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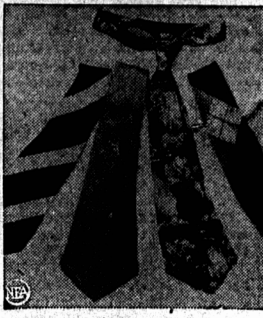
Gleanings of a Rural District New Glasgow

Mr. John Doyle was a recent visitor here on business. Mr. Heath Houston has recently purchased a new Mercury truck. Mrs. Esie Andrews and sons, George and Freddie, were in the City on Saturday. The Nicholson family of Mayfield are enjoying their new Pontiac sedan. Mr. John Buntain spent a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Chalmers Laird and Mr. Laird. Mrs. Bruce Moffatt has returned home after spending a few days with Dr. and Mrs. R. Murchison. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Buote, accompanied by Mr. Lawrence Gallant, motored to the Capital on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Houston had as their guest over the Easter holiday, their cousin, Miss Sheila Dickleson. Mr. Edward Dolron is out on his meat route once more and as usual greeted his customers with a smile.

Timid Ties Outshone By '49 Spring Neckwear



BOLD patterns in new spring ties contrast with solid-color sport shirts for 1949.



BOLD look in '49 ties runs from birds to waterfall pattern, but conservative stripes and plaids are still on the market.

RACING YOUR SUIT NECK AND NECK

By NEA Service

It's your neck—but what's the best way to decorate it? If you're the average man, your wardrobe has slightly more than four neckties—mostly blue in New England, green in the mid-West and South, pink in the metropolitan areas, and solid colors of any dark tone in rural areas. But if you're average—and married as well—you're necktie wardrobe will be up to about 18, probably because father gets more ties for gifts than anything else. Here's what the Men's Tie Foundation says about what to wear your four—or 18—neck-ties with. A gray suit—almost any color tie. A brown suit—ties with a combination of brown and gray, or brown and blue. A blue suit—ties in a combination of yellow and blue or yellow and maroon. Short, stout men, say the neckwear experts, should wear ties with vertical designs; small men should avoid "fussy" ties with checked suits. With striped suits, any man should stick to small figures or solid-colored ties; with plaid suits, checks, small figures or bold stripes are a good choice; boldly striped ties go excellently with tweeds.

The many friends will be glad to know Mr. Gordon Laird is making a good recovery after being quite ill. Mrs. John Pursey in company with Mr. and Mrs. Millar Orr spent Saturday at her home in North Rustico. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Andrew and son spent a few days with Mr. Andrew's parents and returned to Summerside on Tuesday. Miss Marion Stevenson was the guest of her friends, Miss Doris and Neil Andrew, for a few days, which were enjoyed very much. Mr. Sandy Nicholson, student of Sydney High School, accompanied by a friend, spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Nicholson. The many friends of Bud McLean will be pleased to know he is doing nicely in the P. E. Island Hospital, after an emergency appendicectomy operation.

NEW YORK —(NEA)— Timid ties are out this Spring. The fashion stage is set for brighter, bolder, gayer neckwear. Now that the male has decided he wants the conservative look in suits and coats, he has only one chance to brighten himself up—and he is taking it. The more subdued the suit, the gayer the tie, says Fashion, and indications are that the young American man likes the idea and likes it in sleek wool neckwear. Bright ties are being snatched off display racks in record time while their quiet relatives are left behind. Pale-toned stripes and solids are giving way to such tie artistry as spilling waterfalls, panel-length feathers, palm trees, hunting dogs, flying geese, wavy lines mingled with diagonal stripes—all vigorously etched with strong rich colors, and all marked for top fashion interest. Executed with high good taste, these designs sometimes use as many as a dozen different colors in one tie panel.

Will Develop Ranch Lands Of Australia

By Leslie Brodie Canadian Press Staff Writer SYDNEY, Australia, April 26 — (CP)—The Omdrella lands in the northern part of Australia are to be developed into a gigantic beef-producing centre.

When Prime Minister Joseph B. Chifley left for the prime ministers' conference in London he took with him a long-range plan to spend \$160,000,000 on developing the comparatively empty tracts of arable land extending roughly over 500,000 square miles from West Queensland through the Northern Territory to the Indian Ocean on the West Coast.

