

PRESSES GROAN UNDER RECORD FALL BOOK PRODUCTION

NEW YORK, October 22.—Pres- es of the principal publishing houses are groaning under a Fall production that will approach a post-war record in the book industry.

About 4000 volumes already have been indexed by the Publishers Weekly, all of which will have made their appearance in a little more than three months time. It is the largest list since the busy seasons just before the war.

Letters As Best Sellers

The titles indicate another biography year. "Biography always interests everybody," was the conclusion of Dr. Johnston 165 years ago, and the fall season, by numbers and volumes, tends to bear him out.

Four others of great interest to those who follow the American field of letters will be "The Life of Eugene Field," "The Peet O. Childhood," by Jason Thompson; "Bill Nye; His Own Life Story," with continuity

Field, Nye and O'Neill.

by Frank Wilson Nye; "Eugene O'Neill," by Barret H. Clark, and "One Man's Life," by Herbert Quick.

European letters are represented by "The Young Voltaire," by Cleveland B. Chase; "Balzac and Madame Hanska," from the French Viscomte de Spoelberch de Lovenjoul; "Victor Hugo," by W. F. Gleese; "Guy De Maupassant," A Biographical study, by Ernest Boyd. A volume on "Turgenev; The Man, His Art and His Age," by Avram Yarmolinsky, is the first biography of the Russian to appear in any language.

Five On Anatole France

Anatole France is discussed in five volumes. They are: "Anatole France, Voyageur," by Jean Jacques Brousseau; "Rambles with Anatole France," by Sandor Kemerli; "Anatole France at Home," by Marcel Le Goff; "Conversations with Anatole France," by Nicholas Segur, and "Anatole France; The Degeneration of a Great Artist," by Barry Cerf.

The English entries, with the same literary appeal, include "Shelley; His Life and Work," by Walter Edwin Peck; "The Life of Swinburne," by T. Barle Welby, three items of Joseph Conrad, and many others.

There are any number of books which concern those foremost in the theatre from Shakespearean theater to circus run four books about show life, either in the higher realms of footlights and spot-lights or the lower ones of flaring gas jets.



Picturesque Head Of Indian Delegation

LONDON, Oct. 22.—India's delegation to the imperial conference is headed by Sir Bijay Chand Mahtab, Maharajah of Bahadur of Burdwan. He is the premier nobleman of Bengal and the largest individual taxpayer in the British empire. His annual assessment averages about \$1,500,000. He has extensive land possessions on the western side of the Gange River. His wealth is fabulous. The estates are inhabited by nearly a million persons. They are admirably managed and well equipped with hospitals and schools. Although he is not technically a riding Prince, the Maharajah exercises in practice a paternal authority over his dependents which cannot be distinguished from that possessed by any of the rajahs.

Sir Bijay is the head of the Khattrya community in India and holds the hereditary title of Maharajah. He is more than six feet in height, has the shoulders of a wrestling champion and possesses of enormous physical strength. In 1908, when an attempt was made in Calcutta to assassinate Sir Andrew Fraser, the Maharajah simply picked Sir Andrew up bodily and put him in a place of safety. For his courage and coolness he was given the knighthood of the Star of India. Last year he received the grand cross of the Indian empire.

Sir Bijay's two sons, also hefty youths, have come to London with him to do some sightseeing. One of them acts as his father's private secretary.

Clothier's Dummy Causes Excitement

(Canadian Press) BRIDGEWATER, N. S. Oct. 22.—This town was cheated of a front page news story the other night when "the dead body" of a man who had drunk himself to death in an abandoned box car was found for the occasion and placed in a litter of empty bottles by unknown practical jokers.

OLD ONTARIO HAS NEW CLOTHES FOR THE NEXT PROVINCIAL ELECTION

(Canadian Press) TORONTO, Oct. 22.—When the electors of Ontario go to the polls in the next Provincial General Election to ballot for the Seventeenth Ontario Legislature, they will elect 112 members as compared with 111 in the last or Sixteenth House of Assembly. Numerically, that is a difference of one only, but geographically there has been a vast amount of cutting and splicing of ridings in bringing about this single addition in the membership of the House. The new map of provincial electoral districts will show a succession of new alignments. Many ridings, familiar in name to Ontario people in all parts of Canada, and historical in political record and party tradition, have taken on various new shapes. The Representation Act of 1925, with its amendments of 1926, brought about the widest shake-up of provincial riding boundaries in many years.

