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—SAD WORD RECEIVED—Word was received by Mr. Thomas Moyse, Bedeque of the sudden passing of his brother, Dr. Ellis Moyse, at Lynn, Mass., on Thursday evening. No particulars were received. S.

—IN ADDDITION to our regular stock of fox meats and cereals, we have recently added a complete stock of poultry, cattle and hog feed—With grain scarce commercial feeds will save you money. Pond and Delaney, Summerside. L-542-3-3-3i.

—NORTH SHORE Hockey League finals, Kensington Rink, Monday, March 7, 8 p. m., Kensington Silver Wings vs. New Annan, third game of best of five game series for Baker Cup. If a winner is declared the cup will be presented by the donor, Mr. C. C. Baker. Admission 15 and 25 cents. L-605-3-5-2i.

—LOW TEMPERATURES — The temperature in Prince County was very low on Thursday night and Friday morning. Different reports were heard on the streets from 24 below to 14 below zero at Summerside. At Tyne Valley it was reported 30 below and at Freetown 30. It was very cold, to say the least, and every one is hoping that this will be the last sub-zero weather. S

—GIRL GUIDES IN ST. ELEANORS—The Girl Guides of St. Eleanors are making good progress since they were organized a few months ago under the capable leadership of Miss Francis Hunt and Lieut. Charlotte Muirhead. On Tuesday evening a most enjoyable card party was held at the home of Mrs. Percy Crosby in aid of the guides and there was a very good attendance. Prizes were won by the following: For bridge, ladies, Charlotte Muirhead; gentleman, Percy Crosby; auction forty-five, Jessie Hunt and Emerey Lyle. Refreshments were served at the conclusion of play. S.

—PARLOR SOCIAL — On Monday evening, Feby. 28th, a successful parlor social was held at the United Church Manse, Kensington, under the auspices of the Ladies Aid of the Church. Despite the inclemency of the weather and bad road conditions, the house was comfortably filled and a delightful evening was spent. The Rev. B.C Salter acted as chairman while a splendid program was carried out. It was regretted that Mrs. (Rev) Thomas, of Malpeque, who had planned to be present and assist in the program, and some others from a distance, also assisting, could not attend on account of bad roads. Following the program lunch was served, and a sing-song with Miss Miriam Profitt at the piano, was enjoyed by all. Following is the program as given:—Welcome song, by Margaret Caldwell, Lois MacDonald, Mildred Clarke, Jean Mill, Myrtle Mill, Pearl Mann and Marjorie Mann; remarks by chairman; song, 7 little girls; solo, Miss Georgie Profitt; duet, Mildred Clarke and Lois MacDonald; "questions and answers" game; solo, Roscoe Walker; reading, "Mrs. Clancy's Husbands" by Mrs. Reagh Sudsbury; duet, Jean Mill and Margaret Caldwell; chorus; contest; "Advertisements"; God Save the King. B

—REXALL ASTHMA POWDER 50 cents at Taylor Drug Co., Kensington.

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—INDIAN RIVER — KENSINGTON Dramatic Society presents St. Patrick's Play entitled: "For the Love of Johnny," at Indian River March 16th, Kensington March 17th, 8.30. Sale of candy. L-532-3-5-12.

—BUTTER AND CREAM are in demand at good prices. Buy Bran, Oilcake, Purina Milk Chow, Feed Molasses and Sol-Min Mineral Conditioner at Brace's. L-395-3-5-2i.

—PLAY OFF game Tip Top League, Bedeque Rink, Monday, March 7th., Borden Teraplanes vs. Bedeque Maple Leafs. Skate after match. Admission 16c. L-597-3-5-2i.

—S'SIDE CURLERS IN AMHERST—Messrs. M. P. Titus, W. E. MacDonald, Neil Durant, Harry Holman, Reginald Ellis, Fred Murphy and Geo. Bishop, members of the Summerside Curling Club are visiting in Amherst guests of the curling club where they will play in friendly competition.—S.

