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DRUMMONDVILLE, APRIL 1, 1930

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Encourage our industry by buying Canadian Empire Shopping policy.

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IMPORTANCE OF BEING "NEST" WAS FINE SUCCESS

Taxing Hall to Capacity Attended Both Nights— Brilliantly Rendered Musical Programme.

THE CAST

Parts given, Wednesday last, under the auspices of the members of the club, in the letter's great treats to the large attendance at both evening performances as well as the participants as well as the congratulatory letters for their talents and made possible.

"The Importance of Being a Nest," by Oscar Wilde, three act comedy overhauled with sparkling dialogue with situations times embarrassing as to live it, and all delightful intrigue and of course.

RENDERED The distribution of the cast was that is a real credit to the cast, on locally:

Algeron Moncrieff, Rev. Canon Chas. J. Horsfield; Lane (Ph.), Mr. A. Holmes; (Butler), Mr. A. Holbracknell, Mrs. B. Adeline Fairfax, Miss. Arbury; Miss Primm, Miss Cecily Carson, A. Carson.

of the dramatic comedy, Stage Manager, Mr. Property Manager, Messrs. H. J. Stubbs, and F. L. Collis.

stra, composed of Mrs. Mr. Haney, violin, fello, and Mr. Olive, led the following programme.

ning Fight", by Holtz- nezco Irishlands, by gh; Norwegian Dance, fono from "Kleine by Mozart; Moment Schubert, Hungarian ahms; Petite Suite nos pleride Taylor; Danse k, by Tchaikowski.

Road of Quebec is Now Ready

Improvements in 1930 Issue — Roads for Automobiles Incorporated Issue.

RICTIONS The 1930 road map of Quebec was out for distribution by the Hon. J. E. Perrier, Minister of Roads, the first supplied to members and to the press.

Improvement has been the new map, while the of last year's maps retained. Not only is the finest ever in the province by the de- it also it is claimed to be the finest road maps in

Improvements is that printed on both sides, omitted the addition of information and doubled of the map contains a description of the Quebec St. Justine to Ste. Anne, and from St. Vase county, to Stone- ott. All the principal of the roads are marked certainly prove a great as, who as a rule find to locate the various district of Quebec, only indicated on the

Direct Building

course of last week Mrs. veau has bought the vated between dentist Pre- otary Moisan's offices, treet, where it is con- at a two-story brick l erected incessant- building will be occu- Corrivau Furniture corner of Heriot and streets.

CONFIRMED THAT CANADA-BRITAIN WIRELESS WILL BE OPERATED BY DRUMMONDVILLE'S MARCONI

AN ECUMENICAL COUNCIL IN 1931

Vatican City. — It was reported yesterday that Pope Pius will call an ecumenical council of bishops of the entire Catholic world for 1931 and that the call will be made at the conclusion of the jubilee year, June 30th. The ecumenical council, which will be attended by bishops and high churchmen from all over the world, will be the first for sixty-one years. It will discuss questions of dogma and probably will ratify the reconciliation between the Italian Government and the Holy See. The last ecumenical council adjourned in 1880 shortly before the loss of temporal power with the rise of the Italian state. It proclaimed the dogma of the infallibility of the Pope and ratified the dogma of the Immaculate Conception, which had been proclaimed by the Pope in 1854.

Maple Sugar Sales Should Be Brisk This Year

Exporters from Canada Will Endeavor to Sell Their Future Product to the Mother Country When the Prohibitive Tariff Bill Passes U. S. Senate.

E. T. PRODUCT

It looks as though sugar makers of the Eastern Townships need not be alarmed about the prospects of finding a market for their maple products this year at least. The tariff schedules reported by the Senate committee at Washington will not be finally disposed of in that body inside of two weeks. Then the Houses of Congress will meet in conference, and it is expected that it will take a month for them to prepare a bill satisfactory to both Houses, and after the President attaches his signature to it thirty days must elapse before the law becomes effective. This will bring the date well on, if not quite into June, by which time the 1930 crop will all be marketed, much of it on the British Market.

Late Norman Bell

The death occurred in Drummondville, Thursday of Norman Bell, twenty-two years of age, employed by the Shawinigan Engineering Company at Drummondville.

Gave Lecture

A very interesting and instructive lecture on the beauties of the French language was given, Sunday evening, in the basement of St. Frederic's Church, before a very large attendance, by Father Etienne Blanchard, Sulpician, Montreal, author of several books treating of the French language and widely known in this Province. On that occasion a beautiful musical programme was rendered by a group of singers under the direction of Mrs. P. A. Boyce who accompanied them at the piano. The soloists were Miss Hilaria Lamoureux, Mrs. M. Houston and Messrs Dr. A. Bellevue, P.-E. Rioux and J.-J. Pepin.

To Hold Six-Day Race April 20

Montreal. — Second six-day bicycle race will be held during the week of April 20 at the Forum, it was announced by Forum authorities recently. The event which was inaugurated last October will start shortly after midnight on the evening of the 20th and end on the evening of the following Saturday. Prominent riders from all over the continent are being signed to take part in the event. Promoter Willie Spencer, who staged the first race, has just returned from New York bearing the signatures of a number of men who performed in the Madison Square Garden classic.

