

Govt. Building Prospects Fair

Board of Trade Meeting Hears of Interview with Premier Tolmie—Road Matters Aired—Annual Banquet, January.

There was a fairly good turnout of members at the December meeting of Creston board of trade on Tuesday evening, which was in charge of the president, Col. Mallandaine.

The correspondence included a letter from the Alberta Motor Association at Lethbridge, Alberta, enquiring as to the expected date of opening the Kuskanook Road through to Nelson. This will be replied to stating through traffic should be possible at midsummer as construction is well along and the contract has been let for the necessary ferry which will carry 21 autos.

On airport matters no word had been received from the postoffice department at Ottawa but there was a letter from W. K. Esling, M.P., assuring that he was pressing for the same information and would advise the board as soon as it reached him.

In reply to the letter sent district engineer Wm. Ramsay last month a reply was to hand stating he had been over the Creston-Porthill link of the North and South highway on November 28th and had found it in good shape for the time of year. He reported the bridge at Rykerts is to be renewed and a road diversion put in to eliminate a long trestle at the upper end of the old railroad grade.

Mr. Ramsay pointed out improvements to the twin bridges on the Canyon-Porthill road and the renewing of the Leach bridge at Canyon in a new location. Still other work in prospect is a new bridge over Duck Creek in a new location on the upper side of the existing bridge, and the widening of the road between the Duck Creek and Wynndel bridges. It is also hoped to continue the widening of the road below Washout Creek from the point where operations were completed this spring.

The president and Geo. Johnson reported fully on their interview with Premier Tolmie at Nelson early this month with whom, amongst other things, were discussed the K.V. route for the North and South highway, in which Mr. Tolmie expressed some surprise that a route should be chosen that would sidetrack Creston. As to a new government building at Creston, after the premier had heard about poor quarters now available, the revenues collected, and the saving to be effected in rentals, he was quite taken with the idea of providing the wanted structure. Hon. R. Bruhn, the new minister of public works, is expected to visit the district very shortly, and the matter will be gone into fully with him.

Now that it is announced that the all-

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rail train service to Nelson is to become effective at January 1st, at which time it is presumed the boat will be withdrawn, many are curious to know how the autoist is to get from Kuskanook to Nelson with his car, as the new road will not likely be open for another six months. J. S. Carter, C.P.R. district passenger agent at Nelson, will be written to for information.

It was decided to have the usual banquet in connection with the annual meeting, and a committee was named to stage this event on Friday evening, January 16th.

Erickson

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Klingensmith left on Friday for Nakusp, where they intend to spend the winter with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Klingensmith.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Cartwright were visitors a few days at the end of the week at Spokane, leaving on Thursday.

Miss Iona Healey, who has been at Nelson for some weeks, returned on Saturday.

Mrs. Clark, who has been a patient at Creston hospital, was able to return home at the end of the week, and is making a steady recovery of former good health.

Miss Margaret Speaker, who has been on a short visit with her mother here, left for Cranbrook on Sunday.

Rev. A. Garlick had a fine turnout for the Church of England service at the schoolhouse on Sunday afternoon. This will be his last service here before leaving for England.

The former Herb Gobbett ranch of 21 acres, recently sold to Mr. Chernoff and associates, is being improved by the new owners who are at work erecting buildings for the place.

Frank Staples was here again from Invermere at the first of the week, leaving on Tuesday in company with Frank Putnam for Beaverdell, where they are attending a meeting of the Bell mine shareholders.

At the hospital meeting at Creston on Wednesday evening four Erickson residents were nominated as directors with two allocated on the board for this district. Frank Putnam and John Hall were elected.

Alice Siding

Ivan O'Neil of Calgary, Alberta, is spending a few days this week at the home of Mrs. Stace Smith.

Guy Constable was at Elko for a few days' deer hunting at the end of the week.

Mrs. W. A. Pease left early in the week on a six weeks' visit with members of the family at Princeton, Cloverdale and Vancouver.

Dick Smith had the good fortune to bag quite a fine deer while out hunting at the weekend. This is but the second venison taken by local hunters so far this season.

Miss Marion Collis, who has been at Procter for some time past, is on a visit with her parents this week.

Practices are in full swing at the school for the children's concert to be given some afternoon next week.

A house moving bee was in evidence at the R. Stewart ranch on Wednesday and Thursday. The former Churchill residence is being shifted to a new site on the Pendry road.

John R. Miller is busy at present putting in pipe to give the ranch a water supply from a likely spring to the north of the J. C. Martin place.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin were hosts at whist on Friday night at which the prize scores were made by Mrs. Lacey and John Kelly. Refreshments were served and a delightful evening was spent by all.

The biggest surprise party of the season was on Friday night when a party of about 40 dropped in unexpectedly on Mr. and Mrs. Guy Constable. Very fine music for the dancing was provided by Mrs. Lister, violin; Mrs. Constable, piano; Bob Marshall, drums. The lunch was also of a very high order.

Hospital Board Managers Elected

Every Valley School District Represented on Live Committee of Direction—Membership Tickets Have Heavy Sale.

There was a large and enthusiastic turnout of citizens from all points in the district for the meeting in Trinity United Church hall on Wednesday evening for the purpose of electing a permanent board of directors for Creston Valley Hospital.

Col. Mallandaine, chairman of the temporary board of management, presided and in a carefully prepared statement reviewed all the developments in connection with the hospital, giving a financial statement covering operations up till the end of November, also reading the by-law on which incorporation had been granted by the department at Victoria.

The chairman's statement so fully covered the ground that only some minor questions in connection with the by-laws were asked, and then the election of directors was proceeded with, the meeting agreeing to the representation accorded each school district prior to balloting taking place, with Mrs. McCreath, Mrs. McLaren and Col. Fred Lister, M.P.P., as scrutineers. The board chosen is:

Kitchener—B. Johnson.
Huscroft—John Huscroft.
Camp Lister—Col. Fred Lister, M.P.P.
Canyon City—H. Young, W. H. Kolthammer.
Erickson—F. Putnam, John Hall.
West Creston—R. Sinclair Smith.
Sirdar-Boswell—Jas. Wilson.
Wynndel—John Wigen, J. G. Abbott.
Creston—Col. Mallandaine, Geo. Johnson, C. F. Hayes and Reeve F. H. Jackson, who has been named representative of the village council.

For directors from Erickson and Creston a ballot was necessary Erickson having four nominees for two places on the board, and Creston five aspirants for three board seats. Before adjournment a vote of thanks to retiring temporary directors was carried enthusiastically.

A meeting is called for Friday night of the directors at which the president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer will be named and arrangements made for taking over the complete management of the hospital.

Kitchener

Col. Fred Lister, M.P.P., and Guy Constable of Creston, were business visitors this week.

Hunters are unusually active this week as the deer season closes on Monday. So far we have not heard of any Kitchener hunters claiming to have taken the season's limit in venison.

Miss Laura Andeen, accompanied by Miss Jean Popoff, made a trip to Spokane by auto last week.

The second bridge and dance of the Amusement Club was even more success-

ful and enjoyable than the first, with practically all the members present. Hazel McGonegal and Fritz Molander won first prizes, and Mrs. Senesael and Willard Blair the consolation prizes. Miss Pedersen, Mrs. Blair, Al. Fredericks, Gordon McPhail, Ivor Hyde, Charlie Harmer and Fritz Molander all contributed to the music for the dance, which lasted until almost 4 a.m. Everyone voted it a most enjoyable evening.

Charlie Nelson has just been awarded the C.P.R. roadmaster's prize for having the best kept section on the Crows Nest division, and is to be specially commended as it is well known that No. 9 section is a very hard one to keep up, having nearly 50 curves and numerous sink holes, items which all railroaders will appreciate. Congratulations, Charlie, and best wishes for you to land the superintendent's prize next year.

Canyon City

Miss Muriel Knott, who has spent the past four months on a holiday visit at Cripple Creek and other points in Colorado, arrived home at the end of the week.

G. E. VanAckeran was combining business with pleasure on a visit with Fernie friends last week.

Miss Thelma Vance has just left on a two weeks' visit with her brother, Clifford, at Kimberley.

It is now announced that the school's Christmas concert will take place at the Community hall on the evening of Friday, December 19th, at 7.30 p.m. Admission 25c. for adults, and 15c. for public school children. There will be no dance afterward.

Arvid Samuelson transported a truck load of Canyon young people to the dance at the Huscroft school on Saturday night, at which Alf. Bond helped supply the music.

There has been a very healthy demand at Canyon for membership tickets in Creston Valley Hospital Association, which was regularly organized at Creston on Wednesday night. Canyon can be counted on to do its bit in every cause. At the meeting at Creston on Wednesday night to elect directors W. H. Kolthammer and H. Young were named to represent Canyon.

Miss Kathleen Clayton got back on Wednesday last from Kaleden in the Okanagan, where she has been on the apple packing staff for the past three months.

Gordon Vance and Bill Hook are the latest to secure a deer, bringing the season's kill up to about eight so far.

Winners at the Christmas Fund whist at the hall on Saturday night were Miss Kathleen Clayton and Geo. Niblow, while the consolation honors went to Mrs. Humble and D. Rogers. For the series of three whists grand prizes have been awarded for the most points scored, at which the winners were Mrs. McRobb and Bill Clayton with second prizes going to Miss Helen McRobb and Leslie Rowe. The proceeds of these whists and dance will provide the usual funds for the children's remembrances.

Below will be found a statement of receipts and expenses in connection with Canyon school Christmas tree fund as at December 8th, 1930:

RECEIPTS	
Door receipts whist, Nov. 7	\$14.50
" " " " Nov. 15	16.00
" " " " Nov. 21	45.25
Donation, Mr. Knott	1.25
Door receipts whist, Dec. 5	12.25
Donation, Canyon Hall Assn.	8.80
Sale of half cake, Mrs. Bond	.25
Total receipts	\$98.30
Expenditure	36.69
Balance on hand	\$11.61
EXPENDITURES	
Canyon Trading Company, prizes and coffee	\$ 4.90
Canyon Hall Association	8.80
" " "	.40
Refunded Mrs. Rogers' admission	.50
T. Eaton for presents	55.55
Charges for presents	.35
T. Eaton, tinsel, etc.	1.36
Simpson's, for prizes	2.26
Money orders and postage	.34
Nuts and oranges	7.33
Candy	4.85
Total	\$86.69

Bills and receipts may be inspected by

Council Enacting Milk By-Law

Milk Handling Within Village to be Regulated—Grant Request for Gravel—Turn Down Street Light Request—Pay Bills \$876

Reeve F. H. Jackson and Councillors Henderson and Edmondson were on hand for the December meeting of the village council Monday evening at which a somewhat lengthy session was largely taken up with requests for work of several descriptions.