—Y'S MEN'S SUPPER MEETING—The regular weekly supper meeting of the Y's Men's Club was held on Thursday night and was well attended. Mr. William Denny was the speaker of the evening and addressed the gathering on the Oxford Group Movement. Mr. Reginald Muttart presided. Mr. Fred Chandler was a guest. It was decided to have a ladies' night next week. S

—C. W. L. MEETING—The regular meeting of the Catholic Women's League was held in the K. of C. Home on Wednesday evening, Miss Margaret Wedge presiding. The meeting was honoured by the presence of the Chaplain, Rt. Rev. Mgr. MacLellan, D.D., V.G. After the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, the reports were received and were very satisfactory, especially the social service report, which showed that a great deal of work had been done for the poor. The nominating committee was appointed for the election of officers which will be made at the annual meeting next month. It was given out that Mrs. Frank Murray of Charlottetown, who was partly responsible for the organization of the League at Summerside, will address the Summerside division some time this month. There is also to be a drive for new members during March. It was also decided to hold a pantry sale in April. The meeting adjourned. S

PERSONALS

—Mr. T. M. Ryan of Tignish is a patient in the Prince County Hospital. S.

—Miss Augusta Bernard of Borden has entered the Prince County Hospital for treatment. S.

—Mr. Daniel MacDonald has returned to his home in Bloomfield from Rumford Maine, where he spent the winter months, the guest of his nephew, Mr. Peter MacDonald, Stipendiary Magistrate. S.

Legislation Aimed At Drunken Drivers

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)

HALIFAX, March 4—Legislation aimed at drunken drivers was given second reading in Nova Scotia's Legislature today. The measure, sponsored by Highways Minister A. S. MacMillan would deal with the case where the offender was not licensed to drive a car.

Under the previous legislation, licenses of first offenders could be revoked for a year, while those of second offenders could be revoked for five years. Mr. MacMillan's bill provided that no operators permit could be issued to an unlicensed first offender until a year after conviction. An unlicensed second offender would not be able to get a license for five years.

S'side Girls Meet Local Lassies Today

Summerside High School girls tackle the Prince Street girls in an exhibition game at the Forum this afternoon at 1 o'clock. Victors over the visitors in last year's engagement the city girls are anxious to make it two straight but the Westerners, reputed to be a smart aggregation are out to even matters up.

Immediately following the game a big special skate will be held from 3 to 5.30 rounding out a splendid Saturday program. Prices are down to rock-bottom and a large crowd will likely take the program in.

Bedeque Egg Circle Holds Annual Meeting

Bedeque Egg Circle held their annual meeting on March 2nd., 1938 at 1.30 p. m., in Bedeque Hall. The President, Mr. D. B. McDonald, presided and in his opening address gave a very interesting account of the Central Co-operative Egg Circle meetings held recently in Charlottetown, he also brought greetings from Mr. T. A. Benson who organized this circle in 1912 and was associated with the egg circle work during the first six years of business.

Mr. Fred Nash, Dominion Poultry Promoter for the Province gave a very instructive address dealing with the principals of co-operation and the increased production of eggs, he gave a great deal of valuable information as to different formulas for poultry rations, and ways and means of combating different diseases and parasites commonly found in the hen house; at the close of his address he showed a film portraying up to date hen houses with many practical ideas as to plans of the interior.

The four highest patrons in the circle were, Thos. Moyse, 968 doz, L. A. Schurman, 934 doz, Lewis Wright, 734 doz, Earle McMurdo, 667 doz.

A vote of was taken as to whether the circle would still be carried on during this coming season, and it was unanimously decided to carry on provided a suitable collector could be procured, as through pressure of business the present collector was unable to renew his contract. A vote of appreciation was unanimously passed to Mr. D. B. McDonald for his continuous leadership, having occupied the president's chair ever since the circle was organized 25 years ago last Nov. Mr. McDonald very fittingly replied, reviewing the different problems met and work accomplished during that time. Next meeting will be held in early Spring when it will be definitely decided whether the circle will be carried on or closed.

CONSERVATIVE

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for Dufferin-Simcoe, leader of the Ontario party. Also on hand was Leopold Macaulay, Ontario house leader.

