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Heated houses, particularly poorly constructed buildings in which loose-fitting woodwork and cracks and crevices abound, are liable to infestation by cockroaches and other household insects all the year round. Cockroaches are frequently abundant in apartment houses, hotels, stores, dwelling houses, and in short, in any building where there are warm, moist conditions and especially where thorough house-cleaning methods are not adopted in every section of the establishment. The insects remain hidden during the day in cracks in the walls and floors, and emerge at night to prowl about in search of food. Cockroaches will eat anything eatable, but are particularly fond of foodstuffs favoured by man. On this account they are most numerous around kitchens and pantries where food is readily accessible. The most prevalent species in Canada is the German cockroach.

Cockroaches may be readily controlled by means of sodium fluoride which may be obtained from any drugstore. The fluoride should be dusted in places frequented by the roaches, such as sinks., baseboards, cupboards and hot water pipes. The material adheres to the legs and antennae of the insects, and in cleaning themselves they are poisoned by it. Sodium fluoride retains its effectiveness and may be left undisturbed as long as convenient or until the roaches have disappeared, but precautions must be taken to prevent children and domestic pets gaining access to the material because it is somewhat poisonous. Two other materials which form the basis of many proprietory powders which are often recommended are pyrethrum and borax.

A special article on how to combat cockroaches may be obtained on request to the Publicity and Extension Branch, Dominion Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

KENSINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

The following are the pupils of Kensington High School who have passed in the half yearly examinations. (in order of merit)

Grade X -1. Keith Kennedy, 2. Lillian Forbes and Helen Higgins (equal), 4. Boyd Bearisto, 5. Aniceta Braham, 6. Georgie Kennedy, 7. Glenna Clark, 8. Wendell Profitt.

Grade IX -1. Marjorie Baker, 2. Joyce Howard, 3. Ralph Somers, 4. Lorraine McMahon and David Gorman, 6. Vina Higgins.

The December honor roll for Miss Paynter's room follows:—

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SUNDAY SERVICES. — New Glasgow 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P.M. Cavendish Baptist Church 3.00 P.M. Rev. Wm. G. Quigley, Minister. L-827-1-14-11.

HAMPTON UNITED CHARGE.—Rev. D. J. Morrison, Minister. Services on Sunday, January 16th as follows: Hampton 11 A. M. DeSable 3 P. M. Victoria 7 P. M. L-825-1-14-11.

BELFAST — BELLE RIVER United Church Services Sunday, January 16th. Eldon 3 P. M. Belle River 7.30 P. M. W. B. MacPhail, Minister. L-835-1-14-11.

CAVENDISH CHARGE. — Worship on Sunday the 16th in North Rustico 11 A. M. Stanley Bridge 3 P .M. Annual Congregational meeting on Tuesday at 2 P. M. Geo. W. Tilley, Minister. L-840-1-14-11.

TO ATTEND FUNERAL — Word has been received from Father Norbert Bradley, son of the late Constable James E. Bradley, that he will arrive in Charlottetown tonight from Toronto to attend his father's funeral.

HUNTER RIVER PASTORAL CHARGE, of the United Church of Canada. Rev. W. A. MacQuarrie, B.D., Minister. Services for Sunday, January 16th, will be at North Wiltshire at 11, Hampshire at 2.30 and Hunter River at 7. Sunday School at Hunter River at 10.30. L-839-1-14-11.

GAZETTED—In the list of promotions, appointments and retirements in the Canada Militia, recently gazetted, appears the following:—No. 6 Dist. Sigs.—to be Maj. and to cmd. the unit: Capt. W. A. Smith; vice Maj. F. B. Conrad, M.M., who is trans. to the Corps Reserve of Officers, with the rank of Lt.-Col. 1st Sept., 1937.

SALE CONCLUDED — McLure and MacKinnon received the following cable from Hudson's Bay Co., London, last evening: "Company sale concluded today. Total offering 45,618 silver fox pelts. 83 per cent sold at firm prices compared December. Finer skins in excellent demand. Full silvery sold best. Hudson's Bay Co."

