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OF A  
MERE MAN

Unborn tomorrow and dead yesterday,  
why fret about them if today  
be sweet.

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## The Situation In The West Is Serious

### BOY SCOUT ASSOCIATION COUNCIL MEETS

#### Plans For Summer Months Made At Meeting Held Last Evening—Arrangements Made For Provincial Scout Rally.

A meeting of the Council of the Boy Scout Association was held in St. Paul's Recreation Hall last evening, Rev. G. T. Spriggs, Provincial Commissioner, presiding. Various troop committees reported that over forty associate members had been enrolled. Associate members are entitled to participate in the work of the organization, and to be recognized as honorary scouts for a minimum annual subscription of two dollars. The money realized from these subscriptions is to go for the purpose of assisting and providing for the scout camp and other scout features. The secretary, Mr. R. C. Parent, reported that the Chief Commissioner, Mr. J. A. Stiles, would visit the Province in June, and remain here for a week.

A provisional programme was mapped out for the commissioner, including visits to Summerside, Bedeque, Montague, Cardigan, and Murray Harbor. Arrangements will also be made for a provincial scout rally in Charlottetown on the last Saturday of the Commissioner's visit. The secretary reported also that the Gilwell Camp for scoutmasters, prospective scoutmasters, scout committeemen, and officials would be held here in July, participated in by the Scouts Associations of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Twelve representatives from Prince Edward Island are expected to attend, and twelve from each of the other provinces.

The secretary likewise reported that the Boy Scout Camp would be held immediately after the Gilwell Camp at Fairview, and that a much larger attendance than last year's was expected. Scoutmasters were advised to prepare their troops for this annual event. On the suggestion of the chairman a message of congratulation and thanks was ordered to be sent to His Excellency the Governor-General for consenting to take the position of Chief Scout in Canada.

(Canadian Press)  
LISBON, April 17.—It was officially announced tonight that military operations were started against the rebels, who revolted against the Lisbon Government in the Azores, and that the garrisons on the two islands, Graciosa and Sao Jorge, had surrendered.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS ETC.

- \* Zion Church Missionary Society Cake Sale, Saturday, April 18th, Bolman's Ltd. 4794-4-16-31
- \* Public Meeting York Hall, Monday, April 20th, at 8 o'clock to discuss repairing hall. By order of Directors. 4840-4-18-21.
- \* Attend the Auction Sale on premises of late Henry Lowther, Charlottetown, on Tuesday, April 21st. 4820-4-18-21.
- \* Will all persons who have orders in for clover seed please come forward on Monday, April 20th. Also can take further orders for red clover. Roland Beaton, Winsloe. 4825-4-18-21.
- \* A meeting of the stock breeders of Cornwall and vicinity will be held in Cornwall Hall on Saturday evening, April 18th at 8 o'clock for the purpose of organizing a Farmers Institute. 4833-4-18-11.
- \* 500 lbs. of Kenora Mixed Seeds left unsorted. Book now. Taking orders for a car of crushed lime, Grandview Station. Book your requirements at once. Bags on hand for loading potatoes. Uigg Institute, W. D. Ross, Secretary. 4839-4-18-31.

### Brilliant Capital Function



NEW MINISTER TO WASHINGTON AND PREMIER'S SISTER MARRIED AT OTTAWA.

Photograph reproduced ABOVE shows Major the Hon. W. D. Herridge, K. C., newly-appointed Canadian minister to the United States, with his bride, the former Miss Mildred Bennett, sister of the Canadian premier, whose wedding was one of the capital's most brilliant social functions, attended as it was by their excellencies, the governor-general and Lady Bessborough and a large gathering of ministers, diplomats and high public dignitaries.—Photograph by John Fowls, Ottawa.

### TAKE STEPS TO HOLD REPUBLIC TOGETHER

#### Inclination Over All Spain To Recognize Supremacy of Central Federal Government.

(British United Press)  
MADRID, April 17.—The new Republican Government headed by Niceto Alcalá Zamora took urgent steps today to prevent the Republic from breaking up into small autonomous States. A delegation headed by members of the new Cabinet flew to Barcelona and conferred with Francisco Macia, Provisional President of the newly proclaimed separate Catalan Republic. Reports from there tonight indicated that the negotiations were progressing favorably and that Macia was inclined to recognize the supremacy of the central Federal Government.

