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## SUGGESTION FOR FREDERICTON

OVER in New England, our neighbors have gone in for winter sports and have developed a worth-while industry along those lines. New England's brand new industry is winter sports and the King of winter sports is skiing. Now it is estimated that New England has an access of half a million skiers and that New York City alone accounts for three hundred and fifty thousand. There is definitely money in snowflakes. While no accurate figures are available for the value of winter sports in New England as yet, still in one section in New Hampshire they lost last year over ten thousand dollars every week because snow conditions were poor.

The lesson to be gathered from the above where New England has become the Switzerland of America should be learned by our people of the Maritimes and there is no place in the Maritimes better fitted for winter sport conditions than this locality surrounding us. Why not another year have a winter carnival extending over a couple of weeks and embracing such winter sports as skiing, curling, ice skating, snow shoe races, competition in the way of a carnival and competitions in which the Queen of New Brunswick might be selected. This only has to be worked out and boosted to make Fredericton the centre of an annual winter sports affair which would not only bring pleasure to thousands but would bring thousands of dollars to the community. This might be a matter that could well be taken up by the Tourist Committee of the Board of Trade and by other public and semi-public bodies. Let us think it over for another year.

## HANDLING TOURISTS

AT the Legislature yesterday afternoon Hon. F. W. Pirie, Minister of Lands and Mines in discussing the tourist travel pointed out the responsibility of the people in providing proper accommodation for tourists entering this province and that such accommodation was necessary if we were to retain and to increase our tourist travel.

Along the same lines at Halifax yesterday, C. K. Howard, Manager of the Tourist and Convention Bureau of the Canadian National Railways and a former resident of this city also pointed out the necessity of proper service and accommodation for tourists. Mr. Howard was speaking at the hotel short course opened in Halifax with the view of assisting hotel and tourist resort managers and proprietors in providing attractive accommodation for tourists. This course is one of the most forward steps ever taken in connection with the development of the tourist industry in Canada. The course lasts six days in which demonstrations will be given on how to prepare seafood dishes, making of salads, proper cooking of vegetables, setting of tables, bed making, interior decoration and in providing an attractive landscape exterior. The transportation committee are receiving the assistance of the Nova Scotia Government.

The advice given by Mr. Pirie in the Legislature yesterday fits in well with the dispatch which we have received today from Nova Scotia regarding what they are doing in that province. There is much to be learned by our hotel and tourist cabin proprietors in regard to the handling of tourist travel. The example of Nova Scotia might be followed and instructions in handling tourists especially in the rural districts might well be made a part of our Adult Training Course.

## LEGISLATIVE HEAT

IT is not only in Canada that the government "turns on the heat" when the leaders are anxious to obtain a majority vote in the Legislature. Our friends in England have known the trick for generations. They have Parliament whips whose duty it is to see to it that members vote for important party measures, and the strong support which Prime Minister Chamberlain has received was due in part to straight talk from his parliamentary spokesmen. There was no threat, of course, of a withdrawal of patronage. There must have been reminders, however, that abandonment of the government in this emergency would not only embarrass it but might embarrass the recalcitrants when they came up for renomination and re-election.

How much more "efficiently" the dictatorial countries make the so-called legislators conform! To rebel is to invite the severest kind of discipline. There is no "party loyalty," as the government is the only party and disloyalty to it is interpreted as a subversive activity. The consequences are harsh penalties, and in extreme cases, death.

Indeed, if you make "efficiency", speed, simplicity and definiteness of legislation or co-operation with the government the criteria, there is no reason why government of, by and for the people should not perish from the earth. Fortunately, government means more than all that in English-speaking and various other nations. They are devoted to representative government because, when all its advantages and disadvantages are weighed, the latter are trivial in comparison with the abuses, the might and the tyranny which are at best the foundation of dictatorships.

## AN ASTONISHING SITUATION

THE sensational charges of Thomas Reid in the House of Commons on Wednesday concerning Japanese fishing monopolies in British Columbia are by themselves sufficient cause for the investigation into the whole Japanese problem now under way. Mr. Reid's description of conditions, if only partly correct, exposes an impossible situation. It is not, as he says, an international matter, but a question of whether small colonies of immigrants are going to run Canadian industries or whether they are going to be made to conform to the laws of the country.

The astonishing thing is how conditions such as the New Westminster member described could be allowed to develop to the extremes he claims they have. According to him, there has been a previous attempt to regulate the Japanese in the industry. If he is correct in his interpretation of the law as it stands, provision was made for a gradual reduction in the number of licenses granted Japanese fishermen to maintain an equitable distribution of the privileges. That law has been in effect since 1929, but in the intervening period the number of Japanese holding permits has increased by more than 25 per cent.

