

The Spokesman

DRUMMONDVILLE, FEBRUARY 25, 1930

PRICE FIVE CENTS

"Empire buyers are Empire builders. For us the Empire begins in Canada," is a real motto!

Several Important Legislative Proposals in Speech of Throne

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University Requests Assistance — at Gaspé Also — Quebec Home-Make Request for Far Hotel Licenses — Tavern Hours.

LEGATIONS

Premier L. A. Taschereau and his colleagues at the capital Friday smiled and kindly as they were greeted by a number of persons presenting their case before the able and efficient man.

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Knowlton Man is Burned When Caught by Wire

Frank Ritchin, an Employee of Southern Canada Power Company, Was Working at St. Hyacinthe. — Accident at Asbestos.

FALLS 20 FEET

Frank Ritchin, 28 years of age, an employee of the Southern Canada Power Corporation at Knowlton, Que., had a narrow escape from death Thursday while repairing wires, forty feet above the ground. Ritchin lost his balance, but managed to catch and hold on to some telegraph wires.

When Ritchin was released he was suffering from terrible burns about the right arm and was taken to the home of Dr. Sylvia Dragon, of St-Hyacinthe, for treatment.

OTHER ACCIDENTS

When he fell into a mine shaft, a depth of twenty feet, at Asbestos yesterday, George Lefrançois, 28 years of age, one of the mine employees, suffered a compound fracture of the right arm. The victim was removed to St. Hyacinthe. His condition is reported to be serious.

In his desire to feed the pigeons in a small pigeon house twelve feet from the ground, nine-year-old A. Lery, of Ste. Helene de Bagot, Thursday climbed up a ladder and fell. The child suffered a broken collarbone in the fall.

While strolling on the sidewalk with her mother, Jeannette St-Onge, eight years of age, of St. Hyacinthe, slipped on the icy sidewalk near her home suffering from a broken right leg.

Free Motorist
of Charge of
Manslaughter

Jury in Montreal Returns
Verdict of Not Guilty in
Case of Wilbrod Guereite,
An Eastern Township
Man. — Judge's Remarks.

HUMAN LIVES
Montréal. — Wilbrod Guereite, of Sherbrooke, who was held here on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Auguste Letourneau was found not guilty by a jury in the Court of King's Bench Friday.

On the evening of November ninth, Guereite was supposed to have struck the deceased with his car on the Chamby-Longueuil road. The driver of the car that struck down the man continued on its way while the victim of the accident died. Guereite was later arrested in one of the South Shore municipalities.

Mr. Justice Charles A. Wilson's address was finished at four o'clock and exactly one hour later the foreman of the jury announced its decision. Guereite seemed quite unconcerned and unmoved.

Horace Gagne, K. C., defended the accused, while the Crown was represented by Dan P. Gillmor, K. C., and Crown prosecutor, who received the congratulations of the judge on the manner in which he had addressed the jury.

After explaining the points of the law involved in a manslaughter case. Mr. Justice Wilson told the jury not to forget that a man had been killed by an automobile, and although the benefit of any doubt they might have was to be given the accused, they should also remember not only the victim but also his relatives and those who actually depended on him. "Sympathy when rightly directed is a fine and noble thing," His Lordship declared, "but

Council Meeting
The second regular meeting of the members of the municipal council, since the latter has commenced a two years' new regime, a month ago, will be held to-night. Several important questions are tabled to come up before the meeting.

NAVAL CONFERENCE MUCH IN DOLDRUMS

London. — The Five Power Naval Conference enters its fifth week very much in the doldrums. Preparations were begun for resumption of actual work Wednesday, but the preparations were somewhat indifferent, for unless the French Government weathers its session in the Chamber of deputies to-morrow the forced adjournment of last week may have to be continued indefinitely. There was hope here that M. Chautemps, the new French Premier, would emerge victorious in the Chamber and come here with M. Briand and Sarraut prepared to plunge right into the conference negotiations. There was worry even in this prospect for Paris despatches said there would be no change in the Tardieu naval policy, demands of which the other four naval powers considered excessive.

The London press is most pessimistic of the future of the conference, but Premier MacDonald, United States Secretary of State, Stimson, and others are said still to profess to believe that things will proceed speedily soon and the ultimate aim of limitation eventually will be achieved.

