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THE LEAGUE'S DIFFICULTIES

The League of Nations continues from crisis to crisis, with another scheduled at this week's meeting of the Council. Unless the proper "formula" can be found in advance, the debate will centre on the scope of the questions which can be decided by the arbitration board which suspended operations at Scheveningen some weeks ago because of a deadlock. The peculiar rules laid down for the board provided for two arbitrators from each country, who might name a fifth member; and if no decision had been reached, or no fifth member appointed by July 25, it became once more the business of the Council to decide what further step should be taken.

Both Italy and Ethiopia now say they are willing for arbitration to proceed, and that a report be reached by August 25. But, says Ethiopia, the arbitrators can't decide whose rights were being injured at Ualual until it is decided to which nation Ualual belongs; while Italy claims that the discussion of the boundary between Ethiopia and Somaliland does not fall within the scope of the arbitration. If the League Council is going to discuss this matter, Italy says she will not play—may even withdraw from the League. Hence the search for a "formula" which will keep Italy in the League and at the same time allow the arbitrators to continue.

Meanwhile a host of small nations, members of the League, are watching developments anxiously. In both Norway and Sweden there has been some plain speaking about the valueless nature of the League if it is to be constantly intimidated by one of the greater powers. They fail to see how the League is to champion justice if, whenever there is a dispute between a small nation and some powerful member of the Council, the small country is sacrificed to keep the League alive.

And so the League has another crisis, and it may be more serious than usual this time if the face-saving "formula" can not be found. And if this week's crisis is averted by permitting a continuance of an arbitration which is doomed from the start because the arbitrators are unable to approach the fundamental question, then August is likely to see still another crisis.

Sooner or later the great powers must face and decide the question whether the League is merely their tool or the body which it was intended to be when it was formed.

ONE WOMAN DRIVER ALOFT

Women drivers have been in the news so much recently that the story of golden-haired Jean Ellis, New York amateur airwoman, is not out of order.

Flying over Roosevelt Field, Miss Ellis was unable to land because the throttle of her motor was jammed open. About thirty-five times she swooped groundward only to zoom away, motor still aroar.

Veteran Airman O. T. Hebert, realizing something was drastically wrong jumped to his plane, daubed its fuselage with big letters, "Follow me" and took off. He did not know it was throttle trouble the girl was having.

Down came Hebert and quickly he painted another message on his ship, "If Throttle Stuck, Cut Switch When I Wave Hand." But blonde Jean was too busy to read that message. Meanwhile she was dipping and zooming. Back to earth came Hebert and with the aid of mechanics prepared a long streamer upon which he printed: "Cut Switch to Land." And Jean saw and understood and did.

At this point we should point a moral about women drivers but, alas, we have known plenty of men flyers to do dumber things than what Jean did.

In automobiles, when a woman is seen driving poorly, all women suffer. When a man drives poorly, he is merely a dumb kluck. There is one fact not to be denied. Women drivers

give pedestrians a better break than men do. (And maybe that statement won't start an argument).

COMMUNISTS SETTLE DOWN

The foreshadowed decision of the Russian Communist Party to abandon its hopes for immediate world revolution and to tolerate henceforth the existence of democratic governments in foreign parts indicates a promising infiltration of practical intelligence among the Muscovites.

It is impossible to speculate as to what the Russian people have thought of the capers of this party and of its doctrinaire program. But, if Russia were a country blessed with freedom of the press and of discussion, there can be no doubt the foolishness of its ambition to convert the world forcibly to Communism long ago would have been recognized and the project laughed to scorn. In all likelihood that is what actually has happened or, at least, is what has been foreseen as certain to happen sooner or later.

We suspect if the party's current convention now confirms the new policy as recently promulgated in Pravda, its official organ, it may be taken at face value.

And that will be a blessing, because the Americans who have been seeing a Moscow-brand revolution behind every bush then may be able to get some sleep o' nights.

However, the leading beneficiaries will be the Russians, for the insolence of the world revolutionary policy has been for 15 years their chief handicap in every effort of their government to deal amicably with foreign nations.

SNAPSHOTS

There is an unfortunate crippled youth in town who is also unbalanced mentally. He is considerable of a nuisance, and commits offences on the street, which are disgusting and at times, indecent. It would be a charitable act for some organization to have the poor chap placed some place where he could be properly provided for.

Is it so that a registered parcel containing medicine for a patient in Woodstock was mailed in this city on Friday quite early by a local druggist and was still in our post office on Saturday afternoon. In the meantime the sick man in Woodstock was on the long distance phone trying to get the medicine. There continues to be something wrong with the service. We are inclined in this case to blame the train arrangements which prevent registered mail going every day. The results to the public are the same no matter who is to blame.

Is it really necessary that cattle be taken to the slaughter house on Sunday or brought in from the country? Even those who do not keep our Sunday should have respects for our laws and customs.

We like dogs. But we do not think they should be allowed to run loose at all hours of the night, keeping people awake. Dog-owners should have consideration for their neighbours in this respect, and also should see that their pets do not destroy gardens and flower beds and upset garbage cans.

A correspondent, referring to the up-town piggery, says he is glad to learn that at last the Health officials have got the "scent".

It will not re-vitalize industry, nor bring back prosperity in an equitable way, if Government positions are given to married women, who have husband earning. Nor should more than one member of any family be in Government employ. Distribute the jobs amongst the worthy and competent.

Are the benches on Queen Street and on the river bank FOR MEN ONLY?

Home Brew manufacturers could possibly do something worthwhile with the several patches of burdock on the city streets. Burdock blood Bitters is beneficial to the health.

