whale and lived to tell the tale. He fell overboard and a whale cruising alongside gobbled him down. The whale was captured and taken aboard and the Frenchman was saved.

"He remembered a vast suction drawing him down the whale's throat and a great heat and darkness—then he fainted. A short time after he was rescued, his skin turned almost a milky white—that was because of the digestive fluids in the whale's stomach, and his mind gave way. The records say he was a most fearful sight, with his white skin and staring eyes."

Dolan knows whales. For instance,

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