House Razed By Flames Near City Limits

Was the Property of Mr. L. A. Ferland — At St. Pierre Village — Tenants Fled for Life — Total Lost — Origin of Fire Not Known.

MAN HURT

Wednesday night the Fire Brigade was called out to the Third Range, near the Drummondville-St. Pierre Village limits where a fire was destroying a house, the property of Mr. L. A. Ferland and occupied by the family of Mr. Euclide Cajolet, an employee of the Campbell MacLaurin Company.

The house being at quite a distance from the nearest alarm box the firemen were there but several minutes after the flames were noticed and on their arrival the fire had spread to such an extent as to make it impossible to save the building from complete destruction.

It was at three o'clock in the morning that the alarm was given. Mr. and Mrs. Cajolet and their children had to flee but scantily attired in their night clothes. Not one piece of their household furniture could be saved.

Mr. Cajolet smashed a window by which the family fled out. While so doing he cut one of his hands very painfully. The cause of the fire has not been determined.

Young Man Was Killed by Tree at Bolton Glen

Willoughby Hall, 19-Year-Old Son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hall, of This Place, Fatally Injured While Working in Woods Near His Home.

ANOTHER HURT

Bolton, Glen. — Willoughby Hall, nineteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hall, of this place, was fatally injured on Saturday afternoon when he was struck by a falling tree limb while working on his father's wood lot here.

The young man and a friend, Fred Horne, had just finished cutting down a large tree and were stepping back out of danger when a large limb of a nearby tree, which had broken off during the descent of the tree they had cut, fell to the ground, pinning the two underneath it. Horne, who only received bruises and a few scratches cleared himself of the entanglement and went to the aid of his companion, who was still lying on the ground.

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A Robin?

Eye-witnesses whose veracity is impeachable declare that they saw a real, live, red-breasted robin in the trees near St. Georges Church, Saturday.

Either this is a sign of an early spring, or else indicates that the robin in question has been tearing leaves off his calendar too quickly.

Parliament Hill Crowded With Interested Spectators When His Excellency Opened Fourth Session of Canada's Sixteenth Parliament in Majesty's Name, Thursday — Customary Pomp and Dignity Marked Occasion — Empire's First Woman Senator.

HEAVY LEGISLATION

Ottawa. — The invasion of the Red Chamber by the Empire's first woman Senator, the Honorable Cairine Wilson, of Ottawa, was one of the outstanding events Thursday when, on behalf of His Majesty the King, His Excellency the Governor General, Viscount Willingdon, opened the fourth session of Canada's sixteenth Parliament.

Parliament Hill presented a truly Canadian picture with its mantle of snow, but owing to the mild weather Their Excellencies were prevented from riding to the Parliament Houses in the regular winter sleigh. Interest in the opening of Parliament was again very keen, Parliament Hill being crowded with interested spectators, while the more fortunate ones who gained entrance watched proceedings from within the stately edifice in which Canada's laws are made.

CEREMONY AT SENATE

After the Speaker of the Senate, Hon. Hewitt Bostock, had addressed its members probably for the last time as "honorable gentlemen", he announced a message from His Excellency apprising the Red Chamber of the appointment to it of two new members. Hon. Robert Forke, former Minister of Immigration and Colonization was introduced by Hon. Raoul Dandurand and Hon. J. P. Molloy, of Manitoba, and, after Mr. Forke took his seat as the Senator for Brandon, the Government leader in the upper House. Senator Dandurand, and Rt. Hon. George P. Graham, withdrew for a more important function.

Almost immediately upon being escorted to the bar of the Senate by her husband, Norman F. Wilson, the new lady Senator provoked a round of applause in which the galleries vigorously joined. One false note, however, jarred the proceedings and that was when Senator Peter F. Martin, of Halifax, rose and called for three cheers "for our lady Senator." Observance of decorum in the august Chamber prevented any response to a really chivalrous appeal.

When it came to the customary declaration of allegiance and the ceremony of signing the roll Senator Cairine Wilson conducted herself with notable dignity. Again, however, when she advanced to the exalted seat of the Speaker to receive his formal greeting, Senator Wilson's gown unfortunately became entangled with the military accoutrements of Senator Dandurand and a little titter of laughter made known the spectators' good-humored cognizance of this little "situation."