A request for gravelling the road from the corner at the A. L. Cameron residence along to the provincial police office was granted, but a like request from "Your" Cash Store and T. R. Mawson, owner of the building, that Wilson Avenue, from Fourth Street to the vacant lot next the store be also gravelled, was not favorably received.

Neither was the request of residents on McLeod Avenue, between Fourth and Third streets, for a light at the terminal of the line on McLeod Avenue.

H. S. McCreath was given the necessary authority to proceed with erection of his new warehouse on his property about opposite the C.P.R. depot, provided he observes the building by-law in respect to using proper roofing and proper construction of all chimneys.

The council named Reeve Jackson to serve on Creston Valley Hospital Association as the representative of the village, and the clerk was authorized to write the chairman of the provincial water board at Victoria asking that speed be put into their efforts to come to a decision as to the disposition of the franchise to develop the power at Goat River canyon for which South Kootenay Water Power Company and Creston Power & Light Company are applicants. A hearing in the matter was held at Creston about three months ago.

A letter was read from Mrs. Hamilton, librarian of the public library, asking for a grant to assist with the upkeep of the library, the letter also asking that the council take the library over. The commissioners declined to take action on either count.

Authority was taken to have a milk by law drafted governing the handling and sale of milk within the municipality under the provisions of the Municipal Act.

Accounts for the month ordered paid totalled \$876, of which almost \$400 was for work and material supplied for road and street improvements in November. In the total, too, was the \$100 granted the fall fair directors.

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Friday, Dec. 19

TWO p.m. Prompt

Speaker: F. M. BLACK

Chairman of the Committee of Direction, who will discuss the proposed new policy of Central Selling.

Meeting under B.C.F.G.A. auspices.

Cool Heads and Clear Thinking

These are times that test men. In the present economic conflict raging throughout the world, men are being put to the test just as truly as they were during the stress and strife of the Great War. There is tragedy and suffering now as there was then. And because of these conditions men and women today are very apt to allow their usual habits of thought and action to slip their moorings and to indulge in unconsidered, reckless thought, speech and action which in their more sober moments they would not only refuse to countenance in themselves but would condemn in others.

It is well that people should give serious consideration and study to the existing situation, not merely as individuals as they themselves may be affected, but collectively as a community in the interest of the welfare of all. It is well that difficulties should be made known, that just grievances should be clearly stated, that suggested remedies should be outlined, discussed, and, in the light of all the circumstances, action taken. Therefore, the many meetings being held throughout the country are a gratifying sign of an aroused public interest in the public welfare, but only so if their object is constructive, that is, to find a way out of difficulties, to better conditions, and not destructive in character leading to only greater confusion of thought and still greater chaos.

Public discussion calls for real leadership, thoughtful, sane and constructive. It is not the man who shouts the loudest, who berates everybody and everything, who calls for drastic action against this or that law or institution, who is the real friend of the country or of the people for whom he professes to be most sympathetic. This class of individual always comes to the front when men are discouraged and feeling in a more or less desperate mood. He does not attempt to appeal to their reason, but to their feelings and passions. He is not a true and safe leader, but a man bent on destruction, and generally quite incapable of advancing any sound constructive policy that is likely to be productive of good.

Attempts by agitators of this type to sway the feelings and passions of people, in a word, to seek to capitalize upon the hardships which people may be temporarily undergoing, should not only be frowned down upon by the stalwart, right-thinking men and women of this country, but these last mentioned men and women, who are and always will be the real backbone of any country, should not hesitate to speak out boldly in opposition to the unsound and unwise advice and actions of these trouble makers.

Newspapers contain reports of meetings in different parts of the country at which, despite the protests and opposition of the more intelligent and far-seeing people present, resolutions are adopted demanding the adoption of certain policies and the taking of certain lines of action which, if carried into effect, instead of bettering conditions would only serve to prolong existing difficulties and make them infinitely worse. Secession proposals, threats of boycotts, defiance of law and organized resistance to law officers, only add fire to flames already burning. They mean more, not less trouble and suffering. They contain no element of remedy.

In China, or in South American countries, revolution may still be the only method of successfully achieving reforms, and in the present world-wide depression, the expedient of revolution has been resorted to in these countries, but whether conditions will be bettered thereby, time alone will disclose. But in Canada, Great Britain, the United States, the people enjoy democratic political institutions which place the power of constitutional action right in their own hands. If present national, provincial or municipal policies are not sound and in the best interests of the masses, then the people themselves can right them. They may not be able to immediately correct all their economic difficulties, because in this world no one nation can govern its own economic conditions, much as it may strive to do so. But it can itself adopt those policies which it believes are best calculated to ease its difficulties, solve its problems, and advance the welfare of its people, not of one class or section alone, but the general interests of all.

It is to the evolution of such policies that the thought and energies of people should now be devoted; not in following blind leaders of the blind who would tear up and destroy on the vague promise that upon the wreckage so created they would build up something different, but in explanation of the exact nature of which they are so delightfully indefinite.

In conclusion, let it be repeated that these are times that test men. These are times that call for cool heads, clear-thinking; not for wild talk and a multitude of untried theories.

Pensions for the Blind

Saskatchewan Body Requests That Federal Government Be Asked To Take Action

To ask the provincial government to petition the Federal Government for pensions for the blind in Saskatchewan, a delegation of members of the advisory board of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind met Premier Anderson at the parliament buildings, Regina, recently.

The delegation to the Saskatchewan Government is a result of the action taken by the Manitoba Government at its last session when they received a similar request for pensions for the blind in Manitoba from the Manitoba division of the institute.

The Saskatchewan delegation was composed of members of the advisory board of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind in Saskatchewan, assisted by Captain Baker, general secretary for the institute in Canada, and Major E. Flexman, general manager of the central west division with headquarters in Winnipeg. The chairman of the delegation was Dr. F. C. Middleton, who is the chairman of the Saskatchewan advisory board.

Deposits in savings banks in Germany are increasing.

England may change its horsepower tax on automobiles.



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Canada's 1930 Wheat Crop

Latest Official Report Places the Crop At 395,854,000 Bushels

The latest official report on the field crops of Canada estimates the 1930 wheat crop at 395,854,000 bushels or about 11,000,000 bushels more than the previous official estimate made last September. Of the 395,854,000 bushels produced for all Canada, 374,000,000 bushels were grown in the three Prairie Provinces—Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. This year's wheat crop is about 91,000,000 bushels more than in 1929. Between 40 and 50 million bushels of wheat in the Prairie Provinces is still to be threshed.

The 1930 oat crop will total 429,156,000 bushels, an increase of over 146,000,000 bushels compared with the yield in 1929. Barley will return 137,963,000 bushels or about 35,900,000 bushels more than last year. The total production of rye is placed at 22,286,000 bushels, an increase of 9,000,000 bushels over 1929.

This year's average yield of wheat per acre in Canada was 15.9 bushels.

Imports From U.S. Lower

Imports into Canada during October from both United States and Great Britain showed material decreases from corresponding figures for 1929, with United States losing proportionally more trade than Great Britain. Total imports for the month aggregated \$78,358,000, compared with \$116,271,000 in October, 1929, a decrease of \$37,913,000.

Valuable Chart Found

A seventy-year-old chart developed from a soil survey in Alberta has been located after being lost for years. H. A. Craig, deputy minister of agriculture for Alberta, announced that the chart, produced for the British government in 1860, had at last been found.

Appreciates Canada's Action

United States Attorney-General Says Liquor Smuggling Driven From Canadian Border

Liquor smugglers have been driven from the Canadian border to the high seas by the Canadian Anti-Export Act, United States Attorney-General Mitchell discovers in his annual report issued at Washington.

"The Canadian nation dealt a severe blow to border traffic when it amended its Export Act of May 30, 1930, and outlawed direct clearance of liquor from Canada to the United States," the report says: "The natural result of this restrictive legislation was to drive some additional professional smugglers to the high seas, where their activities would be more likely to succeed. The French possession of St. Pierre, Miquelon, which for a number of years has been the chief rendezvous and supply point for the liquor-smuggling fraternity off our eastern coast, has experienced a substantial increase in this form of business.

"It is also noteworthy that 25 of the 29 foreign liquor ships seized during the year were British. Vessels of this nationality still predominate in the trade, even though the chief smuggling base is French. Increased activity in Nova Scotia ports has been observed, because most of the vessels which operate in the smuggling trade out of St. Pierre are documented in Nova Scotia ports and are owned, at least ostensibly, by Canadian citizens.

"The hampering of the liquor smuggling traffic across the Canadian border has already been mentioned. This action on the part of Canada is real evidence of the desire of that nation to co-operate with us in the solution of our smuggling problem and is very highly appreciated."

Twenty-seven thousand seven hundred and nine persons went to jail for violation of the prohibition laws in 1930—5,017 more than in 1929 and 4,238 more cases were pending at the close of the year than at the close of the previous year.

"Enforcement of the National Prohibition Act," says the report, "showed improvement over 1929."

May Go To Mexico

Doukhor Colony From Canada Reported To Be Negotiating With Mexican Authorities

A despatch from Mexico City says that Peter Verigin and Aaron Sapiro, representatives of the Doukhor colony of Canada, conferred with the secretary of agriculture regarding the possibility of 10,000 to 20,000 Doukhobors coming to Mexico if the government would help them to acquire land.

Verigin and Sapiro received the support of the executive committee of the National Confederation of Chambers of Commerce, and this group obtained the hearing before the secretary of agriculture.

It was said that if the Doukhobors came to Mexico they probably would settle in the northern portion.

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Railway Crossing Accidents

Nineteen Deaths From This Cause Recorded For September

Deaths as a result of railway crossing accidents in September numbered 19, according to a report issued by the board of railway commissioners. There were 45 accidents and besides those killed 70 were injured. By provinces, accidents were: Prince Edward Island, 1; Nova Scotia, 3; New Brunswick, 5; Quebec, 13; Ontario, 10; Manitoba, 2; Saskatchewan, 2; Alberta, 5; and British Columbia, 4. Only three of the 45 accidents occurred at protected crossings.