Town Council

The Town Council will sit, tonight, and one of the outstanding items to probably come up for its consideration will be the third and final reading of the by-law respecting tax commutation to the two new industries being established in our midst, the Holtite Rubber Co. of Canada, and the Denison Manufacturing of Canada Limited. It is also expected that the plans for the local Court House project will be tabled at to-night's meeting.

Direct Plans — Same Circuit Was Used in Broadcasting King's Speech at Opening of Naval Conference — Merits Debated in London.

WHOLE EMPIRE INTERESTED

Ottawa. — Confirmation of the statements of Hon. H. B. Lees-Smith, British Postmaster-General, respecting the contemplated establishment of a direct wireless telephone service between Canada and Great Britain was obtained Thursday night from officials of the Department of Marine. So far, however, the matter has not gone beyond the negotiation stage. When the system is established it will operate through the Marconi beam wireless at Drummondville, Que., from whence the transmission will be direct to Rugby, England. This circuit has been operating experimentally for the past year. It was employed recently in broadcasting the King's speech at the opening of the naval disarmament conference. Officials were unable to say when the system will be inaugurated commercially.

RESPECTIVE MERITS

London. — Canada and Britain are to be linked by direct wireless telephone. The House of Commons Thursday debated the respective merits of the Marconi and the British Post Office wireless systems. Hon. H. B. Lees-Smith Postmaster-General, revealed that the Canadian Government had expressed a desire for direct service. "The position of the Post Office has been perfectly frank," the Postmaster-General said. "We told the Canadian Government that if they wanted good commercial service — if that was all they were thinking of — they would get the best commercial service through New York. It has four alternative wave lengths and it gives connection with all parts of Canada. (Continued on page 4)

ORNAMENTAL TREES, SHRUBS AND FLOWERS, EMBELLISHING ASSETS

Time for Planting Them, Next Month — Inviting Suggestions by Mr. J. O. Montplaisir — Co-operative Buying Offer.

WORTHY CAMPAIGN

May is the month for planting, and we will soon be there, so it is time the citizens desirous to have attractive lawns and flower-gardens, this year, and they should easily be more numerous than in the past, in Drummondville, would organize to that end if their project is to materialize. Nothing can embellish more the environs of a home than ornamental trees and shrubs or flower-beds where the fresh blooms of annuals marry their rich colors. Our fair town would be much fairer yet if it counted more such embellished properties. And besides the question of beauty, which as Keats would put it, "is a joy forever", there is also the one of health. Nothing can improve more the sanitary conditions of an urban centre than the trees, shrubs and flowers which naturally are air purifiers and the very antidote to the filth of the alleys.

Mr. J. O. Montplaisir, whose flower-garden is a real asset for Drummondville, and who is a lover of landscapes, trees and flowers, is the ardent instigator of a campaign the worthy object of which is to actually incite the property owners to beautify their home lots. To that end he cordially invites them to join him in a co-operative buying of ornamental trees shrubs and flower plants. In doing so they will be assured of good growers and will save, besides, at least one third of the price they otherwise would have to pay for them. Orders should be rushed in to Mr. Montplaisir as now is the best time for choice buying. Here is a short list from which to choose, and prices: Carolina Poplar, 8-10 feet, 45cts. Lombardy Poplar, 40 cts.; Hydrangea Grandiflora, 30 cts.; Hydrangea Paniculata, 30 cts.; Honeysuckle, 30 cts.; Spirea, 30 cts.; Lilac, from 60 cts. to \$1.00; Hardy Vines and Climbers, 50 cts.; Roses all varieties, from 60 cts. to \$1.00; About 100 varieties of Perennials about 15 cts. each; Paony all varieties, 40 cts. to 50 cts. each; Iris, Phlox and similar roots, 20 cts. each; Pansies, Famous Hamilton Pansies flowering from two to four inches in diameter, \$1.60 per doz.

ADMINISTRATION OF MINES TO BE UNDER INDEPENDENT DEPARTMENT

Special Division Appointed in This Connection Will Be Known as Mining Bureau, With a Director in Charge Who Will Report Directly to Minister.

Quebec. — Hon. J. E. Perrault, Minister of Roads and Mines, in the Legislative Assembly, Thursday put through his bill to amend the Quebec Mining Act. The administration of mines was transferred to him when he became Minister of Roads. He told the House that mines will be an independent branch of administration, under control of a special division known as a mining bureau, with a director in charge, who will report directly to the Minister. A change is made as regards claims, it being laid down that "a claim shall be valid during a period of twelve months from the date of the staking, except in the case of a claim situated one hundred miles or over, in a straight line, from a railway, when it shall be valid during twenty-four months from such date." Changes in the matter of licenses for insurance agents is the main purpose of a measure which Hon. A. R. McMaster, Provincial Treasurer, put through the Legislature. (Continued on page 4)

