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Morning Maxim To look deep within printed pages, to catch there the reactions of others to problems and to circumstances, to find reported there the treasure mined from life by human beings of all times and of all places—this to take daily trails through time and through space.

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PAGE MR. LEA

Our local contemporary is apparently unable to explain why the Lea Government failed to reduce its overdraft by floating bond issues in the early months of 1931 at the then prevailing rate of 4 1/2 per cent, which would have saved the additional interest charged and compounded quarterly by the bank and prevented the necessity, which subsequently arose, of negotiating bonds on a less favorable market.

Moreover, they are capable of following editorial discussion without the aid of black capital letters and double column type. Such methods are doubtless indispensable in the kindergarten, but add nothing to the force of statements addressed to educated adults. If our contemporary has any coherent explanation to make it can do so with perfect assurance that its readers' understanding will be equal to the task of appreciating the meaning unassisted by such devices.

A LIBERAL LEGACY

As announced in yesterday's dispatches from Ottawa, the report of the Duff Commission on Transportation will be tabled in Parliament early next week. A summary of this report has already appeared in the press, and it is evident from this summary, and from the emphasis placed on the need of drastic economies in railway management, that the financial situation of the Canadian National system has been anything but satisfactory.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Contribution by Dominion treasury in Canadian National Railways to date - \$1,360,000,000. Canadian National Railway bonds guaranteed by Dominion - 1,280,000,000. Total C. N. R. debt - \$2,640,000,000.

Direct cash outlay from the Canadian treasury to date, including investment in government railways, subsidies, direct loans, deficits, and sundry other payments on behalf of the system, aggregate the immense sum of over one billion, three hundred and sixty million dollars upon which not one dollar by way of interest return has been received by the Dominion.

In seven months Canadians have purchased life insurance to the amount of \$281,372,000 which to say the least is a very substantial volume of business. It is an achievement, notes the Monetary Times, which is doubly gratifying. Not only does it reflect appreciation of the value of life insurance which has come to be regarded as a matter of necessity for the average person in this country but it also represents the large buying power of the Canadian public.

According to Mr. Mackenzie King, the Liberal, Progressive and Independent groups have much in common, especially in their opposition to the Conservatives, who, he says, "are not less dangerous than wolves in sheep's clothing." This, comments the Montreal Gazette, is very hard on the Conservative party, or might be considered so, were it not that this discussion of disguises recalls the old and excellent fable

NOTES BY THE WAY

Trade is not done between governments, says The Spectator, Governments can help or hinder trade, but ultimately it is men who produce, manufacture, sell, buy and consume; just as, in a detail of trading, it is that important person, the bagman, not the Consul, whose business it is to get orders. We must not sit down and wait for Ottawa to make trade. It will not...

How the United States can maintain the doctrine laid down in the recent and reiterated declarations of Secretary Stimson, and not come in to ultimate collision with Japan upon the Manchurian issue, it is hard to see. How Japan can much longer keep her membership in the League of Nations is equally an unanswerable question which rises to threaten the peace of the world.

Mayor Joseph V. McKee of New York apparently does not regard the city's debts as any bragging matter. He has issued strict instructions to all municipal departments to cut their estimates twenty per cent, and hopes to save almost a quarter on the controllable part of the budget excluding the debt service. This twenty per cent represents a remarkable target at which the budget reformers may shoot, not only in New York but in other cities.

Nations as well as individuals are feeling the lack of cash these days, and the League of Nations is said to be facing an awkward situation because the necessary contributions have not been paid according to schedule. Possibly, in this situation, the League may be moved to consider more carefully the need for expenditures on the scale to which they have steadily grown. At that, they are insignificant when compared with what many of the member nations are paying for armaments.

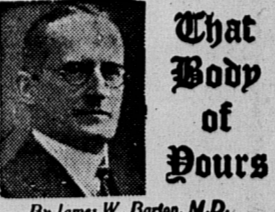
Candidates who offer themselves for re-election and are defeated are called lame ducks in the United States. This year they promise to be unusually numerous. One sixth of the members who constitute the present Congress will not return. Some of them have resigned voluntarily. Others have tried for other offices than those they held, and still more of them have fallen at the primaries. That is to say, they have been beaten for renomination by members of their own party.

Making Haste Slowly

(Monthly Commercial Letter, Canadian Bank of Commerce.) Those who advocate nationalization of business would do well to consider carefully the following opinion of a noted authority, Dr. Ernest Minor Patterson of the University of Pennsylvania and the present incumbent of that honored position, the presidency of the American Academy of Political and Social Science.

The enormous buying power of chain stores, says The Maritime Farmer, is both a challenge and an opportunity to co-operative organizations, according to Harry R. Todsall, professor of marketing of the graduate school of business administration of Harvard University, who declared they tend to buy merchandise from manufacturers rather than wholesalers, and from farmers or farm organizations rather than commission men.

The systems through which the greater part of economic and social life flows are the result of evolution; they have been continuously in the process of change and generally for the better, and they may be expected to alter as national and international conditions demand. Yet, as long as there is danger of great economic disequilibrium the need for improvement will remain. The principle of doing nothing and of letting nature take its course is not acceptable in an age in which human intelligence has been applied to the remedy of evils such as disease and epidemics.



