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FREDERICTON, TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 1937.

The Rural School

In connection with all the talk in regard to the changes in our school system something should be done to protect the school teacher who teaches in the country district from one end of the term to the other, who wades through snow drifts up to her knees for a mile in order to reach the school, and who puts up with all inconveniences and at the end of the term is told by the secretary of the school board that no money has been collected to pay the teacher. The Daily Mail almost every day learns of cases where teachers, many of them not in very good circumstances after they get through Normal School, have gone to the country and have been blocked for their pay.

Some regulation should be passed by the Board of Education to protect these teachers. Any School District who cannot afford or whose secretary is too lazy or too careless to collect the money to pay the teacher should be made to do without a teacher. A reasonable guarantee should be on hand and should be demanded by the teachers before he or she starts to do the term's work. Nothing but the most unlimited amount of nerve is back of any Board of Trustees who engage a teacher to teach their children and put up with their inconveniences and which has not the money ready to pay the teacher for the honest work done during the term. The Teachers' Association should protect these teachers.

The Auto in N. B.

The progress made in the automobile in this province in the last thirty years is strikingly illustrated in a page of the report of the Public Works Department placed on the table of the House during the past week. In 1905 there were twelve automobiles registered in New Brunswick for the operation of which the Provincial Government received a total tax of \$84.00. Last year there were 27,731 cars; 4,965 trucks; 1,436 trailers; 88 buses; 105 tractors; 69 convertible trucks; 176 motorcycles; 53 hearses and other smaller vehicles. The total amount of tax received last year was \$888,036.73. Thirty-two years ago the average tax was \$7.00 per car while today the average costs per vehicle is approximately \$23.00.

Who is there who will not say that in thirty years from today the traffic by airplane will not have advanced to practically the same proportion as have the cars since 1905?

Automobile Accidents

With the approach of spring and return of the bare roads and the increased mileage of hard surfaced roads around about us, accidents on the highway will again become all too common. Sometimes these accidents are the fault of the drivers of cars, and sometimes they are the fault of pedestrians. There is a general responsibility resting on both classes. This especially applies to the rural districts where the roadway must be used by those who walk until the problem of providing suitable footpaths has been worked out.

Many accidents in York County in recent years have taken place because careless pedestrians did not use proper precaution.

It is unquestionably the duty of the motorist to use every means that is in his power to operate his vehicle in such a way as to prevent accidents of this kind. On the other hand those who walk must do their part if they regard their safety. There are careless and thoughtless pedestrians just as there are thoughtless and careless motorists. On the other hand there are reasonable and sane people who operate cars as there are sensible people who are obliged to go on foot. What is needed to tide over the present unfortunate crisis until a better and safer era is reached is a wiser consideration on the part of all.

Naturally the motorist has no desire to be responsible for the death or injury of any person. When in the darkness and mist he comes unexpectedly upon a group of people in front of him he gets anything but a comfortable sensation. Especially on the new pavements in rain and mist visibility is essentially difficult, and persons walking on the road and clad in dark clothing are almost indistinguishable even to those who proceed with extreme caution. For that reason all pedestrians who are obliged to use the road ought to carry upon their person something white that would indicate their presence. This sort of co-operation on their part would relieve the anxiety of the motorist to an astonishing degree and make for a far safer condition.

Britain's Best Customer

Statistics published by Britain concerning her overseas trade show that the youngest of the Dominions has become her best customer, British exports to South Africa having increased in value from about \$70,000,000 in 1932 to about \$187,000,000 in 1936.

The fact is significant, not only of South Africa's loyalty to the Empire, but of the spirit animating the people and the Government of that Dominion. Partly the increase in importations from Britain is due to Capetown's change of foreign trade policy following the Ottawa Conference in 1932; but chiefly it is to be attributed to increased and steadily increasing prosperity in South Africa.

The African Dominion was, of course, no more exempt from the effects of the years of depression than was any other country, but wise Government leadership combined with national spirit of determination has overcome these to such an extent that today there is virtually no unemployment in the country. In November last, the latest month for which figures are available, the total of workless males had dwindled to 2,486.

Capetown reports growing agricultural prosperity; a general rise in prices, with correspondingly better returns for the primary producer, and an extremely optimistic trade outlook for 1937.

At the end of the year, too, total revenue collections exceeded those for the corresponding period twelve months earlier by some \$10,000,000.

In view of the renewed and growing activity in Canadian mining, it is worthy of note that the editor of "South Africa," writing to the London Times, attributes present favorable conditions in his Dominion to "the surging activity centred in the gold mines, which makes South Africa the most prosperous country in the world." Justification for the boast is found in the fact that South Africa's output of gold during 1936 was 11,339,000 fine ounces.

SNAPSHOTS

They say that one of the dens of iniquity has added a suite of rooms down stairs on the ground floor.

There is no truth in the rumor that some one stole the checker board.

The men of U.N.B. are having the time of their lives this week. The girls have to put up the eats, open the doors for the men, and to give up their seats when necessary to the stronger sex. It seems that this is "Co-ed Week" and the co-eds have to do the honors usually performed by the male sex.