MANY PUBLIC EXPENDITURES CONSIDERED BY GOVERNMENT

Allotment Made to Various Provinces in Connection With Expenditures on Harbors and Rivers—Divorce Bill Debated—Various Other Matters Considered. Ottawa. — Friday in the House of Commons, public works estimates for harbors and rivers were under consideration. These included \$2,012,749 for Quebec; \$2,707,100 for Ontario; \$86,500 for Manitoba; \$65,000 for Saskatchewan and Alberta together, and approximately one half the items in British Columbia. The bill sponsored by J. S. Woodworth, Labor, Winnipeg, North Centre, to establish divorce courts in Ontario, was also debated. Hon. T. A. Crerar, Minister of Railways and Canada, announced in the House Friday afternoon that the annual report of the Canadian National Railways will be submitted to the House before the Easter recess. By that time the usual special committee on National Railways and Shipping will have been set up, and it will deal first with the further supplementary estimates. (Continued on page 4)

QUESTIONS BEFORE MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL, TUESDAY

E. T. NEWS OF INTEREST

NARROW ESCAPE

Granby. — Leonard Traban and George Ireland, truckers of this place, had narrow escapes from death about five o'clock Thursday afternoon, when the truck which they were driving was struck by a passenger car of the Montreal and Southern Counties Railway at the crossing just near the barns. The two men were trucking stone from a farm outside the city to the stone crusher and were coming down the hill near the crossing. In some manner the truck got out of control and got in the path of the oncoming car. The truck was badly smashed, the contents being scattered for some distance up and down the line. The passenger car, which was proceeding to the station to take on passengers at the time, was considerably damaged, the transformer and underframe being torn off. Service on the line was delayed for about an hour. TO WALES HOME Sherbrooke. — The Sherbrooke members of the Wales Home executive received word Friday that the Wales Home Ladies' Auxiliary, of Granby, has forwarded to the treasurer at Richmond the sum of \$500, earmarked as a nucleus for the Extension Building Fund, the interest of which is put at the disposal of the executive to be used towards the payment of operating and expansion expenses. The members of the executive are highly pleased with the work of the Granby organization and with the donation to the Building Fund. Hope was expressed that it would be an incentive to the other auxiliaries in the Eastern Townships to make similar donations to the fund, as an extension to be present Home is very much needed and will eventually have to be made. A special request is being issued in connection with the pledges made during the building campaign of the Wales Home in 1920. Several have not as yet paid the amounts they agreed to contribute, and the hope is expressed that the payments of all pledges will be completed in full before the end of the fiscal year of the Home on May 31st.

Traffic Cops Are All On Duty This Very Day

All Provincial Traffic Officers on Roads Since This Morning — Level Crossing Law to Be Strictly Enforced During Coming Season — Licenses to Be Checked Up.

ON LOOKOUT

Beginning to-day, April 1st, all Provincial traffic officers, motorcycle and automobile, take up their duties after the enforced idleness of the winter months. The officers will immediately commence patrolling the highways at present open to motor vehicular traffic to see that the Motor Vehicle Law is being observed. Information has been received from the Provincial Roads Department at Quebec that the officers have been instructed to enforce the ruling calling for all motor vehicles to be on a full stop at level railway crossings which are not protected by a bell, gates or watchman. This law, introduced for the first time last year, was the means of checking to a great extent level crossing fatalities, although the traffic officers had received orders not to fine offenders, but to carry on a campaign to educate the motoring public to this new highway statute. This year, however, the Government officials are of the opinion that decrease in railway crossing accidents merits the application of the law to the letter, and such orders have been issued to all traffic officers in the employ of the Department of Roads. LICENSES On February 1st the issuing of 1930 motor permits and plates was commenced at every distributing centre in the Province. Since that date no action has been taken by the Department of Roads against motorists driving their cars on 1929 permits, despite the fact that they were out of date on the same day the new ones were issued. On Tuesday next, however, two months will have elapsed, enough time the Department states to allow even the most negligent motorist to obtain his new permit, although exceptions are made in cases of motorists from outlying districts who, on account of snow-blocked roads, have been unable to use their cars this Spring. A special lookout, however, will be maintained for motorists in the district who have been driving their cars during the past month on their old registration plates and, commencing incessantly, a drive will be made by the Government officers to see that the 1930 licences are procured.

Late Mrs. L'Etoile

Mrs. Joseph L'Etoile, nee Olive Noel, of this city, passed away, Saturday, aged 75, after a brief illness. She was the mother of Mr. Ernest L'Etoile, of L'Etoile Shoe Shop, Heriot streets. The other children she leaves to mourn her are: Georges, Ste-Christine; Angifte, St-Johns, Que.; Arthur, Thompsonville, R. L.; Denis, New York; Aureole, Drummondville, Victoria, Mauville, R. L.; Ida, Montreal, Olive, Ladique, Que.; Lea, nun, Manchester, N. H. The funeral service was held at St. Frederic's Church, yesterday morning, attended by numerous relatives and friends of the deceased.