Macia cancelled several appointments to office made following the proclamation of the Catalan Republic last Tuesday, the day Alfonso XIII departed and a Republic was proclaimed in all Spain. His action was regarded by members of the Government here as acceptance of the higher authority of Madrid, pending at least the decision of the Constitutional Cortes, or Parliament to be elected. The Cortes is to decide whether Catalonia shall have the right to hold a plebiscite on autonomy.

Miguel Maura, Minister of Interior, announced during the afternoon that the country was quiet everywhere and that the people had accepted the Republic and gone back to work. Rumors that the Republican Government intended to try Alfonso for various alleged misdeeds while King, were denied by members of the Cabinet.

Alcala Zamora in an interview with the British United Press, scouted the possibility of a return of the Monarchy overthrown Tuesday. The regime crashed in such conclusive manner and the will of the people was so overwhelmingly demonstrated in favor of the Republic, that the return of the Monarchy has been made impossible he asserted. Zamora said the Government was turning its attention at once to problems of finance and farm relief. The fact that Alfonso did not abdicate formally was no cause for alarm, he said.

### Quebec Can Handle The Deportees

(Special to the Guardian)  
QUEBEC, Ont., April 17.—The Province of Quebec can absorb the 30,000 French Canadians facing deportation from the United States, if they want to go on farms, Premier Taschereau said today.

### WILLINGDON ARRIVE IN BOMBAY, INDIA

#### Arrived At Early Hour In Morning—Only Small Crowd To Witness Landing.

(Special to the Guardian)  
BOMBAY, India, April 17.—Earl Willingdon, the new viceroy, and Countess Willingdon reached India, Friday disembarking here at dawn as the guns of Bombay fortification thundered a 31 gun salute. Elaborate precautions were taken by police to prevent any hostile acts from the Bombay crowds, but because of the early hour there was only a small crowd on hand to witness the landing.

The Earl and Countess passed under the great granite arch known as the "Gateway to India." Municipal authorities made a formal address of welcome. He permitted movie cameramen to make a picture of him and his wife, spoke into microphones and then headed a procession through city streets to the seat of the Bombay Government. The streets were lined with people among whom was a generous sprinkling of soldiers, police and detectives.

While the retiring Viceroy, Lord Irwin was making a speech extolling the Delhi Pact as the foundation of Peace in India, Vallabhai Patel, President of the Indian National Congress predicted renewed struggle by Hindu Nationalists in drastic and widespread form, because the Government had not only failed to fulfill the truce terms, but were inciting its infraction. Hearing of this while addressing the Bombay mill owners, the Viceroy replied, I deeply regret the tendency to regard the immediate future as a period of struggle.

### TRADE TREATY WITH CUBA IS URGED

#### Liberal Member Refers To Conference At Which Hon. J. A. MacDonald Was Present.

(Canadian Press)  
OTTAWA, April 17.—Negotiation of a trade treaty with Cuba was urged in the House of Commons today by A. E. MacLean, (Liberal, Prince). The Cuban market for Prince Edward Island potatoes, he said, had been cut off by an increase in the Cuban duty, following the increased tariff placed on sugar entering Canada at the special session of Parliament. Cuba, Mr. MacLean said, was prepared to give a preference to Canadian goods in return for preference in the Canadian market for sugar, rum and some other products. But unless the Canadian Government changed its attitude there was not much hope of getting a satisfactory treaty.

Mr. MacLean read a report from a Cuban paper referring to a conference held here at which Hon. J. A. MacDonald, Minister without Portfolio, represented Canada. This indicated Cuban willingness to negotiate lower duties against Canadian potatoes. Conservative members raised the question of the possibility of such an agreement in view of the United States restrictions over the Island. Mr. MacLean, however, thought a lower tariff by Cuba could be negotiated. Prince Edward Island did not benefit at any great extent by the unemployment scheme established at the special session of Parliament, declared Mr. MacLean. This was particularly applicable to the rural parts. Farmers of the Island were finding it somewhat difficult to market their potatoes.

Respecting tariff increases, the price of raw products had come down and it was not enough to say that prices to consumers were not increased. Many works had been carried out for the benefit of the people of that Province under the former government, Mr. MacLean said. There were several interruptions during his speech.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 17.—Adjournment of the House of Commons.

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### URGES GOVT. TO BOYCOTT THE SOVIETS

#### Conservative Member Congratulates Govt. On Its Action In Barring Russian Imports.

(Canadian Press)  
OTTAWA, Ont., April 17.—Urging the Government of Canada to "become a crusader" and endeavor to persuade other nations to shut out Russian goods, G. B. Nicholson, Conservative, Algoma East, in the House of Commons today said no nation could maintain industry and provide a decent standard of living in competition with "150,000,000 slaves."

