

DR. LAPORTE MADE SOME VALUABLE SUGGESTIONS REGARDING EDUCATION, COLONIZATION AND TEACHING LANGUAGES

Educational and Municipal Reform is Advocated in House

Mover and Seconder of Address in Reply to the Governor's Speech Speak Strongly

Dr. LaPorte and Major Lawson Make Excellent Speeches

Our Educational System is Decayed, Say Speakers Yesterday

Following the speech from the Throne delivered yesterday afternoon in the Legislature the House got away to a good start. The speeches delivered by the mover and seconder of the address in reply to the speech from the Throne were of the very highest character and compared favorably with anything heard in the New Brunswick Legislature in recent years.

Dr. P. H. Laporte of Madawaska, in moving the address in reply to the speech from the Throne dwelt on the necessity of educational reform in the province of New Brunswick and made several other important suggestions regarding colonization, the teaching of French in the public schools particularly in the Normal School, and other features which were heard with interest and very favorably commented upon. Dr. Laporte's speech which is of more than ordinary interest will be found in full in another portion of The Daily Mail.

The seconder of the address, Major W. C. Lawson of Sunbury, also paid particular attention to educational reform which is now taking place in the province. This educational system of ours has been practically unchanged for many years and is falling into decay. According to Mr. Lawson and authorities on educational matter, New Brunswick has reached the stage where it has the highest percentage of illiteracy of any part of the Dominion of Canada with the exception of the Yukon. Mr. Lawson continuing, dwelt amongst other things with the coal industry of the province which he pictured as being greatly handicapped by increasing cost of operation, discrimination in freight rates, bonuses paid by the Dominion Government to Nova Scotia industries and so on.

Major Lawson referred to the fact that Sunbury County was the oldest county in the province having been formed in 1759 and comprised originally all of the present province of New Brunswick the other counties being later carved out of Sunbury.

"It was first settled along the St. John River, in 1762, by Puritans, who came from what is now the State of Massachusetts, in the United States

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PRE-CORONATION BUSINESS BRINGS HEAVY SAILING

(Special to The Daily Mail)
MONTREAL, Feb. 19—Pre-coronation business, so far as trans-Atlantic travel is concerned is already making itself felt in the passenger lists of departing steamers. Tomorrow, the Canadian Pacific liner Montclare is scheduled outbound from Saint John, N. B., and the size of her passenger list indicates that the 1937 trend towards Great Britain is already noticeable.

The steamship special train out of the Windsor Station here tonight at 11 p.m., leaves with one of the heaviest loads a winter sailing has known. Amongst those listed as sailing in the Montclare are: Major and Mrs. C. Carlos Clarke, Miss Rhoda Jones, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Yule, Mr. and Mrs. Norman A. Prentice, Jean Berthe, Miss Louise Fraser, Mrs. David Fraser, John Goss, noted baritone of Great Britain whose rendering of sea songs and chanteys have been frequently recorded in America, from Montreal; Mitchell Sharpe, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wilkin, Miss M. A. McKenzie, James Irving, John Irving, Winnipeg; G. Roy Miller, Miss E. M. Taylor, P. G. Swinstead, Donald Larter, Toronto; Miss I. Leeming, Capt. A. H. Howie, T. G. Young, J. Jarvis, J. S. Case, E. F. H. Scott, Mrs. H. E. Thompson, G. W. Addison, Vancouver; Mrs. Stuart L. Curry, B. E. Patteson, Saint John, N. B.

Large Air Battle Fought Yesterday Near Madrid

(Special to The Daily Mail)
SPAIN, Feb. 19—The chief activities around Madrid today were a large air battle which took place yesterday. Forty planes took part in it and the insurgents claim that they brought down 11 government planes

Our Governor

THE dignified function of the Governor's reception held last evening was another evidence of the stately manner in which affairs at Government House and at His Honour's functions have been carried on during the regime of His Honour Lieutenant-Governor MacLaren. During his present term of office His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor has made himself popular with all classes with whom he has come in contact at the Capital. His Honour's long experience in professional business, social and military life has given him a broadness of thought and action which stands him in good stead as head of our governmental functions.

The action yesterday of the Lieutenant-Governor in presenting to the New Brunswick Legislature the Mace, the beautiful symbol of authority which will grace the table in front of the treasury benches in the House, was a graceful one.

New Brunswick has been fortunate in the men who for many years have been called to preside over governmental functions, but at no period was she more fortunate than in the man who is the present incumbent of the Governor's chair.

