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ART OF PUBLIC SPEAKING WITH REFERENCE TO ORATORY

Address In Connection With The 1928 Oratorical Contest, Which Should Be Read By Every Competitor And Every Pupil.

J. A. C. GARDNER, St. John's Technical High School, Winnipeg. The remarks which I shall make will be based upon my experience with public speaking in St. John's High School, where we have been conducting competitions and training for the past five years.

FEATURES OF ONT. BUDGET

First Balanced Budget Since the War—Millions in Assets.

(Canadian Press) TORONTO, March 1.—Features of the Ontario Budget, announced today by Hon. J. D. Monteith, Provincial Treasurer, include the following: no changes in taxation, a surplus of \$358,000 in 1927, the first surplus in many years; \$3,000,000 paid to the public debt in installment of the debt retirement plan; highest ordinary revenue in the history of the Province, \$56,000,629, an increase of \$5,400,000 over 1926; first payment of the debt made by Hydro, which also pays \$7,849,003 to the Provincial Treasury in interest; \$1,300,000 paid by T. and N. O. Railway to the Province in interest; substantial reductions in interest charges due to refunding loans and replacement at lower rates.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENT

(By Our Own Correspondent) OTTAWA, March 1.—The Minister of Immigration had been present from admitting to Canada a "mentally defective infant," member of a family which had arrived at Halifax, Hon. Dr. J. H. King, Minister of Health and D. S. C. R. declared in the House of Commons this afternoon during the resumed debate on the Budget. Dr. King made a lengthy explanation of the case, though he refrained from mentioning the name of the family that its name should be mentioned as having as one of its members a mentally defective infant. This family, he proceeded, had arrived at Halifax in December of last year. There were five children. As usual a doctor representing the Department of Health—Dr. Rutherford—went aboard the vessel and examined the children. Four of the children apparently were found to be normal. The youngest child was found to be mentally defective. It was fourteen months old. "That is the age of the McConachie child," interjected a Conservative member. "If my honorable friends want to advertise the fact he can do so. I do not propose to do so," retorted Dr. King. "Just as well not," said R. E. Ryerson, (Conservative, Brantford). "I think it would be better if my honorable friend said did not advertise the case," said Dr. King. "It would be better for the Government to come from the Conservative benches. 'No, my honorable friends are entirely wrong,' replied Dr. King. He proposed to show that the law in the matter. Dr. King said he was willing that the child should have another examination in England and if it was found to be admissible under Canadian law and regulations it would be allowed to come to Canada.

Passengers Land To Skirl of Pipes

HALIFAX, March 1.—Passengers landing here today from the Anchor Line steamer Cameronia, were played down the gang plank by the ship's pipe band. This, it was stated, was the first time in the history of the port that civilian passengers were landed from a trans-Atlantic liner accompanied in such a manner. The pipes were met with acclaim by officials and bystanders at the pier, as attired in full regalia, they marched up and down the immigration staid playing Scotch airs. The Cameronia docked this morning from Glasgow via Montreal, to land 65 passengers, mails and 250 tons of cargo. This afternoon she sailed for New York.

HEENEY BEATS JACK DELANEY

(Canadian Press) MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York, March 1.—Tom Heeney, the plodding battler from New Zealand, continued his march tonight by defeating Jack Delaney, former light-heavyweight champion, in a mauling fifteen round semi-final of Tex Rickard's elimination tournament.

One-Man Load; Eleven Trucks Used

(Canadian Press) NEW YORK, Mar. 1.—Eleven armored trucks were used yesterday to transport \$52,000,000 stock certificates, the City's new subway bond issue, and only a bundle a man might conveniently have carried from the Municipal Building to 55 Wall Street. The distance is about a half a mile. The eleven trucks were used because the maximum insurance on one truck load is only \$5,000,000.

