

## GERMANY, ITALY AND JAPAN SLATED FOR IMPORTANT BASES IN CHINA UNDER THE PROPOSED NEW PLAN

### Old-Timers' Stories Source For Author Says Can. Writer

Family Histories Rich In Material For Canadian Artists, Advises L. M. Montgomery

#### MATERIAL SHOULD BE SAVED

Value To Future Generations Of Old Background Stories

TORONTO, Nov. 13—If you have any stories in your family history, put them down. Some day they may be the valuable contribution to a book.

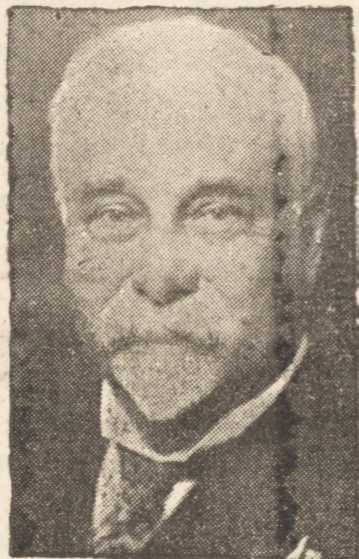
So advised L. M. Montgomery, author of "Anne of Green Gables" and many other novels of Canadian life at the Book Fair at the King Edward Hotel yesterday.

"Never mind if you think you cannot write," said the author. "Buy an exercise book and preserve them. Some day some one may come along with genius and those dry bones will then talk."

There was, she said, a "tremendous amount of literary material in Canada which will pass away when those who know the stories pass away." The romance of the stories 'old-timers' used to tell when they sat at night around the stove in her grandfathers' Postoffice in Prince Edward Island, while she was a girl had been the factor that had prompted herself to write, she said.

"And later when I came to Ontario—I was a minister's wife—I thought it was not safe to lay the scene in Ontario lest all my husband's congregation think they were in the book," she said, explaining why all but one of her novels are laid in Prince Edward Island.

"Patience, perseverance and postage stamps," were the main assets of a writer, she declared.



CHRISTOPHER SPENCER, of Vancouver, president of David Spencer Limited, who has been elected a member of the board of directors of the Bank of Nova Scotia.

### Former Resident Of Fredericton Goes To P. E. I. Pastorate

Rev. Stewart D. Trites, who since his graduation from Acadia University has done most efficient service as pastor of the Baptist Church at New Harbor, Guysboro county, is concluding his labors there at the end of this month, having accepted a call to Tryon, P. E. I. Both he and Mrs. (Continued on Page Four)

### Fredericton - Devon Amalgamation

A MOVEMENT IS SAID TO BE ON FOOT leading to the amalgamation of the City of Fredericton and the town of Devon. This proposition has been talked of at different times for several years but only recently has it assumed what might be called a promising aspect. It is pointed out that several advantages would accrue to the town of Devon as being part of the City of Fredericton. During the last couple of years in the city of Fredericton somewhere about fifty new houses have gone up and a further increase in the building boom is anticipated to take place within the next year or two. Notwithstanding the fact that Fredericton covers a large area the suitable building sites in the city are being rapidly taken up. The town planning scheme will regulate certain styles of dwellings in certain areas and other styles in other areas, and will also have certain zones for the establishment of any manufacturers that might come in. In this connection it is felt that an opportunity for including the town of Devon in the town planning area would make available many building sites in that section. The more buildings, both residence and manufacturing establishments, the less the proportion of the tax rate would be. Many advantages in the way of better fire protection, permanent sidewalks and such like would be extended to Devon.