The Australian government proposes to meet the cost, but as part of the scheme Britain is expected to sign a long-term meat agreement that will guarantee a minimum price for all Australia's surplus beef for the next 10 years. The minimum price the government is demanding will safeguard the ranch owners and the government's financial commitments in developing the area. Twice in the last eight months Britain has agreed to an increase to encourage cattle production in Australia, but they have not been high enough to warrant big scale development.

Sir Henry Turner, head of the British Food Mission, after an inspection of the territory, conceded it was reasonable for Britain to pay a much higher price to cover the heavy outlay necessary to lift production. So far the British government maintained the present price of \$9.92 per 100 pounds of first grade beef is sufficient compensation. Ranchers Active However, ranch owners in the north see the present Anglo-Argentine dispute over meat prices as an opportunity to urge the Australian government to do something concrete to lift them out of the near-pioneering era. In the past a number of Royal Commissions have been held into ways and means of developing the neglected land but each report has been shelved through apparent lack of interest in the area. Today after almost a century of occupation there are only 500 miles of railroad in the Northern Territory and only one road worth describing as such—the North-South highway constructed by Australia and United States as a military road during the war. The present development scheme, which now appears certain of being adopted, will start with the establishment of thousands of miles of good roads linking the cattle ranches with export centres at Darwin and at Wyndham in West Australia. The roads later will be extended to the Kimberley districts of the West and in as far as the Barkly Tablelands of Queensland. Trucks capable of hauling up to 200 head of cattle in one load on get the cattle to the abattoirs their trailer wagons will be used to quickly. Already many of these huge trucks are in operation around the Alice Springs district. The cost of transport by this method is high but it is offset by the saving in condition and time. The same applies to air transport which has been tried successfully in West Australia.

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Retail, Wholesale Business At Top Pace In February

OTTAWA, April 26 — (CP) — Canadians, with money in their pockets, continued to keep business in retail and wholesale stores at a top pace in February, the Bureau of Statistics reported today. Into retail stores alone they poured some \$466,900,000 during the month, an increase of five per cent over the same month a year ago and set total sales for the first two months of 1949 at \$860,270,000 compared with \$935,530,000 for the same time a year ago. Wholesale concerns, too, reported increases in dollar sales during February, an increase of two per cent over the same time in 1948 and a boost of one per cent over sales in January. A general spurt in sales was reported by the bureau for food wholesalers, grocery wholesalers, turn-overs were slightly down over January sales, but fruit and vegetable dealers reported a 10-per-cent increase over January and a four-per-cent increase over February, 1948. Because of increased spending in retail field, all provinces showed retail sales gains in February, with the exception of the Maritimes. Saskatchewan led the way with a 21.6-per-cent increase. Sales in the Maritimes were down 2.5 per cent over the same time a year ago. Among the trades, the sharpest gains were scored by lumber and building materials, shooting up February sales by 17.3 per cent; department stores reported a 19.4-per-cent increase; variety stores, seven per cent.

Russians Claim Invention of Talkies

MOSCOW, April 26 — (CP) — Now it's the talkies. Russian inventors today claimed credit for another in a long series of scientific "firsts". The newspaper Evening Moscow said Russian inventors are largely responsible for sound movies. A Soviet scientist, the paper said, set up a sound movie system in Moscow in 1926, before any others operated in the world. The first talking picture in the United States was issued in 1927. CAKE FOR CROCODILES The ancient Egyptians fed honey cakes to the sacred crocodiles of the Nile.

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New Steel Agreement Provides Wage Boost

TORONTO, April 26 — (CP) — A proposed agreement between the United Steelworkers of America (C. I. P. - C.O.L.) and the Steel Company of Canada provides for a 10-cent-an-hour wage increase and a four-hour reduction in weekly working hours. C.H. Millard, the union's national director, said today. The agreement, affecting nearly 5,000 workers at the company's big Hamilton plant, will be presented for ratification to a union meeting Wednesday night. If accepted, it will give the employees a basic wage of \$1.04 an hour—highest in their history—and a 44-hour week. Mr. Millard said the union "will insist" on the same terms in contracts with the rest of the Canadian steel industry's big three—the Dominion Steel and Coal Company

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