The total for the month of all accidents in connection with railways was 183, in which two passengers, seven employees, and 41 others were killed.

Yugo-Slavia's population has just been estimated at 13,400,000.

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Artist Travels With Circus

Dame Laura Knight Produces Paintings That Breathe Of The Big Top

After travelling with a circus through England during the summer season, Dame Laura Knight has placed her paintings on exhibition in London. They are said to have made a sensation, those of ponies, zebras and elephants being almost alive with color. Some of the sketches of behind the scenes are particularly vivid and spontaneous. When members of the circus troupe visited the exhibit they gave an acrobatic turn to show their appreciation. The fair artist travelled as a regular member of the troupe and shared their joys and hardships.

No Permanent Depression

Bank President Refers To The Soundness Of Our General Economic Condition

"In this virile country of Canada with its abounding resources there can be no permanent depression," Sir Charles Gordon, president of the Bank of Montreal, stated in his address at the annual meeting of the bank at Montreal. Sir Charles' review of the business of the bank and of the Dominion during the past year contended that under all the circumstances Canadians could justly congratulate themselves upon the inherent vigor and soundness of their general economic situation.

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Older Than the World

A modest Scotchman, in speaking of his family, said: "The Douglas family is a verra verra auld Scotch family. The line rins awa' back into antiquity. We dinna ken hoo far back it rins, but it's lang, lang way back and the history of the Douglas family is recorded in five volumes. In about the middle of the third volume, in a marginal note, we read, 'About this time the world was created.'"

Production of aeroplanes and aero engines in England is near a record peak.

Postal Business Good

Over Billion Canadian Postage Stamps Used Last Year

More than 1,400,000,000 Canadian postage stamps were used last year, and if they were placed side by side they would stretch a distance of 19,750 miles, it was stated in the course of an address by Mr. C. G. Cowan, vice-president of the British American Bank Note Company, printers of stamps for the Dominion Government, delivered at the eighth annual banquet of the St. Lawrence Stamp Collectors' Club of Montreal. About ninety tons of paper were used in the manufacture of these stamps, which were stuck on 1,400,000,000 envelopes with thirty-five tons of glue.

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Report Is Denied

No Embargo Planned On Grain Shipments To Vancouver

Speaking for the Canadian Pacific Railway, there is no intention under the present and immediately prospective conditions to place an embargo on grain shipments moving by the company's lines to Vancouver. This statement was made by W. M. Neal, general manager, Canadian Pacific Railway, western lines, in commenting upon an item appearing in the press predicting "strong possibility" of the railways declaring a grain embargo in British Columbia.

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HERMAN TRELLE AGAIN WINS THE WHEAT TITLE

Chicago.—Canada's fame as the finest wheat producing country in the world was again maintained when Herman Trelle, the modest agriculturist of Wembley, Alberta, in the northern Peace River district, was once again crowned "wheat king" at the Chicago International Hay and Grain Exposition.

Repeating his success of 1926 when he brought the Peace River area to world attention as a premier agricultural producing district, Trelle, who four years ago won the title of world's oats king as well as the wheat crown, has again marked his victory with an exhibit of hard red spring grain.

It was a double victory for Canada, however, as George Avery, of Kelso, Sask., in the heart of the prairie grain growing belt, was declared the reserve champion. He exhibited sample of Durum, while, to the surprise of eminent grain authorities in attendance at the International, beat out the championship hard red winter samples, the best in their class, of C. Edson Smith, a former "wheat king" of Corvallis, Montana.

The Canadians were recipients of congratulations from all parts of the continent, and especially from western Canada and the home provinces of the winners.

Trelle's championship was the sixth for Canada in the 12 years of the International show. The other six times, it has gone to growers from Montana, the veteran C. Edson Smith being the only other grain man twice-crowned king of the wheat lands. It was also the first time that a soft Durum variety, as entered by Avery, had won a major award, the reserve championship.

Featured by perfect uniformity and balanced content, the exhibit of the newly crowned monarch of wheat weighed 67.5 pounds per bushel, a record weight. The reserve championship grain weighed 61.1 pounds to the bushel, and also was of perfect uniformity. Trelle considered his winning samples the best he has ever exhibited.

By-Election Won By Labor

Voting In Whitechapel Favors the Government Candidate

London, England.—James Hall, Labor party candidate, won the by-election for Whitechapel recently.

The results of the polling were, James Hall, Labor, 8,544; Barnett Janner, Liberal, 7,445; T. L. E. B. Guinness, Conservative, 3,735; Pollitt, Communist, 2,108.

The victory represented a greatly reduced majority for Labor. Labor's vote of 8,544 out of the total of 21,830 compares with the 13,701 ballots cast for the party, out of 21,639, in 1928.

Whitechapel, comprising, for the most part, one of the so-called poor sections of London, had returned Labor candidates in 1923, 1925 and 1929, and each time with a large majority. The majority of Harry Gosling, Labor nominee, in the general election of 1929 was 9,180, one of the largest in the Kingdom. The vote then was: Gosling, 13,701; Sedgewick, Liberal, 4,521, and T. L. E. B. Guinness, Conservative, 3,417.

Fair Dates Selected

Chicago, Ill.—Following is a partial list of Canadian fair dates selected at the meeting of the Showman's League of America and the International Association of Fair and Exposition managers. Calgary Exhibition, Calgary, Alberta, July 6 to 11; Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto, August 28, September 12; Edmonton Exhibition, Edmonton, Alberta, July 13 to 18.

Extra Staff Employed

Ottawa, Ont.—The Post Office Department is this year providing a considerable quota of jobs for the unemployed. To take care of the Christmas rush of mail, an extra staff of 2,800 men has been given positions in the post offices throughout Canada. Preference has been given to returned men who are married.

Constitution For India

Plan Is Gradually Taking Shape At Round Table Conference

London, England.—In rough outline, a federal constitution for India is gradually appearing in the discussions of the round table conference. It is emphasized in authoritative quarters that no decisions have been reached as yet. The scheme appears only in skeleton form. Everything still is in the tentative stage.

But discussion in the conference, sitting as a federal relations committee, is turning on these subjects as coming within the domain of India's proposed new federal authority:

1. Shipping, navigation, and navigation services.
2. Salt.
3. Currency and coinage.
4. Trade, commerce and banking.
5. Control of opium cultivation.
6. Control of petroleum and explosives.
7. Geological survey.
8. Invention, designs and copyright.
9. Migration from and into India, and interprovincial migration.
10. Traffic in arms and ammunition.
11. Survey, meteorological services, census and statistics.
12. Immovable property in the possession of the government of India.
13. Federal public services.

Indian princes, rulers of their own states, and representatives of British India alike agree that all the above are matters of common concern. It is the policy of the conference, therefore, in plotting out the new federal authority, to consider them first.

Consideration of four other vital subjects has been deferred. These are: First, defence of India and all matters connected with the army and navy, including naval and military works and cantonments; second, external affairs, including the naturalization of aliens, and pilgrimages beyond India; third, relations with the states in India; and, fourth, political charges.

Flour Price Probe

Department Will Have Co-Operation Of Large Milling Companies

Ottawa, Ont.—Further inquiry into flour prices in Canada will be made by the Department of Labor, and in this inquiry the department has been offered the full co-operation of the great Canadian milling companies. Announcement of the continued investigation was made by Senator G. D. Robertson, Minister of Labor, at the conclusion of a two-hour conference with representatives of seven large Canadian milling companies of the Dominion.

"It is probable that a report summarizing the results of the labor department's inquiry by registrar into bread prices will be completed in the not distant future," said Senator Robertson, "and the offer to furnish all desired information, volunteered by the millers, will be accepted. The flour inquiry will be pursued further as rapidly as possible, it being obvious that many factors enter into the matter which must be the subject of full inquiry and consideration before a definite departmental decision can be made as to whether or not an inquiry by commissioner will be necessary in the public interest."

Assembly Completes Work

Disarmament Commission Asks League To Set Date For Conference

Geneva, Switzerland.—Completing its task of drafting a general disarmament scheme for consideration by a world conference the preparatory commission invited the council of the League of Nations to set a date for this momentous assembly of statesmen.

The commission rejected an effort by Germany to have the commission recommend the specific date of November 5, 1931, for convening the general conference.

Canada lost a fight to delete from the article military planes and personnel used in civil work, such as patrolling forests and carrying aid to distressed citizens in remote places. The Canadian plan was supported by the United States and it is understood some arrangement will be reached at the general conference to meet the wishes of both countries.

HEADS MENTAL HYGIENE WORK



Dr. C. F. Martin, dean of faculty of medicine, McGill University, president of Canadian national committee on mental hygiene, who was principal speaker at a meeting in Convocation Hall, Toronto.

HEAVY GRAIN CARRY-OVER HAS BEEN DISPOSED OF

Port Arthur, Ont.—The statistical situation as far as Canada's wheat crop is concerned is in a good condition, according to E. B. Ramsay, chief grain commissioner for Canada, who arrived in Port Arthur. "We have a high quality crop to sell and the movement has been fairly free," he said, explaining that between 5,000,000 and 7,000,000 bushels were being shipped to Europe every week.

The heavy carry-over of approximately 100,000,000 bushels of last year has been disposed of, Mr. Ramsay explained, and if the present shipments to Europe can be kept up to the end of the season, the carry-over for next year will be back to normal. There was every likelihood that this would be the case, depending to some extent on the quality of the Argentine wheat, which will come on the market in February.

Dumping of Russian wheat on the British market had its effect, Mr. Ramsay stated, but he pointed out that the Russian surplus had been exhausted and the situation from now on would not likely be disturbed by anything the Russians could do.

Although pointing out that his department had nothing to do with the marketing of the grain crop, Mr. Ramsay said "I feel we are at the bottom of it now. No one can really tell what is going to happen, but I believe there will be a gradual change for the better."

Britain Protests Radio Speech From Russia

Regarded As Direct Violation Of Anti-Propaganda Agreement

London, England.—The British government will send a formal protest to Moscow against a radio speech broadcast from the Soviet capital, Rt. Hon. Arthur Henderson, foreign secretary, informed the House of Commons.

The speech, he said, is regarded as "inciting British workers to revolution," and was in direct violation of the anti-propaganda agreement.