OUR WATER

At the last regular meeting of the Town Council, held last week, under the chairmanship of Mayor Moisan, and at which all the aldermen were present the following questions came up for consideration: AUDITOR'S REPORT After the reading of the minutes, by secretary-treasurer Marier, a report from Mr. Alexandre Mercure, who audited the municipality's books, for 1929, was submitted. The report is very commendatory for they way the treasurer has carried out the accounting. It was unanimously adopted on a motion by alderman Fortin, seconded by alderman Girard. CONTRACTORS It was decided that every general building contractor living in the parish of Drummondville and who owns, within the limits of the city, properties valued at no less than \$800, will now on pay taxes and licenses not exceeding that of the other contractors living in the city. This decision was arrived at in consideration of the facts that contractors living in St. Joseph Village cur in the countryside give employment to people living here and buy their materials from the local merchants. COMMUTATION By-laws allowing a commutation of taxes, for ten years, to the two new industries being established here, the Holtite Manufacturing Co., and the Denison Manufacturing Co., were carried at their second reading. VALUATION On the suggestion of alderman Bernard, it was decided that every rate-payer whose property is increased by \$800, on the valuation roll, when the latter is being made, is to immediately be informed by the town clerk so as to be in position as to the reasons of the increase in question. TRUCKERS The by-law respecting the licenses to be paid by the truckers will be amended so that every owner of a truck making deliveries of moving furniture or other effects within the city limits will also have to pay a license to do so. FINE QUALITY A report from the Provincial Sanitary Bureau was read to the Council and shows that all the many samples of our water sent for analysis, in the course of February, have been classed excellent as to purity.

Weather Has Retarded Use of Highways

In Spite of Fine Weather Two Weeks Ago, Highways Are at Present in Practically Same Condition as This Time Last Year. THE "SNOWGO" Quebec. — While two weeks ago expectations were that highways in the Province of Quebec would be opened at a much earlier date than usual, J. L. Boulanger, Deputy Minister of Roads, has stated that recent weather conditions had brought the situation too much the same as last year. The result is that roads will not be good for traffic, at least between eastern points of the province and Montreal, at an advance date. The Deputy Minister, however, stated that a few autos had travelled between three Rivers and Montreal, this due to the fact that an autobus service has been maintained between the metropolis and three Rivers during the whole winter. As to the intervention of the road department to clear the roads at an earlier date, Mr. Boulanger added that the equipment did not provide for such move, though naturally at points where the "snowgo" was operated this winter the snow will disappear sooner.

Too Troublesome

A citizen whose penates are located somewhere in St. Joseph Village thought he'd start something rickety, just for the good time of it, corner of Brock and Cockburn streets late Saturday night. And he did, but the idea did not agree with our rigid police force who brought the man to the hosegown. Once there he promised to be a good boy and to go home peacefully if given his liberty and he was freed immediately, thanks to his good intentions. An hour later, however, he was caught, starting another row, on the same scene as before, and was gently given a motor cycle ride to the rest house where he was confined till the next morning.

Ladies' Guild

The Ladies' Guild of St-George's Church will hold a home-made cooking sale, at the Parish Hall, on Saturday this week, April 5. The afternoon tea will also be served. A cordial invitation to attend is extended to all.

Local and Personal News

Miss Maria Marcoux, of Quebec, was the guest of the J. B. Vanasse family, last week.
Mr. J. O. Rind, Montreal, was here on a business trip recently.
Mr. Edouard Demers, president of the Pictou League snowshoes, is back for Montreal where he was under treatment at the Notre-Dame Hospital.

A Review of Incident at Border Line

Eye-Witness Tells of Circumstances Leading to Shooting of Amedee Bilo-deau, of Sherbrooke, by U. S. Officials.
Incidents in connection with the fatal shooting of Amedee Bilo-deau, formerly of Sherbrooke, and the alleged kidnaping of R. A. Price, also a resident of Sherbrooke, some time ago at the international border line by United States narcotic officers, whom it is alleged had crossed on to Canadian territory.

Shipments of Newsprint In February Down

Total of 178,691 Tons as Compared With 186,395 Tons in Corresponding Month of 1929 - Total Output of American Mills for Two Months Shows Increase of Nearly 10,000 Tons.
Production of newsprint in Canada during February amounted to 189,134 tons and shipments to 178,691 tons, according to the Newsprint Service Bureau.

Winter Road Traffic Has Big Increase

Higher by 22.33 Per Cent. With Daily Average of 360 Vehicles, According to Official Bulletin of Provincial Roads Department.
An increase of 22.33 per cent in the use of winter roads by automobiles this year is revealed by the latest census, which was taken at twenty-two provinces recording stations, and published in the recently issued number of the official bulletin of the Department of Highways and Mines.

Rum-Runners Not Alarmed Over New Law

"Via Cuba" Will Be System After Canadian Export Bill Has Become Law, Detroit Rum-Runners Claim.
Windsor, Ont. — When the Government bill designed to prevent the exportations of liquor from Canada to the United States becomes law, this month, it will have little effect on thirty Detroiters, rum-runners here predict.

LOOK FOR THE LABEL IN THE SPOKESMAN
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E. BLOU, Managing Director.

You men of affairs Get acquainted with Society Brand Clothes
You men of affairs are concerned by instinct. You simply cannot choose must have merit. That's why we suggest Society Brand Clothes.

A Great Statesman Passes
A unique and distinguished figure is removed from the arena of British politics by the death of Lord Balfour of eighty-one. For half a century he had been the office within the gift of the British nation.