PROPERTY CHANGES — The property lately owned by Mr. Wesley H. Hood, Cornwall, has been purchased by Mr. Daniel McArthur of Lorne Valley, who is now occupying this commodious farm with modern home and well equipped buildings. Mr. Hood made short work of the sale and almost immediately purchased the large farm property of Mr. Vincent Leonard in Cornwall and is very much pleased with his splendid new property. It is very pleasing to know that Mr. Hood is still a resident of Cornwall which district he has helped build-up and has seen many changes in it since his boyhood days.

PERSONALS

Ex-Conductor J. A. Jardine left yesterday morning for St. Petersburg, Fla., where he will spend the remainder of the winter.

Mrs. Harry Ritchie left yesterday morning on return to her home in Ottawa, after attending the funeral of her mother, Mrs. L. E. Prowse.

CONCERT. AT. LONG. CREEK

A very interesting Christmas concert of the Long Creek Willing Workers Mission Band was held in the Hall on Dec. 16 when a large number of people witnessed the young performers in their various numbers. Mr. Hector Currie acted as chairman and perfect order was maintained during the evening. At the close of the program Santa Claus appeared and distributed presents, candy and apples to the children. The leaders, Mrs. H.A. MacKenzie and Mrs. Malcolm MacNeill also the organist Mrs. Hector Currie were especially to be remembered by the Band.

The following is the program:—

Chorus, Christmas Belongs to All Children.

Recitation, Norma Stretch, Ruby MacEwen, Betty MacDonald, Freddie Stretch and Walter MacLeod.

Solo, Mary Stretch.

Recitation, Shirley Stretch, Caroline MacKenzie, Hollis MacEwen, Floyd Stretch, and Lois Strang.

Pantomime, O Little Town of Bethlehem.

Duet, Mary MacKenzie and Helen MacDonald.

Recitation, Florence MacLean and Phyllis MacEachern.

Duet, Charlotte and Mary Strang.

Recitation, Lois MacLean and Joan Strang.

Dialogue, Helping Others.

Duet, Mrs. George MacLean and Miss Anna MacMillan.

Recitation, Rose MacLeod and Vera MacLeod.

Motion Song, Tip Toe, by six girls.

Exercise, Christmas Candles by Charlotte Grace and Mary Strang.

Solo, Lillian MacNeill.

Exercise, Her Christmas Flowers.

Recitation, Mackie MacNeill, Wilna MacPhail, Hanna Turner, and Jackie MacDonald.

Candle Drill by eight girls.

Trio, Ted, Norman and Wilfred Stretch.

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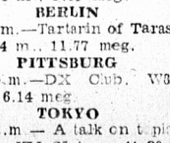

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Rear-Admiral Appointments Announced

(C.P. Cable, By Guardian's Special Wire)

LONDON, Jan. 13— The Admiralty today announced appointment of eight rear-admirals, three of whom will be placed on the retired list.

The list of those remaining on the active list includes Captain Henry R. Moore, chief of staff to the commander-in-chief of the Home Fleet; Captain Richard B. Davies, who won the Victoria Cross at the Dardanelles in the Great War; and Captain H. D. Pridham-Wippell, expert on destroyer operations who organized the British anti-piracy patrol in the Mediterranean last fall. Captains Moore and Davies at present are naval aides-de-camp to the King.

Others promoted to flag rank and remaining with the colors are Captains Bruce A. Fraser and Lancelot Holland.

Promoted to rear-admiral and retired, effective Jan. 12, are Captains Sir Lionel Doveton Sturdee, Alan R. Dewar and Ronald W. Oldham.

Sir Lionel, who now commands the battleship Resolution, is a son of Admiral Sir Doveton Sturdee who destroyed Admiral Von Spee's squadron at the battle of the Falkland Island in 1914, thus avenging the British defeat at Coronel.

Captain Moore, who is 51, was assistant secretary to the British delegation to the Washington Naval Conference in 1921 and served in the same capacity at the Geneva Conference of 1927. He directed the plans division of the Admiralty from 1932 to 1933.

Captain Davies has been intimately connected with the air activities of the navy. He served on the naval air section of the naval staff at the Admiralty from 1926 to 1928 and as liaison officer for the fleet air arm at the Air Ministry from 1931 to 1933. At present he is in command of naval barracks.

