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SPAIN THREATENS TO RE- SIGN FROM THE LEAGUE

Unless Her Demand for Permanent Seat is
Granted—Relations Between Spain and
Sweden Strained—Solution to Dispute
Thought to be far off and Uncertain.

(Canadian Press)
GENEVA, Mar. 12.—It is learned from authoritative sources that Spain has definitely decided to resign from the League of Nations unless she is given a permanent seat in the council. From the same source it is learned that Spain has informed Sweden that because of Sweden's unfriendly attitude in connection with the Spanish candidacy for a permanent seat that Spain is thinking of breaking off pending negotiations for a commercial treaty with Sweden. This development created an enormous sensation in those diplomatic circles where it became known today. Some diplomats characterized it as unfortunate and harmful to the Spanish cause, bringing into the League a menace affecting relations outside the scope of the League.
GENEVA, Mar. 12.—Representatives of Allied powers and Germany met for two hours today and discussed the difficulties which have arisen over the plan for Germany's admission to the League of Nations and elevation to the League Council. At the end of the session a communication was issued stating that various suggestions had been made by both sides and that delegates would meet again after time for reflection.

GIVEN 5 YEAR SENTENCE FOR SMUGGLING

Belgian Tried to Take
\$112,000 Worth of
Diamonds From Ca-
nada to U. S.

(Canadian Press)
BURLINGTON, Vt., Mar. 12.—Lich Ritterman, on trial in the federal court here charged with smuggling \$112,000 worth of unset diamonds into the United States from Canada, was found guilty by a jury this afternoon and sentenced to five years and a day in the federal prison.
Ritterman, a native of Antwerp, Belgium, was arrested at St. Albans, January 28th, when he was taken from the Montreal-Washington train. The diamonds were found concealed in paper packages in a collar box, a talcum powder box and a pair of socks. Customs inspectors had watched Ritterman in Montreal for some time and agents followed him when he boarded the train for the United States.
Before the case was given to the jury today after a trial lasting a day and a half the counsel for Ritterman moved for a directed verdict of acquittal on the ground that smuggling had not been proved. The motion was denied.

CENTRAL FARMERS' INSTITUTE U. S. NOW HAS HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING WORLD'S LARG- EST FLEET

Good Attendance and Interesting Discuss-
ion—Mr. R. A. P roitt Re-elected Pre-
sident—Some Important Resolutions
Passed.

Farmers' Week closed yesterday with the annual meeting of the Central Farmers' Institute, which was held in the morning and afternoon in the Technical School Building, and at which there was a fair attendance, with the President, Mr. R. A. Proitt, in the chair. The minutes of the last annual meeting were read by the Secretary, Mr. C. E. McKenzie, and adopted, and the President then gave his annual report as follows:
Another year has passed since we last met as a Central Farmers' Institute. A year which has to my mind been one of the most prosperous in the history of this province with the exception of a few years during the war. Notwithstanding the fact we have had our disappointments and discouragements in the past year and will no doubt have some in the future, yet I feel there never was a time when we could as intelligent farmers be more optimistic.
Not only has 1925 been a banner year for the potato growers but in most every line of farming we have had advanced prices.
It is not my purpose to go at any length discussing farming in general, but there are a few phases of the work to which I would like to attract your special attention at this particular time.
Those of you who were present at our last annual meeting will remember the resolutions drawn up and especially the one in regard to making our province a disease free area. That of course has become a reality. I think as a Central Farmers' Institute we should express our appreciation to the members of the government, and the Department of Agriculture, who have so faithfully pressed our claims to a successful issue.
This thought brings me to the first point of discussion. Head improvement and sanitation, which I feel should demand the attention and most careful thought of every stock man in this province. In view of the advanced step taken by the government, to better our live stock conditions, are we going to still keep the unprofitable, half-starved grade cow in the same old dirty, unsanitary conditions?
Does it not call us out as men to go a step further, fix up our stables, give the cow a proper chance, and so put up a clean wholesome article?
Another disease that is causing our stock men considerable loss and trouble in some sections is contagious abortion. This disease among cattle is very, very dangerous, and when located by anyone should be treated as quickly as possible.
Now you may take it by my remarks that I advocate every farmer getting into pure bred stock. I do not. But what I do advocate is that, whatever you are trying to produce on the farm, do not be satisfied short of the best. If it is pure bred stock of which ever breed you prefer, do not be satisfied until you are raising cows that are about the average cow and not classed with the boarders. If it is seed potatoes, do not stop until you are producing an article superior in quality and value.
Careful selection along these lines are one of the first steps to success or perfection. This rule should of course apply to every line of farming.
Another matter I feel should be taken up by this institute, is the matter of connecting up more closely the local School Fairs with the County and Provincial Exhibitions. I may say this matter has been discussed by the executive appointed to confer with the Department of Agriculture, and the Exhibition Association, but nothing definite has been done yet.
I have conged my remarks principally to farming and farm topics. But what about the boys who are coming along to be the men of tomorrow? It has been stated that the greatest asset to any country is the boys and girls. We are

