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It also gives close to \$2,000,000

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### TELEPHONE SERVICE

HOW much are citizens themselves to blame for unsatisfactory telephone service? And no telephone service seems to be efficient enough to satisfy many of us. Tokio, capital of Japan, finds out what's what by investi- We have no knowledge yet that this gation of conversations. That's one of the real answers. The conclusion is being done. But keep off the grass is reached in Tokio that women use the phone too much for useless conversation.

"When a woman talks with a woman," says this report, "26.4 per cent. of the talk is useless. When a woman calls a man on the phone only 13.8 per cent. of the talk is useless. When a man calls a man, 10.6 per cent. of the talk is idle. When a man talks to a woman 9.7 per cent, of the conversation is useles."

Of course it might be a bit hard to convince some of the talkers as to what is worth while and what is idle.

## What It Would Mean to Stop Japan — Now

THE cruelly harassed gentlemen who are charged with the government of Great Britain and the United States, respectively, are constantly under fire-on the home front. This is not as deadly as the bombs and shells dropped on British and American gunboats along the Yangtze, but it can be just as fatal-politically. In order to foil this attack, the responsible public men seek to camouflage their position by striking attitudes of horrific wrath at the careless Japanese which must remind the latter of the days when Chinese warriors went into battle wearing terrifying masks. But it does serve to keep the home fires from causing the domestic pot to boil over when it into Prince Edward street, a short would be most inconvenient for the aforesaid public men to do anything more distance away. Police and firemen to the Japanese than make faces at them. Discussing the situation which is a live one, the Montreal Star says:-

"This is the real trouble with "incidents" under present conditions. Neither Government would under present conditions have the remotest intention of going to war with Japan because she sank a gun-boat or two. Wars are not made by intelligent nations for such reasons. When a nation has made up its mind to risk war in a determined effort to achieve a settled ob. terically she told police she had seen ject, then "incidents" come in handy as excuses for strong action and to inflame public anger. But when the nation's mind is equally determined not leap over the fence into the large vato be drawn into war, "incidents" only embarrass its public men who must cant lot in which Wilson's foundry find plausible reasons for doing nothing about them.

"The details of the sinking of the "Panay" and the shelling of the "Ladybird" are now coming in. They will raise the temporature of both Britons and Americans but of neither Government. We may pur most of the official indignation and star assureds for humiliating apologies and cash compensadon do to the need to make "all quiet along the Potomac tonight," to say pothing of the Thames. But the experts in Washington and London both pital, the victim never regained conknow that the time for intervention in China has pretty well, if not wholly, passed; and that to challenge Japan today would be for two nations, neither of which has an army in the Japanese sense, to attempt to fight Japan on her home grounds, almost certainly without the help of Russia.

"There probably was a time when Great Britain and the United States, the brightly lighted Cohen establishif they had fully trusted each other and acted together, could have stopped this robber raid. Such a time must have enjoyed a favourable background, including several factors. (1) The Japanese "face" should not have been too deeply committed to the raid. (2) Russia should have been willing and the street to enter the house from able to invade Manchuria, with British-American-French backing. (3) China the rear." should have possessed both her armies and her prestige, and been lavishly supplied with armaments. (4) The British should have been willing to send enough warships to the East, when joined to the whole American Navy, to daughter. Minna, 16, heard the shot have at least made it too dangerous for the Japanese to try to transport an army overseas.

"In the face of such a formidable array, Japan would probably have postponed her attack. If we had then gone on and armed China, she might never have delivered it. But the two great democracies never acted while conditions were favourable. The British would not act in Manchuria. The Americans would not act when the scene shifted to Shanghal, imperilling great British interests. They never did see eye to eye. Then the British became involved in League policies over Ethiopia. The Americans were so determined to stay within their Ivory Tower that they sought to tie their own hands immovably with neutrality legislation. Russia was the only anti-Fascist nation that even growled. So when Stalin hamstrung his own army by shooting a lot of generals, Japan leaped.

"But today practically none of these factors is present. (1) Japan is so deeply committed that she would be destroyed by a defeat-or a retreat. (2) Russia would not think of taking on a first-class war in Manchuria against a Japan, flushed with victory and quite free to deploy most of her military strength along the Amur. (3) China is at least disorganized. She may continue to harass the Japanese with guerilla warfare if the invaders are foolish enough to chase the scattered Chinese armies all over Eastern Asia, but she could not deliver a heavy blow against entrenched Japanese troops who were content to dig in and simply hold their winnings until Russia had been disposed of. (4) The British dare not denude Western waters of effective fleets; and how would the Americans, even now, receive the suggestion that they should do most of the sea fighting in the China Sea?

"Of course, a determined combination of the British Empire, the United States, France and Russia could do the trick. But it would today be a real war. It would have to be fought to the last Japanese patriot. It would have to be won on land. No naval demonstrations could do it. If Germany and Italy refused to stand by quietly and see their newest ally picked off, it would be a World War-and the end of civilization as we know it.

"This is why the public men, responsible for the safety of our democracies, are doing all their fighting on the "home front." "

succeed they have to take an active interest in its civic affairs. Competition in civic elections is a healthy

In many past years people took more interest in Amos 'n' Andy than they did in civic affairs.

