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NOTES BY THE WAY

London hotels are said to have been appalled by the avalanche of foreign visitors of 65 nationalities which the World Economic Conference has brought down on them.

It is significant that almost every nation in the League is planning its future on anything but a peaceful basis. Turn whithersoever we may, the looming spectre of another ruthless war may be described on the horizon.

With one-fifth of our working population unemployed, it is no longer possible to believe that jobs are part of the natural order of things. The result is that fear has become the dominant emotion of contemporary America—fear of losing one's job.

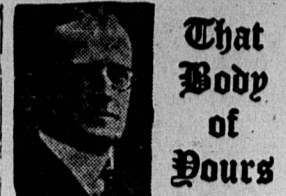
At the London Sessions, Sir Percival Clark took occasion to praise a policeman who, in the pursuit of some motor car thieves, leaped from the running board of the police car to that of the fugitives as it was going sixty miles an hour.

Salaries, big salaries, are not paid in accordance with a man's wisdom or knowledge or learning. They are paid because of what a man can earn; or, in fact, a percentage of earnings. It is the explanation of why a crooner gets more than a scientist, or why a prize-fighter gets more than a pedagogue.

In a perfect world, we suppose, a world in which men would be angels, leaders like Morgan would have told the public that the stock it was buying for \$37 was worth only \$47. This, however, is not a perfect world, so Mr. Morgan (who probably would not have been heeded had he spoken) kept his peace.

We speak advisedly of the 'humane' achievement of the age which Plato adorned. Our own age is supreme in another sphere, that of subduing the material universe to our purposes. But when we have time to pause, we must surely ask ourselves whether our purposes are commensurate with the means of attaining them.

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By James W. Barton, M.D.

TESTING THE SKIN FOR CAUSE OF ECZEMA

Our skin specialists tell us that one half of all skin ailments are eczema. They also tell us that eczema is really not a skin ailment, but simply an outward sign on the skin that certain substances irritate the skin either from the outside or the inside of the body.

What is known as the patch test is often of help in finding just what substance is causing the trouble. In doing the patch test the substance suspected of being the cause is placed on a small piece of damp linen. This is laid on the skin, usually on the back, and covered with a large layer of rubber tissue.

Small scratches, not sufficient to draw blood, are made on the normal skin, one scratch having the suspected substance applied to it and the other scratch left alone.

The substance can be blamed for causing the eczema not because the spot is a definite size within a certain time, but because it is larger and more inflamed than the scratch into which no substance was applied.

Remember, some cases of eczema may not be due so much to food stuffs, but to the manner in which the juices from certain glands control the body processes. Thus gland treatment is of help in some cases of eczema.

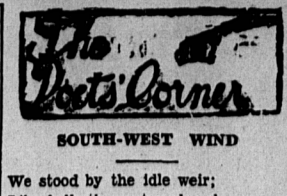
Plato And 1933

(London Morning Post)

It is reported from Athens that the spade of the archaeologist has just laid bare the remains of the Academy which Plato founded and where he taught for forty years. Plato's Academy was not of course, a building such as would house a modern seat of learning. It was a grove on a river bank outside the city where youth congregated for the improvement of mind and body in just proportion.

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may mean the loss of millions, a matter of \$200,000 is of little consequence. In other words, if the \$200,000 executive could devise some plan to make a few extra millions, or scrap some policy that was losing a few extra millions, then he would be far cheaper than a \$10,000 a year particular. One bad loan avoided might make all the difference. All of these things are relative—depend upon what a man may be doing, or can do, or what, through some special circumstances, he can bring in.



SOUTH-WEST WIND

We stood by the idle weir; Like bells the water played; The rich moonlight slept everywhere

How sorrow comes who knows? And here joy surely had been: But joy, like any wild wind, blows From mountains none has seen; And still its cloudy veiling throws On the bright road its goes.

Battle Honors Awarded

(Toronto Globe)

The Boer War, in which so many Canadians distinguished themselves, has been so overshadowed by the world conflict and the part played in it by this country's valiant men, that it has been almost forgotten.

As announced from Ottawa, sixteen of these units secure the honor "South Africa, 1899-1900." These include the Queen's Own Rifles, the Royal Grenadiers and the 48th Highlanders of Toronto, the Governor-General's Foot Guards, and the Ottawa Highlanders of Ottawa, the Canadian Fusiliers (City of London Regiment), and the Middlesex Light Infantry of London, Ont.

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The Invaders Prosper

(Exchange)

The British are passing laws to eradicate the Canadian muskrat. It is a pest also on the continent. A few years ago several pairs were taken into a private estate near Prague in Czechoslovakia, with the intention of raising them for their fur.