Will teachers receive the salary cuts restoration this year? Perhaps the new Superintendent of City Schools will recommend this as well as other needed improvements in connection with the city schools, including the stopping of detaining children after school hours; opening the doors to the press and other modern ways of doing things. If the new Superintendent can recommend these improvements and get away with them, he will be worth his extra salary.

Co-operative

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ing of the Province by the co-operatives.

There are 108 marketing units in Sasatchewan, excluding wheat pool and seed grain units; 62 in Manitoba, and 20 in Alberta. Purchasing units in Saskatchewan number 171, Manitoba 35, and Alberta 2. In the three Prairie Provinces there are 230,000 members in these units, marketing and purchasing, with Saskatchewan leading at 125,000.

Aim to Control Products

Where there was only one co-operative in the West in 1901, there are now 284 parent bodies, with 2,113 branches. Their motivation is to control their own products and to secure for the producer the profits of the middleman and the distributor, which they believe to have been excessive in relation to comparative services.

For instance, the House of Commons reverberated in recent years to the complaints of Dr. Tom Donnelly, former Willow Bunch M.P., in respect of gasoline prices charged, Prairie farmers.

Reports were made which were unsatisfactory to the Westerners, and here they are now bringing in their own raw product from United States fields for distillation at central points and distribution.

[Eyed by Oil Men]

Incidentally the oil men of the Canadian fields further west have their eye on this as well as the general field of gasoline and oil importation. Their optimism lets them visualize the displacement of \$50,000,000 worth of gasoline and oil imports per annum, and the retention in Canada of what they say is an annual payment in the United States of \$40,000,000 of dividends from Canada.

If the oil men have their way, the Saskatchewan co-operatives in a year or two will be buying gas and oil supplies from their neighbors, the Albertans.

The major co-operative organizations on the Prairies are the wheat pools with a dollar volume approaching \$80,000,000 yearly. These pools were built from small beginnings and while on a non-pool basis at present will revert to co-operative pooling next year. While the Government had control of wheat, they did no pooling.

Subtraction of pool dollar volume from the total leaves approximately \$10,000,000 annually in the form of minor co-operative business, such as dairy products, live stock, poultry and others. These minor co-operative organizations are in two classes, marketing and purchasing. The marketing organizations predominate in dollar volume but not in number. The 190 marketing units transact about \$7,000,000 of business annually and the purchasing units, numbering 238, close to \$3,000,000 worth.

Purchasing units have a central organization in Saskatchewan at Saskatoon, the Saskatchewan Co-operative Wholesale Society, Limited, which buys in carlot quantities for 36 shareholder associations. Purchasing units deal in binder twine, coal, gasoline, fuel oils, greases and dry goods.

Twice as Many

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Hospital. Its employees are returned soldiers, with only two or three exceptions. The exceptions are men who have been with the factory since it started 18 years ago.

Help Many Veterans

In the last ten years, since the factory took over the entire manufacture of artificial limbs, including pressings and castings formerly received from England, it has been doing a whopper business. It looks after not only Canadian and Imperial war veterans, but men of the Allied forces living in Canada, and also the Canadian National Railways, the Department of Indian Affairs, and the Workmen's Compensation Boards in all Provinces where such organizations exist.

It is the only factory of its kind in Canada.

There are between 3,000 and 4,000 men in this country wearing artificial legs or arms built at Christie Street. There are 1,800 wearing artificial eyes also made at Christie St. Hospital. And the making of these eyes is also unique in Canada.

Glass Eyes Wear Out

Step into the office of Clifford Taylor in the hospital's main building. Before you are rows and rows of small boxes, each identified by a number. Each holds duplicates of artificial eyes worn by men from one side of Canada to the other. Each has been made individually and can serve only that one man.

Artificial eyes wear out. They deteriorate by wearing, and some have to be replaced every three or four months. The average "life" is a year. Every time an eye is made duplicates are filed under the individual's name ready to be sent on a moment's notice. There are 1,800 of these little boxes on file, representing 1,800 wearers. On a table at the door yesterday were piled 40 to 50 smaller boxes ready for mailing, each holding an eye, a duplicate, being sent out for replacement.

People's eyes vary widely in color. They change as one grows older. They change color as one's system changes. For instance, a liver disturbance will tinge the white with yellow. Artificial eyes must be changed to match changes in the natural eye. And even more important, the socket in which the artificial eye fits changes also with time.

Travelling Eyes

There must, therefore, be periodic checks on the artificial eyes to see they match and fit. To save men coming to the hospital from all parts of Canada, Christie Street has adopted a system by which every three years Mr. Taylor, with two enormous trunks carrying glass eyes of thousands of different colors, makes a cross-Canada tour. He sets up his office in different cities, notifies all his patients in the district. He checks the eyes of each, and when a new pattern is needed he makes on the spot not only a new eye to be given the patient, but a duplicate to be brought back to the hospital. When he returns he will copy the duplicate so there always will be two or more on hand for that one man to get when needed.

