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The Legislature Opens

Political differences may be forgotten at least for one day, in welcoming our legislative Solons to their duties which, as intimated in a government advertisement, are not likely to prove onerous, or at any rate lengthy.

After the formal opening by His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, members of the Government who have not yet pledged allegiance to the new British Sovereign, King EDWARD VIII, will take the oath.

The Speaker, Hon. S. S. HESSIAN, K.C., was duly sworn in and installed at the last special session on September 25. The choice was one which met with general approval of the members, and Mr. HESSIAN, by reason both of his legal experience and past service in the House, may be expected to fill the position during the coming session with credit to himself and his constituency.

If all the Liberal "economy" pledges are to be reflected in legislation, the Throne Speech, in which such measures are usually outlined, should prove a document of considerable interest.

The absence of an official Opposition places upon Premier CAMPBELL and his colleagues a responsibility which, we trust, they appreciate to at least a greater extent than has been indicated in the fatuous comments of their local party organ.

For Social Climbers

Our esteemed representative by adoption, Finance Minister DUNNING, faces an estimated deficit of 140 million dollars on the working expenses of the Dominion Government for the year ending this month.

This unique service was announced last week when the wives and daughters of the members received a card, duly embossed with the House of Commons crest, and arriving through the mails under the frank of the Clerk of the House and the Sergeant-at-Arms.

The card announced that "Madame Beland" would be "pleased to assist" members of Parliament, their wives and daughters, on matters relating to "social and other functions in connection with the session."

"From the fact that this service has just now been introduced," comments a Toronto exchange, "it might be imagined that the wives and daughters of the members of this new Parliament are more socially inept than were their predecessors. Such, however, is not believed to be the case.

So there you are! Every day and in every way the actions of our new Liberal governments become more and more unexpected.

Editorial Note

Today is the day for the Thirty. This is Passion Week, next week is Holy Week.

What about the Harbour Survey which was to make Charlottetown safe for shipping?

It looks as though HOFFMAN would have to follow LINDBERGH for peace and quietness.

While Summerside has two representatives in the Legislature, the Capital has only one—and a paid official.

In printing "30" stands for "the end". In politics here it must indicate the end of Democracy and the inauguration of Autocracy.

What a happy time the members of the Legislature will have the next fortnight—everything their own way but for the "green-eyed monster" in caucus.

No doubt the German electors were duly warned that those who didn't vote for HITLER on Sunday were "simply reading themselves out of the Nazi party" and might expect "no further recognition" politically.

The "Buy British" movement in England, which has been extended to Empire productions is not without its amusing slogans. Just as the British were getting accustomed to such catch lines as "Buy British Beef," they were startled by a new one reading "Buy Canadian Honey and Keep Empire Bees Busy."

Three to four weeks ahead of the usual time the highways in the district of Quebec will be opened to summer traffic if present conditions persist, according to information reaching the Road Department as to the situation from Three Rivers east.

"Balancing the budget" policy has not materialized under the HEBURN Government. Ontario debt has increased under the present Government at the rate of \$147,157 a day.

It appears the Mayors did not bother taking their wives with them to Ottawa. The only Lady Mayoress attending the Dominion Mayor's convention was Mrs. GEORGE BAREFOOT, wife of the Labor Mayor of St. Boniface, Man., a manufacturing city so hard hit by depression every fifth person is on relief.

Is domestic help remunerative? is the question being discussed in Toronto and the Prairie Provinces. A former domestic who worked in Regina 25 years ago claims domestic servants can live on the \$120 yearly wage budget drawn up by a Regina girl's club.

The Townsend Social Credit scheme of California is suffering from disension like the ABERNATHY scheme of Alberta. Mr. R. E. CLEMENTS, the Secretary, has resigned and has issued a formal statement saying he was quitting April 1 because of differences with Dr. F. E. TOWNSEND, co-founder with him of the plan to give everyone in the United States over 60 a pension of \$200 a month.

"The ruling passion strong in death" was characteristic of Dr. STEPHEN LEACOCK's farewell to the students of economy in McGill. To the accompaniment of gales of laughter, Dr. LEACOCK delivered a humorous address which he entitled "The first senility execution at McGill."

There are many American citizens who care more for the country and its welfare than they do for the voting aggregations that we call the Democratic party and the Republican party. These citizens in great numbers were troubled a few weeks ago over the advent of what we call a "political year."

