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Home Improvement

Nothing has taken a hold in other provinces as the home improvement plan sponsored by the national employment commission to enable the Canadian home-owner to get financial assistance for the improvement of his home. In addition, the plan is directed towards improving employment conditions and the restoration of public morale.

In Ontario, for instance, a very strong committee is placing the scheme before the people and are astounded at the response. It is expected the \$50,000 set apart for this plan will be taken up at an early date.

When Finance Minister Dunning introduced the Bill in the House of Commons it was greeted with general acclaim. Hon. Mr. Bennett gave it his blessing and only the exceptional member questioned the measure, some of the prairie members did not believe the plan would be of help to the farmer who lived in the far reaches.

A National Park Site

Nothing much has been heard of a national park for New Brunswick during the last few months. It is not so long ago that both Albert and Charlotte counties were advancing claims for sites in their particular districts.

There have been various arguments in regard to sites and it was once suggested that the northern part of the Province would be more suitable than any other, for it was claimed that tourists would have to travel through every important centre of the Province to get to it.

After all there has been so much influence exerted in behalf of the several sites that it is possible those in authority may be compelled to select an alternative site. It has been found at times a compromise decision has been better than the original intention. So might it be in connection with the selection of a national park site in New Brunswick.

If it is found impracticable to select either of the three sites mentioned it might be well to consider some site along the Saint John river. This beautiful body of water has many attractions for the tourists and the scenery along the river has often been called superior to anything in America.

Should it be advisable to select a site along the river it is here suggested that those in authority give consideration to a section of the country which would include what is called Champlain Mountain, but used to be known as Bald Mountain. This high piece of land gives a wonderful view and with a proper automobile road to its top would be a tourist attraction that could not be surpassed anywhere.

This site is close to fine farm lands and if tourist accommodations were provided it would afford a good market for farm produce and this benefit alone should not be overlooked when selection is made.—Citizen, Saint John.

"Wise Guys"

The creator of "Penrod," Booth Tarkington, insists that the little boys of today are far more sophisticated than the former generation, that they are "wise guys" who know a great variety of facts not known to juveniles of an earlier age. The kindly Hoosier author does not regard this development an unmixed blessing. The situation calls for co-operation between parent and teacher so that the youthful student may absorb ethics as well as knowledge.

Youngsters of today learn much from the motion pictures. Some of the knowledge thus acquired is rot, but there is perhaps more that is all to the good. Instead of reading Dickens, they view the "Tale of Two Cities" and "David Copperfield." The visual appeal is great, as great as the responsibility of the movie-makers, who insist that they must cater to the adult trade.

The screen is not the only medium that appeals to youth. The radio is here, a powerful instrument for good. It is a mechanical age in which the nation lives. Gadgets abound. When Penrod and Sam were playing Indian under the spreading elm trees of Indiana, the automobile was something of an experiment. Modern childhood is, of necessity, sophisticated. Penrod knew more about the world in which he lived than Tom Sawyer. Youngsters of tomorrow will be even "wiser guys" than those of today. It is a trend which Mr. Tarkington would not reverse if he could.

Preparing, But Confident

Visitors to Great Britain are unanimous in praise of the cheerful and optimistic spirit everywhere noticeable in that country.

This light-heartedness is neither a mask nor the result of lack of appreciation of realities. It is the natural outcome of national courage even under the most difficult circumstances.

For the British people, no less than the British Government, are fully alert to the cloud of horror and foreboding which hangs over the nation as over every other country in Europe.

Indeed, no one in Britain is permitted to shut his eyes to the ever-present danger. From time to time anti-aircraft drills are carried out in city streets and rural areas. Children in schools, workers in factories, and all branches of the community are being instructed systematically as to the best methods of meeting a possible air attack. Underground bomb-proof shelters are being constructed, and gas drills are routine matters.

The Government has opened a huge factory at Blackburn, in which some 500,000 gas masks are being assembled each week, with the admitted object of producing 30,000,000 of such protectors within the next eighteen months.