Delegates waited eagerly for a statement tomorrow from Mr. Bennett as to his continuing as leader. The question of holding a national convention will be decided largely by what he says.

Sources close to Mr. Bennett said tonight his attitude could be summarized: He is willing to continue as party leader if the party is united behind him; if a national convention is called, he will reserve his decision until the convention.

The preponderance of sentiment among Mr. Bennett's followers in the Commons seems to be that there is no need for a national convention on the scale of the Winnipeg session of 1927, which elected Mr. Bennett leader, if he stays at the helm.

They feel that the reorganization of the National Liberal-Conservative Association and a representative gathering of it in Ottawa to determine policy would be what is necessary before the next election.

GOES TO DISTILLERY

BELFAST — William McGevitt, former Exeter City player and manager, has been appointed manager of Distillery, Irish Football League club. He is an Irishman and before going to Exeter played for Glentoran.

HAS LONG SERVICE

SWINTON, England — With retirement of G. Taylor after 35 years as secretary of Wigan, English Rugby League club, Sam Jones, Swinton, becomes the longest service secretary with 32 years to his credit.

PONTIACS ADVANCE TO FINALS

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

FREDERICTON, March 4—Saint John Pontiacs held Fredericton-Devon to a 5-5 draw in a rough hockey match tonight and won the junior semi-final round 16-9. Pontiacs will next meet the Moncton-Bathurst winners for the New Brunswick title.

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British Naval Bill Increased

GOVERNMENT

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these provisions leaves no doubt in my mind that the act is an attempt to regulate and control banks and banking as those terms are used in head 15 of section 91 of the British North America Act."

Judge L. A. Cannon: "....I had the advantage of reading the careful analysis of the bill (relating to credit control) prepared by my brother, Kerwin, and his criticism of its different clauses. I find that I could add nothing useful to his reasons. I agree with him and his conclusions...."

Judge A. B. Hudson: "It is clear that the three bills submitted are part of one legislative scheme, the central measure of which is the Alberta Social Credit Act. That act has been the subject of a searching analysis by my Lord the Chief Justice and I concur in his reasons for holding that it is beyond the powers of the legislature."

EXPRESSION OF OPINION

The Judges' opinion on the Social Credit Act did not delete it from the statute books or affect it in any way. It was merely an expression of opinion from the bench but it would weigh heavily on any junior judge who was called upon to pass on the constitutionality of the statute in an ordinary case.

Similarly, the court's decision had no tangible effect on the three bills because they never came into operation in the first place, Lieutenant Governor John Bowen refusing to sign them after the legislature passed them in October. Unless the Supreme Court's decision is upset by the Privy Council, the bills will never reach the statute books or become law.

MAY BE APPEALED

The Supreme Court decisions may be appealed to the Privy Council in England but no decision was made immediately. In Edmonton Premier Aberhart said he understood Prime Minister Mackenzie King intended to launch the appeal. In Ottawa the Prime Minister said he would be glad to receive recommendations from Alberta on the point.

It was considered unlikely the Dominion would take the initiative in appealing because of its clear-cut victory over the legal contentions of Alberta. At the same time, the fact the court was unanimous and clear cut in its decisions might deter the provinces from appealing. The decision, however, will be made soon.

COURT RULINGS

In a series of judgments, this is what the court decided:

1. An act to amend and consolidate the credit of Alberta regulation Act was unconstitutional;
2. An act respecting the taxation of banks was unconstitutional;
3. An act to ensure the publication of accurate news and information was unconstitutional;
4. The Dominion had unrestricted power to disallow provincial enactments;
5. Lieutenant Governors had power to reserve assent to bills, subject only to the restrictions imposed by instructions from the Governor-General.

On every subject the court ruled against the submissions of Alberta as outlined at the hearing here from Jan. 10 to Jan. 17. It accepted the arguments of the Dominion on every point.

In Memoriam

MRS. CHARLES J. MCKINNON

A deep shadow of sadness passed over St. Peter's parish on February 9th, when the sad news that the death of Margaret, beloved wife of Charles J. McKinnon had occurred early that morning in the City Hospital. Her illness for the past few months was not considered by her friends serious until she entered the hospital on the advice of her physician three weeks before. There she underwent an operation for appendicitis and seemed to be improving even up to the night before she passed away, she recited the Rosary with her sister, who was spending a few days with her. Fate decreed it was to be their last prayer in unison, for ere the sun rose again the Angel of Death beckoned, and her pure soul winged its way Heavenward.