Other New Ridings. The city of Hamilton, which formerly sent two members to the Legislature, will now send three, the city being split by northerly and southerly projections into East, West and Centre constituencies. London will also have an additional member, giving two in the next House, one each from the ridings of North and South London, which were developed from the former single London constituency, with the addition of various annexed districts. Ottawa's additional seat is named East Ottawa, giving the Dominion capital three seats in the Provincial House. The three con-

stituencies of the city "to the water's edge,"



Says She Received Money From Mother Of Evangelist

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Oct. 22.—Miss Bernice Morris of Long Beach, testified in the Almee Semple McPherson preliminary hearing today that when she had come to Angela Temple to confer with Mrs. McPherson and her mother, Mrs. Minnie Kennedy, who are charged with conspiracy to defeat justice, about producing the evangelist's alleged kidnappers, Mrs. Kennedy gave her a \$20 bill and told her "we will have something nice for you next time."

Miss Morris also said that Mrs. McPherson and Mrs. Kennedy told her that if the kidnappers came forward and confessed to having kidnapped the evangelist that Mrs. McPherson would not sign complaints against them when they were arrested. She told of Mrs. McPherson urging her to try to get road maps showing the route the kidnappers had taken the evangelist explaining that these maps might tally with what several persons had said regarding seeing Mrs. McPherson after her disappearance at Ocean Peak last summer. Kennedy. She was secretary to R. A. McKinley, blind Long Beach attorney, who was killed in an automobile accident several weeks ago. Miss Morris testified Friday that Mrs. McPherson had approached her after her employed's death, about "carrying on" work that the attorney had started in connection with producing the kidnappers.

Miss Morris is one of the State's star witnesses in the prosecution of Mrs. McPherson and Mrs. Kennedy.

A TOURIST'S IMPRESSIONS OF MODERN RUSSIA

(Canadian Press)

WINNIPEG, Man., Oct. 22.—The tourist travelling in Russia finds no more inconvenience than in any other country. The trains and hotels are very clean. There is an abundance of good food. The dread of customs examination with its attendant restrictions is merely a cursory performance. In fact to see Russia is as easy as to see Canada.

These are some of the impressions gained by Mrs. R. F. McWilliams, of Winnipeg, during two weeks' travel in Russia, who recently gave an account of her trip to members of the Alumni society of the University of Manitoba. According to Mrs. McWilliams, the government makes every attempt to govern all activities, even to standardizing the price of meals at the restaurants and hotels. This latter custom proves very startling to tourists. Laborers with shaved heads and scuffed clothing, come to beautiful hotels and magnificent restaurants, reserved only for the wealthy and cultured under the old regime, and receive exactly the same service as any other person.

Another thing that seemed very strange to Mrs. McWilliams was the rationing of space. No person in Moscow, she related, is permitted to use more than 100 feet of house space. This plan has been devised to bring together under one roof, members of varied occupations. In one building which Mrs. McWilliams visited, were two former aristocrats living in one room 12 by 12 feet. Both had formerly lived in palaces. Deliberately placed next to them was a workman and a man, who had rather low standards of cleanliness and life.

The schools concentrate on vocational education. All the higher schools are technical and cultural influence generally, have been swept away. Mrs. McWilliams said. One Communist had told her that level under the Communist rule. The rule breaks down in many other ways, however. People in the factories are beginning to do piece-work. Experts are paid according to their skill. Members of the government who need to meet foreign carefully outfitted. In fact the government keeps a special tailor so that the government officials will be properly groomed to meet out- siders. Men of high positions wear Russian blouses of silk, beautifully tailored. Many of the shops are filled with French cosmetics, and all the students are judged by their entire work for the year.

Students to the secondary schools are appointed by the local Soviets, and while at school their expenses are paid and they are given a sum in Moscow, she related, is permitted to use more than 100 feet of house space.

What the Cat Saw When She Gazed At The Queen

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—If any New York cat availed herself of the traditional privilege yesterday she saw the gracious Marie, Queen of Rumania, a not very tall woman of middle age, dressed with simplicity, but richly. The royal coat of burgundy and lynx stopped about twelve inches from the ground to reveal beige stockings and opera pumps to reptile skins. Over her fitting hair the Queen wore a close fitting cloth of gold turban with a small brim of brown georgette and a checked ostrich bush over the right ear. She carried brown gloves and a gold bag.

The observant feline turning from the royal figure to others of the Queen's party noted the Princess Ileana, sixteen and slim and tall. The Princess has dark blue gray eyes and dark brown hair shingled closely to reveal the contour of her head and neck. Her complexion is creamy with a glow imparted by her out-door life on horseback or on the golf links or the tennis court.

The two young men who accompanied the Queen are her son and her nephew, Nicholas and Hohenloe-Langeburg. Nicholas, who was educated at Eton and in the British navy, is a little nautical in his bearing. Nicholas' cousin, Hohenloe, a great grandson of Queen Victoria, is a serious Prince. He has come to America to study industrial and commercial relations. Both the Princes are twenty-three years old. The last member of the royal party proper caused the cat to turn and flee, although he displayed an oversized waist line and a penchant for silk clad ankles. His name is Craig and he is a cocker spaniel. Craig shows scant respect or etiquette preceding the Prince and Princesses on all occasions, close at the royal heels.