Notes by the Way

The attractions of settlement in the "vast open spaces" depend on the assurance of an expanding market for the produce which the settlers can hope to grow; and in view of current trends of population and of economic policy, the expansion of the market for primary foodstuffs is nowadays very doubtful indeed.

"I have always tried to keep one or two subjects on hand on which I worked, and which engaged a different part of oneself from that which was employed in earning one's bread. You may call it a hobby, but it was a hobby taken quite seriously.

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Although there is still danger of a great war, Alvin Johnson concludes in the leading article of the Spring Yale Review that the chances in the immediate future, are against it—for a paradoxical reason.

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Senator W. A. Buchanan, of Lethbridge, submitted facts to the senate the other day to show that farming in Western Canada is not confined to raising grain. Last year Alberta marketed more than 1,000,000 of what are called commercial hogs, not taking into account those kept on the farm.

The other afternoon one of our wistful readers got into a taxicab at Fifty-seventh street and North only on vice-regal nights are crowded houses seen—Intelligentsia!

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PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not assume the opinions of correspondents.

IMPROVEMENT OR AGGRAVATION?

Sir—Anyone who refuses to surrender to Mr. Rogers' logic is a rather hopeless individual to reason with. However, for the benefit of those who are open to conviction, I should like to submit the following figures which corroborate one or other of Mr. Rogers' conclusive answers to R. S. P.'s query as to whether Prohibition has improved or aggravated conditions.

According to official figures establishing a comparison between the five years immediately preceding Prohibition and the five-year period following its inception, the production of wine was tripled by the advent of Prohibition. Still quoting from official records, Mr. Woodcock asserts that 70,000,000 gallons of wine were produced each year. General Lincoln C. Andrews who was in charge of all prohibition activities of the Federal Government, testified before the United States Senate that there were 16,994,980 illicit drinks in 1929.

Planning is the economic catchword of the moment, and like most catchwords it conveys a multitude of virtues while covering a multitude of sins. In its different manifestations, "planning" is inspired by two main motives: ecclesiastical theory (in its most inclusive sense) and reaction to world-depression.

Nor was this pathetic record of failure due to laxity in enforcement of the law. The same official report informs us that there was more sustained pressure to enforce the prohibition law than there was for any other Federal Statute. More than a thousand victims of the Prohibition law were sent to jail and penalitaries by the Federal Government every week in the year to say nothing of the additional thousands jailed by the State Governments.

The chief argument of Prohibitionists in the United States, as well as in Prince Edward Island, was that it protected the youth of the country from venereal diseases and other time-consuming diseases. It is emphasized by health and nutrition investigators that every child of school age must have at least nine hours of sleep every night to enable it to properly develop both mentally and physically and that any violation of this established fact established by the most competent health authorities that loss of the proper adequate amount of sleep in school children, operates destructively on the growing child both as to physical as well as to mental development, causing degeneration or lack of development to a greater or less extent according to the degree of violation of this health requirement.

The Poets' Corner

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ing to the health service statistics, 1,250,000 persons placed themselves under treatment every day of the year for these social scourges which wreck the lives and happiness of millions of people.

That is what Prohibition does for a province or a state. And "Prohibition" prays that our young people may not read our denunciations of such a law. She herself reads them with a shudder and accuses those who make them of pouring misery and eternal damnation.

I am, Sir, etc., CITIZEN.

CARNEGIE LIBRARIES

Sir—Some one, in support of taxation of all the people (a great majority of whom are the poor) of forced location of these branches to receive any benefit whatsoever endeavour to make a point—that the school children have received benefit from these branches.

The regular school course contains abundant educational material when the teacher possesses the necessary ability to adequately impart the necessary knowledge of the course, to fully tax the physical and mental capacity of each pupil, compatible with the physical well being of the growing developing child.

HORNED OWLS VERSUS SKUNKS

Sir—In the issue of the Charlottetown Guardian dated March 27th appeared a letter headed "Bounty on Skunks" and signed Ludlow Jenkins, Marshfield, in which he criticizes the policy of the Provincial Government, re: the bounty paid on Great Horned Owls and Skunks, particularly stressing the bounty paid on the former pest.

Possibly your readers may be interested in having a little light thrown on the way in which the bounty paid on these pests. During the War year, in 1914 I believe, a rancher in Prince County, became tired of feeding a bunch of Skunks at a loss. Instead of killing them and burning the carcasses he took the easy way out and opened the ranch doors and gave approximately 40 of these animals their freedom.