More cordial applause disturbed the usual quiet of the Chamber as Senator Wilson took her seat before.

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MOTOR SHOW TO OPEN HERE ON WEDNESDAY NEXT WEEK

Will Be Held Under the Auspices of Nearly Every Local Automobile Agency, March 5-6-7 and 8 — Displays.

Automobile sales companies here are actively organizing their third annual Automobile Show which will take place next week, beginning Wednesday, March 5th, and which is no doubt bound to attract a large number of prospective buyers from all this district.

The show, same as last year, will be held in the respective display salons of the various automobile agencies where the outstanding features of the different cars will be explained and demonstrations given.

BAND TOMBOLA THIS WEEK

Opens To-Night at Knights of Columbus Hall — Will Close Monday Night — Under Divers Patronages.

As already announced, to-night, at the K. of C. Hall, Heriot street, will take place the official opening of the Harmony Band Tombola. The proceeds of that series of social nights which will come to a close Monday next, will serve to buy new uniforms very much needed by the members of our musical corps.

The ladies organizing this tombola have devoted many weeks of their time to make it probably the most brilliant social event of its kind yet held in Drummondville, so it will assuredly be more than worth while to respond to the invitation.

Every afternoon and night the public is invited to attend. The following program will be followed:

To-night, Tuesday, Municipal Council and Canadian Celanese night under the patronage of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Sperling.

To-morrow, L. Roessel & Co., and J. A. Gosselin Co., night, under the patronage of Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Glatfelter and Mr. and Mrs. A. Bernard.

Thursday, Butterfly Hosiery, Dominion Hosiery and Artisans C-F. night, under the patronage of Mr. and Mrs. Russel Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Christman.

Friday, Drummondville Cotton and Union St. Joseph de Drummondville night, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Fisk, patrons.

Saturday, Dominion Silk, G. Mercure and Campbell MacLaurin, patrons Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Gall, Mr. and Mrs. G. Mercure and Mr. and Mrs. McCallum.

The Mayor and Mrs. W.-A. Moisan are the Honorary Presidents of the Tombola.

LAST DAY FOR LICENSE PLATES

Automobile owners are warned that their 1929 license plates must be obtained on or before Saturday, March 1, and that all cars bearing 1929 plates seen on the roads on or after this date will be liable to a fine.

The Provincial Government authorities arranged for the issue of auto licenses on and after February 1, instead of March 1, as in previous years. Therefore motorists have had a month in which to procure their new plates. Mr. J. Ernest Pinard, Heriot Street, opposite the Dominion Silk, is in charge of the office where auto licenses can be obtained in Drummondville. In the county of Drummond there are in all approximately 1,100 cars, of which 475 in this town.

United Church

Everyone is invited to come and bring their friends to the Social Evening that will be held to-morrow, February 26, in the United Church, on Lindsay street. A very Amusing programme has been planned, of interest to both old and young. Admission free, refreshments served for the nominal sum of 15 cents.

Colorful Dance

Saturday night, at the Manoir Drummond, a dance was held under the auspices of the Drummond Golf and Country Club, and obtained a more splendid success. The elite of Drummondville was largely represented at this colorful social event and an excellent orchestra rendered most delightful music.

Premier of Canada



RIGHT HON. W. L. MACKENZIE KING, distinguished statesman who heads the Canadian Parliament. The latter is the sixteenth and its fourth session was opened last Thursday.

Thaw Impedes Progress On Country Roads

Possibility of Early Spring Being Discussed by Citizens Following Continued Thaw—Light Rains Set In Sunday Evening.

COUNTRY ROADS

Hopes of an early spring are raised in the hearts of the residents of the Eastern Townships by the behavior of the weather man during the course of the past few days.

Following a period of intensely cold weather, when the mercury sank to twenty-seven below zero on Monday, a decided rise in temperature was recorded on Tuesday, and the first real thaw came on Wednesday, when thirty-eight above was reached, and has lasted since.

Throughout the week the mild weather continued. Snow melted on all the hillsides, while the streets were inches deep in slush and water. At an early hour Wednesday morning rain set in, which caused considerable speeding up in the melting process.

Although the thaw has brought up the possibilities of an early opening of the roads for automobile traffic, the farmers coming into the city with sleighs are experiencing difficulty in getting here, for in many cases long stretches of the country roads are such as to impede progress, and horses have to

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But a Rumor

Mention has been made of the possible appointment of Mr. Gordon Scott, of Montreal, to the Cabinet as representative of the English-speaking people of the Province of Quebec.

