Voice of the Press

Canada, The Empire and The World at Large

CANADA

Doctor Bill

A single germ without dependents can live indefinitely on a dollar bill, according to science. Thats one advantage the germ has over the rest of us.—North Bay Nugget.

Appropriate Penalty

Several dental offices in Ontario have been visited by robbers searching for gold. If they are caught, the penalty might be a few hours in the dentist's chair.—Goderich Signal.

Optimism in the West

Western canada, with its large yield of farm products, and its possibilities of vastly greater production, should not be discouraged about its future. The world managed to consume the production of vast areas of new lands during the past sixty years without any apparent indigestion until the present depression came along. A restoration of good times would immediately see improved demand for farm products. And there are no great new lands similar to Western Canada, Argentine and Australia, still to be opened for agricultural development.—Calgary Herald.

Then and Now

There is a suggestion to build 500 homes in Hamilton at a cost of $1,500 each. Do you remember when plenty of folk were ready to pay that much for a garage?—Stratford Beacon-Herald.

Youth Has Faith in Future

Despite all the University graduates who are looking for jobs—the universities continue to be filled with students. The youth still have faith in the future.—London Free Press.

Hard to Realize

Traffic through the Sault Ste Marie Canal in September was the heaviest in any month since 1920, totalled 8,453,000 tons. Wonder how many of us realize there is more traffic through the Sault Canal than through the Suez Canal.—Ottawa Journal.

Greatest Gifts

We are at one with Editor Young, of the Port Arthur News-Chronicle in his eulogy of punkin pie. It is Heaven's greatest gift to man, it and a good set of dependable galluses.—Sault Ste. Marie Star.

Why Editors Go Mad

They are being made by someone every day. Recently, a regrettable but rather humorous error crept into this column when it said that the annual banquet of the Baseball Club was "hell" at Caesarea. Needless to say, this was a typographical slip and the word should have been "held."—Port Hope Guide.

Air Traffic

Figures presented at the meeting of the International Air Traffic Association in London show that the world's air lines cover to-day more than 200,000 miles as compared with 9,000 miles in 1925. Air transportation has thus made immense strides in the last five years and may be expected to advance on an even greater scale in the next five.—Kingston Whig-Standard.

The Tourist Traffic

The tourist trade has become a real source of wealth to Canada. Every year thousands of foreigners come from all points of the American Continent to visit us and leave millions of dollars in the province.—La Tribune, Sherbrooke.

Discovery

Yessir, education is a marvelous thing. Student group at Northwestern University, after exhaustive investigation, has come to the startling conclution that girls like to be petted!—Border Cities Star.

A Motorists' "O. M."

Over in Great Britain they have an organization among motorists called the British Order of the Road. It is a very hard Order to get into and an easy one to be put out of. It consists only of those drivers who operate their cars with the strictest observance not merely of rules and regulations, but of courtesy and the etiquette of the highways which is so often conspicuous by its absence. It is a democratic order, albeit exclusive in the extreme. Members of the royal family belong; so do certain truck drivers. But so closely are performances watched, so rigidly are would-be members scrutinized for the one qualification that counts—driving as nearly perfect as possible—that there are only 2,250 members of the order in the United Kingdom, and the insignia is the most dearly-prized gadget the motorist can display on his car, a sort of motorists' Order of Merit, attainable only because it has been earned, and displayed only so long as its standards are maintained. There is room for an Order of the Road right here in Canada. Why does not somebody or some organization start one, make it hard to get into and hard to stay in, and let the membership thereof give the multitudinous "outsiders" something to shoot for?—The Montreal Daily Star.

Great Britain Electrified

With characteristic British thoroughness the problem of providing England, Scotland and Wales with electricity has been carried to completion. Light years ago a royal commission reported upon a national electricity supply. Parliament passed the necessary legislation and last month saw the completion of the entire scheme. Four thousand miles of transmission line have been built. They rest on 26,265 steel towers. This is the so-called electrical grid, or pool, which now covers practically all parts of Great Britain. It is an immense achievement. When the Weir Commission reported the per capita consumption of electricity in Great Britain was 110 kilowatt hours. To-day it is 273 k.w.h. The scheme has cost $135,000,000, exclusive of $50,000,000 spent on the standardizing of frequency, or in other words, on the scrapping of equipment which could not be harmonized with the national network.—Winnipeg Tribune.