Deceased was the eldest daughter of the late Hon. James D. McInnis, and previous to her marriage was for some years librarian in the public Library, Charlottetown, and later secretary to the present Deputy Minister of Public Works. Her death at the early age of 48 years leaves a void in her family that can never be filled while memory lasts, and their loss will be shared by the community in which she lived. Her pleasant personality and hospitality always assured one a hearty welcome at her home. She was one who was ever ready to take part in anything to benefit the community and in case of sickness and trouble, to her time mattered not, and many a silent prayer will be offered by those she assisted for the repose of her soul.

She leaves to mourn besides her sorrowing husband, six sons and three daughters, viz, Joseph, Paddy, Kenneth, Harold, D. F., Victor, Edna, Sarah and Cecilia. Also five brothers and one sister.

A large number of sorrowful friends and neighbors assembled at the depot to meet the train bringing her remains and formed a long funeral cortege to her home. Owing to the severe storm the funeral was not held until Saturday morning to St. Peter's Church, where High Mass of Requiem was sung by her pastor, Rev. A. McAulay. After the final benediction all that remained of a loving wife, kind mother, good neighbor and friend was gently laid to rest in the adjoining cemetery, there to await a glorious resurrection. R. I. P.

The pall-bearers were Bennett, Lewis, Dan McIsaac, Martin McInnis, Hugh McIsaac, Reggie, Lewis and Alex O'Hanley. Hearse driven by J. J. McLellan.

Present Program Reported Well Underway

LONDON, March 4 —(CP)— Great Britain today completed the picture of what this year's share will be of the duty, in the words of Prime Minister Chamberlain, to "make Britain so strong nobody will dare attack her."

The Admiralty announced the Royal Navy needed £123,707,000 ($618,535,000) to maintain its watch over Empire territory and trade throughout the globe.

Previous estimates of £102,720,000 for the Royal Air Force and £106,500,000 for the Army, with £20,276,000 for ordnance factories, £8,500,000 for air raid precautions, and other miscellaneous estimates brought the total bill for the coming year to £361,985,000 ($1,809,925,000.)

Not Included

The Admiralty figure did not include the new construction program outlined in this week's Government white paper on defence. The program is to include two capital ships, one aircraft carrier, seven cruisers and many smaller craft.

Cost of the new building plan was placed roughly at £550,000,000 but only a fraction of this amount will be charged to this year's budget in supplementary estimates to be announced later. It is expected these estimates, to cover only the 1938 work on the new program, will be around £3,000,000.

The size, and consequently the cost, of the new battleships and cruisers depend on what Britain, The United States and France decide to do about Japan's unwillingness to reveal her building program. Should they increase capital ship sizes above the treaty limit of 35,000 tons and cruisers above 8,000 tons heavier expenditure will be required.

When the new craft are laid down British shipyards will have under construction seven battleships, six aircraft carriers and seven cruisers. At present there are 55 modern cruisers built or building. The 21 old cruisers are used largely as escort vessels.

In destroyer building, Britain has forged ahead swiftly with 14 modern flotillas built or building. The destroyer program is so well advanced that no new construction was considered needed in 1938-39. A flotilla is usually seven or nine destroyers.

A feature of the announcement was the stress of the fleet air arm, the naval air service. There will be an increase of more than £1,500,000 for this service excluding aircraft construction.

Freighter Norfolk Is Hard Aground

NEWPORT, R.I., March 4—(AP)—The coastwise freighter Norfolk remained hard aground tonight on a ledge near Penikese Island in Buzzards Bay, her forward sections flooded and a northeast gale lashing her stern.

Officers of the Coast Guard patrol boat Argo, standing by, regarded the steamer and her crew of 33 in no immediate danger. Captain Robert B. Clark of the U. S. Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation, viewed the Norfolk, but rough water prevented him from going aboard.