Speaking of this appointment, the Ottawa Evening Journal in its news columns, said:

"Gordon Scott, of Montreal, member of the accounting firm of P. S. Ross and Sons, is being prominently mentioned as a possibility for the Cabinet as representative of the English-speaking people of the Province of Quebec."

"It is understood the Government would like to have Mr. Scott enter the Cabinet as he is regarded as a very able man."

"Parliament will meet Thursday, however, without an English-speaking Minister from Quebec unless Mr. Scott is offered and accepts a portfolio."

"It is also understood there will be some delay before the three Quebec Senate vacancies are filled. It is possible the Ontario Senate vacancy will be filled before Parliament opens. The names of W. E. N. Sinclair, Liberal leader in Ontario, Hon. H. W. Rowell, K.C., Percy Parker, of Toronto, and J. H. Gundy, Ontario Liberal organizer, are all being mentioned."

CONFIDENT WHEAT POOL WILL MEET OBLIGATIONS

E. T. NEWS OF INTEREST

SERIOUSLY INJURED

Granby. — Mr. Guy Willey, aged 32, was brought to Dr. Runnell's hospital here Thursday afternoon in a serious condition, as the result of injuries received while working in the woods. The victim was cutting trees in the vicinity of Shefford Mountain for Mr. William Jolley, when a limb fell on him, fracturing his leg in two places and breaking several ribs.

His condition is reported to be very serious.

FISH AND GAME

Knowlton, Que. — Officers were elected, reports received and other items of business were taken up at the annual meeting of the Brome branch of the Province of Quebec Association for the Protection of Fish and Game held recently at the Lake View Hotel, Knowlton.

The officers elected were: Messrs. C. W. Buchanan, chairman; A. W. Westover, vice-chairman, and C. E. Curley, secretary-treasurer. The executives, subject to membership and acceptance, elected were Messrs. L. D. McClintock, Knowlton; Archie Pettes, West Brome; M. P. Chapman, Brome; K. B. McKay, Sutton; Richard Spencer, Abercorn; Arthur Aldridge, Glen Sutton; Ed. Bailey, Highwater; D. McN. Manson, Mansonville; P. Mitchell, South Bolton; Arthur Carter, Foster; W. C. Perkins, Vale Perkins and L. Knowlton, Knowlton's Landing.

FOUND GUILTY

Sweetsburg. — A seventy-five year old farmer of this district named Dunlavy was found guilty Thursday by Judge Lemay in the Magistrate's Court here of gravely assaulting one of his employees by striking him on the head

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Mertz Charged With Murder of Townships Man

U. S. Federal Narcotic Agent Arrested in Houston, Texas, Last Week — Is Wanted in Sherbrooke to Answer Charges of Murdering Aimee Bilodeau.

SECOND ARREST

Houston, Texas. — Fred H. Mertz, federal narcotic agent, was arrested here last week on charge of murdering, kidnapping and theft of an automobile preferred by the Canadian Government.

Judge J. C. Hutcheson, Jr., of the Federal District Court, released Mertz on his own recognizance after his arrest.

The warrant, which was sworn out before United States Commissioner Brantly Harris by Frederick William Paris, British consul for Texas, alleges that Mertz killed Aimee Bilodeau of Sherbrooke in May, 1925, near the Canadian border in the district of St. Francis. It charges also that he kidnapped Robert Andrew Price of the same town and forcibly removed him from Canada. Another count charged that he stole an automobile owned by Mrs. Bilodeau.

The Government agent said the charges were an outgrowth of work he did in conjunction with Canadian authorities in 1925 in an attempt to prevent smuggling of narcotics across the border.

Three men, he said, suspected of being narcotic smugglers, engaged the agents in a gun battle. One of the men fell, wounded fatally. Another escaped and the third was arrested

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Mill Accident

Mr. John Gold, aged 50, an employee of the silkmill at Actonville, was admitted to the hospital Friday evening suffering from a badly lacerated right hand, which he received when his hand was caught in a machine which he was demonstrating. The injured member, which was badly cut in several places, was dressed at the institution. The condition of Mr. Gold is reported as good.