The citizens have been pretty well informed during the past couple of years in regard to city questions. Our citizens as a whole are intelligent They know what kind of government financial and otherwise, has been given by the present Mayor and Aldermen. They know what they want and what they do not want. The majority should rule. All citizens will vote in the best interest of the city which we all love.

One important thing is to keep politics and cliques out of civic affairs. We have been quite free from these evils in the past and we should continue to keep free from them. Nothing injures municipal affairs worse than cliques and introducing politics.

Mrs. Jimmy Cromwell, the former million dollars the other day on her wenty-fifth birthday. At the present ate of exchange this will keep 34,of the various Cromwell homes.

Anyway, Britain and the United States are accumulating an interest- other side of the street he jumped ing collection of apologies from Japan for one offense or another.

thinks him, the fool his father They stood around and told me to wait thinks him, the prize-winner his for the police. He lay there, bleedsweetheart thinks him-or even the ing. fascinating devil he thinks himself.

## NO ARREST

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Edwaru street as ne and his wife turned the corner at Exmouth street arrived on the scene simultaneously and found the victim lying in a pool of blood, his youngest daughter, Minna, at his side.

Several bystanders were trying to comfort and assist the girl.

Her father was lying between the sidewalk and street car tracks. Hysa man, believed to have fired the fatal shot, run across the street and once stood.

Th sum of \$50 in the cash till had disappeared.

Neighbors and other residents in that vicinity quickly gathered. Apparently few had heard fhe shot, being attracted instead by the sound of the fire trucks. Rushed to the hossclousness. Members of his family were summoned to his bedside as at the Polling Places as follows:soon as they could be located

A next door neighbor recalled later that she had noticed two men lurking in a dark doorway immediately below ment as she returned meme from a card party. "This was about 11:15 or 11:20, I think," she said. "I did not pass the store but turned up from

Saw Man Run Away

Alone in the family quarters over the store at the time, his youngest and rushed to the window.

On the snow covered pavement below she saw her father lying in a crumpled heap and a man run swiftly across the street and leap over a fence near the street lamp-directly opposite the store-and disappear into the vacant lot there.

Badly shaken by the harrowing ex-

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perience she told the story between racking sobs.

"I was alone in the house. It must have been between 777d 20 minutes to 12 when I heard shouting and then a sharp crack.

"I ran to the window of the livingroom (overlooking Prince Edward Doris Duke, came into another ten Street) and saw my father lying in the street.

"Running across the street was a man-there was just one. He seemed 567,3761/2 wolves from the 456 doors to look like a young man and I think that he was wearing a light brown sweater. I didn't see his face.

"When he reached the fence on the over it and disappeared.

"I ran downstairs to where my father was lying. The was horrible. No-No man is the angel his mother body would help me do anything.



THE ELECTION FOR MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

FOR THE CITY OF FREDERICTON

# for the ensuing year will be holden on

the 10th day of January. 1938

DIVISION NO. 1-For all voters residing or owning property above the northwest centre line of Carleton Street, prolonged, at or near the City Hall, in the said City.

DIVISION NO. 2-For all voters residing or owning property in the remainder of the City, at or near the County Court House, in the said City.

## NOMINATIONS

Every candidate for the office of Mayor or Alderman shall be qualified to vote at the election for which he is nominated and shall be nominated by at least TWO ratepayers residing in the City of Fredericton, and qualified to vote at the ensuing election for which such candidate is nominat-

Every nomination paper, with the certificate of the City Treasurer, shall be filed with the City Clerk or at his office, and not later than FOUR O'CLOCK on the afternoon of MON-DAY, the THIRD DAY OF JANUARY, 1938, and the City Clerk, before receiving such nomination paper, shall ascertain from the same that the requirements of the Election Act have been complied with. No candidate is qualified to be nom-

inated for Alderman unless at the time of nomination he is a resident of the Ward for which he is nom-

The acceptance of each candidate and the signature of at least TWO resident qualified voters, who must sign the nomination paper, shall be proved by affidavit attached to the nomination.

In case of a contest, each elector shall be entitled to vote for one candidate for Mavor, for ONE candidate for Alderman for Wellington Ward, for ONE candidate for Alderman for St. Anne's Ward, for ONE candidate for Alderman for Carleton Ward, for ONE candidate for Alderman for Queen's Ward, and for ONE candidate for Alderman for King's Ward.

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In 1936 this Province produced approximately 350.000 tons the largest Attention has repeatedly been call- production in its history. Its coned to the statements of Mr. Morrison, sumption of bituminous coal was fied with all the coal business such as his remark at the beginning roughly double this amount, the other their own Province, large shares of this statement, which shows so half being supplied almost entirely the coal businesses of Ontario and clearly what are his aims in connect by Nova Scotia. Apparently Mr. Mor- Quebec bought for them by governtion with our industry. On November rison and those who have urged him ment subsidies and half of the 3rd he referred to the "wage menace" to start his trouble making prac- iness of New Brunswick, but the Minto. because of which New tices in this Province are not satis- must hog the remaining half.

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