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U. N. B.

Dr. C. C. Jones, President of the U. N. B., has asked The Daily Mail to state that he has made a careful investigation and that he has been entirely unable to find any incident occurring at the University of New Brunswick as that reported in the Press despatches from Montreal, as mentioned in a recent address by Mr. C. A. McVey. As a matter of fact no student had failed at graduation for the past two or three years. He wishes also to state that he is glad to have Mr. MacVey's assurance that his remarks were incorrectly reported at Montreal and sent out wrongly by the Press at that city, that his reference to the Universities was of an entirely general character and that the University of New Brunswick was not specifically mentioned in his address.

The Daily Mail is pleased to learn that Mr. MacVey did not paint the picture attributed to him by the Upper Canadian Press.

DEBUNKING THE FIREFLY

The debunking nuisance has taken a new form. Just as it seemed to be disappearing over the literary horizon, it bobs up in the industrial research laboratory. Life is like that in this crazy century.

Here comes Oliver Ajer, one of the scientific conjurers of the General Electric Company, to debunk the firefly and the glowworm.

The baffling secret of "light without heat" had long made these insects popular with people who resent the obtrusive omniscience of the scientist and the engineer. Why, those humble bugs could turn a trick which no haughty technician could do.

Now even that refuge from science has been shattered. The other evening Mr. Ajer filled a glass tube with a lot of chemicals with long names, and one, luminol, that seems to be some kin to a sleeping powder. Then came "chemiluminescence"—wah a word! Anyhow, it means what a firefly does when he gets lit up on a May evening. There stood Mr. Ajer with a synthetic firefly in his hand.

Then came the sales talk to prove that the bugs produce light at frightful expense compared to the economies worked out by engineers. It is all very fine as science and economics, but somehow nobody likes to see these big soulless corporations picking on the firefly and the glowworm.

EXPENSIVE PHOTOS AND CARDS

* Former Lieutenant Governor H. H. McLean has an expensive taste in Christmas Cards. Fourteen hundred cards printed in Montreal and giving the family history of the McLeans and their photographs, cost the province \$140. The ordinary citizen of the province has great difficulty at the present time making both ends meet and has to be satisfied with two cards for five cents. We have every respect for our Governors, but when a man like General McLean was Governor pulling down nine thousand dollars a year, he should have bought his own Christmas cards, his own Loyalist Society cards, and his own oil painting at nine hundred dollars, instead of passing the bills for all these along to the Provincial Government. Certain members on both sides of the House had objected to this but they did not like to say anything to the then Governor.

Every person should have due respect for the representative of His Majesty The King in this province but no member of the House should be so easy as to let the Governor or any one else put a deal like the above across, and not say anything. We do not believe that these things will take place under the present conditions. The matter was discussed briefly in the House this week.

UNIVERSITY SEATS

While the attitude around Queen's University is against professors mixing in politics, Dr. L. J. Austin, Professor of Surgery in the Kingston Institute believes each college should be allotted seats in the Provincial Legislature.

"There is a question as to how far a University should allow its teachers to take part in politics," remarked Dr. Austin in an address at a dinner of the Queen's alumni here last night. "The attitude around Queen's has been that it is better they should keep out altogether. There may be wisdom in that, because you will remember the trouble they got into in Toronto when they signed a round robin."

"Still," he continued, "you want your best men and your best brains in your Legislative bodies. Why not give each University one seat in your Legislature, the same as they do in England; They could work out among themselves the parties and policies to which they wished to adhere."

Referring to the trouble at Queen's last fall over an international fraternity, the speaker said there would be no more of this, as the students who had joined are now carrying on as a club.

SNAPSHOTS

The first robin is here. He went by the calendar, not by the thermometer.

The Governor of Georgia who seems to head the Legislative members in that state, has presented each of them with a pair of red suspenders. This is a hint for Premier Tilley. Mr. Pirie would look nice in red suspenders. Mr. Colpitts would look better in a red belt.

Several of the members left without finding out regarding the House of Mystery about which they were anxious. A two cent stamp self-addressed envelope will be necessary now.

The wedding is only the first down-payment on love. After that, Fate comes around to collect the instalments every day.

Blessed are the peacemakers; though they often do not get their reward of gratitude until long afterwards.

