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## If Hitler Retired

Once again comes the report that Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler intends vacating the Chancellorship, lesser of his two offices, in favor of General Hermann Wilhelm Goering. Rumor has kept this report so much in circulation during the past eighteen months that it has all but lost caste as news. It was most "authoritatively" forecast months ago on the General's appointment as head of the four-year self-sufficiency programme. In repeating it Havas, the French news agency, has added nothing but the prediction that Hitler would announce the change Jan. 30, fourth anniversary of the Dreit Reich.

It is doubtful that the significance of the change would be any more important than its news value. That Hitler recognizes someone else capable of holding the chief administrative office would be important if the office retained the authority it had under the old constitutional system. What powers belong to it now come from the Reichsfuehrer, who remains "top man" in the Third Germany.

On the other hand Goering's appointment as titular head of the Nazi government is a logical step in co-ordinating his many offices and their separate authority. As Chancellor he would be in a better position to deal with party friction, a task he has had to take on several occasions through special, temporary commissions. It is possible, too, that he could manipulate the office to his own political advantage, if so inclined. Hitler will know the opportunities there are for this.

The advantages to the latter are, perhaps, more numerous than any that will fall to Goering. Not least of them is the fact that Hitler will be able to shift a great deal of responsibility to his Chancellor, and will have some one to hold responsible for mistakes and failures besides his other self.

## China Enters Wheat Picture

China is becoming a definite factor in the world's wheat trade. Hitherto, as with Russia, there has been only vague information as to the amount of wheat—or any other commodity—produced in that vast country, with its more than 400,000,000 population. For thousands of years the Chinese have used wheat as a food, though rice has been the staple edible—easier to grow and cheaper. Enormous quantities of wheat have been grown in China, but only during recent years has it been possible to know even approximately how much. Owing to lack of transportation facilities and to civil disorder, the crop has been consumed where it grew. Now, however, statistics are being collected. The world has been startled to learn that for the 1935-36 crop year China harvested \$49,000,000 bushels of wheat. This is a record during the six years for which figures are available.

The effect of this on wheat imports by China, and especially from Canada, is discussed by the Commercial Intelligence Journal, issued by the Canadian Department of Trade and Commerce. It is noted that Chinese mills stock up from December to April, when the Australian and Argentine crops are available, and that between July and September, when Canadian wheat has least competition, China is not interested in imports. The forecast is that from now till July imports will be for blending purposes only and may be under 4,000,000 bushels.

The prospect must be faced that, except during years of crop failure, China's place as an importer of wheat will be less important. Gradually scientific methods are being applied to production. The National Agricultural Research Bureau aims to increase crop yield by selection of good seed, prevention of damage by insects, better crop rotation, use of fertilizers and improved methods of cultivation; also by irrigation and land-reclamation plans. Present average yield per acre for the whole country is reported as 16.02 bushels, compared with Canada's 16.2.

Owing to inadequate transportation and turmoil in the country, Shanghai mills have found it cheaper to import wheat than to collect it from points only a few hundred miles distant. This handicap also will, in time, be overcome, so that the prospect is of a China largely self-sustaining in the matter of wheat. And no doubt improvement and increase in production of other foodstuffs will proceed concurrently. Agriculturally, the Eastern giant appears to be awakening.

## War as an Adventure

A feature of the present civil war in Spain, which must have puzzled many readers is the enthusiasm with which volunteers from so many countries have flocked to the assistance of one or other of the factions involved. No longer is the fact hidden or denied that Italians, Germans, French, Russians, Americans, British and even Canadians are engaged in a war which, ostensibly, concerns none but Spaniards.

In most cases these men are under no compulsion to serve, and one's first thought is that they are inexperienced youths, grown up since the catastrophe of 1914-18, who still have delusions concerning the glamour and splendor of war.

That they are not is indicated by the statement of Fenner Brockway, Secretary of the British Independent Labor Party, concerning the contingent which has been recruited throughout England: "They are all men of military experience."