subject of the cost of living. Sixty per cent. of the industrial workers of Canada received an average wage of \$17.00 weekly, while the family budget average was much higher than this figure. Canada should take care of her workers in this respect, the United States to bring back the Canadians there by concentrating on immigration. Immigration should be taken out of politics. "Let us have at the head of the Department a man who is alive from the neck up," said Mr. MacDougall. Premier King has stated, Mr. MacDougall went on, that he would carry out the recommendations of the Duncan Report in toto. Yet this assurance had not been carried out in respect to the steel and coal industry among other recommendations. "Only a few weeks ago the Postmaster General, Mr. Veniot, 'the Don Quixote of New Brunswick politics,' had intimated in his speech in Saint John that something would be done by the government in respect to the steel and coal industry. Despite this double assurance the Government had taken no action, although the importance of the nation was vitally bound up in the industries. Mr. MacDougall supported a national fuel policy for Canada. Some liberal policy member asked what such a policy meant, "A national fuel policy," said Mr. MacDougall, "is one under which Canadian coal will be burned as far as it is humanly possible by Canadian railways, Canadian industries and upon Canadian hearthstones." Such a policy would discontinue the spending of \$100,000,000 annually for American coal, giving employment to United States miners, while Nova Scotia and Alberta miners remained idle. He recommended the construction of four branch lines in Nova Scotia, one in Inverness.

TARIFF PROVISIONS

OTTAWA, March 1.—The tariff provisions of the Liberal 1919 plan were again brought before the House of Commons this afternoon when H. E. Spencer (U. F. A. Battle River), continued his speech on the budget. Mr. Spencer took the ground that the Liberals had failed to implement these provisions save when forced to do so by the progressive influence. The 1919 plan had been all right to get votes on, he said, but apparently it was not all right to legislate on. Mr. Spencer said he would vote for the sub-amendment to the budget, which would give the Minister of Health and D. S. C. R. that despite what was contained in Opposition speeches those engaged in mining, fishing, agriculture and lumbering in British Columbia were aware of the Government's actions during the past few years in connection with tariffs respecting these basic industries. The same Conservative arguments were being heard this year as in other years. Canada, he said, was not a good country when he was in opposition over the

GIRL FLIRTED WITH DEATH TO ENTER STATES

Crosses on Railway Bridge Over Swirling Niagara Falls—Miss—step Meant Her Certain Death

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., March 1.—How she flirted with death to enter this country illegally from Canada was told immigration officials today by Anna Putnam, a pretty 17 years old dress-maker of Desplaines street, Montreal. Garbed in a pair of men's trousers, a cap and sweater, the girl claims she was lowered by a rope over the Gorge bank on the Canadian side to the lower abutments of the Michigan Central Railway bridge and then accompanied by an alien runner made her way across the Gorge on the narrow steel ledge which forms part of the under section of the bridge. The crossing was made Sunday night and the girl and her escort landed safely on the American shore and made their way up Niagara Gorge railway tracks to the top of the bank. She said she was taken to the home of Frank Dagostino, in this city, where she awaited for other women who were brought across the river in a rowboat the following night.

Saved From The Gallows

(Canadian Press) OTTAWA, Ont., Mar. 1.—The Govt. has commuted the sentence of death imposed on Gerard Filiatrat of Montreal, found guilty of murdering A. Stenri, Montreal butcher. Filiatrat was to have been hanged tomorrow. Pleas for a reprieve were made on the ground that the condemned man was suffering from mental trouble.

Australia Wins From B. C. University Team

(Special to The Guardian) VANCOUVER, B. C., March 1.—In a recent appearance on the coast the Australian Waratahs rugby team defeated British Columbia University yesterday 55 to 3. The visitors met the Vancouver Regatta club in the final game of the series here Saturday.

Open May First

(Special to The Guardian) WINNIPEG, Man., March 1.—Through an agreement reached between American and Canadian vessel owners, navigation on the Great Lakes will not officially open prior to May 1. In previous years owners have suffered so much loss through damage by ice to their ships, that they have decided not to take any risk in trying to reach the head of the Lakes earlier.