Statement Issued by Western
Premiers Declares Financial Position of Pool Is Sound, Deposits With Lending Banks Are in Excess of Fifteen Per Cent. — General Confidence.

ON MARGIN

Regina, Sask. — Confidence in the ability of the wheat pool to meet its obligations to lending banks, to maintain its fifteen per cent margin and in the soundness of its "orderly marketing" policy, was reiterated by the premiers of the Western provinces in a statement issued here Saturday night.

The financial position of the pool is sound; deposits with the lending banks are in excess of the fifteen per cent margin demanded on loans, and operations are being carried on in conformity with the aims and objects of the organization.

Conferring with pool representatives here Saturday, Premiers John Bracken, of Manitoba, J. T. M. Anderson, of Saskatchewan, and J. E. Brownlee, of Alberta, made a survey of the present marketing conditions and drafted uniform legislation covering the guarantee given the banks for the pool three years ago. The statement said:

"Uniform legislation was drafted supplementing the guarantee given the lending banks by the provincial governments recently, and to adequately finance the balance of the crop of 1929."

The guarantee given the banks by the Prairie governments was that the fifteen per cent margin required on loans to the wheat pool would be maintained. This was a protective measure taken to assure proper functioning of the pool and to avoid "dumping" wheat at depressed levels.

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Organization of Ex-Service Men in Quebec

Colonel L. R. Lafleche, Dominion President Canadian Legion, Stressed Needs of Organization and Establishing of Service Bureau.

STATISTICS

Montreal. — The need for thorough organization of ex-service men in Quebec province and the advisability of immediately establishing a service bureau from which expert advice could be given to the men in solving their many problems, were stressed by Colonel L. R. Lafleche, D.S.O., A.D.C., Dominion president of the Canadian Legion, speaking at a veterans' rally in his honor.

By comparing the enlistments with the number of pensioners in each province, it was possible to arrive at figures which gave the following standing, taking 100 as the index of normal pension expectations: Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, 105; British Columbia and Alberta, 100; Saskatchewan 89; Manitoba, 86; Ontario, 78 New Brunswick, 64; Quebec, 47.

Assist Aviators

Ottawa, Ont. — The entire west coast from Skaway, Alaska, to the Canal Zone has been mapped in a series of charts for the use of aviators. The East Coast from New York as far south as Cape Haitien and maps from the area from New York to St. John's, New Brunswick, will be completed in a short while, marking charts of the east coast complete from St. John's to Cape Haitien. The charts of the east coast are made by way of Miami, Florida, and Havan, Cuba.

Signs of Spring

Friday last ducks have been seen on the St. Francis River, a little above Hemmings Falls. The birds, apparently unafraid of the men approaching them at a small distance, spent several hours swimming under the warm rays of a springtime sun.

SPORT NEWS

WEATHER IS RESPONSIBLE

Hockey Games Here Postponed On Account of Ice Condition — Future Games.

ST. VIATEURS BACK?

There was no hockey game played on the local ice, Friday or Sunday, on account of the mild weather prevailing, but as soon as the mercury settles back a little lower, as it wont to do before spring is with us for good, the hockey schedule will be continued.

The first game will be played against the Celanese team, winner of 2 in 3 meets to take possession of the coveted Beaulieu-Taylor Cup.

The management of the local team are expecting to have the St. Viateur mute and deaf players back here before the close of the season. Every hockey fan here recalls that the St. Viateurs gave a very popular exhibition of clean and fast hockey on the downtown rink, a few weeks ago. They certainly are the best attraction the management can book.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Restocking

Sir:—Amongst your readers are many good sports who have enjoyed seeing their family and friends dispose of a half dozen properly cooked brook trout.

There are miles and miles of streams in our Eastern Townships that should be restocked. A brave attempt was made last year in Brome County. Reports to date indicate encouraging success.

When in Quebec last week I learned that there would be an abundance of fry for this spring planting, and plenty of rainbow fingerlings for planting next November.

I sent application forms some time ago to those who planted last year. I am sending one batch of signed applications to Quebec today.

May I again urge the rest of these public spirited gentlemen to complete their applications at once and forward them to me, and at the same time urge others to write to me or to Quebec for application forms.

If we are going to do some good for our fellowmen and our community we should do it now.