Quebec Boxer Is Retiring

MONTREAL, March 3 — Eli Brown, who started as a swarthy 12-year-old kid on a boxing career that was to lead him to the Canadian amateur light-heavyweight title at the age of 17, is retiring from the ring.

Considered one of the best boxing prospects ever developed in Quebec Province, young Brown had tucked away the provincial middleweight crown when only 15. Later he garnered Montreal and provincial titles on his way to the Canadian title.

And now, when they considered him about to make his debut in professional company, young Brown announced today he was retiring to devote his time to business.

Underwriters Hear Succession Duties Paper

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conceivable that the Canadian public would continue to be so apathetic towards a condition of affairs such as described and should continue to be content with double and in some cases triple taxation being imposed if they really understood clearly what is taking place", the speaker declared. "If the facts are clearly brought out before the public in an understanding manner something may be done to cure a situation where every province is out for all it can get with very little regard for the outside taxpayer who is being taxed on 'property' and whose vote thus means nothing to the province imposing the tax. For example, it makes no difference to the province of Quebec whether the tax payer in Saskatchewan or in Prince Edward Island is paying three duties upon the same assets or whether a charity in Prince Edward Island is paying 23 per cent of monies of which it has the greatest need to effect a saving of human lives. However, unless the estate can afford to engage in expensive litigation, the duties must be paid irrespective of the legality of the demand.

"What with conflicting decisions, Act after Act of the various provinces having been declared ultra vires and yet enforced by the province where possible and the tax payer being forced to pay two or three times on the same asset the situation has developed into one of 'catch as catch can and the devil take the hindermost'," Mr. Bissett declared.

The question of succession duties was one which in part would have to be dealt with by an inter-provincial agreement, the speaker pointed out. Several aspects of the case were mentioned in the brief submitted by the Charlottetown Board of Trade at the sittings of the Rowell Commission here recently.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the speaker for his valuable address.

S. P. C. A. Weekly Column

Inspector McLean's report for week:

One lost dog's owner found and dog returned.

Three dogs (very old) destroyed.

One dog hit and mortally wounded by car—humanely dispatched.

One cat hit by car—despatched.

Thirteen cats (old and sick) (despatched).

On Wednesday a man was arrested who was driving a horse while intoxicated. The case came up in the police court Wednesday morning, and was adjourned until further evidence could be obtained.

The horse, suffering from several ailments—among them saddle sores—was ordered tied up for a week.

Answered another call to treat a cat suffering from eczema or mange.

Mr. McLean also investigated several complaints sent in from the country. On Tuesday he drove to the district whence these complaints came and found, in the first case, animals housed in very small quarters and much in need of exercise—in fact he then prevailed upon the owner to let them out, for the first time during the winter. One young cow which had been kept in particularly cramped quarters was scarcely able to walk when she first went out of doors, but had not been out long before she was cavorting around like a two year old—which she was. Mr. McLean stresses the need of fresh air and exercise for all animals and strongly advises farmers to allow horses and cattle out for exercise every day that it is possible for them to do so.

The second call the Inspector made at a farm where the calves were sick, and one or more had died. On making a post mortem examination he found wads of horse hair in the calves' stomach, which was undoubtedly the cause of death. Horses had been groomed and the hair carelessly thrown where the calves had picked it up. Farmers are advised to make a note of this, and be careful of loose hair lying around where calves or cows are, and in the spring when animals are losing their heavy winter coats, they should be doubly careful. Other animals on this farm Mr. McLean found to be in good condition.

Several cases have been brought to the attention of the S.P.C.A. in the city of truckmen who are dependent on their horses for their livelihood and who are not making enough to feed their families—to say nothing of the poor horses. This is one of the reasons why the Society needs funds.

S. P. C. A. APPEAL

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ISLAND GIRL ON WINNING DEBATING TEAM

HALIFAX, March 4—George Peircey of Halifax, and Zylpha Linkletter, of Summerside, representatives of the junior class of Dalhousie University, last night won the Bennett Shield, emblematic of debating supremacy at Dalhousie, defeating the senior class team of John Grant, Pictou, N. S., and Margaret Schwartz, Halifax.