U. S. NOW HAS WORLD'S LARG- EST FLEET

Has 99 More War Ves-
sels Than Great Bri-
tain—All Nations
Busy Building New
Craft.

(Special to TheGuardian)
LONDON, March 12.—Although it is true that Britannia rules the waves, she does so with a smaller fleet than that possessed by the United States whose naval strength is 543 warships, compared with Britain's 444 giving Uncle Sam a superiority of 99 war vessels.
The United States navy has substituted 5 inch anti-aircraft guns for the old 3 inch guns on five of her latest battleships. Twelve of the new guns will also be fitted to each of the two new aircraft carriers, Lexington and Saratoga, now being built by the United States navy.
The British Empire is stronger in cruisers, but has only 172 destroyers compared with 309 American and only 56 submarines, compared with 120.
The comparative figures are: United States 543, British Empire 444; Italy 247; Japan 222; France 219; Soviet Union 177; Germany 87.
Britain and the United States have each 18 battleships, France 9, Germany 8, Italy 7 Japan 6, and the Soviet Union 5. No battleships are at present being built or are projected except the British ships Rodney and Nelson and one Soviet battleship. Extensive building programmes for cruisers and destroyers are in operation in most countries.

CELEBRATE GOLDEN JUBILEE OF WILDEY LODGE I. O. O. F.

Grand Master A. C. Barnaby, Takes Part in
Anniversary Program, Which is Car-
ried Out Before an Exceptionally
Large Audience.

Willey Lodge, No. 27 of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, celebrated the Golden Jubilee of its founding in a very fitting manner in the I. O. O. F. lodge rooms on Richmond Street last evening, and before the Grand Master, Brother A. C. Barnaby of Bridgewater, N. S., who was present as an honored guest, exemplified the Initiatory Degree, afterwards holding a very enjoyable entertainment at which about two hundred people, including a large number of the Rehearsal were present, and over which Bro. G. F. Dewar, N. G., presided as chairman.
An interesting feature of the interesting and varied program was the presentation to the two surviving charter members of the Lodge, Brothers Benjamin Bremner and F. H. Beer, of two handsome gold mounted walking canes, the presentation being made by the visiting Grand Master, and both recipients replying in well chosen speeches, in which they spoke reminiscences of the past history of the Lodge, and referred briefly to the conditions under which it had been founded on March 14, 1876.
The program carried out was as follows:
Address, Grand Master Bro. A. C. Barnaby.
Solo, Mrs. W. E. Fletcher.
Reading, Miss Ella Seaman.
Remarks, Bro. J. J. MacKinnon, Grand Secretary.
Presentation to 50 year Veterans.
Vocal Quartette, Mrs. W. E. Fletcher, Mrs. Jack MacKinnon, A. R. Gillis, Prof. Fletcher.
Comedy Sketch, "Will You Marry Me."
Instrumental duet, Messrs. Arthur Gaudet and Urban Pineau.
Solo, Bro. A. R. Gillis.
Address, Bro. Muir.
Solo, Bro. Arthur Bruce.
Remarks, Bro. D. Edgar Shaw.
Vocal Solo, Mr. Ben Wagner.
Refreshments.
God Save the King.
Dr. Dewar, in his opening remarks as chairman, reviewed the history of Willey Lodge, and recalled that at the time of its founding on Queen street. Some forty years ago it had moved to its present spacious and well appointed quarters. It added to the dignity of this occasion, he said, the turning of the fiftieth anniversary, to have present two of the charter members of the Lodge, and to know that there were still two other members of the fraternity who had belonged to the Lodge for fifty years, namely Bro. Geo. A. Sharp and Bro. John A. Moore. Brother Bremner, one of the living charter members, had been Grand Master in 1884. The speaker said that the I. O. O. F. was the largest fraternal and benevolent institution in the world, and that its eternal principles of Friendship, Love, and Truth, would never die. He mentioned some Past Grand Masters who were members of Willey Lodge and referred particularly to Brothers J. J. MacKinnon, T. B. Grady, and George S. Ryan as having capably filled this office. Bro. John MacLaughlin had also represented the Grand Encampment on three different occasions as its Grand Representative to the Stovorenk Grand Lodge, Grand Master Barnaby in an admirable and witty address said that it was a great pleasure to him to be able to be present and take part in the celebration of Willey's fiftieth anniversary. He congratulated the Lodge on having such a splendid history and said that it was an inspiration to see so many brethren and Rehearsal Sisters gathered together. He had enjoyed listening to the contribution that Willey Lodge had made in supporting the work of the I. O. O. F. Judging from the past he would say that the future of the Lodge was bound to be successful, and in conclusion he would only add a testimony of the splendid work that the I. O. O. F. was doing. The membership of the fraternity was two and a half millions, and last year \$8,000,000 had been distributed in relief work. In his own jurisdiction in the Maritime Provinces, said the speaker, there were 25,000 members, and the sum of \$26,000 had been spent in relief. It was also making greater opportunities for its younger members and it was a factor for the molding of opinion and the shaping of lives. Its motto of Friendship, Love, and Truth, formed the best safeguard there was against the ills of life.
Bro. J. J. MacKinnon in his remarks said that although the sum spent