Wheat Quota System

Plan Is Favorably Received By Canadian Grain Exporters

Ottawa, Ont.—Proposals for a quota system in Great Britain for wheat grown in the Empire have apparently been favorably received by Canadian grain exporters. Commenting on the statement made in the British House of Commons by Rt. Hon. J. H. Thomas, secretary of state for the Dominions, that study was being given to such a scheme, Hon. H. H. Stevens, Minister of Trade and Commerce, said that no unfavorable reaction had been evident in this country.

Proposals for quotas were considered by the committee on economic co-operation at the Imperial Conference, Mr. Stevens said. The committee had concluded that quota systems were feasible, but the minister laid emphasis on the fact that institution of quotas was a matter for legislation by the British government only.

"Another matter that should be made clear," Mr. Stevens said, "is that fixed prices would not be involved, but a quota would merely provide Canadian wheat a sheltered market in Britain."

Asked what protection of Canadian grain might be expected to be provided for under quota, the minister gave the opinion that 25 to 35 per cent. of Canada's exportable surplus would be involved. The operation of a quota would not be require Canadian exporters to be responsible for the storage of grain overseas, Mr. Stevens said.

Viceroy Of India

Name Of Ramsay MacDonald Is Suggested For Office

London, England.—The Daily Mail says a suggestion has been seriously advanced that Premier Ramsay MacDonald become viceroy of India in succession to Lord Irwin, who will retire in April.

The Mail adds that the idea is a result of the good impression which Mr. MacDonald has made in conducting the Indian round table conference. It admits that such an appointment, which customarily is accompanied by a peerage, may appear fantastic, but says that the idea is more than mere rumor, and believes the appointment would satisfy the Indian people.

The question of Lord Irwin's successor is a favorite subject for speculation in political quarters just now. Lord Gorrell is most frequently mentioned.

Fire Threatens Northern Town

The Pas, Man.—The settlement of Gillam, more than half-way up the Hudson Bay Railway from The Pas, was threatened by fire, according to word reaching here. A restaurant, a pool room and a general store were wrecked by the blaze before it was controlled. Damage totalled \$8,000.

Big Sum For Defence

Washington, D.C.—The United States will spend \$800,000,000 for national defense in the next fiscal year, if Congress adheres to the budget estimates forwarded by President Hoover.

Had Outstanding Success

Saskatoon, Sask.—Outstanding success in the \$500,000 fox show was recorded by Dr. R. H. Macdonald, Saskatoon, who won three first and two seconds in the six classes he entered.

RAMSAY OPPOSES PLAN TO REDUCE WHEAT AREAS

Port Arthur, Ont.—E. B. Ramsay, chief commissioner of the Board of Grain Commissioners of Canada, addressing the port Arthur Chamber of Commerce at its annual meeting here, said he was not in sympathy with suggestions for a cutting-down of wheat areas of crops in Western Canada, principally because the whole transportation system of Canada depended on the amount of grain moved.

He preferred to rely on greater yield capacity quality and transportation facilities as advantages required by Canadian wheat to capture world markets. Mr. Ramsay also took occasion to say that he did not place too much reliance in resolutions that came from so many sources, declaring that they often went through merely because there was no one ready to oppose them.

He intimated he preferred a personal study of and contact with actual conditions by the board, actuated with a desire to administer the Canada Grain Act in the public interest.

He pointed out the Canadian grain crop was moving freely. There had been no embargos, he said, and he predicted none; and he believed that by July next things would be pretty well cleared up. The worst had been passed, he thought.

It was his opinion Port Arthur and Fort William would not suffer unduly from the competition of the Hudson Bay route. Replying to a suggestion of Mayor Gibbon that the head offices of the Board of Grain Commissioners should be in Port Arthur, Mr. Ramsay said that if his personal opinion had governed in the matter, they would not be in Winnipeg.

Constitutes a Precedent

Australia First Dominion To Have Native-Born Governor-General

London, England.—A native-born Australian will succeed Lord Stonehaven, the present governor-general of Australia, in the person of Rt. Hon. Sir Isaac Isaacs, chief justice of the Commonwealth, according to announcement made.

Sir Isaac Isaacs will take up his duties when Lord Stonehaven's term expires at the beginning of the new year.

The announcement of his appointment, made by the Imperial Government, on behalf of His Majesty, constitutes a precedent in Empire annals. The new governor-general will be the first native born citizen of his country to represent the King in any of the Dominions.

While Sir Isaac is in fact the first native-born governor-general of any of the older self-governing dominions, he is not the first in the Empire. Both the governors-general who have served in the Irish Free State since its inception have been of Irish citizenship. Timothy Healy (1922-1928), came from Bantry, and James McNeill, present governor-general, is a native of County Antrim.

Trans-Canada Drivers Make Slow Progress

Finding Trip In Motor Car Is Hard Work

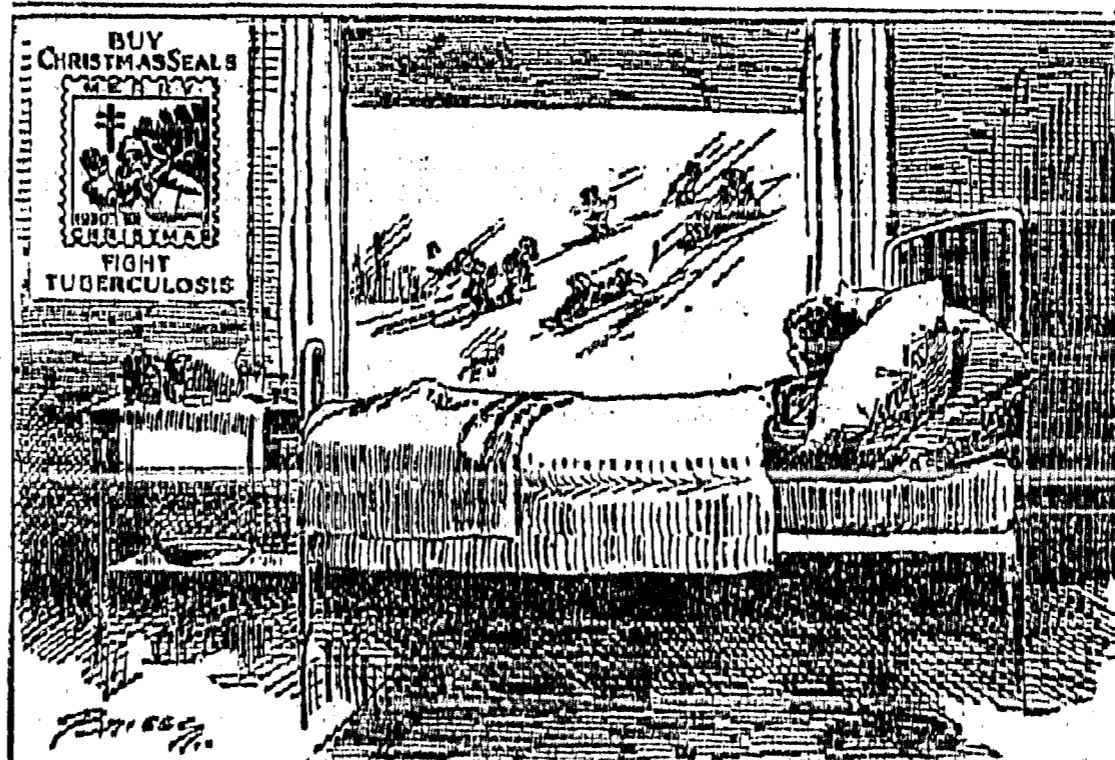
Hearst, Ont.—Pushing doggedly forward through northern Ontario bush country in 10-below-zero weather, Henly Needham and Gus McManus climaxed three weeks of discouraging reverses in their attempt to be the first to cross Canada by motor car, when they arrived on December 2 at Gauthier's trading post at Pawa River, 90 miles west of here.

Word that in the past week they had covered 70 miles of trackless spruce swamp country was received here. Both men and their roadster are in good condition.

Should Watch Chinese Markets

Vancouver, B.C.—Greater attention should be given to the market opportunities of Hong Kong and southern China if Canadian business men wish to capitalize those opportunities, said Paul Sykes, Canadian trade commissioner to Hong Kong.

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Something to Think About

With commendable wisdom Creston Valley orchardists are refusing to publicly discuss the latest plan of salvation for the fruit grower as submitted some time ago by F. M. Black, chairman of the committee of direction, and designated central selling, until such time as Mr. Black has had the opportunity to submit his plan in open meeting at Creston.

But while waiting for the committee of direction chairman to turn up here it should not be forgotten that the beef and hide will be put on Mr. Black's skeleton selling scheme at the B.C.F.G.A. annual convention which will be

held at some point in the Okanagan, most likely, next month.

And let it be borne in mind that it was at an annual B.C.F.G.A. convention about four years ago that the committee of direction was brought forth, and last year the same gathering breathed the breath of life into the compulsory pool—both of which creations were given full legal status at sessions of the legislature immediately following the fruit growers association yearly conference.

To the committee of direction Creston growers made no serious objection—at its inception—but with the provincial, pool thanks to the fight made by the delegate to last year's B.C.F.G.A. get-together, and ably supplemented by Creston's member in the legislature, this district was permitted to remain outside the pool.

Without prejudice it can well be said that present-day opinion is largely that Creston will be well advised to also stay out of this proposed central selling. Both for climatic as well as geographic considerations a splendid case can be made out for non-participation in the newest selling plan.

In the light of past experience it will be apparent that if Creston is to steer clear of Mr. Black's latest proposals this district should have the best possible representative at the B.C.F.G.A. convention, and in order that he can present the case with fullest confidence it will be necessary for him to have the backing of the largest possible membership in that organization so that the bona fides of the Valley in this undertaking cannot be questioned.

And if it is desired to repeat the accomplishment of last year it will likely be necessary for this same delegate to make his appearance at Victoria to fully co-operate with the local member—if after hearing Mr. Black, Creston decides it wants nothing to do with the 1931 brand of central selling.

It may be possible to find someone fully competent to handle this who will be willing to give of his time and his own personal means to see the thing

through, but that is hardly likely, and certainly unfair, so that in addition to becoming affiliated with the B.C.F.G.A. orchardists will do well to consider advancing whatever funds are necessary to assure competent representation at both the growers meetings as well as before the parliamentary committee at Victoria. In planning your 1931 budget it will be well to have this in mind.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reply to "Ex-Teacher"

Editor Review:

Sir,—As an ex-teacher, I repudiate most strongly the letter appearing in your last paper. Other ex-teachers to whom I have spoken feel it is an insult to themselves that such jingoism should find its way into public view over such a pseudonym.