Setting aside the professional mercenaries, the born fighting men who live by courting death wherever war has been invoked, why do these volunteers leave security and comfort to undergo privation, hardship and suffering in a quarrel which is not their own?

Partly, of course, for the sake of ideals, and as the result of sympathy for those they conceive to be the "under dog" in the present conflict; but principally because of inability to resist the opportunity of adventure.

Since 1918, there have been published countless books which dwell, not on the heroism of war, but on its horrors, and it was believed that these unmaskings would deter future generations from embarking lightly in a similar conflict. Apparently it was a vain belief; but the fact should cause little surprise.

Probably no boy ever was induced to run away to sea though reading of a quiet pleasure cruise in the Mediterranean; but dozens have felt compelled to do so after perusing stories of storm, shipwreck, piracy, brutality and suffering on the ocean. They may have returned from their first trip declaring themselves thoroughly cured, but seldom have they stayed on shore when chance for further adventure offered.

Regrettable, no doubt, but there is the fact, and much has yet to be done before leagues against war can convince every one that armed combat is not the greatest of all adventures.

## SNAPSHOTS

It's too bad that the members of the City Council have such a little knowledge as to make them "a dangerous thing" in the eyes of those who possess all the wisdom.

What about the lively party which was pulled off the other night on the Killarney Road? A pleasant time was had by all. Eh, what!

Who is going to lead the Closed Door School Board now that Brother Vanwart is laid up and Sister Clark is at Ottawa? There is no one left at the Board with more than twenty years' experience. How about the man from Albert County? He steps with the right foot.

Dear me! It's funny, isn't it?

Why not corral a lot of those students in the gym, and teach them how to behave at public lectures so that they will not have to receive a public reprimand for "acting out." If they were in some denominational institutions they would be taught good manners.

Fool drivers are useful in one way. In the old days there was seldom any news for Monday papers.

Former Mayor Houde of Montreal is another civic politician who has learned the futility of the recount. His successful opponent for the Mayoralty gained 44 votes.

Crime doesn't go unpunished. It just seems that way because a man commits 40 crimes and pleads guilty to the least.

In a Chinese city 10,000 people assembled at a garage dump to see a "dope" peddler executed. So there will be proof that this fellow is out of the way.

New farm economy: grow enough to supply those who can pay a big price and let the others go without.

## Moratorium

(Continued from Page One) there is a suggestion of a compulsory circulation of new currency.

"I am somewhat puzzled to know exactly the meaning intended by this phrase. The only method of compulsory circulation that I know of is the taxation of money. I want to assure the people of Alberta that I do not believe that there is any need of compulsory circulation of money. If the new purchasing power that is needed is placed in the hands of the consumers—if all our consumers today had a little more purchasing power—the abundance of the goods available would not be left on the shelves and in the warehouses. "Furthermore, I would like to call the attention of our people to the fact that we fully realize that the introduction of 'new currency' in the Province is clearly against the Bank Act. We have no intention of creating any new currency to conflict with our present Canadian money.

"Our new credit is merely intended to assist in the distribution and use of goods and services. We already have well-recognized methods of conveniently handling staple goods and services in the form of milk, bread and railway tickets, relief vouchers and so forth.

"We trust that as we proceed to establish the principles of social credit the newspapers will not give the public false impressions of our purpose in these matters by the careless use of 'rebel-sounding' phrases."

Meanwhile, in another statement, W. W. Cross, Minister of Health and Chairman of the Cabinet Planning Committee, drafting a social credit programme, said:

"The report of the Planning Committee is not yet completed. The committee is still at work upon it, and hopes to have it completed for presentation to the premier some time today or not later than tomorrow. The publication in the press of its eleven-point programme is therefore premature and unwarranted."

From other sources, it was learned the committee report is being modified or amended in parts.

Asked if the report would be presented to the Cabinet before discussed at the Legislative caucus Jan. 11, Premier Albert said: "I think they should know about it, although I do not think they should pass on it."

## Aged Inhabitant

(Continued from Page One) Then he met Yvonne, whose bright eyes and trim figure attracted the old settler. His visits to the village became frequent, and more frequent.