It would be contrary to everything Canadian to eliminate any citizen from any industry on purely racial grounds, or so long as he operated within the rules. Fishing is the exploitation of natural resources belonging to the Canadian people. Therefore it, more than ever, should be a fairly competitive enterprise. But the idea that any group, through sheer force of numbers, subnormal living standards and concentrated operations, can be permitted to monopolize such an industry and dictate its own rules is untenable.

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It is hoped that the Argentine people who are getting our potatoes will enjoy our "spuds" to a greater extent than the Egyptian mummies enjoyed the potatoes shipped by the friends of the present Opposition a few years ago.

The Opposition should put the soft pedal on potatoes, water power and a few other things. There are some things which the public do not forget.

The man who engineered the plans for our subway is going to the West Indies. He does well to get as far away from the subway as possible. But citizens of Fredericton including children yet unborn will have to look at the subway, and tell their grandchildren about the mistake of 1937.

The men who walked in and parked in an uptown business establishment the other night must have been provided with a key by one of the employees. Do they remember our "Bed, Water and Bed Bugs" editorial a year or so ago? Well, this is just the place these chaps are heading for.

When a man is on relief and is given free rent and all kinds of hand-outs and then acts like a piker, he should be dipped in a tub of ice water. We know of a case in point in this city right now.

As we understand the dicking, if Duce would like to take over the Straits of Gibraltar and get out of his financial ones at the same time.

Der Fuehrer, a British statesman has revealed, can talk seven hours on a stretch, without interruption, but, then, of course, he's a bachelor, you know.

A man's clothes are neither comfortable nor beautiful. The only thing about them that a woman really envies him is his ability to wear the same suit and hat year after year and still be the glass of fashion.

British experts in modified bridge say there will be a lot more slams with five aces in a pack. In the robust, old days, you'll remember, all a fellow would be likely to get out of anything like that in this country would be a funeral.

## Duplessis Blames Fascist Rumors On Communism

(Special to The Daily Mail)

QUEBEC, March 3—Premier Maurice Duplessis attributes no importance to the reports of Fascist spreading in the province of Quebec. The Premier blames these reports on the Communists who wish to further their own cause by these methods. He protested against the attacks on the province of Quebec which have recently appeared in various American papers.

## DIED

SMITH—Passed away March 2, 1938 at her home, Marysville, Mrs. Frances Louise Smith, aged 84 years. The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon with service conducted at the home at 2.30 o'clock by Rev. Steadman Smith. Interment will be made at the United Baptist cemetery, Marysville.

PAYNE—Passed away March 3, 1938 at his home, old Springhill Road, Henry Joseph Payne. The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon with prayers at the home at 2.30 o'clock. Services will be conducted at 3.00 o'clock at St. Peter's Church Springhill, by Rev. Mr. Buckland. Interment will be made at Springhill.

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"I believe it is not a desirable way to attack our social problems," he continued. In the field of labor legislation and other social reforms the Inces had the full scope of jurisdiction within the Provinces.

Taking the proposal to extend the old-age pensions as an instance where the Constitution hampered the Dominion Government, he said the Dominion must reach the place where its constitutional authority was beyond question.

With the proper constitutional authority, the Dominion could look to a national old-age pension scheme. "There would be no limit to what could be worked out with regard to lowering the pensionable age," he said, "if the period below 70 years of age was made contributory."

This would follow the British scheme, and would provide that if pensions were to be made available for those below 70 years of age a contributory system would have to be established.

"If we are to assume burdens which the Constitution places upon the Provinces, then we must receive wider national fields of revenue," he declared.

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tion of \$300,000 provincial debentures was given second reading.

E. R. McDonald, K.C., from standing rules committee, presented their first report. The committee had passed the following resolution: Resolved that the standing rules committee recommend the suspension of Rules 77, 78 and 79 having to do with the publication of notices of legislation of private bills, in connection with the application of Marion Roberta MacPherson for legislation to change her name to Marion Roberta Gillard, such recommendation being made upon the ground that this is a matter of no public or private interest other than to the applicant. Mr. McDonald gave notice of motion for Friday in refer-

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Hon. C. T. Richard tabled the annual report of the superintendent of the Boys' Industrial Home.

Hon. A. P. Paterson tabled the second annual report of the Old Age Pensions Board.