Captain Pridham-Wippell, who at present commands the home fleet destroyer flotillas, was in charge of destroyer operations at Gallipoli, in the Adriatic and on the Palestine coast during the war. From 1933 to 1935 he was director of the operations division at the Admiralty. He is 52.

Cut-Rate Plans Make Merry War For Old Lander

LONDON, Jan. 13 — (CP)—In the midst of a season notable for its crop of new plays and high average of acknowledged successes, London's theatrical world has suddenly become enmeshed in a spirited war of words over the issue of cut-rate prices. The battle to date has provided the public with an unrehearsed off-stage spectacle, combining melodrama, tragedy and comedy with interest keen and applause divided about equally.

Victor Payne Jennings, sponsor of the so-called "privilege-ticket" movement, is cast in the principal role. The rest of the cast consists of a group of influential West-End theatre managers and a mixed chorus in support.

The curtain went up on the first act, devoted to the romantic delineation of the scheme evolved by Jennings. Imbued with the idea that the better plays were beyond the financial reach of the vast majority of would-be theatre-goers, Jennings formed a club, with a membership charge of two shillings, six pence (63 cents). Membership carries with it a privilege-ticket, which entitles the holder to purchase two tickets for the price of one at selected theatres.

Since inauguration of the scheme, Jennings says 150,000 have become affiliated with the club and between 130 and 140 shows have fallen in line with the plan.

The play proceeds. Jennings undertook to take over three outstanding current hits—Victoria Regina, French Without Tears, and George and Margaret, at the end of their natural runs in the West-End. His plan was to transfer them to larger theatres, maintain all artists at prevailing salaries and pay over half the profits to the original managements. He threw in a guarantee of £1,000 ($5,000) with each offer.

"Nothing doing!" retorted the opposing group of managers. They charged the under-cutters were cheapening the show business, reducing actors' salaries and dismissing members of the original casts when receipts began falling. Some of the theatres countered the movement with placards saying: "This show can't be seen anywhere else at cut-rates."

W. J. O'Bryen, one of the managers, declared the system proposal falsely encouraged theatregoers to wait until a play could be seen at cheap rates. "In the second place," he added, "it antagonizes people who pay the full price, only to find they have paid twice as much as those in the adjoining seats."

Gilbert Miller, another noted producer, turned thumbs down on Jennings' plan. "I'm afraid the profit-sharing part of the offer would be an empty one." Cost of play production, he said, had scared through the years, while prices of tickets remained constant. Some managers estimated a 200-per-cent higher outlay to get a production on the boards today than it did 10 years ago.

Mr. Miller pointed out that "Silent Knight," his play in rhymed verse had failed to attract customers to St. James's Theatre although it had cost him nearly £400 ($2,000) a week more to stage than "The Last of Mrs. Cheyney," with Gladys Cooper and Gerald du Maurier in the cast. "How can I cut prices?" Miller asked.

Flora Robson, appearing in the current success "Autumn," at the St. Martin's, has played under the two-for-one system but declares she'll never do it again. Conditions were far below the standard expected. But Jennings says he isn't worrying about boycotts. "I am primarily interested in helping the theatre business and if necessary will take the risk of original productions, which I'm accused of not daring to face.

STEPPING OUT

MELBOURNE—(CP) — As a special concession to New Year's revellers the St Kilda street cars were run till 2 a. m. with an extra fare after midnight.

MOSCOW, Jan. 12—(AP) — Soviet Russia's first Red parliament, with Joseph Stalin as the central figure, conducted its opening session with machine-like precision today, electing officers and adopting agenda without debate.

American Companies Sued For Patent Infringement

(By The Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Jan. 13—Spokesmen for the Gaumont British Picture Corporation, whose subsidiary, British Acoustic Films Ltd., has begun patent infringement litigation against two leading makers and distributors of American sound film mechanism, today said the outcome might affect virtually every motion picture theatre in North America.