"Zinovieff" Letter

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, March 1.—The famous "Zinovieff" letter, which played so prominent a part in the campaign which led to the overthrow of the Labor Government in Great Britain several years ago today dropped up again in the House of Commons. The "Zinovieff" letter was mentioned in a recent report on the activities of certain civil service employees growing out of their speculation in the French franc. Today Ramsay MacDonald, the Labor Leader, asked Premier Baldwin to afford time for a discussion of the report in consequence of the mention made in it of the "Zinovieff" letter. The Premier promised to allocate a half day during the present session to take up the question of age.

Diamonds Waiting To Be Picked Up

(Canadian Press) CAPETOWN, S. A., March 1.—The richest Diamond Field ever discovered anywhere is what Colonel Sir David Harris, member of the South African House of Assembly for Kimberley, said about a new Diamond Field that has been disclosed in a debate in the House of Assembly. The romantic discovery of a fabulously rich all-Avial deposit of Diamond at Alexander Bay at the mouth of the Orange River, came to the knowledge of unimportant matter, and it was stated that Diamonds were lying on the surface waiting to be picked up.

NOW FOR THE CONTESTS!

Assistance of Parents Teachers and Principals as Also of Trustees and Inspectors is Solicited in Putting on the School Contests.

As will be noticed, fifty-nine entries have been received to date for the Oratorical Contest, and new entries are being received daily. We advise all those who are considering enrolling to do so at once, as so there is only one week left. The attention of pupils, parents, teachers and principals is particularly directed to the School Contests, the last date for which is March 15th. Even if there is only one entry from a school, every effort should be made to put on a contest among the pupils so as to give teachers and inspectors their support and assistance in this important matter. Much of the value of this contest to the pupils lies in the training they receive thereby in the art of public speaking. And perhaps the major part of this training is received in these School Competitions. The prizes in this contest are: For each district, first prize, silver cup; second prize, silver tray, third prize, Waterman pen and pencil set. For the Provincial, first prize, silver watch, second, silver watch, third, silver watch. The first three winners in each district will be entitled to come to Charlottetown as guests of The Guardian for the Provincial competition. Entries for Charlottetown, 16; Queen's County, 12; Prince County, 14; King's County, 17; making a total of 59 entries. Of these 23 are girls and 36 are boys.

Salmon Eggs From Atlantic To Pacific

(Special to The Guardian) MONTREAL, March 1.—Approximately one million Atlantic salmon eggs, destined to Major Motherwell of the Fisheries Department at Vancouver, B.C., passed through the city yesterday in charge of the Canadian National Express. These eggs which came from the Government fish hatcheries at Southport, New Brunswick were placed on the "Maritime Express" at Newcastle, N. B., and arrived at Vancouver Station at 7.30 last night. On arrival here they were watered by special workers and left for their destination at 10.15 p.m. on "The Continental Limited." At Edmonton, en route, they will again be watered under the supervision of the Inspector of Fisheries at that point and on arrival at Vancouver they will be rushed to their destination. These valuable and delicate shipments have been handled by the Canadian National Express for the past four or five years and have always arrived at their destinations in excellent condition. In addition to the special watering they receive at Montreal and Edmonton, they are also inspected at various points en route by a qualified officer of the Fisheries Department. For the rest of the time they are looked after by special messengers of the Express Department, whose vigilance never lessens until they are safely delivered to their destination.

Excelsior Lecture On Trial By Jury

History Of The Jury System Ably Discussed Last Night By Hon. G. S. Inman Before Caledonian Club.