French Press Comments
CANADIAN WHEAT
(La Canada)
The Canada's western member, addressing the Wheat Board of Trade declared that it would be a mistake to attempt to force Europe to buy Canadian wheat.

WAR PAINTINGS TO HAVE PLACE IN NEW GALLERY
Hon. J. C. Elliott, K.C., Minister of Public Works, Assures Members that Provision Will Be Made for Proper Housing and Display of Canadian War Memorial Pictures.

Insurance Men Again Appeal To Government
General Opinion Is that Ottawa Will Refuse to Grant Any Concession to Insurance Companies.

Chas. DHO MANOR BUILDING
MADE TO YOUR INDIVIDUAL MEASURES AND GUARANTEED \$35.00 TO \$55.00

DOES MAN SETTLE UP OR DOWN?
WHEN man reaches that stage in life where the urge for "home" dominates, he is suffering the first stages of the process.

Helping out the Librarian
One of the most delicate duties a librarian is called on to perform, says Mr. D. E. Cameron, Librarian, University of Alberta, lies in advising patrons as to the purchase of books they have in mind to buy.

Spring Hats
Before you buy your new hat SEE the smart new models at ST-ONGE (The New Millinery Shop) 208 Lindsay St. DRUMMONDVILLE.

German Dream
The German hopes of a Berlin to Baghdad railway were shattered as a result of the great war, but in the interests of their foreign trade they have taken to the air.

What War Costs
If we really want to reduce taxes—and what people—we undoubtedly could accomplish the task if a few of the civilized peoples of the earth would con- boycott every statesman that fails to do everything in his power to stop the social suicide of war.

CLASSIFIED ADS
Rate: 2 cents a word each insertion. Minimum, 25 words. Inserted six times for the price of five.

Open New Spheres
vast enterprise now engaging scientists throughout the world, to construct and equip a gigantic telescope that will dwarf all previous instruments, would be possible to penetrate three times as far into space.

The Empire's Future
There are, says the London Evening Standard, probably some 25,000 million acres of land within our Imperial boundaries which are available for development.

COMMUNISM
(Sherbrooke La Tribune)
The Chamber of Commerce of New York, proposes to conduct an active campaign against the Communists in order to check their programme of intimidation, obstruction and destruction.

Protect Your Store
When the big guns—High-Cost-of-Living and Increased Expense—are threatening your business, you need an added punch in your advertising to safeguard your interests.

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EDWARDSBURG CROWN BRAND CORN SYRUP
THE CANADA STARCH CO. LIMITED—MONTREAL
One of the Greatest of all Energy Producing Foods
Delicious as a table Syrup and Children love it on Bread

No Cowardice Among Officers
London. — No British officer was short during the last war for cowardice. Two weeks ago for desecration. This was stated in the House of Commons this afternoon by Right Hon. Thomas Shaw, secretary of State for War.

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At Last He Advertised
Don't wait until you have to advertise your business for sale, to learn of the benefits to be derived from advertising.
Advertising is the Luther Burbank of modern business. It makes money grow where only moss grew before.

SPORT NEWS

AN INTERESTING BASEBALL SEASON HERE IS EXPECTED

Meeting Held Last Week — Last Year's Players Will Be on Deck for the Opening of Season — Meeting of Directors Shortly.

Baseball is getting to the fore again here, although weeks must still elapse before the local amateurs of the horse hide sphere sport are given the opportunity to attend the opening game, and if enthusiasm means anything in sports, the rank and file ball players of D'ville will put up a smacker good series of games this coming summer.

Last year's players were convened to a meeting, at the Manoir, last week, a most of them attended. As good and game sportsmen they all assented to fall in line under the flying colors of D'ville's official team, this year, and signed, in due form, an engagement to that effect, which means that the team will, next season, have practically the same line-up it had last year.

A meeting of the directors will soon be held, at which will take place the election of the officers called upon to lead the club this year.

EASTERN CANADA HOCKEY ASSOC. WILL BRANCH INTO BASEBALL

Frank Brophy Re-Elected President for Another Year — J. E. Dion Secretary — Association Held Successful Season — Same Four Cities Will Enter Ball Team In Association.

Frank Brophy president of the eastern Canada Hockey Association was re-elected leader of the E. C. H. A. at the final meeting of the organization held at Quebec last Saturday afternoon, while C. N. Crutchfield of Shawinigan Falls, and J. E. Dion were re-elected First Vice-President and secretary-treasurer respectively. The other officials of the association will only be elected in the Fall.

Although the election of officers usually takes place only at the annual meeting of the Association in November, by unanimously vote it was decided to reelect the three principal officers at Saturday's meeting in order to give these three gentlemen an opportunity to enlarge the league during the summer months, and also to organize a baseball circuit in the four towns now forming the hockey group.

All four clubs of the Association were represented as follows: La Tuque, Thos. Cleland; Shawinigan Falls, C. N. Crutchfield, Three Rivers, J. E. Dion; Quebec, Nap. Cote and R. V. Halpin. Mr. A. G. Penny chairman of the board of arbitration also attended.