The letter deals less with the issue at stake, the matter of singing what is popularly regarded as a National Anthem, than it did with ungracious innuendo. As a Canadian I am glad to feel that we have never regarded our promises to the French citizens as a scrap of paper. However inconvenient bi-lingualism is, our honor demands that we continue the custom. The French have fulfilled their obligations in a splendid way and history records they did much to save us at the time of American invasion. I can hardly believe that any teacher would be so ignorant of national welfare as to not know that mutual appreciation and regard amongst citizens in a democracy is a sine qua non of loyalty and stability.

I prefer, personally, the original words of "O Canada." I am glad to use the words as a gift of a people who have given us many other things in our national life and who laid, through much suffering, the foundations of my country. I do not like 'official' things. They can never indicate loyalty but jingoism. Whatever edition we may sing, let us sing it spontaneously and joyously, and because we love our country.

ANOTHER EX-TEACHER.

Sirdar

Norman Backus was a visitor at Cranbrook on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. Dennes of Trail was a visitor at his home here during the past week.

Mrs. Parento and Miss Mary Parento were Cranbrook visitors last week, returning on Saturday.

Mrs. Martin was a visitor on Friday for the Women's Institute bridge in the Parish Hall that evening.

Mrs. Cherbo, who has been visiting her daughter at Bellvue, Alberta, has returned home.

Mrs. Dennes was a Creston caller on Friday. Mrs. Dibley, Mrs. Rogers and Mrs. Taleric were at the metropolis on Saturday.

At the meeting at Creston on Wednesday night to complete the organization of Creston Valley Hospital Association, Jas. Wilson was named director from Sirdar.

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Imperial Bank of Canada

56th Annual Meeting

Conditions Throughout Canada Reviewed by President, Vice-President and General Manager

BANK IN VERY STRONG POSITION

Mr. Frank A. Rolph,
President,

said, in part:

The year through which we have just passed has been one of great depression in industrial circles and of great tribulation for those speculating in the stock market. Nevertheless general trade activity is practically on a par with what it was in 1927, but in view of our banner years of 1928 and 1929 we have, more or less, lost a proper perspective.

Bank More than Held Its Own.

The year has been a difficult one for banks and business generally, but your Bank has more than held its own in the financial field. Since my election to the Presidency of the Bank I have made a survey of all of the large loans, and I feel quite satisfied that they are good and that ample provision has been made to take care of possible as well as actual losses which have not been in any way excessive this year, notwithstanding the conditions which prevail. I have also looked over the investments of the Bank, and can assure you that they are perfectly sound and their market value at present is above the book value.

Heavy Loss in Grain Values.

For all Canada the latest Government returns show that in the production of grain of all kinds, there has been a substantial increase in volume in 1930 over 1929, but notwithstanding this increase there has been a shrinkage in monetary value of about 70 millions of dollars on present market values. The estimated world requirements in wheat are approximately 500 million bushels less than the present estimated surplus in all countries. No wonder, under these conditions, that the present prices obtainable by the farmer are so low.

The marketing of wheat is a problem which has been giving grave concern to Federal and Provincial Governments, and indeed to wheat-growing countries throughout the entire world. The problem, of course, is primarily one for the farmer himself to work out, and I have sufficient confidence in the ability of our Western farmer to do so. The farmer has to produce the wheat and he has to sell it, and like all other lines of business he has got to be governed by competitive world prices. Growers and manufacturers of all other commodities have similar problems to meet. Commodity prices are down all along the line, but from all statistics available we have every reasonable hope of seeing a betterment in lower cost of production and increased selling price sooner, perhaps, than we now think possible.

The Manufacturers' Problems.

Manufacturers are all finding times difficult, with the demand considerably below productive capacity, and lower prices make business difficult to obtain, even at the lower prices, and profits in many cases are negligible.

Industrial Improvement Indicated.

Recent indications show improvements in many lines. We have, in most cases, I think, touched bottom, and while the upgrade in volume and price will probably be slow, it has already started in some commodities, and I feel satisfied will continue.

I am an optimist and in a country like this we should all be optimists. Canada is on the threshold of much bigger and better things. She cannot help but go forward if her people are industrious and move forward with courage and confidence in order that they may participate in the good times which are before us.

Sir James Woods,
Vice-President,

said, in part:

While some of the causes of today's industrial depression are complex and difficult to diagnose, there are factors, world-wide in their scope, which are plainly contributory. During the war, the dislocation of established trade channels led to the organizing of new industries in practically all countries. When war ended, there was a natural desire to safeguard such industries, and since 1918 tariff protection has been the prescription for economic maladies in all countries but Great Britain, and it may be well to consider to what extent these new and higher barriers are responsible for the collapse of international trade, particularly Britain's world trade. Inter-empire trade as "one way out" has much to commend it, but trade implies both buying and selling, and only in a minor degree can it be founded on kinship or friendship.

Mine Products Worth \$307,000,000.

In 1929 the mineral production of Canada reached a total value of more than \$307,000,000, an increase of 11.69 per cent. over that of 1928. While every Province shows an increase in value of mineral output, the advance is greatest in Ontario, followed by British Columbia, and Quebec. The past year shows evidence of the great mineral resources of Canada, the readiness of financiers to assist in mineral development, and especially of the ability of our engineers and technical men, mostly trained in Canada, to solve the local problems which must be dealt with if we are to produce and sell in competition with operators in other parts of the world.

It is greatly to the advantage of Canada, in a time of depression, to have a varied industrial life. A generation ago, when we were largely an agricultural people, such difficulty, as is now experienced in marketing farm products, would have been far more embarrassing than is the case today. The pulp and paper industry, largely a development of the present century, in 1929 had become an important

industry in Canada, with a product valued at 129 million dollars, after deducting the value of the raw materials used. This increased value, due to processing in the country, must lend great support to all other branches of industry.

Turn for the Better Not Far Off.

Conditions are not so bad as some think. There is a tendency to talk and think in terms of depression and unemployment. The psychological effect of this over-emphasis is depressing. While nobody can foretell the duration of the present conditions, adjustments have been made by every Canadian industry, so that manufacturers are alert and ready to take prompt advantage of opportunities as they arise.

The trade records for 1930 compare favorably with those for 1925 and with other years which were regarded as fairly satisfactory. The present depression seems more serious because we naturally compare 1930 with 1928 and the early part of 1929, which were times of unusual prosperity. It is the common opinion, and one with which I am in agreement, that the bottom has been reached and a turn for the better should not be far off, though improvement is sure to be gradual. With wonderful material resources and a varied industrial life, the future of our country is assured.

Mr. A. E. Phipps,
General Manager,

said, in part:

The statements before you today reflect the position after a year of depression and anxiety, and I am happy to say that, in my opinion, the figures which have been submitted to you constitute a better, if not bigger, position than last year. The percentage of profits to total assets is, roughly, 1 per cent., the same percentage as last year. We have been able to take care of our bad and doubtful debts, which fortunately were not very large, to write \$300,000 off Bank Premises Account, provide for the usual dividend, bonus and other charges, and carry forward some \$22,000 more, bringing the balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account up to the substantial sum of \$740,545.03. It is only fair to say that the profits during the earlier months of the year were larger than during the months which have just closed, and unless conditions change we may expect a somewhat smaller return next year.

The Balance Sheet.

The total assets are \$148,170,463, and in round figures are six and a half million dollars less than they were at 31st October, 1929. The total assets of all the chartered banks in Canada had decreased during the year ended Sept. 30, 1930, approximately 10 per cent. The shrinkage in the assets of the Imperial Bank of Canada, as given above, works out at about 4 per cent., which, I think, we may accept as an indication that your Bank has held its own in volume of business transacted throughout the year.

Our deposits bearing interest show a decrease of \$2,700,000, which, considering the conditions through which we are now passing, may be considered a very satisfactory state of affairs. The total deposits this year, 1930, are \$114,300,000, compared with \$122,900,000 last year, and with \$118,000,000 two years ago.

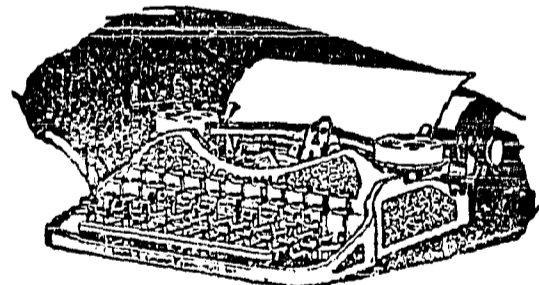
Cash Holdings Up.

Our Cash Holdings amount to \$11,604,000, compared with \$9,456,000 a year ago, and our total first-line assets, which include our cash, the Deposit in Central Gold Reserves, Notes and Cheques on other Banks, Balances due by other Banks in Canada and Abroad, make the total immediately available money \$26,740,000, or in excess of 20.37% of our liabilities to the public, compared with 19% last year. When we add our other readily realizable liquid assets, such as Government securities, Municipal securities, other bonds and stocks, loans to cities and municipalities, Call Loans in Canada and the United States, we get the total of \$73,519,850.55, compared with \$65,916,721.17 a year ago, equalling 56% of our liabilities to the public, compared with 48.17% last year.

Hopeful Features.

I look forward confidently to an improvement in a number of lines of business in the not distant future, I hope by next spring. We are still faced with the unfortunate condition of the grain market and of some of the farmers and business men in Western or Central Western Canada.

The distinctly hopeful features I see in this situation are as follows: Last year the dealers and elevator companies, almost to a unit, not only held their purchases of farmers' grain off the market, but went into the exchanges and bought for future delivery millions of bushels. Speculators, including farmers themselves, did likewise, believing higher prices certain to be available later on. This added to the unliquidated 1929 crop substantial quantities of futures, all of which it was hoped would be disposed of before the 1930 crop came to market, but owing to the world's supply being under-estimated and the world's requirements being over-estimated it was found impossible to liquidate this huge volume of grain and futures at anything like the prices hoped for. This year we have an entirely different picture. The stocks on hand are little, if any, larger than they were a year ago. The independent dealers and elevator companies have reversed their policies and have hedged, i.e., sold for future delivery every bushel of this year's crop purchased from the farmer, and the speculative purchase of long options or futures by the ordinary speculator or farmer is curtailed, so as to be no longer



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Birth—On December 7th, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Gardener, a son.