Yours truly,

J. BRUCE PAYNE.
Granby, Que.

Answers Questions

To the Editor,

Sir:—I have been asked to answer, through your columns, by a Townships correspondent, three questions, as follows:

No. 1.—Is it unlawful to ship fur, within the province, without it first being stamped by a game warden?

Answer—Where there is a resident game warden you are expected to first have furs stamped. No warden available, you can ship to your nearest, or any warden, to be stamped, marking on the container a list of furs and a memo saying "To be stamped." If you want some fur tanned you can ship to tanner at the corner of Craig and Amherst (I forget his name) and he will have your fur stamped and charge to you. Mark contents on your package, and mark "To be stamped."

No. 2.—Is it unlawful to use an automatic shotgun to kill foxes?

Answer—Automatic shotguns are forbidden in all cases.

No. 3.—Is it forbidden to fish through the ice for perch?

Answer—No. It is forbidden to fish through the ice for trout only. Special legislation forbids fishing through the ice on Brome Pond for all kinds. Perhaps there are some other ponds that I am not aware of.

All complaints, all correspondence on fish and game marked confidential is treated confidential. I am always ready to "play the game."

Yours truly,

J. BRUCE PAYNE.
Granby, Que.

WINTER SPORTS IN CANADA ARE GAINING GENERAL FAVOR

Growing Realization of Benefits to Be Derived from Wholesome and Healthful Recreation — Winter Pastimes Suitable to All, from Skiing to Curling — Snowshoeing Regaining Prestige.

There is no doubt that in Canada as in many other countries sport has made tremendous strides in the last decade and that throughout the civilized world there is a growing realization of the benefits to be derived from wholesome and healthful recreation. In Canada the advent of winter causes no lessening in athletic and recreative activity and whether it be in the open or in the many buildings devoted to sports, enthusiasm is always high.

Canadians and visitors from other countries realize more every passing year what a valuable asset the Dominion has in its winters. The snap and briskness of the average winter day makes bodily activity a pleasure and even during the coldest days, which usually occur in January and February, the temperature is not so low as to prevent normally healthy and energetic people from enjoying popular outdoor winter sports in all parts of the country. There are few scenes more beautiful than a Canadian landscape on a winter's day. Added to this is the clear bracing air which has a wholesome, invigorating effect upon all who go out, as many thousands do go out, and disport themselves skating, skiing, tobogganing, snow-shoeing, curling, or playing hockey and thereby increasing their mental and physical alertness.

In the range of our winter pastimes there are those which are suited only to the younger generation such as hockey and ski-jumping. The former requires the maximum of skill on skates and in the handling of a hockey stick. Quick-thinking, courage, and stamina are also essentials of a successful hockey player. Daring and good nerves are prime requisites in ski-jumping. To race down a sharp incline at a speed of nearly forty miles an hour and then be laughed into the air for a jump down a steep incline provides the maximum of thrills to the initiated, and to be able to do this is the aim of every youthful skier.

The other forms of outdoor winter amusement lend themselves admirably to all ages. From "six to sixty" the sports enthusiast may

enjoy skating, skiing, snowshoeing, or tobogganing. Each requires a short novitiate when great fun is extracted from the process of becoming accustomed to the handling of one's gear. Whether on the frozen surface of lake or stream or in the huge artificial rinks built in the principal cities and towns, all ages enjoy skating. The long rolling hilly country near Ottawa and Montreal in the east and the steep slopes of the Rockies in the west are the principal centres of skiing in Canada, although devotees may be found in almost every part of the country. Skiing probably requires the briefest of apprenticeships, which is one of the factors in its widespread popularity. Snowshoeing is regaining prestige after the setback received from skiing's sudden rush to favor, and clubs in many parts of Dominion, and more particularly in Quebec, are reorganizing for one of the busiest seasons in recent years. Marathon snowshoeing is also being introduced to increase the growing interest. Tobogganing requires little skill and provides a maximum of enjoyment. Municipally-owned slides are operated in many centres of population but almost any snow-covered incline can be quickly converted into a glistening speedway for the toboggan. Curling, which is generally played in a building specially equipped for the purpose, appeals more to those past middle life. Ice-boating is also a popular diversion in parts of Canada where the peculiar conditions required prevail. Dog-team racing is now an attractive feature of every carnival programme.