THE EMPIRE

Strongest Horses

Liverpool claims the strongest horses in the world, and that they are the descendants of those that the Britons used in their battle against the Romans about the beginning of the Christian era. Two of these horses actually pulled eighteen and a half tons on a slippery road, and two others pulled twenty-nine and a half tons on a dynamometer built to register only twenty-nine tons.

The Campaign Against Noise

Leagues that are formed with an "anti" something programme usually aim at serving the crochets of minorities who think that what they want everybody else should be made to want. No such qualification attaches to the Anti-Noise League. Noise has become one of the major curses of civilization—if you can call civilized an era in which regard for all the old decencies of life has largely gone by the board—and I prophesy widespread public support for the League. Its purpose is definite and practical—to enlist such a force of public opinion as will induce the authorities to regulate by law certain forms of noise which are manifestly injurious to the comfort, health, and repose of the community at large, as well as being damaging to efficiency and the amenities of numerous urban localities. "Bid every noise be still; peace yet again."—Truth (London).

The Post-War World

"I am twenty-five. I was seven when the War broke out. My memories of the pre-war world are perfectly clear, although, of course, they are the memories of a child. An undergraduate of nineteen was born in 1914. He can have little recollection of the War at all. His earliest memories are of the first War years. A young man of seventeen just about to go to the University has the same recollection of the General Strike as I have of the Armistice. Change after shattering change has come upon us and the varying effect of these impacts upon our childish minds has created a generation without homogeneity—a generation all at sea. The mental chasm of our parents has created great vertical divisions between us of class, of opinion, of manner of life. The hammer-blows of history have made horizontal divisions. We have no common conclusions, no common background of memory. Our highest common factor is the common experience of revolutionary change, our one point of agreement the necessity for further changes in the future.—Quiton Hogg, in The Cornhill Magazine (London).

Wise Marketing

The woolgrower has also prepared the way to gain by the turn in the tide. He has faced the conditions, met the market and cleared his stocks. There is no heavy accumulation, no carry-over of any dimensions to clog the wheels of progress. This point has often been mentioned before, but it deserves all the emphasis it can be given. It is the dominant factor.—Auckland Weekly News.

Libraries and the Unemployed

For those who know how to make use of enforced leisure, even unemployment has its compensation. That a very large number of workless men and women have resorted to the solace of reading is shown in some remarkable figures quoted at the annual conference of the Library Association. It appears that in the six largest industrial cities of Britain the annual number of books issued increased from 18,500,000 in 1926-27 to 27,500,000 in the last completed year. The country libraries show an even greater increase—from 11,891,000 to 34,831,000. Most of this extraordinary development is officially attributed to the more general use of libraries by persons unemployed.—Spectator (London).

THE UNITED STATES

Financial Finesse

Man is the only truly intelligent inhabitant of the earth—the only creature that has learned how to live in luxury by running his descendants into debt. — (From the Portland Oregonian).

Travelling Comfort

Probably the most comfortable train in the world will start its daily runs between Forth Worth and Texarkana soon. It is gasoline propelled, runs on rubber tires, carries 76 passengers and has a speed of 75 miles per hour.

Employment Is Better in Ontario

Improvement is 25 Per Cent. Over Corresponding Period Last Year

Toronto.—Employment in Ontario has improved by approximately 25 per cent. this Fall over the corresponding period last year, according to Hon. Dr. J. D. Monteith, Ontario Minister of Labor.

Many men, it is reported, have called at employment offices during the past few weeks to have their names crossed off the list of applicants. This is believed to indicate jobs are less scarce

Twenty-five lumberjacks have been called to Sudbury to work in the bush there. These are the first to be sent north since the start of the depression. Reports that employment had showed definite improvement were verified by the Ontario government employment offices, where, it is stated, conditions are definitely on the mend, improving "definitely and persistently."