The secretary's annual reports were read and adopted, and the association is in a flourishing condition, much to the satisfaction of all concerned. President Brophy congratulated the clubs for their work during the season just closed, and reported that efforts to enter a fifth club in the circuit would be made during the next few months.

Joliette is to build a rink and the association's officials have received inquiries from the rink owners as these gentlemen are interested in putting a team in the E. C. H. A. It was also intimated that a Montreal team would throw in its lot with the E. C. H. A.

President Brophy and Vice-President Crutchfield were authorized to represent the league at Montreal when an agreement may be drawn up between the E. C. H. A. officials and President Calder of the N. H. L.

As effort to organize a baseball circuit with the same four clubs were entered in the hockey loop, have been quietly going on during the past few weeks, the matter was openly discussed at the meeting, and as all four clubs were favorably impressed with the idea, a meeting will be held at Three Rivers Sunday April 6th.

If at that time all four are still ready to play, the Hockey Association will be turned into the Eastern Canada Athletic Association embracing both hockey and baseball.

A few other questions of minor importance were discussed, after which the meeting adjourned.

McLarin Took Ten Round Bout From Thompson

Vancouver Irishman Put Up One of Hardest Battles of His Career to Eliminate Oakland Colored Boxer.

New York — That smiling Celt, Jimmy McLarin, has removed another obstacle in his march toward the welterweight title, but only after one of the hardest battles of his career.

Through ten rounds of rugged battling Friday night, Young Jack Thompson, sinewy negro from Oakland, Calif., gave McLarin just about as much as he could handle, but the Vancouver Irishman, rallying in the last few rounds, earned the unanimous decision of the judges and referee. A near capacity crowd of eighteen thousand roared approval as the tide of battle swung first this way, then that.

In the end McLarin's victory could be attributed not to the crushing power of his punches, but to superior ring generalship and boxing skill as well as rare courage. Not once did Jimmy slam home with solid force the right hand that had knocked out such contenders as Joe Click, the lightweight, and Sammy Baker and Ruby Goldstein, the welterweights. Thompson presented a canny defence that had McLarin puzzled all evening.

McLarin weighed 142 1-2 pounds. Thompson was a pound heavier. The official paid attendance was 16,789, with gross receipts of \$77,868.21 for one of the most successful shows of the current garden indoor season.

De Rivera Honored With Twenty-One Gun Salute

Irun, Spain. — The Spanish batteries topping the hills across the French frontier roared a twenty-one gun salute as the body of Primo De Rivera crossed the border into Spain. Thus was the former dictator, who died in Paris Sunday night, honored with the same salute that would be given a king.

Great Mine Is Still Giving Precious Gold

Despite Fact that the Rand Has Been Worked for Forty-Three Years, It Is Still World's Largest Producer of Precious Metal.

Cape town, South Africa. — The Rand, South Africa's great gold mine, is still the largest producer of the precious metal in the world. And this despite the fact that it has been worked for forty-three years and his yielded more than \$5,000,000 in gold, said Sir Ernest Appenheimer, in his presidential address, at the opening of the Empire Metallurgical its third triennial meeting, is be-Congress.

The Congress, which is holding attended by delegates from Canada, Europe and many other parts of the world.

It was formally opened by the Earl of Athlone, Governor-General of South Africa, who stressed the vital part played by the mining and metallurgical industries in the development of the Empire.

Gets Unpopular Decision

Wilkesbarre. — Charlie Belanger, Canadian Light-heavy-weight champion, received an unpopular decision over Joe "Banovic" Boland in the 10-round windup bout here last Wednesday. The majority of newspapermen at the ringside believed that the Binghamton boy was entitled at least to a draw. Boland's infighting troubled Belanger in the early rounds. Late in the fight Belanger was able to keep Boland at a distance and keep shooting hard lefts at his head. The bout was slow in spots and the fans booed the decision vehemently.

To Stand Trial

Simon Olivier, of Asbestos, was ordered to stand his trial at the next session of the Court of King's Bench by Judge J. H. Lemay Thursday afternoon on a charge of perjury. Olivier is alleged to have perjured himself in connection with statements made regarding a Superior Court action. Bail was fixed at \$200.

Change Procedure for Blind Voters

Ottawa. — Many of the seven thousand blind persons in Canada refuse to vote in Dominion elections at present because they do not enjoy the secret ballot, the special committee of the House of Commons on elections was informed by Richard Myers, of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, Toronto.

Among these are Captain Baker, M. C., a distinguished blind war veteran, of Toronto, and others who lost their sight in the Great War. Mr. Myers suggested that the Act be amended to provide that a blind person may take a relative or friend into the polling booth with him to mark his ballot for him. At present blind persons are obliged to tell the returning officers whom they wish to vote for and the result is at least three persons — the returning officer and the other officials present — know how they have voted.

"The objection to the present method," said Mr. Myers, "is that blind persons feel the procedure is the next thing to open voting, which has long been abolished." He said if the Dominion Parliament would accommodate them they could then approach the provincial and municipal authorities with a view to obtaining the same privilege in provincial and municipal elections. He estimated that one out of every eight hundred electors in Canada is blind.