Christie Street's eye-blowing department is the only place in Canada where such work is done. It is operated by only two men, Mr. Taylor and his assistant. It keeps on hand 3,000 or 4,000 eyes, all of different shapes, colors and sizes. But these are only the "raw material" of the business. Different as they appear, they do not differ as widely as do natural eyes.

It was because of the peculiar nature of the needs involved, that Christie Street set up its own artificial eye system, including the cross-country tours, which is considered so good that word trickles in and around Christie Street that Great Britain is going to adopt the same system.

On Tuesday evening the Mission Band under the direction of Miss Estella Williams and Mrs. C. S. Young, Mouth of Keswick, gave the second in a series of young people's entertainments at the United Baptist parsonage. Dialogues, recitations, duets, quartettes and instrumental music were greatly enjoyed by the large number present. A male quartette from Douglas sang several selections. At the close refreshments were served.

AT THE QUEEN

C. Chapman of Regina, Sask., is registered at the Queen Hotel.

TODAY IN HISTORY

March 9, 1916

GERMANY DECLARES WAR ON PORTUGAL.

Spanish Gov't

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700,000. She picked up more munitions at Vera Cruz.

The mystery ship, which carried from New York war supplies shipped by Robert Cuse, obscure New Jersey arms broker, provided one more mystery before plunging into the Bay of Biscay.

Disposition Unknown

It still was unknown whether any part of her cargo was unloaded for the Spanish Leftist forces before her destruction.

When she sailed from Vera Cruz Feb. 19, her announced destination, was Barcelona. Maritime circles here, however, said later she had been instructed to land her cargo at Bilbao, on Spain's northern Bay of Biscay coast.

Confusion Explained

First reports six hours earlier indicated that the vessel—"bombarded, burning and sinking"—was British, either the Adda or the Aba, both belonging to the Elder Dempster Line's African service.

Four British destroyers dashed out into the Bay of Biscay to the rescue. The confusion apparently was due to the fact that the Aba, homeward bound from West Africa, sighted the ship afloat and sent out the SOS under her own call letters.

Won Race With Congress

NEW YORK, March 8—The squat freighter Mar Cantabrico, reported bombed and sunk today, spend from the New York harbor two months and two days ago with a war cargo that the United States government had been unable to keep on this side of the water.

She sailed with a \$2,700,000 consignment of airplanes and other war material in the face of the expressed displeasure of President Roosevelt and while Congress was desperately trying to amend neutrality statutes in time to keep her from taking out her cargo.

Hardly an hour after she cleared Sandy Hook the House ratified Senate embargo action—but it was too late to head off the Mar Cantabrico. The embargo action made neutrality laws applicable to civil war as well as war between nations.

Halted Once

Once she was halted by the Coast Guard, as she ploughed for the open sea, on a libel action that turned out to have been not against the ship itself but against her cargo. Clear again, Coast Guardsmen were compelled to bid her farewell.

Robert Cuse, a New Jersey arms broker, was the owner or her cargo, which was so hurriedly loaded that not one of the eight planes she carried had been lashed down as she pushed out to sea.

Cuse had been given reluctant permission by the state department to ship the stuff. The department explained it had no other alternative at that time.

The Mar Cantabrico's manifest indicated she was bound for Vera Cruz, Mexico, from which she was reported to have sailed Feb. 19, carrying war materials for the Spanish government.

AT THE QUEEN

Hon. W. S. Anderson, is at the Queen Hotel today.

Pool Seeking

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gates approved this, and the amendment bill is now before the legislative authorities.

Rail merchants, through their association secretary, W. L. McQuarrie do not like the measure. They see

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Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage bearing date the 13th day of April, A.D. 1929, registered in Book 207 of the York County Records at pages 545 to 547 as No. 81570 made between Mary E. O'Brien as mortgagor and Sarah E. Aiken as mortgagee, there will, for the purpose of satisfying the monies secured by the said mortgage, default having been made in the payment thereof, be sold at public auction in front of the post office on Saturday, the 3rd day of April, A.D. 1937 at the hour of twelve o'clock noon, the lands and premises described in the said mortgage as follows: "All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the City of Fredericton, in the County and Province aforesaid and bounded as follows: On the front by Regent Street, on the lower side by lands leased to Andrew Ryan and on the upper side by lands leased to Patrick Hurley having a frontage of fifty-four feet on Regent Street and running back one hundred feet, being the same lands leased by A. M. J. Shore and Rev. W. H. Shore to James O'Brien, now deceased and later deeded to the said Johanna O'Brien by deed dated the nineteenth day of September A. D. 1888, and recorded in the York County Records in Book H-4, pages 313 and 314."

Together with the buildings and improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereto appertaining.

Dated this 26th day of February A.D. 1937.

(Sgd.) HERBERT S. AIKEN,
Executor last will of Sarah E. Aiken.

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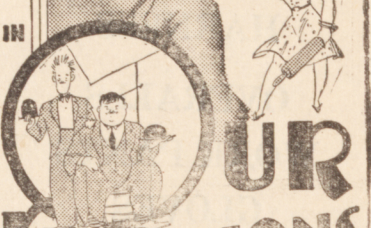
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TONIGHT

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