The American defendants named in the action filed yesterday in federal district court at Wilmington, Del., were the RCA Manufacturing Company, a subsidiary of the Radio Corporation of America, and the Electrical Research Products Inc., wholly controlled affiliate of the Western Electric Company.

While no statement of damages accompanied the yesterday's plea for an injunction, local spokesmen for the British interests said between $10,000,000 and $20,000,000 might be involved.

The complaints, they said, were based on two patents. The first, a "device for feeding acoustic film at constant speed," was issued by the United States patent office to Arnold Poulsen and Alex Carlgeorg Petersen in 1926.

A second patent was issued in 1935 to Poulsen alone and both, Gaumont spokesmen alleged, subsequently were assigned to the British acoustic films. Despite this they said, the two American firms used the patented features on their mechanism.

Attorneys for both the RCA Manufacturing Company and the Electrical Research Products Company expressed surprise at the action and declared it would be necessary for them to study the complaints before discussing them.

Gaumont spokesmen declared large scale installation of the contested equipment now was in progress in this country.

Wheat Situation Reviewed In Brief

Over two hundred thousand farmers in Western Canada will be seeding wheat next spring. While the chief concern of many will be the possible weather conditions of the succeeding four or five months, these farmers will all be vitally interested in the market possibilities for the 1938 crop. The market for wheat is influenced by many factors and these are all given careful consideration in the preparation of the grain section of the Agricultural Situation and Outlook for 1938, prepared by the Dominion Departments of Agriculture and of Trade and Commerce.

World wheat production in 1937 was moderately larger than that of the previous year, but this increase was approximately offset by a reduction in world stocks at the beginning of the crop year. The distribution of the 1937 crop, however, was such that the importing countries had a more adequate supply and consequently world trade in wheat is expected to be lower in 1937-38 than was the case in 1936-37 when 605 million bushels moved in international trade. The United Kingdom is the largest market for Canadian wheat and this year, it is expected that Belgium, Germany, Holland and France will also be importers of substantial quantities.

The market for Canadian wheat has been built up on a quality basis and on continuity of supply, hence it is vital to the interests of Canada to have at least 200 million bushels of wheat available for export in each crop year, in order that the advantage of existing markets may be realized. In the present crop year, the 1937 crop of 182.5 million bushels along with a carryover from the previous crop year of 32.7 million bushels, leaves Canada with a supply of only 215 million bushels of wheat. Out of this supply, about 100 million bushels will be needed for domestic requirements and with a minimum carryover of 30 million bushels, a maximum of 85 million bushels are available for export during the current season. This amount falls regrettably short of the volume of Canadian wheat that importing countries have been willing to take even in the years of low world import demand. In view of the low carryover which will be available on August 1, 1938, it would appear that the probable crop on a wheat acreage similar to that sown in 1937 could be absorbed without difficulty.

All phases of the wheat situation, as well as that of all major farm enterprises are discussed in the Agricultural Situation and Outlook for 1938. Copies are available free from the Publicity and Extension Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

The chimpanzee is the brightest mentally of the great apes.

Trinity United Church

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14th

3.30 P. M.—Brownies.
6.30 P .M.—Girl Guides.
7.00 P .M.—Choir Rehearsal.
7.00 P .M.—Scouts.

A New High In Northern Transportation

OTTAWA, Jan. 13— Transportation activities in the North West Territories of Canada reached a new high during 1937, when the four principal transportation Companies, using steam and diesel-powered boats and tugs, scows and barges, carried approximately 23,000 tons of freight from and to Waterways, Alberta, the end of steel. In addition the two main air transportation companies handled approximately an additional 600 tons, carrying freight, supplies and men to and from remote areas. Due to increased mining activities the transportation companies are looking forward to an even heavier movement during 1938.

An important addition to the transportation facilities of the North during 1937 was the launching of the Diesel-powered steel boats—Radium Queen and Radium King on the MacKenzie River route. These tugs, built at Sorel, Quebec, were moved by rail in sections across the continent to Edmonton, then north. They were reassembled launched at Waterways and Fort Smith.