Last Tuesday morning, as dawn broke, old Severin led Yvonne to the altar in the parish church. Almost every one joined in the procession of sleighs from the church to the home of the bride, where the wedding breakfast was served. After the celebration they hitched up Onelle's horse and sleigh, covered the bride and bridegroom with furs, and sent them away amid a tinkling of bells, bound for the little home near Ste. Marguerite.

## Death Closes

(Continued from Page One) the post of secretary of the Company, which position he attained in January of 1917, he thus served directly under three of the four presidents of the company.

The importance of his work and the consideration required by railroad problems, especially in the early days of the company, did not prevent Mr. Alexander from making a host of friends, all of them tributes to his kindly interest and genial manner, and to his willingness to take his place in the life of the community.

Although the duties of his office kept him close to his tasks, Mr. Alexander was a warm believer in sports calculated to develop a healthy body and a keen mind. He was an ardent golfer and curler, a native of Yorkshire, Eng., Mr. Alexander was educated in Hamilton, Ont., where he also began his railway career in 1882 as a clerk in the service of the Grand Trunk Railway.

He was a member of the Royal Montreal Golf Club, the Royal Montreal Curling Club, the St. James Club, and a member of the Council of Arts Association.

Mr. Alexander retired from active service on Dec. 31, 1935, the directors of the company on that occasion expressing their appreciation of his loyal and efficient service. He is survived by one son, E. Douglas Alexander, of Vancouver, by three grandchildren, Ernest, Douglas and Sheila, by four brothers, Sir Douglas Alexander, New York, and S. H., H. S., and A. G. Alexander, Hamilton, Ont., and two sisters, Mrs. Walter Gillespie, Exeter, N. H., and Mrs. George Gillespie, London, Ont.

The funeral service will be held at Wray's Chapel, Mountain Street at five o'clock Thursday afternoon, interment will be at Hamilton, Ont., on Friday morning.

Sir Edward Beatty, G.B.E., K.C., LL.D., chairman and president Canadian Pacific Railways, in a tribute to Mr. Alexander, said:

"Ernest Alexander for over 40 years was a loyal and efficient Canadian Pacific employee and officer whose passing we all will very deeply regret. His genial and kindly nature and his high standards of culture earned him an unusually wide friendship among the company personnel. It was only a little while ago that he retired from active life and we all hoped he would have many years in which to enjoy a well earned leisure.

## Belief Brother

(Continued from Page One) ers of healing; but the church will demand rigidly documented proofs of it when the time comes for the test.

That will not be for years. For the present, the church in Quebec gave itself over today to the burial of a distinguished son with all the stately ritual it reserves for the last offices to its elect. Cardinal Villeneuve, with archbishops and bishops, joined in the solemn pontifical mass of requiem for the 91-year-old friar whose devotion to a saint built the great mountain-side church that gave him the last service.

This melting-pot city sent a cross-section of its cosmopolitan life to the farewell. Of the estimated 15,000 who climbed the steep mountainside some 3,000 packed into the vaulted crypt, many standing through the one and a half hour service. Outside, the other thousands waited in a mass before the grey-stone basilica, heedless of a stabbing wind and light drifting snow.

## HOLD STEPDAUGHTER

MONTREAL, Jan. 12—Geraldine Leitch, 24, was held criminally responsible today by a jury under Coroner Prince for the death of her stepmother, Mrs. Kathleen Leitch, 43. Mrs. Leitch died last night of a fractured skull. Members of the family told police the woman fell downstairs at her home. Detectives took Miss Leitch into custody when it was reported there had been a quarrel in the house before the elder woman was injured.

## HOLLYWOOD THE CURE

WINNIPEG, Jan. 13—Take it from Evelyn Dicksbury, the best cure for a movie-struck girl is to get a job in Hollywood. She went there with aspirations of a film career. Home on a vacation from her stenographic position, she said tonight she is "fully cured."