FOR SALE—Medium size kitchen range. Jas. Carr, Creston.

"Say it with flowers" at Christmas—from Cook's Greenhouse.

WANTED—Will pay cash for yearling beef. Chas. Moore, Creston.

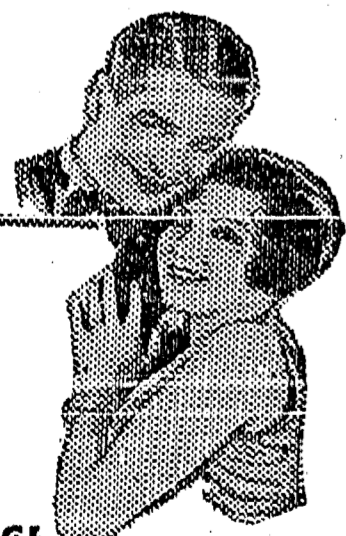
Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Forbes were motor visitors at Bonners Ferry on Saturday.

Don't forget that we will deliver your Christmas parcels. Cook's Greenhouse.

FOR RENT—Five room house, partly furnished. G. J. Bayle, Northport, Wash.

FOR SALE—Slightly used Stewart-Warner 8 tube electric radio, cost \$218 new; going at \$99.50. E. G. Timmons, Creston.

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Wynndel

J. B. Rudd, who has been on a business visit to Lethbridge, Alberta, returned last week.

Percy Cockle is a visitor at Pincher Creek, Alberta, at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McInnis and daughter were Nelson visitors last week.

Government road work is now under way, and includes slashing for a fill at the school bridge and foundation for the bridge at Duck Creek.

Paul Ofner is one of Wynndel's fortunate hunters. He got a fine buck hile out hunting on Saturday.

R. C. Eakin of Vancouver arrived on Tuesday and is renewing acquaintances here this week.

Wynndel now boasts of a circulating library. It is at the school, and is in charge of D. McGregor.

Thursday, December 18th, has been selected as the date for the school concert and Christmas tree.

Wynndel's new community hall is getting along toward completion. Inside painting and floor laying are now receiving attention.

Meeting of the United Church Ladies' Aid was held at the home of Mrs. Matt. Hagen, with a splendid turnout. Mrs. Abbott presented the financial statement showing a balance of \$33.50 in hand. Mrs. Slingsby read a letter dealing with the Maintenance Fund.

Arrangements are completed for the grand opening of the new community hall on Friday evening, December 19th, with a dance, commencing at 9 o'clock. Music will be by Al. Fredericks' Idahoan orchestra, and the admission is \$1.50 per couple, supper included. A large crowd is looked for.

Wynndel had a wonderful sale of memberships in the new Creston Valley hospital at Creston, and at the meeting at Creston on Wednesday evening John Wigen and J. G. Abbott were unanimously elected Wynndel directors on the central board of management.

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Mrs. Sam Whittaker with Sam, jr., arrived from Cranbrook on Friday on a visit with her mother, Mrs. Hobden.

The Community Society are opening the season with a bridge drive at the schoolhouse tomorrow evening at 8.30, with an admission of 25 cents. During lunch plans will be laid for future activities of the club.

Mrs. C. H. Hare of Creston was a weekend visitor here, a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Jacks.

Col. Fred Lister got back on Tuesday from a few days' hunting in the Elko country.

Thursday afternoon next will be the parents' day at the school. It is expected there will be a programme by the children, and tea will be served.

Work has commenced on finishing up the new section of road from the Geo. Hurry corner through to the Idaho boundary. H. Langston is in charge of a crew of about ten men.

Rev. A. Garlick of Creston took Church of England service at the schoolhouse on Sunday morning. This is likely to be his last appearance here as he is leaving at the first of the year.

The Sewing Club had a highly successful sale of work, candy and cooking at the schoolhouse on Saturday afternoon at which they were successful in disposing of all the candy and cooking and practically all the sewing. Those in charge of the several features of the sale, which included afternoon tea, were Misses Minnie Huscroft, Dolly and Marjorie Todford, Peggy Smith, Irene Wellspring, Agnes Sinclair, and Mesdames Powers and Bird. During the afternoon Mrs. H. Langston delighted all with a couple of well rendered vocal solos. The cash intake was \$46.

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**WORLD HAPPENINGS
BRIEFLY TOLD**

"Tootsie," claimed by her owners to be the "world's oldest cat," is dead at Winnipeg. She was 23 years old. There are no survivors.

The net value of Britain's national wealth is now \$90,225,000,000 according to Sir Josiah Stamp, noted economist, who in 1914 put the figures at \$71,550,000,000.

The total estimated wealth of the prairie provinces is \$7,380,000,000, according to a statistic analysis issued by the industrial development board of Manitoba. This is 25.51 of the Canadian total.

The United States and France are shown by the bulletin of the Federal Reserve for November to control the World's supply of gold. Together the two countries hold about 60 per cent. of all yellow metal.

Defending his country's policy in India, Sir Ronald Lindsay, as guest of honor at a dinner in New York, called the relations between Great Britain and India the most pacific in their history.

Juvenile immigration into Canada will be limited to actual demands, it was decided at a conference attended by federal and provincial government representatives and those of interested societies.

The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, organized a year ago, now has a constitution, set of by-laws and a code of ethics, all of which have been ratified by the fellows of the college.

A hostel is to be opened in Ottawa by the Canadian Legion to provide shelter for veterans of the Great War now in poor circumstances. It will have 50 to 100 beds and a free lunch counter.

Eighty-eight years of age, "Jerry" Robinson, one of Winnipeg's most-noted pioneers and business men, died at his home, following an illness of only two days. He succumbed to an attack of pneumonia.

Vice-Admiral Sir Arthur Kipling Waistell, present commander-in-chief of the China station, has been appointed to succeed Admiral of the Fleet, Sir Roger Keyes, as commander-in-chief at Portsmouth.

Prince George Elbesco, of Rumania, was elected president of the International Aeronautic Federation, succeeding the Count de la Vaulx, who was killed in an aeroplane accident in the United States last fall.

Germany has made a demand before the preparatory disarmament commission that a general disarmament conference be called for November 2, 1931. No discussion on the suggestion took place.

The location of 60 families on 14,000 acres of good land between Merville and Oyster River on Vancouver Island, one of the biggest land settlement projects ever undertaken in British Columbia, is under consideration by the C.P.R.

Between 10 and 15 per cent. of northern Saskatchewan's wheat is still unthreshed, according to a report issued by the soldier settlement board at Prince Albert. Thousands of acres of grain will remain under snow till spring.

Tree Seed Planted From Air

The forestry department of Hawaii has been engaged this season in planting tree seed by aeroplane. A U.S. army plane was used on the job. It was flown over a large eroded area and 1,680 pounds of seeds were dropped from an elevation of 2,000 feet. Mixed seed was used.

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Bar Convict Labor Goods

United States Takes Action To Prevent Importation Of This Nature

The treasury promulgated regulations against the importation of convict made goods, while a witness was telling the House Communist investigating committee how prisoners fare in Soviet camps.

The regulations require importers and shippers to show that importations from all countries are not produced by convict labor.

Russian goods have figured in several recent hearings at which the treasury was asked to bar certain products, but in announcing the regulations, Assistant Secretary Lowman said they were "not directed against Russia, but against everybody." They were issued under a law which required importers to post bond and submit a certificate of origin showing unpaid convicts did not manufacture the articles.

May Tax U.S. Publications

Federal Government Likely To Impose Some Form Of Duty

The Montreal Gazette published the following despatch from Ottawa.

"A determined effort to lessen what amounts to unfair competition for Canadian manufacturers is almost certain to be made by the present government in its revision of the tariff for the coming session, by imposing some form of duty against periodicals entering Canada and bearing a large amount of advertising of foreign-made goods. Such a blow would be aimed at large weekly publications from the United States, and it is expected that the duty will be imposed on a percentage basis, and that the publishers will be required to furnish advance copies of their publications to the department of national revenue for purpose of appraisal.

Fostering Home Industry

Saskatchewan Caught Fish To Be Used In Provincial Institutions

With a view to fostering the fishing industry in the northern part of the province, the government is substituting Saskatchewan-caught whitefish for the British Columbia product, formerly used in the mental hospital at Weyburn, the industrial school, Regina, and the old folks home, Wolseley.

The government has also written to the secretary of the Anti-Tuberculosis league suggesting the introduction of the Saskatchewan-caught whitefish in the sanatoria at Fort Qu'Appelle, Prince Albert and Saskatoon.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

DECEMBER 14

SAUL OF TARSUS — HOW A PHARISEE BECAME A CHRISTIAN

Golden Text: "I count all things to be loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I suffered the loss of all things, and do not count them but refuse, that I may gain Christ." — Philippians 3.8.

Lesson: Acts 22.3-15.

Devotional Reading: Isaiah 6.1-8.

Explanations and Comments

Paul's Birthplace and Education, verse 3.—Paul had been charged with being an enemy of the Jews and that laws, and he began by declaring that he was a Jew through and through, born in Tarsus of Cilicia but educated in Jerusalem, having been taught by the great Rabbi Gamaliel "according to the strict law of our fathers," and that he was as zealous for God as they all now were.

The Arrested, verses 6-9.—In his zeal Paul had persecuted those of the "Way," he told the mob in Jerusalem, binding and sending men and women to prison. The high priests and elders could bear witness that he had received letters giving him authority to make arrests, and armed with these he had started for Damascus that he might bring back to Jerusalem for punishment the followers of Christ whom he might find there.

Paul was very near Damascus, after a long journey of one hundred and fifty miles, when suddenly at noon an extraordinary light shone about him and he fell to the ground.

Voice and answer followed. "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou Me?" "Who art Thou, Lord?" "I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom thou persecutest." Instant Obedience, verses 10, 11.—"What shall I do, Lord?" was Paul's humble question. He believed in Christ. He had instantly turned from a persecutor to a follower, and given himself to his new Master's service. To know what Christ would have him do became thereafter the one desire of his heart, for he was the bond-servant of Christ; to him to live was Christ.

