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FAMILY REUNIONS

Family ties are said not to be as they used to be, and yet many families are having reunions where a large number of near and distant relatives are gathered together. Interest in genealogical research is said to be increasing, and many people are anxious to find out who their ancestors were and where they came from, and the desire to know the members of one's old family tribe will never disappear.

An obstacle in the way of such associations is created by the scattering of families all over the country. Where a family used to settle down in its home town or near by, the present generation is likely to scatter all over the land, and some may go to foreign nations. Yet as people travel more easily than formerly, many may come from distant points when the tribe holds its pow-wow.

It may be said that the tie that holds these distant relatives together is not close, since the people who assemble in an annual family gathering may never meet elsewhere, and may not feel any particular congeniality of temperament. And yet anything rooted so deeply in old traditions as the ties of family relationship, must still be much of a power.

Back in old history people looked to their families for protection. Tribes fought against tribes, and if you were attacked and your safety assailed, your government might not be able to do anything for you, but

your kinsmen would rally and beat off the tribe that menaced you. Those old times of tribal warfare are happily gone forever. But the members of a family tribe now can reflect that they no doubt share certain traits handed down from common ancestors. Hence they should have ideas in common, and when they get together they should have important elements of congeniality that run deep in their natures.

SELF VALUATION

Without ostentation man should value himself more highly than is his wont. It is one of man's faults that he undervalues himself, lacks confidence in his ability and admits to himself that he "can't." It is possible to know thyself, and for man to achieve something worthwhile in this world he must believe in himself for his full worth.

"Swell-headedness" is applied to persons who affect qualities unpossessed. One can be self-confident without being complacent and presuming. Man may know himself without letting others know he knows himself, that in truth, is the secret of success.

The higher a man's valuation of himself, the more his compassion and charity for his fellowmen. There is no condescension in his manner because realizing a value in himself he unconsciously seeks out values in others.

One cannot expect the world to count him as of intrinsic worth if he himself does not recognize that worth. The valuation which we put upon ourselves cannot be concealed from the world. It becomes so much a part of our thought structure and our very personality that it plainly manifests itself in our words and acts. Unostentatious self-confidence is natural expression of personal evaluation. Vain boasting is a cloak to

conceal weakness and failure. He who brags is painfully aware of his shortcomings; otherwise he would be conscious of nothing to boast about.

Self-confidence is the recognition of shortcomings overcome. Boasting is the recognition of shortcomings to be overcome.

DAILY MAIL'S BIG "SCOOP"

Gifted with the Jules Verne type of foresight, the news staff of the London Daily Mail has shown a very clever flash of editorial workmanship in its twenty-four page edition, dated "January 1, 2000," which imaginatively depicts news occurrences as they will be three-quarters of a century hence.

Application of "memory impressors" to store brain cells of students while sleeping; fire fighting from the skies by using airplanes; murders by "suggestion" and by "concealed beam" rifles, and simultaneous "television" bulletin board service of athletic contests 12,000 miles away, are some of the conceptions of the reportorial seers as to what will figure most prominently in the functions of the news-gathering agencies of the not-so-very-remote period described.

With the strides science has taken since seventy-five years ago, when Jules Verne was a cub reporter, none of these visionary forecasts is beyond the realm of possibility. Some of them would be a bane to human existence, it is true, but others a boon to humanity.

One impressive paragraph from these prophetic flights of imagination ventures that "readers of the London Daily Mail in the year 2000 will be offered a special service in connection with their televisions which will be modified to transmit seaside scenes, sounds and ozone."

This thought especially suggests that we must hand it to the British

HEALTH SERVICE of the CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSN.

CRIPPLED CHILDREN

There is nothing that touches the heart of humanity so much as the sight of crippled children. There is always a willingness to do what is possible to lighten the burden of their affliction and to brighten their lives. This is a commendable spirit as it gives evidence of such regard for those who are not so fortunate as he is himself. There is also behind it the feeling that every child should have a chance in this world.

It is unfortunate that to the majority of people, a crippled child is one who is deformed physically or who has lost part of a limb. These make up only part of the group. The child who has a damaged heart or whose organs are deficient in any way is just as much a cripple as is the child whose bones are twisted.