Germany has at last let the whole world in on a secret; all those uniforms, &c., were not being gathered for a firemen's ball!

A man hates to admit that he doesn't know the answer to any question a woman asks him; but just let her ask him why he married her—and note the blank look on his face.

Any village with a historical landmark now knows enough to preserve it. The landmark helps sell soap and flour and ham, and handkerchiefs and socks and tires and gasoline and postcards to the tourists.

OTTAWA, April 5—The present House of Commons will dissolve automatically August 18, it is intimated in the House of Commons by Minister of Justice Hugh Guthrie.

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Morris Scovil
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Morris Scovil, formerly of Meadowlands, Queens county, and formerly a well known and respected resident of this city, passed away at Bishopscourt, England, according to telegrams received today. The late Mr. Scovil is a descendent of two noted old Saint John families, the Robinsons and the Scovils. He was 75 years of age and had been in ill-health for several years.

Although the greater part of Mr. Scovil's life was passed at Meadowlands where his family owned extensive estates he moved to this city about twelve years ago. The late Mr. Scovil and his sister resided here for a period of three years but the past nine years Mr. Scovil and his sister spent their time in England and in South Carolina in the United States.

A sister, Miss Elizabeth Robinson Scovil, pioneer nurse, one time editor of the Ladies' Home Journal, lecturer and the writer of 21 books, predeceased him last November.

Mr. Scovil was born in Saint John, the second son of Samuel James Scovil, barrister, and Mary Eliza Robinson Scovil. He was of United Empire Loyalist stock on both sides, his mother being a granddaughter of Col. Beverly Robinson of the Loyal American Regiment and his father a member of the Scovil family that provided three rectors, father, son and grandson, for historic Trinity Church at Kingston, N. B.

Mr. Scovil's wife, whose maiden name was Harriet Lavina DuVernet, died in 1903 and is buried at Gagetown.

Surviving Mr. Scovil are two sons, Morris A. Scovil of Thornton Heath, Surrey, England and Roger P. Scovil of Greenville, South Carolina, and three daughters, Mrs. C. Hayden Villers, of Amersham, Buckshire, England; Miss Gertrude J. Scovil of the staff of the military hospital at Vancouver, B. C., and Mrs. Denison D. Bliss, of Amherst, N. S. Both the sons are veterans of the Great War.

No details regarding the funeral were given in the cable.

While he resided at Meadowlands Mr. Scovil took an active interest in the affairs of Queens County, although he never sought public office. He was a Conservative in politics, and a member of the Church of England.

MRS. RUSSELL FERRIS

The death occurred suddenly yesterday at Nashwaaksis, York County of Mrs. Helen C. Ferris, aged 41, wife of Russell Ferris, of Grand Lake. She died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Jones. Deceased was born in Hainesville, York County and moved to Nashwaaksis with her parents about 18 years ago. After her marriage she moved with her husband to Grand Lake, where she resided until she returned to Nashwaaksis last fall to spend the winter with her parents. Surviving besides the husband are two sons, Russell, and an infant child; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Jones and a brother and sister, Byron W. Jones and Muriel Jones of Nashwaaksis. The funeral is to take place on Saturday afternoon with service at her parents' home at two o'clock and interment in the Rural cemetery at Douglas.

Discussion on Mounted
Police a Heated One

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ment was budgeted at Ottawa and explained in the House of Commons. The fact that the cost of the police to the Provincial Treasury had been reduced from \$200,000 to \$100,000 should not be lost sight of. The duties of the Mounted Police were not entirely provincial, as they were called upon to enforce Dominion laws, especially in connection with customs and excise.

A Large Expenditure

Mr. Dysart said he had learned only recently that the Mounted Police force in New Brunswick was costing over \$400,000 a year, and it was a large expenditure, even though the large proportion of it was paid by the federal government. He would suggest that his hon. friends opposite might undertake to reduce that expenditure, as it might assist in balancing the budget. A deficit of

WATCHING
THEM MAKING
PICTURES

George Arliss, who becomes any man in history he admires, is now Cardinal Richelieu, and already the camera is turning. Arliss in a long flowing red robe is kneeling, the door to his room opens suddenly and in dashes the dashing Caesar Romero. Caesar is attired like a musketeer. Arliss turns abruptly, and in his best majestic tone, says: "My son, I thought you were under arrest".