"Arise, and go into Damascus," was the answer. There he would learn what he was to do. The glory of the light had blinded him, and he was led by the hand like a little child.

Commissioned, verses 12-15.—There in Damascus Ananias, a devout and highly esteemed man, came to Paul and called him Brother. "Brother Saul," he said, "receive thy sight." And Paul looked up and saw him. It was God who had given him this vision and message, Ananias told him, and he was to be a witness for Christ unto all men.

Sold Witnesses

The practice of establishing concrete monuments—known as fundamental bench marks—by the Geodetic Survey of Canada, Department of the Interior, in the course of its work in taking the elevation of the country above sea-level was inaugurated in 1925.

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Bounty Aids Butter Import

Reason Australia Can Compete With Canadian Product Says Caulder

The reason Australian butter can compete on the Canadian market is because there is a bounty of about nine cents on every pound exported, thus giving the Australian exporter leeway in price-cutting, according to J. A. Caulder, former president of the National Dairy Council of Canada.

Mr. Caulder pointed out that for every four pounds of butter produced in Australia, one pound was for export.

The speaker pointed out that 60 per cent. of the Canadian West was suitable for dairy production, and he strongly recommended introduction of more mixed farms in the West to overcome the present wheat depression.

Plotting Against Soviets

Reports State Leon Trotzky Is Directing Operations

Despatches to the Telegraphen Union from Kovno, Lithuania, recently said the OGPU (Soviet secret police), had discovered an elaborate plot by anti-Communist factions in South Russia with headquarters at Taganrog.

The report said the plotters were acting under the direct advice of the exiled Leon Trotzky, who was reported to be at Istanbul, with the object of overthrowing the Stalin government.

An Ice Cream Tree

One tree in the green-house of Mrs. M. A. Hora at Memphis, Tenn., is very popular with the children. It bears a fruit that "tastes like strawberry ice cream and looks like corn." It takes the ears 18 months to ripen, according to Mrs. Hora, who got the tree from a St. Louis florist six years ago. The kernels are soft and mushy and very rich.

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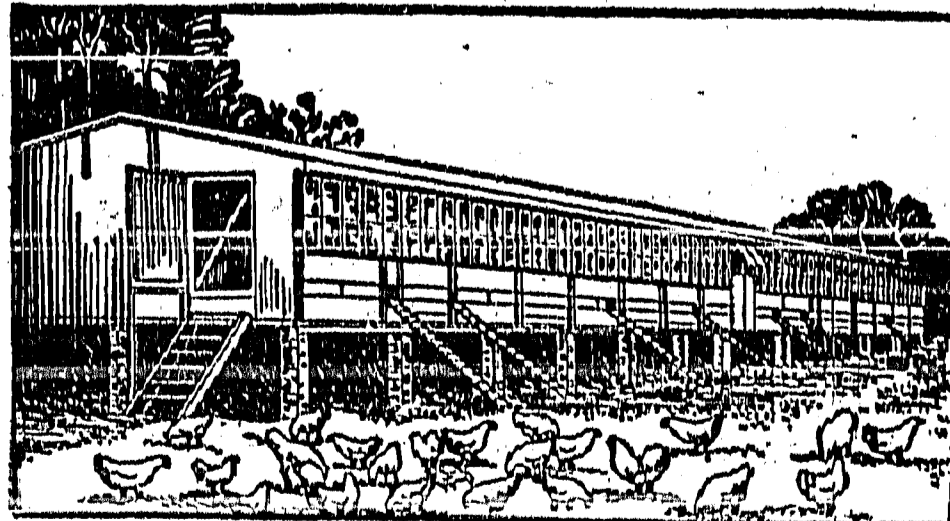
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CHAPTER VII.—Continued.

"You shouldn't feel that way," he went on after a thoughtful moment. "There's nothing in the least crude about you; but sometimes, dear, you're not so—so friendly with folks as I am. Perhaps you're bashful, but I've sometimes thought you'd be misunderstood by strangers. Tonight, you know—really you weren't especially cordial, Gay."

"Was I—impolite?"

Her voice trembled, and Nick said quickly: "Lord, no! But I couldn't help wishing you'd act more—well the way you act with me."

A queer little smile crossed Gay's face.

"The lady might be surprised, Nick, if I held her hand, or anything like that."

She expected a laugh, but he seemed not to have heard. He sat quite still, watching the shadows cast by the street-light across the way. An automobile passed by, going too rapidly, but he took no notice. Two lovers strolled along the sidewalk, trusting the night to hide their encircling arms, and, un-Nick-like, Nick made no comment. He seemed suddenly far away, and Gay moved close again to rest her cheek against his arm.

"It's a ripping night," said Nick. He drew a deep breath—almost a sigh. "I'd like to start right now and walk till sunrise."

Gay's cheek pressed closer.

"I—sometimes feel that way, too, Nick; and then I wonder if ever we'll do such things again. I can't of course; but there's no reason in the world why you shouldn't, you dear vagabond."

Nick smiled.

"The kids are a pretty substantial reason, seems to me, not to mention the bank! A fine day's work I'd do tomorrow if I tramped all night." He arose reluctantly. "Come, dear, we must go up to bed. You're tired. Who was it told us that two babies were no more work than one?"

Whoever it was—she was a cheerful liar. "Hark!" He sat down suddenly and laid a detaining hand upon her arm. "There's Mrs. Halliday at the piano. She sings like a bird. Let's listen."

It was next day that Mary Maxwell made her call. She gave her report that evening, when she and John sat contentedly rocking on their comfortable screened porch.

"It was hot as summer at four o'clock, Johnny," she began, "so I wore my lilac voile, and carried a sunshade, the stuffy one Tom sent me for Judy's graduation. I looked real 'nifty,' as Tom, Jr. would say, and up-to-date. I feel sure there was nothing in my appearance for Mrs. Halliday to criticize."

"I'd like to see her try!"

John's tone was belligerent, and Mary laughed.

"I got my first shock when the door

was opened," she continued. "Who do you suppose opened it?"

"St. Peter?" suggested her husband hopefully; but Mary was much too interested in her subject to notice this frivolous rejoinder.

"Julie Nipps! She's there permanently, and Mrs. Halliday's got her all rigged up in a cap and apron. I should have thought she'd roast."

"If you refer to Julie, and she wore only a cap and apron," began the listener, when his wife cut in: "John Maxwell, don't try to be funny, or interrupt. It was the black dress I meant—mohair, my dear—long-sleeved—with cuffs, and the thermometer at eighty! I like a well-dressed maid as much as anyone, but I've never yet forgotten that they're flesh and blood like the rest of us; and black, in summer, and long sleeves—"

"It's only May, my dear."

"Well, May in Bakersville might be August anywhere else. Anyhow, I wanted to scream because Julie looked so funny. She's bobbed her hair, and—"

"Je-hoshaphat!" exclaimed John Maxwell. "She must look—"

"She does. I told you I wanted to scream. But I didn't. I said, with really remarkable self-control: 'Good-afternoon, Julie: Is your mistress at home?'

"You mean Mrs. Halliday?" asked Julie. "I heard her say last night that she did hope no more stupid Bakersvillers would call; but there ain't nothin' stupid about you, Mrs. Maxwell, so I guess she'll see you. You wait, and I'll go find out."

"Oh, Lordy!" chuckled John Maxwell, rocking with mirth. "Oh, Lordy! if that isn't Julie to the life! Well, my dear, were you eligible?"

"Evidently I was. Julie left me at the door, but I went into the living-room myself, to save the girl a scolding in case Mrs. Halliday saw fit to receive me. Oh, Johnny! you should see that room! Whatever else the woman is, she knows how to arrange a house. White paint—soft grey walls—a few fine water colors to brighten things—comfortable chairs—a beautiful piano at the north end—soft-shaded lamps—"

"Look here," interrupted John Maxwell suddenly, "are you making an inventory for the insurance man?"

"I could," answered his wife decidedly. "I saw everything there. I had plenty of time. I waited twenty minutes. The draperies—"

"Cut out the draperies, my dear, and come to the woman. It's she who interests me."

"Well, my dear John, most men would have found her interesting. She wore a blue Japanese silk that matched her eyes so perfectly that you could see nothing else. Her hair—well, in these days of bobs it was really noticeable, and unless she keeps a maid to do it for her, she has my sympathy! Yet it looked simple. Any man would have called it simple—except her husband. She wore silver slippers, John—in the afternoon—in Bakersville! Her stockings—"

"I understood," said John Maxwell with a touch of good-natured sarcasm, "that you saw nothing but her eyes. What did she say?"

"She made a very pretty apology for keeping me waiting. It seems that after lunch she 'relaxes' until four-thirty. How does one relax, John? I doubt if I've ever done it, but it sounded delightful, I wondered if she made Julie relax too! I admired the house, and she seemed gratified. It was the garden, however, that brought them to Bakersville. She adores gardens and growing things (with the exception of children, I gathered later). Nature is rather a hobby with her—a pose, if I'm not mistaken; though her eyes (childlike and bland doesn't half describe them, Johnny), bellow my judgment.

"She offered to show me the garden. When I assented she touched a bell and Julie appeared. Poor Julie! She cast an apologetic glance at me, John, and—bobbed a curtsy! Imagine it! Julie Nipps, who's gone out by the day to everyone in Bakersville for the last ten years, bobbing a curtsy. It must be some new idea. And Mrs. Halliday said: 'Julie, we'll have tea in the pergola,' and Julie bobbed again and scuttled out of the room."

"Taking her bobbed hair with her, I suppose," supplemented John Maxwell. "Go on."

"I'd go on faster if you didn't make such ridiculous additions to my story. We went outside, through a beautiful new French door, Johnny, and just as we reached the pergola Mr. Halliday came out of the garage. He saw me

too late to dodge, which was his evident desire, so she had to present him.

"Do you know, John Maxwell, for a moment I felt sorry for that woman, tied to such a tombstone of a man; but when I left, the shoe was on the other foot. I was sorry for him."

"Now we're getting at the facts."

John Maxwell drew a satisfied breath, and his wife laughed.

"We've been getting at them all the time," she said pityingly, "only you're too dense to see it. Don't you know that a woman's house is her temple—that nothing in it is too trivial to have some meaning? That living-room now—for all its dainty touches it's a room a man would adore: big chairs, you know, and lights just right for reading and—"

"In mercy's name don't return to that living-room," exclaimed John Maxwell. "Get back to the pergola, and what made you sorry for Mr. Halliday?"