By James W. Barton, M.D. HIVES (URTICARIA) FROM SLUGGISH LIVER

You may eat a certain food and in a short time your skin is covered with hives (urticaria), face swollen, and there may be a little difficulty in breathing. This condition may persist for a number of hours or may pass away in a few minutes. If you call a physician he may inject a few drops of adrenalin under the skin and the hives disappear in a very short time.

Perhaps, some time later, the food tempts you to such an extent that you eat some and no hives (urticaria) follow, no swelling of the face, no difficulty in breathing. Why did this food cause hives at one time and not at another? Because your liver, and the flow of bile therefrom were working so well that they were able to take care of this particular food and did not allow it to disturb your digestive system.

Although most of the foods that cause hives are classed as proteids which are not under the direct action of the bile, but under the action of the stomach digestive juice, and pancreatic juice, nevertheless it has been found that where there is a sluggishness in the liver, thickening of the bile in the gall bladder, and a slowness of the flow of bile, foods that would not ordinarily cause digestive disturbances actually set up a chain of symptoms in the body—low blood pressure, slow beat of the heart, indigestion, and hives or urticaria.

Remember, walking, bending, any exercise in fact, will not only squeeze the liver and help the circulation there, but actually increases the flow of bile also.

Not By That Road

(Vancouver Province) Farmers' strikes in the fertile lands of the middle-west United States, and especially in Iowa and Nebraska, seem to be fizzling out in heartbreak and futility. In Iowa where the movement started—the so-called "Farmers Holiday"—after a month of "peaceful" picketing which ended in the shooting and gassing of fourteen farmers, a truce has been called, and there is to be a Governor's conference in Sioux City. In Nebraska, another state where the revolting farmers showed some organized resistance to the regime of low prices, the news is that the strike is getting nowhere, except by way of breeding bad blood between the farmers themselves and between poor farmers in the country and poorer men in the cities.

It is easy to see that there was never any hope of better prices by way of a farmers' holiday, but it is hard indeed not to sympathize with the farmers nevertheless. In Iowa, the pledge taken by the strikers is eloquent of their hard case. It bound them not to go to market with should be uprooted and replaced by others, frequently the progeny of single minds. The best attitude seems to be to regard the present institutions as having in the past been productive in the main of good, but capable of improvement in the future.

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Powers above in clouds do sit, Mocking our poor aplish wit, That so lamely with such state Their high glory imitate, No ill can be felt but pain, And that happy men disdain.

—Philip Rosseter (1576-1623.)

Communism At St. James Bay

(Exchange) Communism in land rights is being tried by the Indians of James Bay, at the southeastern corner of Hudson Bay. But they don't like the way it works, and they want to go back to their former system of family group ownership. So reports Dr. John M. Cooper, anthropologist at the Catholic University of America, Washington, who has just returned from their country.

Land rights of the Indians in that far northern region mean but one thing—hunting rights. Traditionally they have been held by small family or kinship groups, and no group's land has been trespassed or poached upon by any other. The Indians have voluntarily practiced conservation, sparing enough animals, especially beaver, to restock the hunting grounds for another season's trapping.

But the pressure of post-war demands for furs started keen competition among the trading firms, with steeply rising prices offered. This, together with other factors, operated to break down the old system of respect for private hunting rights, and the Indians have in increasing measure been hunting where and when and how they pleased, often following the white trappers' example and cleaning out every beaver in a lodge, leaving none for propagation.

The result has been disastrous, Dr. Cooper states. The beavers that bore the golden fur have been killed, the Indians are impoverished, and the trading posts that used to ship their tens of thousands of pelts in a season now have not a single one to send to market.

WOMAN WEARS SNAKE TATTOO

Unconventionally in the costume of a young woman at a recent promenade concert at Queen's Hall, London, attracted great attention. She wore a blue silk shirt with sleeves rolled up, a very short skirt of the same materials, large gold rings in her ears, and round her ankles snakes were tattooed.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—A trust fund of an undisclosed amount for the care of two pet cats, Tabby and Spotty, is provided in the will of Miss Ottilie Emma Bjorkwall, filed today. The fund is to be formed of an investment in the Beneficial Industrial Loan Corporation of Wilmington, Del.

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They could not hold the great body of the farmers in line for the effective execution of their policy. Supplies got through the blockade, almost as if there had been no blockade; prices were not materially affected; cities with bread lines outside their municipal offices resented an action which, if it could have succeeded, would only have made the immediate economic problem of the depression still worse than it was.

The truth about the farmers' strike, whatever the farmers might intend and whatever they might protest, is that it meant war upon the consumer, and that it could not be successful except at the price of civil war. There is no visible way



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their produce until the prices should ensure them a return equal to the cost of production. The farmers of the United States say that they have known the longest depression in all the history of American agriculture: not merely the three years since the crash of Wall Street, but the twelve years since the deflation, in 1920, of wartime prices of farm products.

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