Romero is as excited as a newsboy with a genuine extra, and he shouts: "You wanted me under arrest, didn't you? I learned how you planned it. I have come here to kill". With this remark Caesar draws his long sword and plunges toward Arliss. This is the first take of the scene. It is to be played again, but before they do, Arliss says to Romero: "Be a little careful with that sword. Never forget that you are an actor and actors should only act".

Standing on the set, almost inconspicuous is Maude T. Howell, holding the script of "Cardinal Richelieu". Arliss may have a different director and a different scenario writer for his pictures, but he never fails to have Miss Howell work on the script with him. He never fails to have Miss Howell on the set to watch and judge his performance. She is the person behind the Arliss throne, and it is about time she stepped forward to receive the applause she doesn't seek.

At precisely 4:30 in the afternoon George Arliss stops work. He walks off the set briskly. He only walks slowly when acting.

Max Reinhardt—the Herr Professor—has been trying for almost half an hour to get Dick Powell to laugh for a scene in "Mid-Summer Night's Dream". "You Don't Laugh hearty. You don't laugh like it's genuine", says the Herr Professor.

"I never laugh out loud", answers Powell. "That most I do is giggle, but my prop laugh has been good enough before." Powell's best laugh is recorded for the scene, and Dick and I get into a corner and start talking. One word leads to the naughty parody of "You're the Top" and at that, Powell lets out a loud laugh. "That's what I want!" shouts the Herr Professor. "I thought you said you never laughed". The scene was played again, and Reinhardt got his laugh for "Mid-summer Night's Dream" by having another naughty parody read to Powell.

Later the Herr Professor started to talk about James Gagney. Reinhardt declared that Gagney is the best actor in America.

Spencer Tracy and Wendy Barrie are playing in the restaurant sequence of "It's a Small World". Wendy is supposed to hurl at Tracy and, of course, Spencer is supposed to duck. Wendy hurls the plate and Tracy ducks, but he isn't fast enough. The plate catches him above the right eye, and there is a wide gash.

Tracy is rushed to the studio hospital and has five stitches placed in that gash above the eye. His head and forehead are bandaged and production is called off until Tracy can appear without the bandages.

The next day Spencer Tracy, his head bandaged, appears at the Fox commissary for lunch. Producer Sol Wurtzel sees him and rushes over to his table. "I've been looking for you", says Sol. "I need you for a retake for 'Dante's Inferno'".

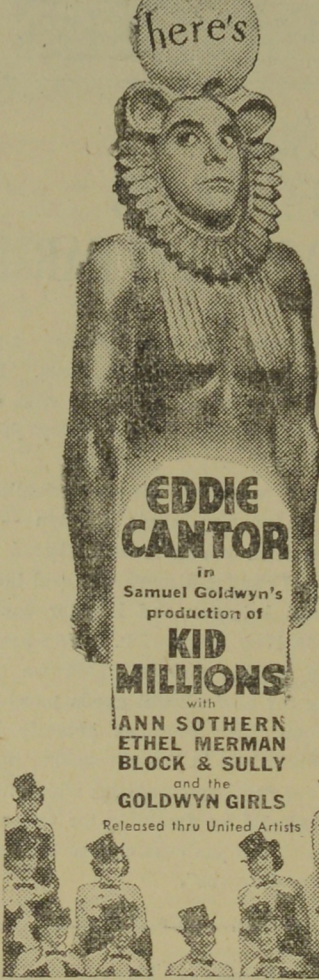
"But I can't work, Sol", answers Tracy, pointing to the bandages. "That's just how I want you", replies Wurtzel. "There's an explosion on the boat, you're hurt, and you have to play the scene with your head bandaged". And so Spencer Tracy went to work that day—he didn't have to make up for the role.

William Powell is holding a six-month-old baby in his arms and they are playing a scene together for "Reckless". The kid is Bob Andrews, he is making his screen debut, and he is more temperamental than Garbo. Bob stays on the set only four hours, and is permitted to work only two hours—this is the law. He gets \$25 for the two-hour working day.

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