But despite the constant knowledge that at any moment the egomaniacal ambition of some foreign Power may send fleets of bombers armed with the most fiendish poison and other gases that human ingenuity can devise to rain death upon their country, the peace-loving British people preserve their courage and their cheerfulness.

As the Northern Daily Telegraph of Blackburn puts it: "Our Government factory was built for the making of things to wear . . . and we are praying that never will its things to wear be worn."

SNAPSHOTS

Someone has written The Daily Mail a letter in reply to one of the President of what is left of the Historical Society. As the letter is unsigned and is in reply to one that was signed for publication, we cannot fairly use it. The matters discussed in the letter are true and will be aired at the proper time and place.

After the Con—
Student—Last night I had an awful pain in my arm.
Chum—Who was she?
The habit hardest to quit is that of quitting.
Man has many anxieties, most of which disappear when he learns not to give a hang what other people do.
Even tyrants are useful; people do not appreciate liberty unless it gets scarce now and then.
After you make your million, you can buy anything you want except the friends you discarded on the way up.
If you think nobody reads the Bible now, just try quoting it in print and make a dumb mistake.
A free land is one where you aren't insulted, abused and intimidated except on the witness stand.

Premier King's

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ada demand too much of their public men and pay them too little for the great services they render. Within the last twenty years more than a dozen of the outstanding Parliamentarians of the Dominion have become casualties in the nation's service.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier died in harness and Sir Robert Borden collapsed after the strenuous years of the war. Mr. Bennett, when he was Prime Minister, was seriously stricken from over work. Hon. Gideon Robertson, the Minister of Labor, died from the work and worry of the unemployment problem. Hon. Edgar N. Rhodes suffered a stroke within a few months of his resignation as Minister of Finance. Hon. James R. McPherson, Minister of Finance in 1920, was fatally stricken while on a mission to Toronto.

Other casualties of public life included Right Hon. W. S. Fielding, Hon. E. B. Ryckman of Toronto and Hon. James Malcolm, while Ministers like Hon. Charles Dunning, Hon. H. H. Stevens and Hon. J. C. Elliott, broken in health, were obliged to go to hospital. Only recently Premier Mitchell Hepburn of Ontario was forced to depart for Arizona for rest and recuperation.

During the past year Mr. King took no holiday, but remained at his post in Ottawa for the purpose of dealing personally with the baffling problems which beset the country. He has been preoccupied for a considerable time with the new trade agreement between Canada and the United Kingdom and as Minister of External Affairs and Adviser of his Majesty as King of Canada he had the additional burdens which resulted from the events preceding the abdication of Edward VIII. The Prime Minister has been conserving his health and strength as much as possible, and was unable to be present last night at a dinner tendered by Chief Justice Sir Lyman Duff to his Excellency the Governor General.

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Our Academic

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true picture, because it is unfair to thing of town and rural students in Grade I, as being all on the same footing. But it is true that there is a mortality of fifty per cent. between Grade I. and Grade VIII., and another 50 per cent. between Grade IX and Grade XI.

Often the boys we call dull are actually bright; we are the ones who make the mistake by attempting to fit them all into the same niche. Our examinations are merely tests of memorization, not of ability, and I think Inspector Fox will bear me out in that statement. It is absurd to judge children by that standard when no two of them are alike.

"We boast of equal opportunity for all in education, but are we giving it? Here is a boy who can make good on an academic course; he will fairly eat it up. Over here is another boy who simply cannot succeed in those studies, but he may have the ability to be a brilliant mechanic. Are we giving the boy with a mechanical bent his fair chance when we force him through an academic course in high school?"

What is wanted is to turn out boys from school with the idea that life is a place where boys must work. The attitude toward life is what has impressed me as being all-important in education. The man who has a fair general education is unstable, whereas the man who specializes in a trade or profession has something to tie to, he is stable.