LABOR HEAD HITS SIT-DOWN STRIKE

QUEBEC, Feb. 19—There is no danger of the sit-down strike spreading to Canada, said P. M. Draper, of Ottawa, President of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, when he arrived here today to head a delegation which will propose new labor legislation for the province of Quebec. "We believe in policies of negotiation, conciliation and arbitration of all disputes affecting wages and working conditions," said the labor leader. "If the employers will recognize the right of the workers to organize, there will be no fear of the sit-down strike method spreading to Canada."

Believe It Or Not By Robert Ripley

Captain Thomas W. Sheridan, swept by a huge wave off his ship into the waters of the Pacific a thousand miles from shore, was not rescued by another ship, and yet lived to tell the tale! Robert L. (Believe-It-Or-Not) Ripley will present the man who survived this weird experience on his broadcast Sunday, February 21.

Sheridan was bosun-mate of the four-masted bark, "Acme," sailing from Kobe, Japan, to an Oregon port at the time of the strange mishap.

The manner in which 18 lives changed the destiny of Japan was the another dramatic feature of Ripley's programme. These vases were washed each morning, fed daily and played to by musicians. Each one had its special servant.

In 1860 these sacred vessels were the special prizes of Komei, the Emperor, known as The Great Tanno (Son of Heaven).

One day one of the servants broke the vase in his charge and the Emperor immediately ordered him to be beheaded. A Holy Pilgrim appeared gained audience with the ruler, and begged for the condemned man's life. He asked to be allowed to shut himself in a room with the vases, where with a magic formula, he would repair the broken one. Permission was granted. The above, and what transpired after he entered the room, will be the basis for the dramatized believe-it-or-not which Ripley will present this Sunday.

Wars would soon become unknown if nations would spend to develop good-will what they now are spending on useless armament.—Roger Babson

RACKETEERING TO BE PROBED

MONTREAL, Feb. 19—Mayor J. Adhemar Raynault announced today his plan for a sweeping probe into racketeering and commercialized vice in Montreal.

The investigation will follow along the lines of New York's famous Dewey inquiry, the Mayor indicated and he disclosed that a lawyer had been sent to New York to study the methods of Prosecutor Thomas E. Dewey and confer with Mayor LaGuardia.

At the same time, Mayor Raynault announced that the city planned appointment of a District Attorney as head of a permanent bureau directed against racketeers.

Primary object of the investigation, the Mayor declared, would be to shut down houses which make a business of luring tourists with women and gambling, then doping and robbing them. But it will go beyond that by turning the spotlight on all underworld activities, he said.

Dead Animals Dot Alberta Rangeland

CALGARY, Feb. 19—Dead horses and cattle dotted the rangelands of Southern Alberta tonight as ranchers battled to get feed and water to the starving herds.

More than forty days of sub-zero temperatures, with snow piled high over the grazing grounds, followed by a chinook which was not powerful enough to melt through the giant drifts, brought about the ranchers' crisis.

Snow-drifted highways prevented the bringing of feed to the ranches, a condition that exists in many districts today.

In search of food, herds have ranged for miles, subsisting on twigs of willow and other shrubs. On some ranches the cattle have not rested for weeks, maintaining a ceaseless hunt for fodder. With reservoirs frozen to the bottom, many ranches and farmers have had to haul water to their stock. Feed is being hauled long distances where highway conditions permit.

High Students Apparently Prefer Study to Movies

CLEVELAND, Feb. 19—John Hay High School authorities have about decided students would rather study a nights than go to the movies. Only 15 have enrolled in a moving picture appreciation course which would take them to the shows two nights a week.

JAPAN MAY START ANOTHER NAVAL PROGRAM

(Special to The Daily Mail)
LONDON, Feb. 19—Japan fears that the United States will follow Great Britain and if so Japan will start another naval programme.

The United States difficulty at the present moment in the building of ships is that the steel firms refuse to take contracts under the strict terms of the United States government. Great Britain states that rearmament at present is confined to European interests and that there is no cause for alarm in the Pacific.

France is quite pleased with Britain's defense programme. Great Britain and Italy are closely observing.

STALIN'S SALARY IS \$1,200 A YEAR

NEW YORK, Feb. 19—The home life of Joseph Stalin, the man who guides the destinies of Russia, always has been pretty much of a closed book to the outside world.

Stalin resolutely declines to parade his private concerns for public inspection. His official life is the affair of the people but he draws the shades of his humble abode. And school teachers are forbidden to point out his children to visitors in the classroom. In 1932 when his wife died very suddenly, the cause of death was not published, with the inevitable result that mystery became attached to it. One rumor was that she died from poison intended for her husband and accidentally diverted to her.

Stalin remained stolidly silent in his grief. To him and not to the world he poured his sorrow which deeply lined his face and added to the grayness at his temples. The poison story still persists in many places abroad, but the writer was informed by an unimpeachable source that Madame Stalin died after an operation for acute appendicitis.