The junior team won the audience vote, they supporting the affirmative of the resolution, "That the initiation system for college freshmen should be revived."

School - curriculum Discussion

By J. C. Lewis

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good text-books is only one necessary part of a necessary combination if the successful teaching of students in Grade 10 is to be accomplished. And a good teacher is the more important part of it.

He should be a man who has had, at least, the equivalent of three years in Prince of Wales. It goes without saying that he must know something of a subject before he can impart a knowledge of it to his pupils, and the amount of English the average second year Prince of Wales graduate knows is not sufficient to justify placing him as a mentor over Grade 10 pupils. He should be able to impart some knowledge of rhetoric. He should be able to demonstrate to his pupils that a sentence or paragraph may be grammatically correct while rhetorically wrong. He should be able to take a paragraph from Stevenson and show from it how the great writer uses paralelism of phrase, clause, and sentence; how he avoids all ambiguity and obscureness; and how he uses words to develop rhythm and sound. He should be acquainted with the ordinary figures of speech—synecdoche, metonymy, metaphor, and simile—so that he may point them out as the student chances to meet them in his reading. He should be familiar with the common poetical metres so that his students may be able to scan the great poems of our language. He should know something of our great poets and should be able to read at least parts of Shakespeare to his students with understanding and delight.

Any teacher who fails short of these qualifications, should not have the instructing of children in Grades 9 and 10. On the other hand, if your teacher has them, you should appreciate him and should do all in your power to see that he receives remuneration commensurate with his ability, for, whether or not you realize it, he is the most important member of society in your community.

While I have been writing this letter to you, the mothers and fathers of the province, ideas, grammatical rules and terms, and references of all kinds have been rushing through my mind, each of them trying to crowd its way to the front and all of them clamouring for publication. It is as if a flood had at last burst through a dam and had filled to overflowing the water bed beneath. I stand on the bank and, as the flotsam and jetsam swirl madly around, I pluck out something here, something there, which I think I may be able to use.

But the grave question now is: Will what I say be understood as I mean it to be understood? If not, is it altogether my fault, or is some of the responsibility for the difficulty to be traced to others who died before I was born? Suppose every sentence in this letter were both grammatically and rhetorically correct, suppose every word in every sentence were used according to its usual acceptation, does that mean that you who read this letter will know exactly what I am trying to say? I am afraid there is no guarantee, though, of course, any serious misunderstanding is unlikely since I am writing on a concrete subject and am doing my best to use concrete words in conformity with that subject.

But the fact that I may have succeeded in this letter in communicating certain ideas of mine on the subject of English to you, does not affect the truth of the statement that our language, as well as all other languages, is exploited by many who use it for selfish purposes, just as the Greek and Latin tongues were exploited by philosophers who talked in high-sounding terms of things which neither they nor we have ever understood. The grave danger is that people are influenced more by abstractions than by concrete words whose meaning they know. For instance, some years ago, a gentleman who had just received the Republican nomination for President of the United States told a friend that "Americanism" would be the slogan of his party. Asked by his friend what "Americanism" was, he replied: "I'm sure I don't know. But it is a damn fine word and will win the election." It did, and it is not the only "damn fine word" in our language which means less than nothing.

There are two serious wrongs committed by us in the use of language—serious because so flagrant. One is the identification of the word with the thing; the other, which is a direct result of the first, is the misuse of abstract terms. Unfortunately, there is, at present, no course given in any university which would equip our teachers to hold up those wrongs before the eyes of their pupils and thus prevent the coming generation from being, like the present one, the easy prey of the demagogue. But there are those who are spending their lives in this study—semantics it is called—and the day is not far off when we shall no longer be fooled by the high-sounding words of pseudo-statesmen, after-dinner speakers and dictators, nor by the Heavy Thoughts of Heavy Thinkers.