What makes a motorist speed, who has nothing to do, nowhere in particular to go, and has all day to get there

WINNERS OF PLAYGROUND CONTEST NAMED

Over 300 Children Participated in Program During July — Marysville Leads.

Bertha Smith, Thelma O'Rea, Monte Webster and Victor Hale were announced today as the winners of the Playground Point Contest for the month of July in which over 300 children participated. Points are given for participation and victory in daily scheduled events at Queen Square and Wilmot Park and to win one of these contests is most coveted honor at the Playgrounds.

The August program which began this morning will include a new contest, outside of which will be two baseball leagues, a volley-ball league, a softball league and inter-payground competition in basketball, soccer, horseshoes, croquet, track and field and many other events.

Marysville now leads the teams in the senior division of the Playground Baseball League coming from behind in the last inning to defeat the Park team, 5-4. In the Junior League the Imps defeated the Wilmot team, 6-5, and now command first place in their league.

The Clerks suffered defeat at the hands of the All-Star team in the Volleyball League dropping two games, 15-9, and 15-11. The Queen Square team defeated the Thunderbolts 15-2, 15-9 in the other league fixture. Devon defeated the Aberdeen Juniors in the Softball League in a fast game to the tune of a 22-9 score.

The complete list of winners in the point contest is:

SQUARE—Boys: 1, Monte Webster 110; 2, Ron Moffatt 108; 3, Bill Clark 94. Girls: 1, Bertha Smith, 2, Kathryn Owens; 3, Jean McCordick 67.

PARK—Girls: Thelma O'Rea, 114; 2, Marjorie Grey 88; 3, Muriel Kenny 71. Boys: Vic Hall 127; 2, Jack Morgan 126; 3, Clarence Swift 101.

HANDICRAFT DEPARTMENT
Soap Carving: 1, Betty Langille and Dorothy Savage; 2, Bertha Smith and Margaret Wade; 3, Gladys Charters and Thelma O'Rea.

Flower Creatures: 1, Bertha Smith; 2, Gladys Charters; 3, Betty Langille.

Cardboard Models: 1, Betty Langille; 2, Gladys Charters.

LATE MRS. JEREMIAH CHARTERS

The funeral of the late Mrs. Jeremiah Charters, who died last week, took place on Saturday afternoon with prayers from the late home at New Maryland at 2:30 o'clock, followed by service at the Church of England. Rev. W. J. Bate conducted the service which was very largely attended. There were many beautiful floral tributes. The pall bearers were—William Steeves, Dona Charters, Gerald Charters, Walter Charters, Theodore Charters, Perley Steeves, and Randolph Wood. The chief mourners were the pall-bearers and the following: Jeremiah Charters, Clair Charters, George Charters, Frank Charters, Harry Charters, Mrs. E. G. Owens, Mrs. Ellen Tanguay, Mrs. Bertha Nason, Mrs. J. A. Steeves, Mrs. E. Charters, Mrs. Lynwood Myers, Mrs. R. J. Griffin, Lydia Steeves, Mrs. Randolph Wood, May Steeves, Mary Steeves, Frances Steeves, Ellen Steeves Mrs. William McKnight, Mildred Charters, Margaret Charters, Mrs. Harry McNeill. Interment was in the cemetery at New Maryland.

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NEW LODGE FORMED

At a general meeting of Oddfellows' degree teams from this city, Truro, Moncton and McAdam held over the past weekend in the rooms of Victoria Lodge, No. 13, here, Woodastuk Encampment No. 17 of the I.O.O.F. was revived. The name "Woodastuk", said to be an old Indian word for what is known as the St John river, was the name of a lodge which has not been active for more than ten years. L. G. Kennedy, grand patriarch, Truro, officiated at the installation. The seven original members who petitioned for the revival of the encampment were B. J. Griffith, G. Fred Crowley, Robert Stevenson, T. J. Burtt, J. Barry Allen, P. A. Gerow and H. A. Ranking of this city. Those who were installed as officers in the encampment were as follows: Senior warden, Alfred H. Wood, who is also grand warden of the Maritime Provinces; high priest, Robert Harvey; recording and financial scribe, F. W. Gunter; treasurer, F. S. Lister; junior warden, Walter F. Blair; guide, H. A. Perry; first watch, T. J. Burtt; second watch P. A. Gerow; third watch, D. W. Bailey; fourth watch, J. R. McGinnis; inside sentinel, B. J. Griffith. First Watch T. J. Burtt was also installed as the district deputy grand patriarch.

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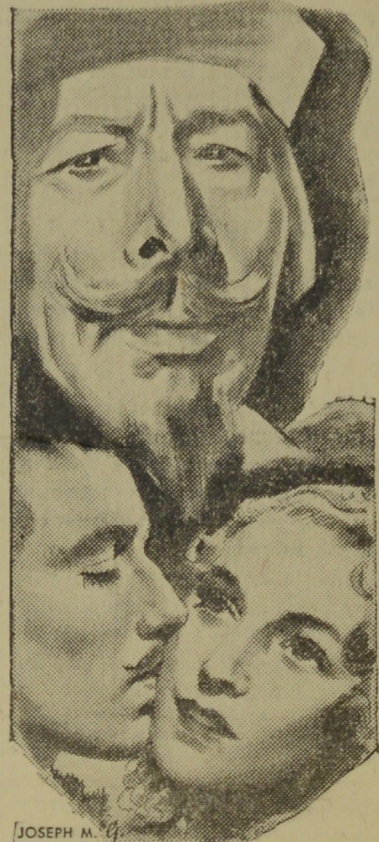
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