Building Market For Canadian Products

(Special to The Guardian)
LONDON, March 12.—Nine representatives of Henry Morgan, Limited of Montreal, came to England some days ago, preceded by newspaper advertising, telling manufacturers interested in the Canadian markets of their arrival and arranging appointments at the offices of the Allied Purchasing Company, Incorporated of 7 Beak St., London, England. Since then they have been overwhelmed with communications from manufacturers in practically all the industrial centres anxious to do business with them.
The nine men of whom six are remaining, are here to spend \$210,000 on mens and boys clothing, China and kindred lines, furnishing draperies, trimmings, laces and dress and wash goods.
W. Ager of the Allied Purchasing Co., states that "more purchases would be made for Canada and the United States if the British manufacturers would only send samples. British goods are still regarded as the best in Canada."

West Middlesex Liberals Planning Campaign

(Canadian Press)
STRATHROY, Ont., Mar. 12.—The executive of the West Middlesex Liberal Association met here today to plan campaign work for the by-election on March 29th necessitated by the appointment of J. C. Elliott, sitting member as Minister of Labor, in the King cabinet. Resolutions of congratulations to Mr. Elliott and of confidence in Premier King were endorsed.
W. T. Goodison, Liberal member for West Lambton and Duncan Marshall, Federal organizer for the Liberal forces were speakers. Hon. Mr. Elliott spoke in reply to municipal leaders and other speakers who complimented him on his entry into the cabinet.

Jap Members Stage Free-for- all in Diet

(Special to The Guardian)
TOKYO, March 12.—General fist fighting between members of the government party and representatives of the Selyu-Kai opposition party broke up the session of the Diet last night in the wildest disorder. Members of the House of Representatives suffered battered heads and noses but their injuries were not serious. Police interfered separating the combatants.
The fighting was caused by a debate over charges and counter charges of political scandals. The died may be prorogued.

First Conversation Over Telephone

(Special to The Guardian)
TORONTO, Mar. 12.—Fifty years ago the first sentence spoken by a human voice was transmitted over the telephone. These words were uttered at Boston, Mass., on March 10th, 1876 when Alexander Graham Bell called his assistant, Thomas A. Watson, from another room. Dr. Bell spoke:
"Watson, come here I want you."
"Watson heard and answered the summons. That was the real beginning of the telephone.
From March 10th, 1876 to March 10th, 1926, is a half century span. All over the American continent in Canada and the United States telephone workers are wearing a blue button with the figure "50" to mark the anniversary. On thousands of buildings the blue flag of the "bell" system will be flown.

Offered Position as Deputy Speaker

(Special to The Guardian)
OTTAWA, March 12.—The position of Deputy Speaker of the House has been offered to William Duff, M. P. for Lunenburg, but it is not yet known whether or not he will accept it.