Mr. Nicholson congratulated the Government on its action in barring Russian imports. He would like to see it go further however, and endeavor to line up the whole British Empire and the United States as well as the nations of Europe on a policy of isolating Russia from world trade. The depression prevailing in the Canadian lumber industry, he said, was due to the capture of the British market for lumber from Russia.

### GENERAL CHECK UP IN TORONTO CITY DEPTS.

(Special to the Guardian)  
TORONTO, Ont., April 17.—A general check up of various City Hall Departments handling money, was ordered today by Mayor Stewart after the board of control at a special meeting discussed irregularities and alleged forgery in the old age pension division. Percy Bouskill, 50, chief clerk of the Department was arrested at his Fern Avenue home last night and was ransacked one week in police court this morning on a charge of \$2,000. He is charged with forging endorsement to more than 38 pensions cheques and cashing them. Each cheque was for \$20.

Although City Auditor Scott has not completed an inspection of the department books, Dr. Jackson, M. O. H. and Bert Merson, Secretary of Pensions state there are no other irregularities in the Department.

### Ethics Of Capitalism

(Canadian Press)  
ATLANTA, Ga., April 17.—Dr. Harry F. Ward, Professor of Social Ethics in the Union Theological Seminary of New York City, and President of the American Civil Liberties Union, told the Forum Association here last night that "organized christianity at the present time is simply a tool in the hands of the money interests and its ethics are the ethics of capitalism."

### Three Balls May Go In Montreal

(Special to the Guardian)  
MONTREAL, Que., April 17.—Privately conducted second hand and pawnbrokers shops will become a thing of the past in Montreal, if a proposal laid before the Council by Alderman Demers comes into effect. Alderman Demers is advocating a civic pawnshop. Members of the council are favorably disposed to the suggestion, which would require an amendment to the city charter before becoming an accomplished fact.

### Body Is Found In River After Long Search

BOSTON, April 17.—The body of the man found floating in the Charles River today was identified at the Northern Mortuary, as that of John H. Mann, aged 24, of 94 Boston avenue, Somerville, a native of Kensington, P. E. I.

Mann, who was a truck driver, disappeared on March 21, and on his continued absence his wife left her home in Kensington, where his father resides.

Identification of the body was made by fellow workmen. Medical Examiner George B. Magrath, pronounced death due to drowning. He said it is probable there was suicidal intent. Dr. Magrath notified Mann's wife in P. E. Island of the finding of the body.

### CANADA'S TOTAL TRADE SHOWED A DECREASE

(Canadian Press)  
OTTAWA, April 17.—Canada's total trade for the fiscal year which ended on March 31 last amounted to \$1,723,800,498. The total for the preceding fiscal year was \$2,383,177,588 or a decrease of \$669,375,090 during the year just closed. Announcement was made by the Department of National Revenue today. Of the total trade figures imports account for \$306,807,285 in the fiscal year just ended, while exports, both foreign and domestic, had a value of \$816,993,211. Total imports during the previous fiscal year were \$1,248,230,516 and exports amounted to \$1,144,938,070. Imports for the year just ended thus declined by \$341,431,631, while exports showed a decrease of \$327,944,859.

The largest single item of export during the fiscal year just ended was wheat, and it is noticeable that Canada exported considerably more of this product in 1930-31 than in the previous year. The value of exports last year, however, was less than in the previous 12 months period. The quantity of wheat exported from Canada during the last fiscal year was 217,243,037 bushels, valued at \$177,419,739. In the previous year exports totalled 177,006,373 bushels, from which the sum of \$215,753,475 was obtained.

Canada's unfavorable balance of trade in the fiscal year which ended on March 31, last amounted to \$107,096,873. This was a reduction from the previous fiscal year when the unfavorable balance was \$127,981,314.

Decrease In Revenue  
OTTAWA, Ont., April 17.—Decrease of \$81,157,656 in the revenue collected from customs and excise duties and excise by the Department of National Revenue for the past fiscal year as compared with the previous 12 months, was announced here today. The income tax revenue, on the other hand showed an increase of \$2,027,270. This produced a net decrease in revenue of \$79,130,386 for the year. Customs duties for the 12 months period just ended show a drop of \$48,149,568.503. The amount collected during the last fiscal year was \$129,149,568, as compared with \$177,712,071 in the previous year. The net excise tax collection last year totalled \$36,861,044 or \$25,065,876 less than in the preceding year.