The committee promised sympathetic consideration, although Richard B. Hanson, M. P., for York-sudbury, wondered if unscrupulous persons would exploit blind voters if an amendment were made.

Not Beaten

In view of the fact that reports have been circulated stating that Young Lebrun of Sherbrooke lost the decision in his recent fight with Pete Lucci in Portland, Me. It is timely to state that decisions are forbidden in the State of Maine, therefore the fight goes down on record as a six round no decision fight.

The logical way to settle the question as to who is the better fighter would be to have Canadian promoters match Lebrun with Lucci to fight in this province where an official decision can be rendered.

Going Some!

Denver, Colo. — Primo Carne-ra's thirteenth knockout victim, Jack McAuliffe, of Detroit, fell before the giant Italian after two minutes and eighteen seconds of fighting in a bout that was set for ten rounds here Saturday night.

For Good Roads

Washington, D. C. — Resultant on the recent passing of a bill by the United States Senate, the U. S. Government will expend an additional \$300,000,000 in the next three years for the building and improvement of roads in co-operation with the various states of the union. Of this \$50,000,000 will be available before July 1st in addition to the \$75,000,000 previously made available this fiscal year. \$250,000,000 will be expended during the years 1931 and 1932, thus bringing the three year expenditure for good roads by the Federal Government to \$375,000,000.

This great increase for road building was made partly as a result of appeals from state highway commissioners and others for Federal aid so that road building might be increased proportionate to the increase in traffic, and partly to aid in maintaining the country's prosperity. This latter was specifically mentioned by the Senate committee in reporting the bill, which stated: "This bill also recognizes the need for a wisely arranged program of public works, as well as the fact that nothing contributes to national prosperity as much as the construction of adequate highway facilities."

Sunday Pictures

Ottawa. — Members of the Lord's Day Alliance in Canada evince interest in the bill which has been presented at Washington asking that Sunday exhibition of motion pictures or Sunday plays in the United States transported in interstate commerce, be forbidden.

As motion pictures are permitted to be shown on Sunday in Quebec province against the wish of the Lord's Day Alliance, members are showing keen interest in the outcome of the bill. According to the proposal violators would be liable to fines of not less than \$1,000 or imprisonment at hard labor for not more than one year, or both.

This bill would make it unlawful for any person to mail, express or send by a common carrier any film for public exhibition between midnight Saturday and midnight Sunday. Theatrical troupes would be prevented from travelling in interstate commerce for the purpose of exhibiting on Sunday and it would be unlawful for any member of the cast of such shows to give a performance.

It's the Bunk

The poet is nutty and cockoo
When writing his ode to the Spring
As the season of sunshine and laughter,
When fun-loving youth has its fling;
A season of bunkum and hoioe,
A handful of terrible tripe;
A time when our sports all go blooie
And the weather man hands us a swipe.

The tennis court's sodden with water,
Yet swimmers have no place to swim;
No ice on the river for skating,
Too much for the sailboat to skim;
Too warm to get pepped up for hockey,
For baseball it still stays too cold;
No interest in race horse or jockey,
No sport now to keep us consoled.

The snow on the courses keeps golfers
From chasing the little old pill;
The ski-er he rants and he curses
Because there's no snow on the hill.
You cannot go fishing in brizards,
You cannot go sliding on earth;
Sometime we'll confer with the wizards
And ask what this blooming Spring's worth.

The ground is too muddy for football,
But farmers need rain for their grain;
The sun is too bright for trap-shooting,
While grey skies give most shots a pain.
The season is closed tight on hunting,
Still croquet is hardly the thing—
We're blowed f we ever can figure
How folks find their fun in the Spring!

You cannot play checkers forever,
Or chess, though it takes lots of skill;
We're never a slave to casino
And bridge makes us utterly ill.
And yet "what to do?" tell us, brother
As seasons relentlessly bring
A time that's not one or the other,
This 'orrible 'orrible Spring.
(Contributed by W. R. Clements)

MOTION PICTURE ADVERTISING IN NEWSPAPERS TO BE CONTROLLED

According to Measure Introduced by Premier Taschereau, Drawings Published in Newspapers Must Pass Censors.

Quebec. — The guiding hand of the law has again gone forth in the province, this time directing its attention to the control of motion picture advertising in newspapers.

Friday Premier Taschereau introduced a bill which reads that "no pictorial or moving picture performance shall be the subject of an advertisement in a newspaper, or persons, whose chief office or place of business is outside of Canada, and which are not taxed under any other provisions of the act is one-half of one per cent upon the gross earnings in the province during the preceding calendar year, providing that the tax be never less than \$50. This scaled down to a tax one-tenth of one per cent the minimum being still \$50. The same class of companies are now charged an additional tax of \$50 for each office in Montreal and Quebec, and of \$20 for each office in every other place. This is cut down to \$30 for each office in Montreal or Quebec, and to \$15 for each office elsewhere in the province.

Many Public...

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es tabled in the House by Hon. Charles Dunning, Minister of Finance.

STATEMENT TABLED
Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior, tabled a copy of the agreement between the Dominion and Saskatchewan Governments for the return of the natural resources to Saskatchewan.