Manitoba Unofficially, Is Much Relieved

WINNIPEG, Feb. 19—Although a Royal Commission to probe Canada's taxation fields is just what Western Canada has been contending for, the Bracken Government tonight decided to withhold official comment on Premier King's Commission announcement. Unofficially, however relief and satisfaction were expressed.

His Honour Lieut.-Gov. MacLaren Presents Official Mace to Legislative Assembly

U. S. PLEASED WITH BRITAIN'S REARMAMENT

(Special to The Daily Mail)
Premier Baldwin said that the rearmament plan was to restore Britain's former diplomatic prestige. If war should break out in Europe all Europe would be drawn into it. In regard to the reaction of the British rearmament plans the United States and Japan were the most concerned. The United States feels that Great Britain's rearmament plan will help them as they could supply raw materials.

E. P. Hayden, Amherst, is a guest today at the Queen Hotel. W. D. Brown, Saint John, is in the city for a few days.

Legislature Pledges Loyalty to Our King George VI.

Premier Dysart and Hon. Mr. Squires Move the Address to His Majesty

Congratulation and Loyalty

Graceful Tributes Paid to Our New Sovereign --- God Save the King

IRISH FREE STATE WANTS FRANCO GOVT RECOGNIZED

DUBLIN, Feb. 19—In the House of Commons of the Irish Free State yesterday a plea was made to recognize General Franco's government rather than the Madrid government. The second reading of the non-intervention bill was held up. No further voluntary help will be sent until the government is recognized.

NAZI LEADER TO SEEK ESTABLISH PEACE TREATY

Dr. Schacht, Nazi Minister of Economics, will draft a plan in near future, with purpose of establishing a sincere European Peace Treaty and to break the present diplomatic deadlock.

Whole Fleet Will Operate Together In Mediterranean

(Special to The Daily Mail)
LONDON, Feb. 19—The Admiralty has made changes in its plans of the fleet. From now on the whole Mediterranean fleet will operate together.

W. J. Ryan, Montreal, is a registered guest today at the Queen Hotel.

Both sides of the House joined yesterday in paying homage to our new Sovereign King George VI.

Hon. Premier A. A. Dysart moved, seconded by Hon. Fred C. Squires, Leader of the Opposition, as follows: That this House approve the following address to His Most Gracious Majesty, King George VI, that same be suitably engrossed and bound, and that His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor, be requested to communicate same to His Majesty.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Sovereign: We, the members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick, Dominion of Canada, desire respectfully to extend our greetings upon your Majesty's accession to the Throne and to convey to your Majesty and to Her Majesty the Queen, the assurance of our loyalty and support.

We pray that, amid the confusions of the world and the uncertainty of the times, your Majesty's Throne may be established in righteousness, that your Majesty's counsellors may be endowed with wisdom, and that all endeavours of your Majesty's reign may be directed to the well-governing of your people, the preservation of freedom and the advancement of unity and peace.

We most sincerely trust that your Majesty will enjoy a long, happy and glorious reign and that the passing years may be a strengthening of the bonds of Empire and an added lustre to your Royal Crown.

Premier Dysart said:

Mr. Speaker: My purpose in rising at this moment is to ask Honourable Members to unite in a resolution which I shall presently present to the Speaker.

The resolution embodies expressions of congratulations and goodwill

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SAYS BRITAIN NOT AS STRONG NOW AS 300 YEARS AGO

(Special to The Daily Mail)
LONDON, Feb. 19—The House of Commons today passed a financial resolution preliminary to the Defence Bill by a vote of 329 to 145. Members of the Labor Party were the chief speakers in favor of rearmament, but they did not think the present government trustworthy of such an enterprise. The Conservative member stated that England's power is lower now than it was 300 years ago, and that her army now is not as strong as it was in 1914.

G. W. McAnuly, and J. Sclanders, both of Saint John, are staying at the Queen Hotel today.

OUR FLORAL EMBLEM WAS WORN MEMBERS LEGISLATURE YESTERDAY

Recently Adopted New Brunswick Blue Violet Carried as a Boutonniere.

At the opening session of the Legislature yesterday afternoon each member wore a boutonniere of purple violets. This flower was recently selected by the government as the official floral emblem of the province.

It will be remembered by readers of The Daily Mail that many months ago this paper advocated the adoption by New Brunswick of the purple violet. The Daily Mail was the pio-

neer advocate of the adoption of this flower. At the time this paper met with opposition from certain sources some of whom wanted the lilac and other flowers. It is, therefore, a satisfaction to us to see that the purple violet was not only adopted by the province as its official emblem but was recognized by the provincial representatives in the Legislature yesterday afternoon. The gesture was a pleasing one.