## Notice of Legislation

Notice is hereby given that a bill will be presented at the next session of the Legislature of New Brunswick together with a petition praying that the same be passed to repeal the Act 8 Edward VII, Chapter 42, entitled "An Act to Provide for the Establishment of a Police Commission for the City of Fredericton" and the several Acts in amendment thereof.

Dated the 13th day of January A.D. 1937.

PETER J. HUGHES,  
City Solicitor for Fredericton.

## OUR MAIL BAG

### POLICE COMMISSION

Editor The Daily Mail,  
City.

Dear Sir

As a former Alderman I am interested in the discussion regarding the Police Commission. I personally am in favour of some kind of a Police Commission, but under different circumstances. The Commission should include a majority of the Council, should be open to the public through the press, and the Police Magistrate should not be a member of the board at all. That is to my mind the trouble with the present commission.

After all in a place the size of Fredericton all that is needed is a committee from the Council to look after the police department, call it a Commission or what you like. This is an easy matter to adjust and the city solicitor who is paid by the city should meet with the aldermen and tell them what to do. That's his job. Every one wants to see the Police Commission as it is now abolished.

EX-ALDERMAN.

### MAKES INQUIRIES

Editor The Daily Mail,  
Fredericton, N. B.

Dear Sir

A burning question to the people throughout these Miramichi reaches and doubtless to perhaps the whole extent of this province is: How many officials, big, little and medium are corralled in the putting over of the administration of the Old Age Pension Department?

Now, there has been a baker's dozen at least plying the rounds of these ballistics since that first old age pension check has sauntered through the mails. Can you tell a startled proletarian what these gentry are doing? What is the nature of the comings and goings? Why so many barnacles so soon stuck to a listing ship? No wonder that some old age pensioners—God bless the mark!—were checked off with a five dollar pig-skin. Now we want to know how many of these barnacles are there and what salary they are chewing off what the old people should be getting.

We have watched in vain for some paper to give us some information along these lines but the interest of the press today is bounded by the cubic capacity of the publisher's sanctum.

Yours,  
MALCOLM MCKINNON  
From the Town of Douglas,  
January 8, 1937.

## Kidnapper

(Continued from Page One) 15 days, since Charles was seized for \$28,000 ransom Dec. 27, the Mattson family had concealed its grief and worry.

"The murder of the little Mattson boy has shocked the nation," said the president. "Every means at our command must be enlisted to capture and punish the perpetrator of the ghastly crime."

Death for the killer appeared certain. Both the federal and Washington state laws permit infliction of the death penalty for both kidnapping and murder.

### Socks Over Shoes

Cast of the footprint disclosed he wore socks over his shoes, as did the abductor of little Charles A. Lindbergh.

United States government experts made the cast by sprinkling the snow with the talcum powder and pouring into the tell-tale footprint a freshly made batch of plaster which hardened quickly to the exact shape.

From the long-drawn out ransom negotiations the man-hunters knew something also of his personality.

"Yellow," said Paul Sceva, friend of the family.

"A nut," some of the kidnappers now in the government's Alcatraz Island prison were reported as theorizing.

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Assessment returns in connection with employees are as required by law to be completed and filed in the office of the undersigned on or before January 15, 1937.

PETER FARRELL,

Chairman of Board of  
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City Hall,  
January 12, 1937.

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January 20th

at eight o'clock p.m. at the Society's rooms in the Post Office building. The annual reports will be received and the election of officers and directors for the ensuing year will take place. The meeting will be open for any other business that may legally come before it.

Members who are in arrears are requested to take notice that only those whose membership fees are paid will be eligible to vote or to hold office.

Per Order,  
J. L. NEVILLE,  
Recording Secretary.

## Notice of Legislation

Notice is hereby given that a bill will be presented at the next session of the Legislature of New Brunswick together with a petition of the City of Fredericton praying that the same may be passed to confirm the by-law passed by the said City granting to Capital Transit Limited the exclusive right to operate buses in the said City and to confirm or authorize an agreement between the said City and the said Company with respect thereto.

Dated the 13th day of January, 1937.

PETER J. HUGHES,  
City Solicitor for Fredericton.



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