The House went into Committee of Supply on estimates of the Department of Public Works.

A series of appropriations for harbor and rivers in Quebec province were rapidly passed with little discussion.

An item of \$75,000 for harbor improvements at Rimouski provoked some sharp discussion between the Minister and Conservative members in which Sir Eugene Fiset (Liberal, Rimouski) joined. The expenditure is for the extension of a pier and one third of the cost is to be contributed by a wrecking company which plans to erect a large plant.

A vote of \$110,000 for a wharf at Riviere au Tonnerre was passed, as well as one for \$49,500 for wharf extension and repairs at Riviere au Renard and \$7,500 for wharf improvements at Riviere Blanche.

The vote for \$73,000 for improvements at Riviere des Prairies, Mr. Elliott explained, was to provide a twelve-foot channel and wharf which would enable quarries to ship stone to Montreal by water, thereby lowering the freight rate on dollar a ton.

OTHER ITEMS

Other larger items carried were: Riviere du Lievre, lock and dam repairs, \$23,000; Riviere du Loup Wharf repair, \$22,100; Riviere La Guerre, dredging, \$25,000; River St. John, protection wall, \$8,500; Roberval, wharf repairs and improvements, \$27,000; Ste-Anne de la Pocatiere, wharf extension, \$10,000; Ste. Anne des Monts, wharf repairs, \$25,000; Ste-Anne de Sorel, reconstruction of ice-breakers, \$10,000; St. Antoine de Tilly, dredging, \$57,000; St. Charles wharf reconstruction \$5,200; St. Charles de Caplan, wharf exten-

sion, \$9,000; St. Coeur de Marie, wharf, \$7,500; Ste. Felicite, wharf extension and repairs, \$10,000; Ste. Flavie, wharf extension, \$10,000; St. Jean d'Orleans, wharf repairs, \$8,000; St. Joachim, wharf extension, \$8,000; St. Laurent, wharf repairs, \$14,000; Ste. Perantille, wharf repairs and improvement, \$14,000; St. Simon, wharf extension, \$5,000; Sabrevois, wharf reconstruction, \$10,000; Senneterre, landing wharfs, \$4,100; Valleyfield, dredging, \$50,000; Vercheres, wharf enlargement, \$10,000; Verdun, dredging, \$15,000; Yamaska River, dredging, \$15,000; Yamachiche River, dredging, \$25,000.

Administration...

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tion is made as between the difflative Assembly Thursday. A disferent classes of insurance, the new law reading that "an agent's license may be issued to any person upon application fyled with the Superintendent of Insurance in such form as may be prescribed stating the applicant's qualifications, the kind or kinds of insurance he wishes to carry on, his responsibility and knowledge of the business of insurance. His application must be accompanied by a recommendation signed by the authorized representative of a company doing the class of business which the agent wishes to engage in."

Mutual benefit associations and mutual fire insurance companies formed by municipal councils must in future register with the Provincial Treasurer.

The legislation of 1926 regarding reciprocal insurance is amended. That act stated that it was lawful to enter and carry out reciprocal contracts of indemnity or insurance, to provide indemnity against loss by fire or other contingency. Mr. McMaster strikes out "or other contingency" and adds "water, tornado, sprinkler leakage, explosion, loss or damage to property resulting from an earthquake or lightning, or loss of use or occupancy caused any losses of a similar nature."

The restriction in the Insurance Act as regards insurance of children under the age of ten is altered. The restrictive clause is maintained, but to this is added an additional clause to the effect that "e restrictions are not to apply to any contract of insurance."

Insurance on motor vehicles are removed from the provisions of the Insurance Act affecting fire insurance policies, and it is laid down that, after coming into effect of the present bill, "no motor vehicle insurance contracts shall be executed or renewed except by an insurance policy approved by the superintendent of insurance as to its form and policy conditions."

Confirmed that Canada...

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"We pointed out that if they have direct service they will lose those four alternative wave-lengths. We said that if instead they would like direct service on imperial or national grounds, we would be willing to provide it. We have received a reply which indicates they would like the direct service, and it will be provided by the Post Office."

Arguing the general merits of the Post Office system as contrasted with Marconi, the Postmaster-General said the lower cost of its aerials enabled it to give three wave lengths to each Dominion. The Marconi System provided two to most of the Dominions and only one for Australia. Three wave lengths were considered necessary for reliable service.

Hon. Mr. Lees-Smith states the decision of the Government to use the Post Office facilities instead of those provided by imperial and international communications, was not based on any political doctrine, but was made in the national interest. He said Post Office engineers declared their system was cheaper, and therefore held out possibilities for development and inventiveness which the beam services of the other company did not possess. The Government had concluded the Post Office stations were at least as efficient as the other company's beam services.

In regard to economy, the Postmaster-General said the outstanding saving was in the costly system of landlines from central exchange to the wireless stations. The beam services required 4,192 miles of land lines, while the Post Office stations at Rugby and Baldoek required only 780 miles. The cost of the Post Office land lines was about \$215,000 annually, while the best offer from the other system would cost the government \$305,000 annually. The financial advantage in the Post Office sta-

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