A LOT OF US INEFFICIENT.

"Why did the efficiency man fire that clerk?" "He noticed him squeezing a tube of paste in the middle instead of at the end."

Will Stick To Kidnapping Story

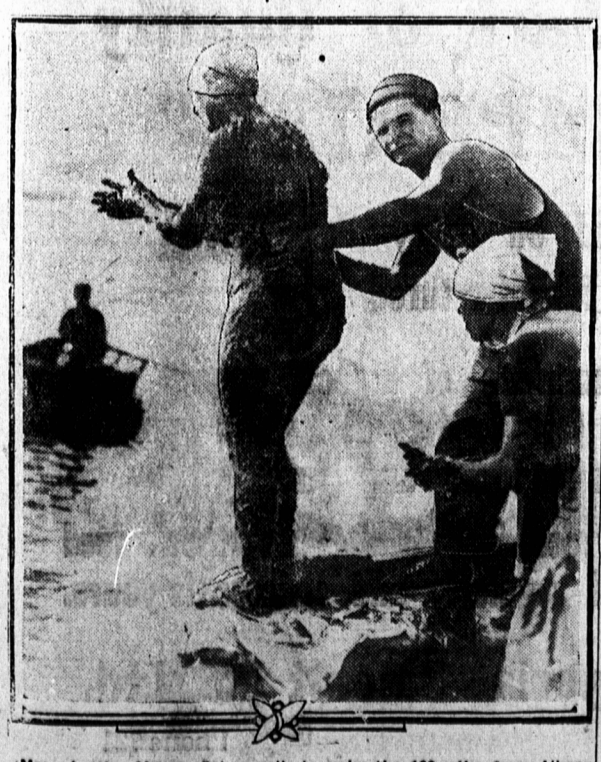
LOS ANGELES, Oct. 22.—Council for Almee Semple McPherson, the evangelist charged with criminal conspiracy, indicated today that the story told by her before the county grand jury about being kidnapped and held for ransom "was her story and she would stick to it."

This was made known in connection with plans for beginning the defense testimony. Whether the evangelist and her mother would take the stand has not been determined. W. I. Gilbert, chief defense counsel, said today. A large number of other probable witnesses for the defense were notified to be on hand when the preliminary hearing resumed in municipal court.