Our muskrat is a rodent allied to the beaver and is the only known species of the genus. It lives along the margin of streams, in the banks of which it makes its nest. The Indians called it the musquash, from which presumably comes the name for the river which flows into the Bay of Fundy.

That invaders become a pest is an old story. In the native haunts nature keeps a balance but in a new land the compensating factors are absent. The Japanese beetle, which is such a pest in the eastern United States and whose invasion of this province is anticipated is not troublesome in Japan. All are familiar with the irraods of the English sparrow and more recently of the starling. The dandelion, the common buttercup and the daisy are all invaders.

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REASSURING

The Canadian Bank of Commerce in its monthly commercial letter estimates that whereas the cash revenue received by the Canadian farmer in January of this year was 12 per cent. lower than that received in January, 1932, the analogous figure for April of this year records an increase of 3 per cent. over April, 1932. Retail prices are slightly lower, and purchasing power, calculated on the same basis, has risen from about 101 per cent. in January to 118 per cent. in April.

This recent rise in farm purchasing power, adds the Bank letter, may be conservatively regarded as the most heartening development in Canadian economy in the past three years. If it proves to be of a permanent character its beneficial effects will be felt in every channel of our economic and social life.

Another encouraging factor is emphasized in the Montreal Gazette. We quote: Three ocean vessels cleared last week from the Port of Montreal with some 1,603 cattle aboard for the United Kingdom, and their livestock cargoes bring the exports to date this year up to 19,877 head. It is interesting to make comparison with last year, which was a sort of recovery year in the cattle trade for the Dominion. In the same period then there were shipped 8,000 head, so it will be seen that 1933 is always ahead of the comparatively good season of 1932. It is also to be noted that prices in England last week were the highest to date this year. The cattle breeders and shippers, consequently, are enjoying what may truly be termed good business; they are selling their livestock abroad and receiving better prices. There is the prospect of this export trade continuing on a relatively improved basis and it is stated that all the available vessel space can readily be taken up with shipments. This development is promising for more than the cattle-raisers and dealers, for it means business for the railways and shipping companies as well. All of these interests benefit directly and the exports are advantageous to the country at large. The facts are decidedly encouraging.

HISTORIC PARALLEL

We are getting accustomed to hearing the World Monetary and Economic Conference described as an event unique and unprecedented in human history. And doubtless, in some respects, this is true. But, a Montreal exchange points out that it would be entirely wide of the mark to suppose that the pressure of the depressed conditions of world trade which has impelled the calling together of this conference, presents any novel features.

The fourteen years following the conclusion of the Franco-German War provide a salient instance of panicky trade and commercial depression which, first manifesting itself in a marked degree in 1873, continued with fluctuations of intensity until 1877. It affected nations involved in war as well as those in a state of peace; those which had a currency based on gold and those which had a different currency unit; those which lived upon a free exchange of commodities and those in which tariffs were adopted; and the slump was felt alike in old-established communities, such as England and Germany, as also in Australia, South Africa, Newfoundland, the West Indies, Japan, China, Mexico, Uruguay, Italy, Australia, South America, Canada, Russia, and the United States. One of the leading economists of France, namely M. Leroy Beaulieu, stated that the suffering in France, humiliated by war and paying the maximum of taxation, was the greatest; whilst some others contended that the heaviest stroke of depression fell upon the United

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FATAL OMISSION.

Avowedly with the object of whetting "the empire appetite of epicurean readers" an exchange reprints details of the special Empire Day luncheon given last month at the Junior Carlton Club, Pall Mall, London. The luncheon was organized as a demonstration of Imperial goodwill and only produce of the Empire was served. The menu contained 187 ingredients from 45 Dominions and colonies. The soups included North Borneo bird's nest, Straits Settlements shark's fin, Fiji cucumber, and Ascension Islands green turtle. Among the fish dishes were Irish salmon, Dover sole, grilled mackerel with Uganda chilly sauce, white-bait with Kelantan Malayan pepper, halibut with Bombay chutney sauce, and fried whiting with New Zealand melted butter. Roast Welsh lamb, Surrey fowl and Ulster bacon, braised sweetbread and Jersey peas, liver and Canadian bacon, and Indian mutton curry were among the hot dishes, while the cold sidetable included a baron of Scotch beef, New Zealand lamb, Gambia groundnut rissoles, English veal and wild duck, and Windward Islands Guava jelly. Among the sweets were Malta figs and cream, Turk's Island tamarinds, Rhodesian buckwheat cakes and maple syrup, Mauritius pineapple, Canadian apple pie, Kenya coffee mould, and Banbury pancakes.

One is grieved to note the seeming absence at this Charentian feast of the common or garden Prince Edward Island "spud," without which the other items on the menu were but palatable trifles, as incomplete and unsatisfying as a Saint Andrew's Day dinner would be without the haggis.

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