Both the City of Fredericton and the town of Devon are in a very healthy condition financially owing to the good business management of the present City Council, the financial affairs of the city are today in a very healthy condition, and the tax rate which has been slightly reduced in the last year is quite reasonable. On the other hand the town of Devon in regard to its bonds stands amongst the highest towns in Canada in the financial market. It is estimated at the present time that the city of Fredericton has a population in the vicinity of twelve thousand whilst it is stated that the population of Devon is twenty-two hundred. The amalgamation of the two places and the increase in building and consequent increase in population would make the amalgamated city one of the leading cities in the province. The residents of Devon could, like the Romans of old, stick their head in the air and say "I am a resident of the Celestial City, the capital of New Brunswick."

Speaking of the matter today His Worship Mayor A. J. MacEvoy of Devon stated that he had heard the talk of amalgamation but at the present time he was not able to make any statement in regard to the matter. Different citizens of Devon, some of them leading business men expressed themselves as being willing to give the proposition, if it should come up, every favorable consideration. It was stated by one of the merchants that it is very likely that within a short time a joint meeting of representative citizens of both Fredericton and Devon will be held to consider the matter. This matter might very well be considered in connection with the town planning scheme now before the citizens of Fredericton. This Town Planning Scheme will receive the hearty endorsement of almost all the citizens, and if it can be worked out on a scale large enough to include Devon and Fredericton the scheme would be an ideal one. There has been no reasonable objection to the amalgamation expressed by any person on either side of the river with whom The Daily Mail has discussed the matter. The nearest hint at an objection was that the present tax rate of Devon is lower than that of Fredericton. On the other hand incidences can be given where people moving from Fredericton to Devon have found that the tax rate in that town was in their case higher than what it was in Fredericton. Another offset to this argument is that the increased building boom which would probably result in the Devon area under the new town planning scheme would have the effect of materially reducing the tax rate. In regard to the representation of Devon at the Council Board details of this could easily be worked out, proportionately so that the present town of Devon would be divided in additional wards who would elect Aldermen or Mayor to represent them at the City Council Board here. The whole scheme is worth considering both pro and con.

### New Plan Would Give Important Bases Pact Nations

China Invited To Join Anti-Soviet Pact By Germany and Italy

#### PEACE OFFERING TO JAPAN

Would Eliminate British and French Influences Orient



His Worship Mayor J. A. Raynault, who will open the Book Fair in Montreal.

Mayor of Montreal To Attend Preview Dinner

His Worship the Mayor of Montreal will attend the preview dinner of the Book Fair, being held at the Mount Royal Hotel on Friday evening, Nov. 19, and later in the evening will open the Fair, to which the public will have access from eleven o'clock Saturday morning until ten o'clock at night, and for the same hours every day during the remainder of the Fair.

TOKYO, Nov. 13—A new plan for the culmination of peace in the far east has been submitted to China's premier. The plan would eliminate British and French influence and would mean the signing of a pact with the anti-Communist powers.

A six-point program for Chinese "co-operation" with Japan to end the Sino-Japanese conflict, based on the Nanking government's adherence to the anti-Communist pact, was outlined yesterday.

This program which these sources understood has already been proposed to General Chiang Kai-shek, premier of China, by Germany and Italy, would give Germany, Italy and Japan important bases in China for action against the Soviet Union and would eliminate "undesirable" foreign influence in China—particularly that of Great Britain and France.

Japanese spokesmen consider the program would permit General Chiang to "save face" and present the peace conditions as a 'moral victory' because they would align China with the 'dynamic' powers and permit her to abolish concessions granted to 'decadent' nations.

After defeat of his troops at Shanghai, General Chiang must accept such 'co-operation' or submit to military downfall, according to general opinion here.

### IN THE NEWS



When Brig. R. O. Alexander, D.S.O., the district officer commanding, carries out his annual inspection of Les Fusiliers Mont-Royal, recently at the Pine Avenue Armoury, it will be the last parade for Lieut.-Col. Georges Le Bel, V.D., shown above, who will hand over command of the regiment to Major Paul Grenier, V.D.