You hear a purring sound behind you and something brushes your leg. You reach down to stroke the animal. You say, "It IS a cat." But is it? Mr. Duplessis of Quebec would call it a "chat" and Cicero, if he were alive and present, would call it a "felis." The thing which we call "cat," "chat," or "felis"—depending on the language we use—is a nonverbal object. The three different words which we have here applied to the same animal are only labels which we attach for our own convenience. BUT THE LABEL IS NOT THE ANIMAL. We see this quite clearly when we stop to think about it, but the trouble is we do not stop to think. Consequently, we are continually confusing the label with the object as if this label were scratching, purring or "meowing" in its own right. This tendency to identify word with thing would not be a serious matter if we stopped with the objects of our senses, but when we move up to abstractions such as "freedom," "democracy," "honour", "fascism" "communism," etc., and impute a living, breathing entity to them no one knows what anyone else is trying to say. Of course if we are CONSCIOUS at the time of abstracting we can get along as a quarryman gets along who is using dynamite. This identification of word with thing is well illustrated by the child's remark: "Pigs are rightly named since they are such dirty animals."

Ogden and Richards, pioneers in this study of semantics, contribute a technical trem, the "referent," by which they mean the object or situation in the real world to which the word or label refers. An animal approaches, driven by a man. I recognize it by means of my past experience with similar animals. I turn to my friend and say, "That's a nice horse." The word "horse" is the label; the animal itself is the referent. Now, when we can find the same referent for the same word, we can agree as to what we are talking about, and we can understand each other, because there are no obstacles along the right of way of our communication lines.

I think it a pity our children cannot, today, be taught these truths. If they were, we should soon have a generation before whom the politicians, the dictators, and all others who intentionally misuse language could rave and rant until they were blue in the face. Our children might listen for a moment, but soon they would turn away uninterested. For, where they could find no referent, they would know there was no meaning. Only sound and, maybe, a little fury.

That Body of Yours

By James W. Bevis, M.D.

LOSS OF HEARING IN ADULT MAY BE DUE TO CHILDHOOD AILMENTS

Parents do not fear measles or scarlet fever in their youngsters but ear specialists tell us that a great amount of deafness in adults can be traced to the inflammation of the nose, throat, and the air tube running up from the throat to the middle ear, during and following an attack of measles or scarlet fever. An inflammation of the nose and throat extends up this air tube (eustachian tube) and to the middle ear and interferes with the little bones which carry the sound from the ear drum to the nerve which carries the sound to the brain.

Enlarged and inflamed tonsils not only cause infection but interfere with the ventilation of this middle ear by partly closing the air carrying (eustachian) tube.

Parents are warned that inflammation of the nose and throat can leave products which become organized and cause definite obstruction and interference to proper hearing.

The proper treatment is to have these products removed as early as possible. Any little loss of hearing following any ailment of childhood or a prolonged cold should receive immediate attention from the family physician or from an ear specialist.

Dr. H. Norman Barnett, in the Medical Press and Circular, London, says.

"There is a wide-rooted opinion that deafness is either due to wax which anybody can cure or not due to wax which nobody can cure: or that all deafness after 50 is due to anno domini (age) and must be put up with."

"The outstanding symptoms of this middle ear deafness are the difficulty in hearing air-borne sounds, and interpreting or understanding the sounds that are heard, sometimes not accompanied by head noises which usually occur some time after the hard of hearing has been first noticed."

While much may often be done for adults who are losing their hearing Dr. Barnett urges the prevention and very early treatment of all the results of inflammatory conditions of the ear, nose and throat should be efficiently carried out."

The lesson to parents then is that following ailments of childhood or head colds, a close watch be made of the child's hearing. His apparent inattention at school or in the home may be due to a beginning loss of hearing.

Cunningham Sees Four - minute Mile Eventually

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)

NEW YORK, March 4—Glenn Cunningham believes the mile record eventually will be cut to an even four minutes.

"Someday, somewhere, somebody will run a four-minute mile," the powerful Kansan said today in an interview on his return from his record-smashing 4:04.4 performance at Hanover, N. H., last night.

"I would like to get the mile record down where it belongs," he added.

He declared the hardest part of running a mile race was the "few hours before it starts and the day afterward talking about it." Cheering helps a runner, he said, but smoking by spectators in a closed arena definitely is a hindrance and should be banned.

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