The boys who have been turned out of high school with only academic training in the last five years constitute one of our greatest tragedies. They are sent out on the streets with no special training, no way of making a living. Life to them is a huge question mark. If those boys do not find something legitimate to do, mark my words, they will find something. The same ambition that would make them useful citizens will drive them to the other extreme if they have no trade or profession.

If we accept the idea that education is a preparation for life, our academic schools are leaving out all training for the one job that every girl hopes for—to be the head of her own home. You may say that our mothers didn't have special training and they made excellent housewives. Yes, but times have changed. Young people today are being driven just the same as we adults are being driven; they haven't time to learn even what mother knows. The home that used to be a training school has ceased to be. We turn out girls who can take a business course and become mighty good stenographers, but they are mighty poor housewives.

Mr. Tibert held the view that education must be ahead of the times, not lagging behind. Hence radio, aero mechanics, diesel engines and other new fields of livelihood must be explored and if found practicable added to the courses available in vocational training, because the avenues that were open to the fathers of today's high school students are now closed. He quoted the opinion of Hon. G. H. Ferguson, former premier of Ontario, who found that 90 per cent. of the money spent on education in that province was going to train ten per cent. of the pupils. In defence of the academic course, however, Mr. Tibert said that it is a wonderful basis for the boy who can go further and specialize in a profession. "When I condemn it I am thinking of the boys who must step out of high school and earn a living," he added. The effect of it upon many students who do not complete high school at present is to give them an inferiority complex because they have started something they could not complete.

INSURGENTS CAPTURE MALAGA 24 HOURS' SIEGE

(By H. M. Paint')

Since the refusal of German army chiefs to send 60,000 men to Franco that he estimated were necessary to take Madrid, things have been at a standstill. 60,000 men are needed. Where could they be got? The answer seems simple. Reduce the number of rebel troops garrisoning the long line of communications from Seville to Toledo, and use the forces so gained to press the siege of Madrid to a victorious conclusion! But already the rebels garrisons left behind to overawe a bitterly hostile population are perilously small. Peasant hands are roaming about ready to rise at the faintest sign of weakness. Strikes have been common among the farming population. Discontent has only been temporarily driven underground by the merciless mass slaughter of the republican leaders in this district. Al though Estramadura Francois men fought their way against the vicious fire of ambushed snipers in their advance on Madrid. To weaken the lines of communication without first thoroughly pacifying the surrounding country is suicidal. The answer to this problem was to dishearten the opposition by smashing the hard core of the resistance. Malaga was the source from which a constant stream of arms and ammunition found their way to the hands of Loyalist sympathizers. The danger of a serious peasant revolt in Franco's rear had become acute. The leak must be stopped at any cost.

Malaga, a city of 150,000 had successfully resisted fierce attacks at the commencement of the war. The early bombardment of Malaga which destroyed the huge stores of oil for use of the fleet had much to do with taking the initiative from the Loyalist warships patrolling the Straits of Gibraltar. This enabled Franco's troops to slip through with reinforcements from Spanish Morocco to the Spanish mainland.

The fall of Malaga has vastly improved the rebel chances of a final victory in the Spanish civil war.

Sir Wilfrid on Tour

One wonders with J. Sydney Roe, former newspaperman now serving with the Department of National Revenue, how the appeal which was that of Sir Wilfrid Laurier would have taken with radio audiences if that form of electioneering had been popular in his time.

To the last issue of the Buronian, Mr. Roe contributes an interesting article dealing with his experiences as a correspondent accompanying Sir Wilfrid, Sir Robert Borden and other former political leaders on their nationwide election campaigns. Those were the days in which the leaders of the parties travelled cross-country by special train in company with a retinue of newspaper correspondents, friendly or the reverse, for whom accommodation was provided. There were pauses en route for public meetings or merely station receptions and the gentle arts of baby-kissing and hand-shaking were practised at almost every opportunity.