### ONLY WOMAN AGRICULTURIST TO WINTER FAIR

MONCTON, Nov. 13—Juvenile Farm Club winners in the provincial contests in the Maritimes left on the Ocean Limited of the Canadian National Railways yesterday for Toronto where they will visit the Royal Winter Fair as guests of the Dominion Department of Agriculture. They will also be taken to see Niagara Falls and on their return trip will visit Ottawa.

#### The Winners:

Nova Scotia—Jack Bailey and Wm. MacDonald of River John Calf Club; George Henley, Wyman Porter, Oxford Swine Club; Miss Marion Angus, Leon Smith, Shunimicas Potato Club.

New Brunswick—Miss Marion Woods, Edward McKenzie, Welsford Calf Club; Miss Vivian Graham, Roland Kirkpatrick, Hoyt Swine Club; Miss Anna Waterson, Robert McLeod, Sussex Poultry Club; Joseph Allain, Ovide LeBlanc, St. Marie Grain Club. Prince Edward Island—Irving Cowan and Charles Frances, Montague Calf Club.

Agricultural representatives accompanying the party are: F. Waldo Walsh, Director of Marketing, Province of Nova Scotia, Halifax; Kenneth Cox, Provincial Agronomist, Nova Scotia Agricultural College, Truro; Miss Lottie Austin, of Mabou, N. S., district agricultural representative; Fred McCharles, Dominion Livestock Promoter for Cape Breton; Stanley Woods, Provincial Livestock Supt., Fredericton, N. B.; R. D. Gilmore, Gagetown; C. C. MacDougall, Sussex; A. J. Gaudet Moncton, District Agricultural representatives; J. W. Graham, senior supt., Dominion Marketing and Field Service, Moncton; E. F. Pineault, senior Dominion Agricultural field man, Caraquet; L. W. Hoper, Dominion Livestock Promoter, Charlottetown, P.E.I.

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### MORE WOMEN RADIO ANNOUNCERS FAVORED

Nellie McClung, Noted Author, and Member of CBC Board of Governors, On Way To Ottawa

TORONTO, Nov. 13—Nellie McClung, Canadian author and only woman member of the Board of Governors of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, believes there should be more women radio announcers in Canada.

"Mind you, that's my personal opinion—I'm not speaking for the Corporation, but I do believe there should be more women radio announcers on the Corporation broadcasts," she said while she chatted a moment at the Book Fair yesterday, now in its fourth day at the King Edward Hotel.

She is now on her way from her British Columbia home to attend a meeting of the Board of Governors at Ottawa, beginning Monday. So, perhaps, more women's voices will be drifting over the ether some day soon.

She also believes Canadians do not take as much advantage as they could of the programs available to them on the Canadian air, particularly the overseas programs.

### PROMINENT CANAD. ARTISTS JUDGE LEAF CONTEST

(Special to The Daily Mail) Three prominent Canadian artists will soon make a start on the unenviable task of selecting the most beautiful of the nearly 4,000 leaves that have been entered in the fifth annual maple leaf competition held jointly by the Canadian travel Bureau at Ottawa, The Canadian Pacific Railway, and the Canadian National Railways. Announcement of the judges here today named Charles J. Simpson, R.C.A., F. S. Coburn, R.C.A., and James Crockett, all of Montreal.

Their decision as regards Canada's most beautiful maple leaf will govern the awarding of five prizes totalling \$175. First prize is \$100 and the others are \$40, \$20, \$10, and \$5. The engineering departments of the Canadian Pacific railway and Canadian National Railways will decide on the largest leaves, for which prizes of \$30 and \$10 have been offered.

### DEBATER COUNTS ON GRAVE-DIGGING TO HELP PUT HIM THROUGH COLLEGE

WINNIPEG, Nov. 13—Grave-digging not only keeps Jerry Gobeille's muscles in shape, but it's going to help him through college. Jerry, who attends University of Ottawa, spends his summers digging graves, and he is now rated as a "six man" by the Grave Diggers' Union.