The outstanding characteristic of Canada's outdoor pastimes is that they tend to invite one to participate rather than to merely look on. The majority of these different forms of recreation require no special conditions, and equipment can in practically all cases be secured at a price within reach of the average purse. The various clubs are ever anxious to assist the novice, and on rink or hill the new participant will always find a feeling of good fellowship seldom met with but in the great Canadian outdoors.

Theatre Building Program for 1930

Ottawa, Ont. — Construction and renovation of theatres will form a large part of the building contracts in 1930 throughout Canada. Due to the popularity of the color and talking pictures towns and larger villages will build new theatres and completely renovate old buildings to accommodate the new equipment.

It will mean a huge outlay of money. One circuit, which has 120 theatres throughout Canada wired for second pictures, has already had an outlay of approximately \$2,000,000. In the city of Ottawa this circuit spent \$27,000 on one theatre alone, \$17,000 for equipment and \$10,000 for alterations.

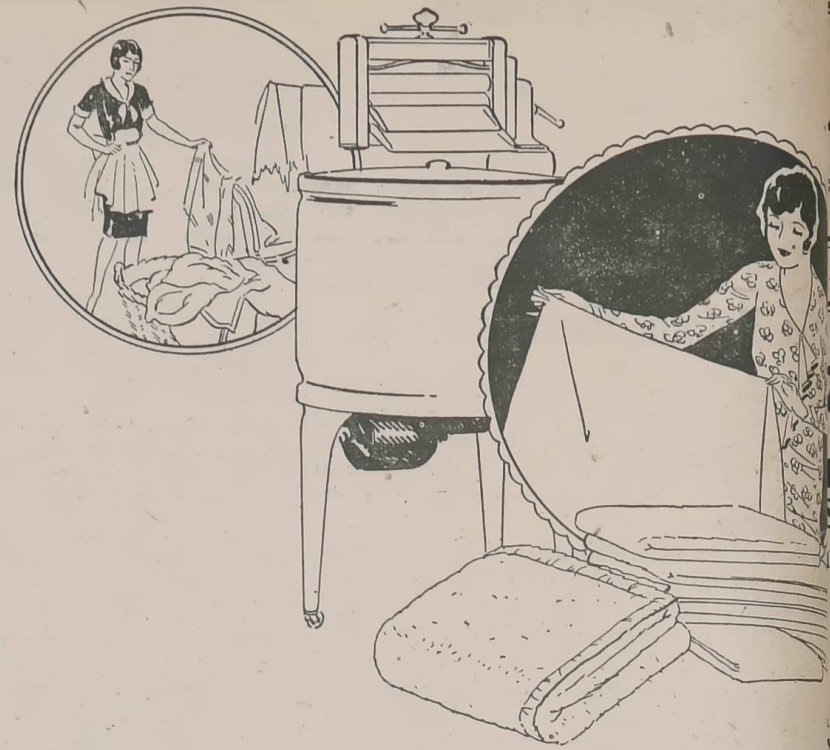
The smaller theatres will mean a large outlay of money for the wiring and equipment. It is estimated that the small theatre may be fitted for sound and color pictures with the best equipment for \$9,000. But the trouble of the theatre manager does not end there. He not only pays three times as much for a silent one, but he also has to employ two operators. The union scale has advanced, too. Before the advent of the sound picture the scale of wages was \$33 a week and now two operators have to be employed the scale has advanced \$10 a week and the wage thus is \$86.

But in spite of these difficulties the towns of Canada are making arrangements to install the "talkies." Although there are still a number of theatres showing silent pictures, there is a growing demand for talkies and colored pictures, both in the cities, towns and larger villages. It is expected that theatre construction and re-construction for the year 1930 will be increased 200 per cent.

Tumbled Scott

Miami Fla. — After a day of brisk workouts among the combatants Frank J. Bruen, general manager of the Madison Square Garden Corporation, announced Thursday night that there will be no broadcast of the second annual festival of the palms on the night of Thursday February 27th.

Between showers, Phil Scott went through nine brisk rounds, but brought a roar from the onlookers when he was tumbled to the canvas in a sparring session with the veteran Canadian Jack Renault. The mishap to the Briton was due more to a shove than any steam in Renault's punches.



Put them in . . .

SNAP THE SWITCH . . .

Take them

... That's all there is to washing with

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