Mr. Roe fears, in regard to Sir Wilfrid and the radio, that "the lovable charm we newspaper men knew so well might not come through the microphone. One might miss the quick throw-back of those 'white plumes,' the flash of the eye, the play of emotion on the classic features, and, above all the gracious smile that flitted like a caress. The appeal of Sir Wilfrid was mainly one of personal contact. It was not really what he said but the way in which he said it that counted."

Mr. Roe goes on to tell of his experiences while on tour with Laurier: "The political faith of the newspaper which the correspondent represented mattered not to Sir Wilfrid. He went out on his way to be specially gracious and courteous to the representatives of Conservative newspapers on his tours, which resulted in many a thrust being delivered with the button on the foil . . . I recall the way in which Sir Wilfrid would drop in to the press car after a meeting, with a cheery word and the ever-flashing smile. It was rather difficult, even if you were so inclined, to write things that hurt a man who called you by your first name, inquired in kindly fashion as to how your boys was doing at school, was courtesy personified, and who kissed the inevitable and sometimes grimy babies on an election tour as if he were receiving the accolade of knighthood at the hands of his Sovereign."

Sir Wilfrid was, of course, the master campaigner who carried his audiences with him by sheer force of his personal magnetism. One wonders if it would have been equally successful had radio then been in existence.—Brockville Recorder and Times.

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marked him out as a ready object of extermination.

Realizing this danger, the Hudson's Bay Company has established the Rupert's House beaver sanctuary upon an area of 7,000 square miles leased at a nominal figure.

Before the coming of the white man the Indians and the Eskimos lived wholly on the products of the chase, and the great majority of them today are dependent upon the fur trade for their livelihood. Consequently, according to Hon. Thomas A. Crerar, Minister of Resources and Mines, the conservation of the fur resources of Canada represents an important responsibility of his department. The northward advance of the fur trade, with its introduction of fire arms and of other manufactured goods, slightly modified the habits of the natives. However, the vastness of the country, the sparseness of population and the realization of all concerned as to what was the basis of existence have tended to prevent the indiscriminate slaughter of wild life.

The fur and game supply of the Northwest Territories is still sufficient to maintain the native population, and it is only at the low ebb of cyclic fluctuations in wild life, or when the caribou change from their usual migrational routes that the natives suffer from game shortage. With the discovery of valuable mineral deposits in the North and the advance of civilization and industry, the Government has taken additional measures to conserve the fur and game resources of this vast area. Huge game preserves have been set aside, game regulation have been put into force, and control measures have been instituted with respect to trading and trafficking in pelts.

Hundreds Arrested

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The Rostoff Communist party committee dismissed its secretary-general, E. I. Livshitz, whose provincial authority correspond to the national power of Joseph Stalin, party secretary-general.

Expect Third Trial

Mass meetings in many sections indicated a third great trial may be expected soon. It will involve men who once stood high in the party and government.

DIED

LIBBEY—At Fredericton, February 7, 1937, Miss Clara A. Libbey, aged 86 years.

The funeral will take place Tuesday afternoon with service at the home, 169 Westmorland Street, conducted by Rev. J. W. Bartlett. Interment will be made at United Church Cemetery, Marysville.

AIKEN—At Fredericton on Feb. 7, 1937, Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Aiken, widow of the late Robert Aiken.

The funeral will be held from her late home on Tuesday at 2 p.m. Services at St. Anne's Parish Church at 2.30 p.m. conducted by Rev. Archdeacon S. C. Gray. Interment will be made in the Rural cemetery extension.

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Moscow

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rased because this is the season when the embassies do most of their entertaining.

Formerly, all boiled shirts had been done up at a laundry connected with the National Hotel. But for the last few days it has refused to take in any more work, because it closed for enlargement, presumably in expectation of increased trade. This laundry will probably not reopen for several months.

Diligent search has failed to discover any substitute. One embassy secretary found a Chinese who knew how to do the work, provided some one would supply him with machinery and soap. Another laundry was found which could do the work, but it could not promise delivery in less than two weeks.