Excise taxes comprise the sales and stamp taxes. From excise duties the Department of National Revenue received the net amount of \$57,291,602 as compared with \$64,540,689 in the fiscal year of 1929-30 or a decrease of \$7,249,087. The net receipts from "sundry collections" during the fiscal year just closed, totalled \$1,199,937 as against \$1,480,127 in the preceding year. This was a decrease of \$280,189. Income tax collections during the last fiscal year

### Short Grain Crop Is Predicted In Western Canada

#### Farmers Are Refusing To Seed Unless Rain Falls—West Is Drier Right Now Than It Has Been For More Than A Decade

(Special to the Guardian)  
REGINA, April 17.—Unless rain falls soon there will be a short grain crop in Western Canada. Farmers are refusing to seed until rain does fall. Cattle will suffer also. Precipitation so far this year has been negligible. The meteorological bureaus scattered at varied points are unanimous in reporting less snow and rainfall for the last six months, compared to the same period last year. The snow fall was the lightest in years. The rainfall has been nil. On the whole the West is drier right now than it has been for more than a decade. Seeding will be a waste of time until moisture holds the earth together. There is no such thing as a creek today in the West.

EDMONTON, April 17.—Dry soil conditions throughout Alberta constitute a critical condition. Reports received by a Provincial Minister of Agriculture indicate an urgent need for rain practically everywhere throughout the Province.

### FLAPPER IS BLAMED FOR DEPRESSION

(British United Press)  
CHICAGO, April 17.—Mrs. Nelle B. Stull, President, General Manager and Corresponding Secretary of the Widows and Widowers' Club of America, Inc., revealed tonight the real reason for the recent business lull. "The flapper," said Mrs. Stull, "is the cause of the depression. She demanded too much; she's a gold digger, a leech, and a veritable parasite. She's making it difficult for the middle-aged woman to get a husband." That is the reason for Mrs. Stull leaving the Widows and Widowers' Club Inc. to its own devices momentarily in Elyria, Ohio, to invade Chicago and to inform the city slickers that they're making a big mistake in ignoring middle-aged women in favor of the young ones when they're out choosing wives.

The fact is, she explained, that women are the loveliest, the most charming and the most gracious when they're 40. Since I've been President of the Widows and Widowers' Club, Inc. its been 11 years now. I've had more than 15,000 proposals of marriage; to be exact 15,796 men have written me, proposing marriage. Why didn't she take one of them? Well, you see I'm already married, said she, and I'm in love with my husband, that's the real reason why I started this club.

I noticed so many women the land over who reached my age and then lost their husbands and had to pine away the rest of their lives because all the single men were running after these awful flappers. The men are still doing it. And it isn't fair and I'm doing my best to stop it and I'm making some progress, but it's difficult work and it keeps me awfully busy, and Mrs. Stull hastened away to tell the movie microphone, the city editors, the real audience, the lovelorn columnists and the city slickers all about the perils of marrying flappers.

amounted to \$71,048,022. This was an increase of \$2,027,270 over the 1929-30 collections, which totalled \$69,020,751.

### Jack's In Reno



NAME LINKED WITH FIGHTER'S  
Mrs. Elizabeth Church, Pittsburg divorcee, whom Jack Dempsey, former heavyweight champion, now in Reno awaiting divorce from Estelle Taylor, screen actress, is reported escorting about the divorce colony.—Copyright by Acme Newspictures.

### Students Stricken With Sore Throat

(Special to the Guardian)  
WINNIPEG, April 17.—Twelve students taking a cream graders course in the Manitoba Agricultural College here are in isolation hospital as a result of septic sore throat induced by tasting contaminated cream. Sixteen others with the entire staff of instructors are in quarantine and provincial health authorities are busy tracing down the source of contamination among 100 farmers who supply cream. The infection is akin to malignant tonsillitis.

### The Weather, Etc.

TRUBLE WITH SELF MADE MEN IS THAT THEY QUIT THE JOB TOO EARLY

TORONTO, April 25.—Moderate winds, shifting to southerly, fair and warm.

Temperatures  
Maximum ..... 53  
Minimum ..... 29  
High tide this morning at 11 and tonight at 11.44.  
Sun sets this evening at 6.46 and rises tomorrow morning at 5.14.