Rev. A. J. MacDonald Passes Away At Fort Augustus

Word was received early this morning of the death of Rev. A. J. MacDonald, parish priest at Fort Augustus who passed away at his parochial house shortly before midnight.
Rev. Father MacDonald had been seriously ill for the past few weeks and the news of his death although not altogether unexpected will be received with sincere regret throughout the province.
It is many years since the deceased took up his work as parish priest at Fort Augustus and during that time by his untiring zeal, strict attention to duty and an ever present spirit of kindness he endeared himself not only to his parishioners but to everyone with whom he came in contact. Father "Allen" as he was familiarly known was a man of high ability, possessed a rare knowledge of human nature and being of a sympathetic disposition himself was sought as an adviser and comforter by people of all classes and creeds.
In the passing of Father MacDonald the Roman Catholic Church of this province mourns the death of one of its foremost leaders while the community of Fort Augustus and the Island in general has lost one of its most beloved and prominent citizens.

Two Little Boys Killed by Train

FREDERICTON, N. B., March 12.—Gordon C. Blizard, aged ten son of Thomas Blizard, and Vincent Doherty, aged nine, son of Charles (Marty) Doherty were instantly killed near their homes at Morrison's Mills, on the eastern outskirts of this city, tonight when they were run over by the incoming C. N. R. express from Saint John, on the Saint John Valley Railway.
They had been playing with a number of other children along the roadway near where the C. N. R. and C. P. R. tracks run parallel to one another. As the C. P. R. freight train passed outward the Blizard and Doherty boys ran out upon the tracks to attempt to "catch on" and were standing on the C. N. R. tracks watching the outgoing C. P. R. train when the C. N. R. train came along and ran over them.
The driver of the C. N. R. train was unaware of the accident until blood was found upon the trucks of one of the cars of the train after it reached the city station.

THREE KILLED MANY INJURED

TEPIC NAYARIT, Mexico, Mar. 12.—Three representatives of the state of Nayarit are dead, a number of people injured and one girl near death as the result of a disturbance occasioned when orders for closing the Roman Catholic Church were met by armed opposition from church followers.

MR. BAIRD'S ADDRESS

The meeting was then addressed by Mr. W. W. Baird, of the Experimental Station at Nappan, who first congratulated the President on his excellent address, and said that it contained many suggestions worthy of being carried out. He stressed the fact that the farmers who were attending the conventions had an obligation to fulfill in the way of carrying back the ideas they heard here to those who had been unable to attend.
Speaking of farming operations in general, Mr. Baird said that he knew that specialization on P. E. I. was on potatoes, and he wanted to impress the fact that while he advocated specializing he did not think it was a good idea for every farmer to be a specialist. If every body went into potatoes what would become of the other farming industries? Some men ought to be more interested in the live stock industries. Farmers should particularize in the particular branches that interested them.

EXPERIMENTAL FARMS

A number of farmers, said the speaker, seemed to be prejudiced against the Experimental Stations, and apparently thought that they cost too much. Of course the Stations cost a lot of money to operate, but then so did research work in all professions, and there was no profession that needed more study nor to which science could be more directly applied, than farming.
The experimental farms paid for themselves ten times over. For instance Marquis (wheat had originated through the work of one man working on an Experimental Farm.
The speaker warned the farmers that they should use no new variety of seed until it had been tested by an Experimental Farm, and proven successful. The farmers were not asked to bear the expense of the stations alone. If this was so they would cost the farmers of Nova Scotia something like \$150 a year. But without doubt they received from the Stations about ten times that amount in information and other benefits.
As a matter of fact the people of the city and country were contributing to the expense of their upkeep alike, and the per capita cost could not be more than most than fifty cents.

THE POULTRY INDUSTRY

The speaker also stressed the importance of getting the boys and girls interested in the branches of farming particularly in the poultry industry. Contest work was doing a good deal to increase and intensify this interest. Mr. Baird here cited figures from records kept of poultry production, showing that under a careful system of breeding and selection the number of eggs in one of his flocks had in four years been increased from 121 per bird to 176.9 annually. One bird produced from a strain that only was giving about 125 eggs a year, made a record of 314 eggs. Two hundred hens on his farm were giving an average output of 176 eggs a year, giving a total revenue of \$1241.08. Of this amount \$453.70 was cost, leaving a gain or profit of \$788, or \$3.94 per bird. Lots of hens were kept, said the speaker, that were only brooders, and many others no more than paid for their keep. A hen lay-

Compulsory Arbit- ration in Labor Disputes

(Canadian Press)
ROME, March 12.—Compulsory arbitration of all labor disputes is set to be introduced in Italy by a bill passed by the Italian Senate last night. The measure was introduced by the Fascist government and Premier Mussolini in a speech strongly supported. It was adopted by a vote of 139 to 27.