It is right and just that suitable and extra attention should be provided for these crippled children. Because of their handicap, they need special care and guidance in their education.

While this is true, our chief concern should be to prevent any child from becoming crippled and, as a result, handicapped in life's venture. It is a fact that the condition of many of these children could have been prevented by care and proper treatment at the right time.

Many damaged hearts result from diseased tonsils and teeth which are not properly and promptly treated. Much permanent damage results from such diseases as scarlet fever and measles.

If we wish to protect our Canadian children, then it is our responsibility to support the work of health departments and health organizations which seek to prevent the conditions that cripple children; which bring to the attention of parents the need for early and proper treatment; and which seek to spread knowledge concerning prevention.

Questions concerning Health, addressed to the Canadian Medical Association, 184 College St., Toronto, will be answered. Questions as to diagnosis and treatment will not be answered.

In The Melting Pot

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Raising a family costs almost as much as it is worth.

One-half the world can't see why the other half lives.

There are many gasoline saving devices on the market. A pair of comfortable shoes is the best.

It's a great life if you don't believe in everything you see, hear, think or know.

Record Ramblings

A successful stop-over flight from Jarvis to Dumville and return, via Cadillac, was negotiated by three daring members of our local banking institution. The hop-off took place on Saturday afternoon, returning on Monday morning. On the way out a heavy fog must have been encountered, as the pilots found themselves over at Rockton. Rough clouds must have been encountered during the home stretch, as on nearing Jarvis two tires were flat, which would make a landing difficult. To this handicap was added another hazard, the absence of the "silent" policeman at the intersection of Talbot and Main streets. Just as they were about to make the turn into the Main street runway, one of the tires severed its connections and sailed into the entrance of Carter's Hardware store. Luckily the occupants escaped injury.

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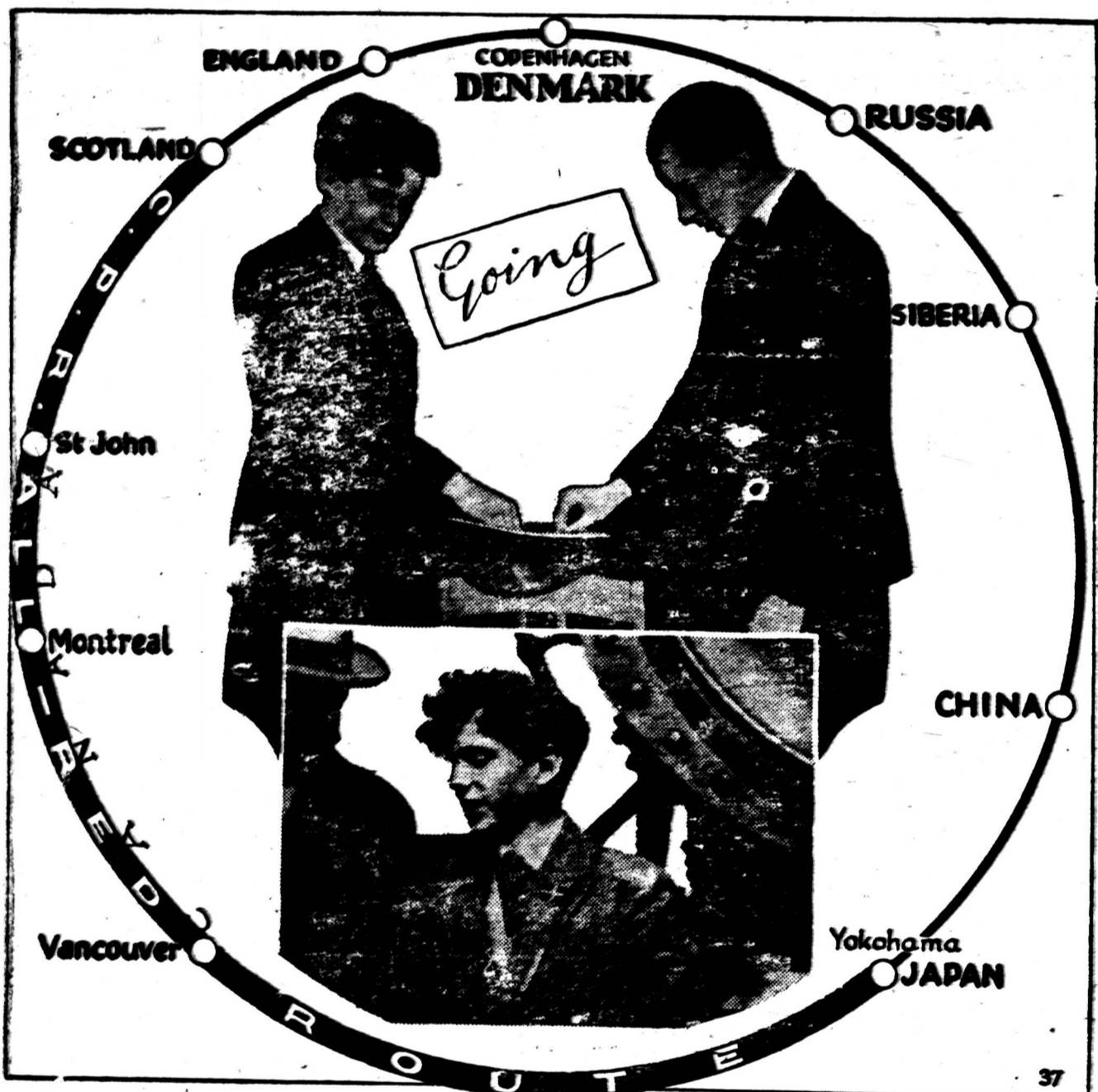
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Boy Globe Circler Crosses Dominion