That means Jerry, member of the Eastern Canada Debating Team making a tour of the West, can dig six graves a week when hitting his

The contest closed on November 1st but results are not expected until the three artist-judges have time to examine nearly 4,000—more than any (Continued on Page Four)

real dirt-tossing form. Gobeille is also a good debater. He helped Norman Dobbs of McMaster University, Hamilton, defeat the Winnipeg debaters last night, taking the affirmative on the question: "That Canada Should Support an Economic Boycott of Japan for the Duration of Her Aggression in China."

His money-earning abilities were once in the bell-hopping and office boy field, but he turned to grave digging to help support his education because it pays "\$5 a day, which is not to be sneezed at."

"I am one of the few, I might add, who have had both feet in the grave and lived to tell about it," declared the black-haired Gobeille.

### Indications Show Change of Policy On Part of Government in Financing

#### Negotiations For Sale of Bonds May be With Single Syndicate of Investment Dealers

Hon. C. T. Richard, Provincial Secretary-Treasurer when interviewed this morning in regard to the report that New Brunswick may sell a bond issue in the near future stated that nothing final had been decided upon. It has been reported that an issue of \$6.5 millions of New Brunswick bonds may be offered by a syndicate of investment dealers within the next few days. Flotation of the loan, however, depends upon successful outcome of negotiations being carried on between the Government of New Brunswick and representatives of the investment dealers.

Public notice of call for tenders for the \$6.5 millions issue was not given by the New Brunswick Government and negotiations for sale of the issue are being conducted with a single syndicate of investment dealers. This indicates a change in policy of the government. Last May it refused to accept a bid for \$3 millions issue on the grounds that there had been no competition among the investment dealers for the issue, only one bid being submitted.

Late in September, the provinces sold an issue of \$3 1/2 millions of five-year 3 1/2 bonds to a group of U. S. insurance and trust companies. Sale of an issue of \$6.5 millions at this time will not complete its financing programme since total requirements

#### LIBERALS OF THE WEST REPORTED TO BE STAGING REVOLT AGAINST TARIFF

OTTAWA, Nov. 13—Rumblings of a pending assault on the Federal Government's tariff policy from its own western supporters at the approaching session of Parliament have become more menacing within recent days. No longer is there any room for doubting that the low tariff Liberals intend to take the war path against the fiscal policies which Hon. C. A. Dunning, Finance Minister, has upheld during the past two years.

Within the past week a resolution by a group of Saskatchewan Liberals headed by Gordon Ross, M. P. for Moose Jaw, has been filed with the Clerk of the House of Commons. It will be close to the top of the Order Paper when Parliament assembles, and it calls for a full investigation by

a special parliamentary committee into the workings of the Federal Customs Department, especially with a view to determining whether or not the consumers of the country receive the benefit of the system of drawback concessions granted to manufacturers on raw material and on parts.

The nature of the resolution discloses the plan of attack which the low tariff group intend following. They propose to challenge the Finance Minister's contention that tariff reductions given in the form of drawback concessions to the manufacturing interests of the country are effective in lowering the cost of finished products to the ultimate consumers.

Intensity of feeling among the Western Liberals against the Government's tariff policy is indicated by the tactics which they are pursuing. The resolution is being filed, it is worthy of note, in advance of the meeting of the House. Two ends are served by such a course. In the first place, it assures the resolution a place near the head of the House Order Paper, making certain that adequate opportunity will be given for its full discussion. In the second place—a point vastly more important—it presents the resolution as a fact to be reckoned with during the session.

at present are between \$9 and \$10 millions. Negotiations in connection with the \$6.5 millions issue do not represent the only recent attempt by New Brunswick to make arrangements for public offering of its bonds. Following sale of the \$3 1/2 millions issue in September, negotiations were carried on with a London, Ont., investment house, but the deal was never completed. An attempt was also made to interest Brown, Harriman & Co., New York, but the latter found the New York market to be non-receptive.