"Well, I can hardly explain it; but once he was introduced she almost ignored him; though in justice to her I'll admit that he didn't seem to care, and he kept looking at her in a perfectly maddening way, as much as to say, 'What new pose is this, I should like to know?' He did start to leave us once, but just then Julie appeared with a tea wagon—"

"Did she ask Julie to pour tea?" queried John Maxwell innocently.

His wife threw him a withering glance; then she shook with mirth.

"It was a joke on me, John, but for just a second I thought it was a baby carriage! I didn't think they had children, but—"

"They haven't. Nick tells me that children would interfere with their careers."

(To Be Continued.)

Varieties Are Numerous

Japanese Glad To Secure Chrysanthemums Grown In Canada

The flower of gold, or the golden flower, for this is the literal meaning of the word chrysanthemum, may have been a term appropriate enough when it was first cultivated in the orient, but now its application is dubious. Horticulturists, and particularly those in the west, have developed so many shades and varieties that they almost range across the spectrum. When the chrysanthemum was first introduced into Canada we do not know, but it is less than 200 years since the first blooms of this plant were admired as a curiosity in Kew gardens, London, England. Probably the chrysanthemum came to Canada about the time that it reached the United States, in 1861, then in the throes of the civil war. But since that date the varieties developed on this continent have been so diverse and so numerous that the Japanese have been delighted to secure them. We have become so accustomed to chrysanthemum shows that it is not easy to realize that the first show among the English-speaking peoples was staged in Norwich only 101 years ago.

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Will Use Western Coal

Contracts have been awarded by the Manitoba Government for 20,500 tons of coal, costing \$182,025, Hon. W. R. Clubb, Minister of Public Works has announced. Only Western Canadian coal will be used, he said.

Musk-Oxen In Northern Canada

Between Nine and Ten Thousand Animals In the North

Between 9,000 10,000 musk-oxen roam the northern islands and mainland of Canada, according to the estimate of W. H. B. Hoare, of the Department of the Interior, whose report of his examination of the Thelon game sanctuary east of Great Slave Lake has just been issued by the Northwest Territories and Yukon Branch. Mr. Hoare spent two years in the north, 1923 and 1929.

Canada and Greenland are the only countries in the world where at present the musk-ox is to be found in its natural state. It equals in size one of the small breeds of Welsh and Scotch cattle and in appearance resembles a small buffalo.

There are 250 of the animals in the Thelon sanctuary, while Mr. Hoare believes the greatest herd is on Melville Island where 4,000 herd roam today. He estimates about 1,000 musk-oxen in North and East Greenland.

R. M. Anderson, chief of the biological division of the National Museum in an appendix to the report, gives a higher estimate, stating Canadian herds total 12,900 animals and Greenland 1,500.

Road Gravelled To Park

Highway From Prince Albert To National Park Is Now Completed

The highway from Prince Albert to the Prince Albert National Park is now an all gravelled, all weather road, while the graveling from Saskatoon to Prince Albert is rapidly approaching completion. This was the statement made at the quarterly meeting of the Prince Albert Board of Trade, when great satisfaction was expressed at this accomplishment, which, it is anticipated, will be of great value to this city.

P. W. Mahon, chairman of the transportation committee, commented at length on the benefits accruing to Prince Albert through the highway, and stated that while it was an expensive undertaking yet he believed it was a forward step.

Satisfaction at the possibility of developing a power unit at the Big Bend on the Saskatchewan River was also expressed. Hydro power from this source within the next few years in quantities sufficient to supply the province was visualized.

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Recipes For This Week

(By Betty Barclay)

DATE BARS

1 cup stoned dates.
 1 cup nut meats.
 1 cup powdered sugar.
 2 eggs.
 1 tablespoon melted butter.
 2 tablespoons lemon juice.
 4 tablespoons flour.
 3/4 teaspoon salt.

Put dates and nuts through food chopper. Add sugar and beaten eggs and mix well. Add melted butter, lemon juice, flour and salt and mix thoroughly. Spread evenly in a greased shallow pan, having mixture one-fourth inch deep. Bake in a moderate oven, 225 degrees Fahrenheit, about 30 minutes. Cut in strips and roll in powdered sugar while hot.

CRANBERRY DESSERT

1 junket tablet.
 1 tablespoon cold water.
 1 cup cranberry jelly or marmalade.
 1 pint milk.
 3 tablespoons sugar.
 1/2 teaspoon vanilla.

Prepare the junket according to directions on package. Pour at once into individual dessert glasses and let stand undisturbed in a warm room until firm—about 10 minutes. Then chill. When ready to serve add cranberry jelly or marmalade to each dish. A topping of sweetened whipped cream may be put over the cranberries if desired.

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The secret of making good pie crust is: "Use Purity Flour—and keep the dough dry!" Try this recipe—for 2 shells:

3 cups Purity Flour 1 cup lard
 3/4 teaspoon salt 1 cup cold water.

METHOD: Mix the flour and salt, cutting in half the shortening until the mixture is like fine meal, gradually adding exact quantity of water but not a drop more. Use less water, if you can, and the pie crust will be even flakier.

Turn out on board very lightly sprinkled with Purity Flour, roll about 3/4-inch thick. Spread balance of shortening over dough, fold over three times and roll again to required thickness. Bake in hot oven (450°).

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All life is seed dropped in Time's yawning furrow.
 Which with slow sprout and shoot,
 In the revolving world's unfathomed morrow
 Will blossom and bear fruit.
 —Mathilde Blind.

When I sow my good treasure broadcast as Christ did, when I give myself with what I am giving, then, as the earth never fails of her harvest, but in the old world or the new will surely bring us our daily bread, so the soul can never fail of her divine returns. Here or yonder, in the full time comes the full blessing; the flower flashing out glory, the fields laughing with plenty.
 —Robert Collyer.

A safe and sure medicine for a child troubled with worms is Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator.

Norway Secures Island

Claim To Island Off Greenland Coast Is Recognized By Great Britain

It is officially announced that Great Britain has recognized the Norwegian claim to the Island of Jan Mayen, a desolate land lying between Greenland and North Norway in the Arctic sea. Norway's claim to sovereignty was put forward in a royal decree dated last May 8.

In general it is accepted that the island was discovered by Henry Hudson, British navigator, in 1607.

The island is 34 miles long and nine miles wide at its greatest breadth.



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Miss Freya Stark, who has spent the past two months here with her father, Robert Stark, left on Monday on her return to England.

H. Grant of Vancouver was visiting with relatives in Creston at the weekend, and while here was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. Fraser.

FOR SALE—Cutter in first-class shape. \$15. Light wagon, \$15. End-dump gravel box, \$85. Morrow's Blacksmith Shop, Creston.

C. B. Twigg, distric agriculturist, left on Thursday on a visit to Vancouver, where he is a judge at the winter fair held in that city this week.

At the council meeting on Monday night the councillors decided to put into force a by-law governing the dairy business within the village.

R. H. Hassard was a visitor at Nelson at the weekend taking along a couple of indians who had been up before Magistrate Mallandaine in the week.

The Presbyterian Sunday School have booked the evening of Monday, December 25nd, for the Sunday school entertainment, which will commence at 7.30 o'clock.

Trinity United Church Ladies' Aid had their usual success at the annual bazaar and tea in the church hall on Saturday afternoon. The cash intake reaching \$100.

J. D. Perdue of Perdue's garage, got back on Thursday last from a few days' business visit at Missoula, Montana, and reports quite a heavy blanket of snow all over that state.

The weather took a turn for the colder on Monday and ice making operations are in full swing at the curling rink. Dolf Weir has been appointed icemaker and rink manager for the season.

Mrs. Dutton of Seattle, Wash., was here at the weekend on a visit with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Moore. She was en route home after attending the funeral of her mother, at Kaslo, late last month.

At a meeting of the newly-elected directors of Creston Reclamation Company, Limited, on Tuesday last, C. O. Rodgers was named president, and F. V. Staples was re-elected secretary and treasurer.

The year-end church bazaar-tea-dinner season is over for this year and figures compiled covering the past two months go to show that at least \$650 has been gathered in by three different denominations in that time.

Creston Valley Post Canadian Legion have taken the evening of Friday, December 26th, for a novelty dance, to be held in the community hall at Canyon, commencing at 9 p.m. The admission is \$1.50 per couple.

Chas. Moore, jr., is a patient at Creston Valley hospital, where he successfully underwent an operation for acute appendicitis on Monday afternoon in charge of Dr. Olivier, and is making a very satisfactory recovery.

SHOOTING MATCH—A choice lot of turkeys will be shot for at the shooting match at Geo. Mawson's ranch, on the road to the waterworks, on Wednesday, December 17th, shoot to commence at 11 a.m. All are invited. Bring your own rifle.

About fifteen tables of players were out for the Women's Institute bridge on Friday night at the Parish Hall, with the high score prizes going to Miss Effie Arrowsmith and R. M. Telford, and second prizes awarded Mrs. Martin, Sirdar and C. H. Hare. Lunch was served to close proceeding.

Thursday and Friday were busy days in the local police court Magistrate Mallandaine having a total of seven cases to dispose of. The charges included assaulting wife, intoxicated and driving to the common danger, theft of clothing, supplying liquor to indians, neglect of children, cruelty to animals, infraction of Game Act.

A couple of dozen of the younger friends of Mrs. Canute Anderson (nee Florence Rentz), whose marriage took place the latter part of November, tendered her an informal reception at the home of Mrs. Dick Chandler on Thursday night last, which took the form of a miscellaneous shower at which the recent bride was the recipient of many useful gifts for the new home.

A weekend announcement from C.P.R. headquarters indicates that the all rail trip to Nelson will commence at January 1st. No word is available here as to the new time schedule but on times allocated for the westbound to leave Medicine Hat, Alberta, it looks as if the afternoon train may be two hours later than usual. Apparently no change in time is planned for the eastbound train.

Over 300 cars, carrying about 1000 people young and old, were taken care of at Creston View auto tourist camp the past season, according to the camp register. Of this total 120 cars were from Alberta points, and almost 100 from U.S. centres. One was from

England, one from Australia, and 9 from Ontario. The first car in was from Oregon on April 7th, and the last from Saskatchewan on October 17th.

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