The Weather, Etc.

TORONTO, Mar. 13.—Maritime north winds, fair and cold. Maximum and minimum temperatures:
Toronto, snow 26—12
Montreal, clear 26—12
Quebec, fair 24—10
Halifax, clear 23—12
St. John, clear 23—10
Boston, cloudy 34—22
New York, cloudy 36—22
Ch'town, fair 21—12
High tide this morning at 10.35 and tonight at 10.21.
Sun sets this evening at 6.04 and rises tomorrow morning at 6.14.
First quarter moon Sunday, March 21, 4.48 a. m.
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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Decrease in Army Estimates

(Special to The Guardian)
LONDON, March 12.—The army estimates, made, public today, show a net decrease of £2,000,000 from those of last year. The gross estimates are £52,420,000 and the net £42,500,000. The personnel exclusive of India is 159,400 or a decrease of 1,200 men.

MARITIME CHAMPIONS

(Canadian Press)
CAMPBELLTON, Mar. 12.—Truro Boatmen tonight defeated Campbellton 2 to 0 in the final game for the amateur hockey championship of the Maritime Provinces.

Shipwrecked Crew Arrive in Port

(Canadian Press)
HALIFAX, N. S., March 12.—The crew of the wrecked Newfoundland schooner Retraction which was abandoned after being set on fire about 850 miles southwest of the Azores on Feb. 5, arrived here last night from New York on the Red Cross liner Rosalind, which will tomorrow convey them to their homes in Newfoundland.
The Retraction left Cadiz with a cargo of salt for Catalina, Nfld., on December 31. She encountered severe storms and suffered the loss of her rudder, subsequently drifting about helplessly in mountainous seas for eight days. The crew was rescued Feb. 5 by the Tanker Elosa.

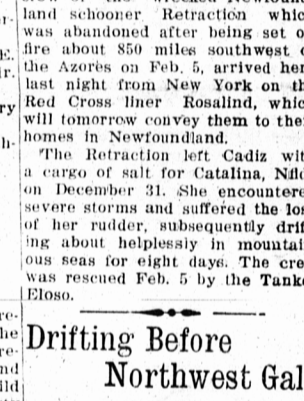
Drifting Before Northwest Gale

(Canadian Press)
ST. JOHNS Nfld., March 12.—Advices received this morning stated that the Red Cross liner Silvia and her tow the French freighter Kentucky, were 76 miles from St. Johns and still drifting before a north northwest gale. The message stated that the steamer Sibley L, which had been assisting in an attempt to bring the disabled freighter to port had been forced to break away to prevent collision, but it was assumed that the Silvia had been able to keep her hold on the freighter.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc.

**Secure your tables for Thursday evening at Victoria Hotel Bridge. 8076-13-21
**Hear Molly-Moo Moo in "Listen Ladies" in Baptist Schoolroom Concert March 23rd. 8077-13-11
**A meeting of the shareholders of York Hall will be held in the Hall March 19th at 8 o'clock. Heath Vessey, Sec'y.
**Feathers wanted—Goose and ducks. Best prices when not mixed.—Henry McFarlane & Co., The Furniture Upholsterers. 8092-13-10
**The four act play, "In Plum Valley" will be staged in Long River Hall Tuesday, Mar. 16th. If stormy, play will be first fine night. 8048-3-12-21
**In York Hall, March 15th, the Mission Band will present "Fun on the Podunk, Ltd." followed by box social. Admission 25c and 15c. Ladies with boxes free. Play starts at 8 o'clock sharp. 8056.
**Annual meetings of Cornwall Farmer's Institute and Cornwall Egg Circle will be held in Cornwall Hall, Monday, March 15th at 7 p. m.—P. H. McLaren, Sec'y. 8041-3-12-21

BASKET BALL PLAYERS SHOULD BE GOOD AT PASSING THE BUCK



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