Another noteworthy development in northern transportation was the construction of an eight and a half mile pipeline with storage tanks to overcome the bar to navigation at St. Charles rapids on Great Bear River. This is believed to be the world's farthest north pipeline. In addition a fleet of tanker barges were constructed at Fort Smith to facilitate the movement of oil between the wells fifty miles below Norman and the several consuming points. Oil during the summer months now moves on regular schedule to Eldorado on Great Bear Lake,, and to Yellowknife Bay and Gordon Lake areas in the Great Slave Lake district.

Another forward step which will speed up the movement of heavy freight was the completion of a winter tractor road from Yellowknife Bay during the water navigation season, freight and supplies are re-shipped a distance of seventy-five miles by tractor at a much cheaper rate than the former method of aerial transportation could afford.

The airplane continues to play an important part in the development of the Canadian Northwest. Many areas once almost inaccessible are now within a few hours flying time from large centres of population, and fleets of modern-type aircraft equipped with skis in winter and pontoons in summer provide rapid mail, freight and passenger service. Practically all of the aircraft are equipped with heating systems designed for extremely low temperatures and are capable of a cruising speed of 180 miles an hour. The number of airplanes in service during 1937 is reported as varying from 16 to 20 operating from Prince Albert, Edmonton and Fort McMurray, and indications are that this number will be increased during 1938.

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(All Time is Eastern Standard)

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PARIS

6:15 p.m.—Concert Relayed from Radio-Paris. TPA—4, 25.6 m., 11 72 meg.

LONDON

6:20 p.m.—"Do We Understand English?" a talk by Lloyd James, Secretary of the BBC Advisory Committee on Spoken English. GSC, 31.3 m., 9 58 meg.; GSB, 31.5 m., 9.51 meg.; GSL, 49.1 m., 6.11 meg.

ROME

7:35 p.m.—Guest Night; Amy Bernardy: "Rome's Midnight Voice. 2RO, 31 1 m., 9.63 meg.

BOSTON

7:45 p.m.—Pathways to Peace. WIXAL, 49.2 m., 6.04 meg.

LONDON

8:00 p.m.—Songs from the Light Operas, GSC, 31.3 m., 9.58 meg.; GSB, 31.5 m., 9 51 meg.; GSL 49 1 m., 6.11 meg.

BOSTON

8:15 p.m.—Behold the City: Philadelphia. WIXAL, 49.6 m., 6 04 meg.

CARACAS

9:15 p.m.—Popular Music YV-5RC, 51.77 m., 5.8 meg.

LONDON

9:30 p.m.—"The House in the Country," a skit, GSD, 25.5 m., 11.75 meg.; GSC, 31.3 m., 9.58 meg.; GSB, 31.5 m., 9.51 meg.; GSL, 49.1 m., 6.11 meg.

BERLIN

9:30 p.m.—Tartarin of Tarascon. DJD, 25 4 m., 11.77 meg.

PITTSBURG

11:30 p.m.—DX Club. W3XK, 48.8 m., 6.14 meg.

TOKYO

12:45 a.m.—A talk on topics in the news. JZJ, 25.4 m., 11.80 meg.

SLDNEY, AUSTRALIA

1:15 a.m.—Talk on Australia. VK2ME, 31.28 m., 9.59 meg.

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M.L.A. 49 Years Absent But Once

NASSUA, Bahamas, Jan. 13 — (CP)—An attendance score that may be a record for Empire legislatures has been attained by W.C.B. Johnson, O.B.E., Speaker of the Bahamas House of Assembly. In 49 years in the House, Mr. Johnson has missed only one meeting.

The House of Assembly and elections have been his hobbies. At 73 he still is an active campaigner who loves the rough-and-tumble of the hustings and he has no thought of retiring. "I've gone to the House in a storm when there weren't sufficient members present to form a quorum," he related. "On one occasion, before the days of the motorcar, I fell off my bicycle and injured my leg. That night I went to the House on crutches.

His one lapse came when a doctor who feared cancer, ordered him to Miami to consult a specialist about an obstinate sore on his leg. The doctor's fears proved groundless and the Assembly meeting he missed still rankles. "Truly, that the cancer in my sore," he said.

Deputy Speaker and Leader of the Government in the House, Mr. Johnson was elected Speaker last December.