A goodly audience assembled last night in the Caledonian Club rooms for the regular Thursday evening lecture, Hon. Geo. S. Inman, member of the House of Commons, was the lecturer, and he gave a most interesting and informative history of the institution of the Jury system in the administration of justice. The chair was occupied by Chief D. J. MacDonald. At the close of the lecture a vote of thanks, moved by Ex-Mayor L. B. Miller, seconded by Hon. B. W. Lepage and supported by Rev. J. W. McKenna, Mr. Thos. White, Mr. K. J. Martin, K. C., Mr. John Anderson, and Mr. John McKenna was presented to the lecturer. The chairman, in closing announced that the next night's lecture, March 8th, would be given by Mr. Percy Pope, on the subject "Man and the World He Lives In." Mr. Inman's lecture last night was as follows: Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen. On the 15th day of June, in the year 1215 when the Barons exacted from King John the signing of the Charter of our Liberties, we had established in unmistakable terms recognition of the subject of trial by jury. One of the principal clauses in the Magna Charta is that no free man can be tried and imprisoned without the lawful judgment of his peers or by the law of the land. But this was not the beginning of this fundamental part of our constitution. It is accepted to have been a civil case, or was of a criminal nature. In some cases the compurgators were named by the district, consisting of neighbors of the accused. If a party was unable to vouch a sufficient number of compurgators, he was deemed to have taken a false oath and lost his suit in a civil case, or was convicted of a criminal. But even if he did produce the requisite number, his opponent might (in some cases at all events) overpower the force of their testimony by calling compurgators on his side, whose oaths were of equal value. These, on his side, whose oaths were of equal value, might be met by the accused in the same manner, and so on, until either party prevailed in the amount of legal value of the witness who supported him with their oaths. Sometimes the number of compurgators was so great as to

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Before dealing more particularly with the jury system, it might not be out of place to digress for a moment to consider the primitive methods employed in the pre-Norman trials that antedate trial by jury. In Anglo Saxon times we find an administration that seems rather crude when compared with modern ideas; but perhaps after all, it is really no more ridiculous than the practice in other professions during the same period. Law and medicine both groped in the twilight. Justice was administered by Trial by Ordeal and medicine was practised without a knowledge of the circulation of the blood. Trial by Compurgation. If a man were accused of a crime one of the first methods of dealing with him was trial by Compurgation. Trial by Compurgation means trying a man by the oaths of men, who stated their belief as to the guilt or innocence of the accused. In those days a man's oath was estimated, not by his character or standing in the community, but by the amount of land he possessed. If a man in those days was accused of a crime, if he got twelve men, owners of land who would swear they believed him to be innocent, the man would in all probability get clear. The usual number was twelve, and from this, it is sometimes contended that the twelve jurors were corresponded to the twelve compurgators. In some cases the compurgators were named by the district, consisting of neighbors of the accused. If a party was unable to vouch a sufficient number of compurgators, he was deemed to have taken a false oath and lost his suit in a civil case, or was convicted of a criminal. But even if he did produce the requisite number, his opponent might (in some cases at all events) overpower the force of their testimony by calling compurgators on his side, whose oaths were of equal value. These, on his side, whose oaths were of equal value, might be met by the accused in the same manner, and so on, until either party prevailed in the amount of legal value of the witness who supported him with their oaths. Sometimes the number of compurgators was so great as to

Egypt Will Not Accept Proposals

(Special to The Guardian) CAIRO, Egypt, March 1.—It is understood that the Egyptian Cabinet has decided against acceptance of the proposals for a treaty between Great Britain and Egypt. No official statement has been given out on the subject, but it is believed that the conversations between Sir Austen Chamberlain, the British Foreign Secretary and Sarwat Pasha, the Egyptian Premier have not brought about the results hoped for and that the British conditions do not meet Egyptian aspirations.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc

- \*\*Robin Hood Rapid China Oats, better oats, better China.
\*\*Summersville races Wednesday, July 11th. 2831-3-1-21.
\*\*Buying live hogs at Emerald March 6th, Tuesday forenoon, Everett Haslam. 2846-3-2-21
\*\*Reopening of Cavendish Hall, March 6th. Three-act comedy, "Mrs. Briggs of the Poultry Yard", presented by the young people. Don't miss it. 2829-3-1-51.
\*\*Dr. Cliff, M.D. in chronic cases, 112 Prince St. Phone 897-J. Charlottetown. Self-Help. Don't delay. 2-16-1 mo.
\*\*There will be a public meeting in Afton Hall, Thursday, March 1st, at 7.30 o'clock to discuss better improvements in the S.S. Hillsboro service. 2811-2-29-21
\*\*Dr. Green has discontinued going to Hunter River regularly, but will meet patients by appointment for the completion of their work. 3-1-21
\*\*Don't fail to see hockey match between Ruston and Stanley Friday night, March 2nd, in New Glasgow Rink Skating after match. 2854

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