1. Palle Huld and Hallden Burresen drawing lots for the winning ticket. 2. The young traveller photographed on a C.P.R. engine at Montreal.

Travelling light with little more than a toothbrush and a pair of pyjamas, young Palle Huld, fifteen-year-old Danish globe circler, passed through Montreal over Canadian Pacific lines, on Monday, March 12, having crossed the Atlantic from Greenock, Scotland, on the Canadian Pacific liner S.S. "Montcalm".

On the centenary of Jules Verne's birth, a leading Danish newspaper, the "Politiken", conceived the original idea of sending a representative around the world on the regular travelling schedule of 46 days, so as to make apparent the differences of travel of 1873 and 1928. To that end a new Phineas Fogg was required, and the editor of the newspaper decided that it should be a boy of between 15 and 18 years of age. A full page advertisement was placed in local papers, and young Huld was chosen. The same day as the advertisement appeared—at two o'clock, as appointed, the stairs, offices, and private rooms of the "Politiken" building was swarming with boys

who wanted to go round the world. It was some scene, and it was soon seen that it was not even necessary to get a youth of eighteen years, there were boys of sixteen who would do quite as well, and finally the fifteen-year-old boy proved as capable as the others. A correspondent just returned from China and the revolution there, examined the boys one after the other. They all had a thorough examination, their permission from their parents in their hands they stammered out their wild desire to get the exciting chance—and finally five boys were selected. Out of the five two proved the best. They were Palle Huld and Hallden Burresen. They were both equally fitted for the journey, everything justifying their setting off. As no one liked, however, to rob the other of his chance a new idea was hit upon. They must draw lots. A hat was placed on the back of a chair, the lots thrown into it, they put down their hands—Palle Huld looked at the fascinating word: "Going"! He was the lucky one.

Who is he, then? A plucky young fellow with a boyish, dark blue flash in his eyes, red fascinating hair, blond as a Northern Viking and yet a slim schoolboy, 15 years old. He is not a bit afraid. He got permission from his manager to leave the business, where he is an apprentice, for two months, and after the lucky result, rushed to his mother: "Mother, do you know, I am to go round the world!"

He left Copenhagen on Thursday, the first of March, and he expected to be back, as he has promised, in 46 days.

Palle Huld sailed from Greenock, Scotland, on March 3, on the Canadian Pacific liner S.S. "Montcalm". He reached Montreal on Monday morning, March 12th, and left that evening for Vancouver, where he sailed for Yokohama on board the C. P. E. flagship the "Empress of Canada". Arrangements for his further trip to Korea, China, Soviet Russia and back to Copenhagen are in the hands of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

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