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privileges that it can offer and which by its location excludes the farmers distal to its located point. Thus in these conditions forced on the farmers, is it not only fair and proper that the persons favorably located and who say that the branches are a benefit to them be required to pay the operating expenses of such and not even ask, let alone demand, that the farmers who receive no benefit therefrom to pay for those who say they benefit?

In other words, let the well-to-do, centrally located, pay for those who say they themselves benefit and not ask or expect the farmers to pay their share and in thus doing carry out British fair play and justice in their attitude to the distantly located farmer. It has been admitted that over 75 per cent of all the books read consist of novels. Of all reading matter as perused and read by the usual reader of such, the most pernicious and detrimental element written in English reaches its zenith in such fiction.

But these rich foreign publishers naturally want to sell them at their price, and they are a ready-made market. In the endeavour to mollify the taxpaying farmer to submit to this great additional taxation, the idea may have been suggested that the library was the equivalent of a school or college, but where there is any semblance whatever of a parallel it is most difficult to discern.

In a school or college of recognized value there is always a prescribed course of studies to which each pupil is obliged not only to strictly conform to, but also to successfully pass by written and oral examinations all comprised in such. In all such courses the subjects are clearly defined in detail and consist of the most adequate and advanced knowledge on the respective subjects of the course. And a full knowledge of all is obligatory and compulsory. In courses leading to degrees and granting of diplomas or certificates, the holder of any such has only to present them in order to receive the recognition of his mental attainments in the subjects covered by his diplomas or certificates.

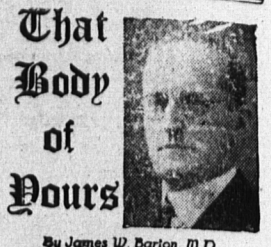
Thus the distinction between library reading and a school or college course, is so obvious and self-evident, that comment is unnecessary. I am, Sir, etc., TAXPAYER

CEIVING THE BOUNTY.

In practically all cases the bounty was paid to farmers' and farmers' sons and not professional trappers, so it is reasonably safe to assume that bootlegging was reduced to a minimum, if not eliminated altogether.

Now I do not wish to infer that a Horned Owl will not kill and eat a skunk, but my experience has been that he has to be pretty hard up for food. In conversation with J. D. Jenkins who pays the bounties, he stated that in the 200 odd owls brought in to his office only one showed evidence of association with a skunk, and in this instance it was unmistakable. On occasion a Horned Owl will kill and eat a crow or tom-cat, but I have reason to suspect it is only when pressed by hunger. The main food of the owl consists of rats, mice, rabbits, muskrat, game birds, poultry, etc.

The incident related by Dr. A. K. Fisher, in which he counted the bodies of 113 full grown rats with the brain in each individual case removed, lying on the ground (Continued on Page 7)



GETTING AHEAD OF MENTAL AILMENTS

The reason the number of mental cases is not mounting as rapidly as it might is that most physicians today are equipped to deal with "beginning" cases of mental upsetment or disorder.

This means that when a patient consults the physician he is allowed to talk about his pains, his inability to sleep, his chronic tiredness, his pain over the heart, his indigestion, his headache or his backache. He is not cut off as he tells his story, and when he tells it all there is nothing or at least not much that he can think he may have forgotten to tell the physician.

Now these ailments, whether real or imaginary, have been on his mind perhaps for weeks and months and have caused fear and worry—worry is chronic fear. When therefore he consults the physician he wants the physician to know about all these different symptoms with which he has been afflicted.

Today the physician writes down or makes a mental note of the different aches or symptoms as told him by the patient and makes a thorough examination of the body affected or parts that might affect other parts such as infected tonsils, gall bladder and intestine, thin blood, low blood pressure, the condition of the urine, the condition of heart and lungs, eyes, ears, nose, throat, posture of the body, nervous reactions.

When this examination really locates some condition which may cause some of the symptoms of which the patient complains, it means much to the patient's peace of mind, because his family and friends might have been repeatedly telling him that his symptoms were imaginary or not really serious.

The physician can find no cause for the symptoms he is able to assure the patient that his emotions, his fears or worries, are upsetting or unsettling him and actually interfering with the working processes of the body.

By having all his story heard, and also having a thorough examination the patient is reassured and is not likely to develop into a mental case.

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