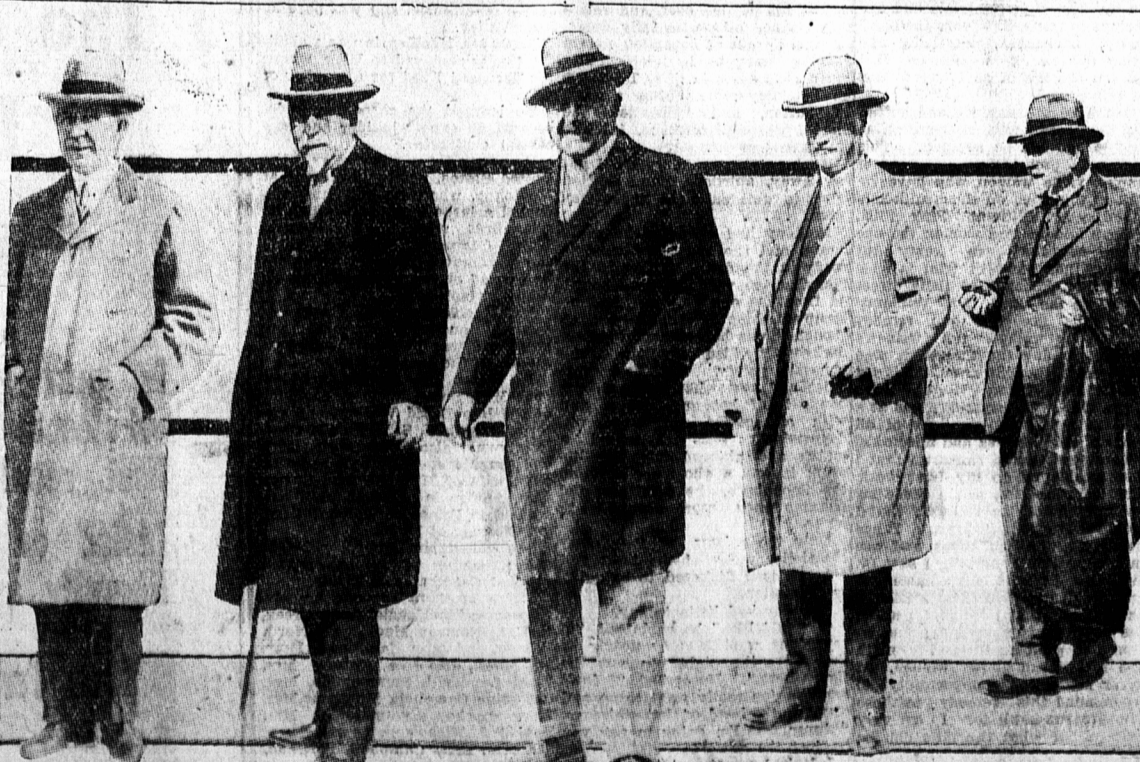
Louisiana Campaign One of Languages

BATON ROUGE, La., Oct. 22.—He spoke to the voters in French from platforms in the Southern parishes, he addressed them in the King's English in North Louisiana he "harangued" crowds in the Creole "patios" and in straight-from-the-shoulder American language. "And at the end of his campaign in the Democratic primary Dudley J. LeBlanc of Abbeville, scion of an old Louisiana French family, emerged with a lead of 15,462 votes. LeBlanc's campaign was unique Louisiana is divided, racially speaking, into North Louisiana and South Louisiana. North Louisiana is settled by the stock which is to be found in practically all other Southern states. South Louisiana's people are often descendants of the old French settlers, but most of them claim as forebears those famed Acadians who drifted down the Atlantic coast with Evangeline. Longfellow's heroine. These latter are commonly known as "Cajuns."

So in South Louisiana he made his promises in French; in North Louisiana he made the same promises in English.



Mrs. Lottie Moore Schommell, wearing only a heavy coat of grease and a bathing cap, entered the Hudson river, just above Kingston, N.Y., to continue her attempt to swim the 160 miles from Albany to New York in record time. Mrs. Schommell discarded the one-piece bathing suit with which she started out, believing it impeded her progress.



Some of the Tory chiefs who met at Ottawa last week to choose a new House leader are shown inaction above. From left to right they are Hon. Bob Rogers of Winnipeg, R. S. White, K.C., of Montreal; Col. Cantley of Pictou, Nova Scotia; Han. E. L. Patenaude, Quebec; C. H. Cahan, K.C., Montreal.

Too Much Expected Of Schools Today

MONTREAL, Que., Oct. 22.—At a convention of Protestant teachers, held here recently, some practical school problems were offered for solution by modern psychology in the address of D. A. Bates, who mentioned the approval of the greater factor in influencing the behavior of the pupil. He said: "If the approval of the class is on the side of the student who is doing wrong, it is hopeless for the teacher to do anything since the approval of our squads is of greater importance to us than any other commendation. There is no place for the teacher who knows it all, who endeavors to impress the pupils with her infallibility, in the school rooms today."

A. W. Lang said, that he did not know of any moral antiseptic that, given in regular doses, would change the child from a lively little animal into the angel that parents and teachers strive for. He thought that too much was put on the schools today, parents blaming them for behavior of their children, which is by right the parents' responsibility.

Prefers Child's Mind As Best Movie Critic

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22.—A child's mind, unrestrained by any sense of consideration for feelings of others, qualifies its owner as the best critic for motion picture scenarios. This is the conclusion of Walter Woods, the scenarist who prepared and adapted the screen versions of "The Covered Wagon," "Pony Express," "Old Ironsides," and other film productions. "Children are far more frank than grown-ups," Woods says. "A child will say exactly what he thinks. When it comes to testing a story's worth, give me a kid audience every time."

Woods believes that a child's mind also is far more receptive than a grown-up's and things that impress him remain, while things that do not are quickly erased from his memory. "Another thing I find is that children spot story weaknesses far more rapidly than grown-ups. Frequently they find flaws that I have completely overlooked. Instead of searching for hidden meanings, they face a story squarely and find faults a grown-up would not see."

Canned Heat Latest Intoxicant

(Canadian Press) TRURO, N. S., Oct. 22.—A new method of meeting the shortage of easily attainable liquor was disclosed when Fred Hamilton of Harmony Road, was convicted of drunkenness. He pleaded guilty of drinking "canned heat." In Victoria Park, near what is called "Brandy Spring," officers found half a barrel of empty canned heat containers, where the thirsty ones had dissolved the fuel in the waters of the spring and achieved unique jags.

Eugene Debs In Critical Condition

CHICAGO, Oct. 22.—The condition of Eugene V. Debs, internationally known socialist, ill at a sanatorium at Elmhurst, Ill., was reported critical tonight by his physician. The former socialist candidate for President has been confined at the sanatorium for a month suffering from a nervous breakdown.



Winston Churchill, chancellor of the British Exchequer, is shown in a late photo leaving Downing St. despite the coal strikes and kindred evils.