Kingsford-Smith's Record Lowered by 11 Hours

Derby, West Australia.—Charles T. P. Lum and three companions arrived here at 4.15 p.m., Greenwich meridian time (11.15 a.m., E.S.T.), Oct. 19, establishing a new record for a flight from England.

The fliers beat the record of Air Commodore Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith by 11 hours. The latter's time was seven days, four hours and 44 minutes for the flight by stages.

In a final burst of speed after it had seemed the chances were gone, the quartt completed the journey from England in six days, 17 hours and 45 minutes.

Snow Plows Make Their Winter Debut

Lethbridge. — Snow plows went to work in Southern Alberta sugar and beet fields Oct. 23rd as an aid to digging operations.

With 14 inches of snow on the ground and 20,000 acres of beets still to be dug, growers are making every effort to save the balance of the crop.

Owing to the heavy snow some ranchers have been forced to start winter feeding of their flocks and herds.

Child Plays in Court Nearly Hits Official

Calgary.—What's a courtroom in the life of Mr. and Mrs. Dach's two-year-old boy? Just a place to play. During the hearing of his mother's divorce action against his father, the Dach boy climbed beside his mother in the witness box, munched candy for a while, and then threw a heavy inkwell, narrowly missing the court reporter's head. He was taken outside.

The advertisements bring you news of better things to have and easier ways to live.

King Helps Old Actor

London.—From Buckingham Palace the King has sent a private gift of £3 to a workless old actor who wrote asking His Majesty to aid him in getting a pension.

The actor, A. T. Minton, played with Wilson Barrett, Sir Ben Greet, and H. B. Irving under the name of "A. E. Mayne," and, at one time, ran his own company.

His first engagement was at Sadler's Wells in 1888 where he played in melodrama as the "ruth'less villain" and invariably repented on his deathbed in the last act—for 25 shillings a week. Now, at 61, he has hawked fish, sold Christmas cards, and read newspapers to men more elderly than himself for six shillings a week.

Harry Tate used to say Minton's impersonation of Wilson Barrett was more like Wilson Barrett than Barrett himself, but the London stage of 1923 has no use for "old-type entertainment."

The £3 came from the King's private pocket. The words "Privy Purse" were crossed out on the receipt and "Received as a donation from His Majesty" was written over it.

Japan Leads World in Trade Expansion

London.—Japan led the world in percentage of foreign trade expansion during the first six months of 1933, a Board of Trade survey shows.

Japan's foreign trade during the period was 55.3 per cent more than in the corresponding period of 1932.

The United States showed a decline of 19.9 per cent, Germany 40.4, Czecoslovakia 28.8, France 10.9, and Great Britain 6.3.

Australia, British Malaya, Denmark, India and Sweden showed increases, all under 5 per cent.

Britons were particularly interested in the Government survey because of the British-Japanese trade war, centering in the Far East where Japan is underselling Britain. India is the chief point of complaint.

Schools for Adults Started in Georgia

Atlanta, Ga.—Classes in adult education, something long needed in Georgia, have begun at the Flat Rock School in Clayton County with the approval of the Georgia Relief Commission. Sixteen adults are enrolled there.

Such schools are free of charge for anyone above the age of 14 who is not otherwise enrolled in a public school.

Control Machine Gun Sale

Washington.—The United States Government has taken over control of the sale of machine guns in its war or racketeering, through the NRA code for small arms. Senator Copeland, New York Democrat, chairman of the Senate racketeering committee, announced the decision after conferences with President Roosevelt and Attorney General Cummings.

Woman—Leader Of Scots' Army

Scottish Defence Force Will Fight Only for Peace—"First Peace Army in World

Scots are "arming"—at least to the extent of multiplying nationalistic bodies with militaristic descriptions and political aims.

Fascists have been growing in strength in Scotland for some time past. They are, of course, unarmed but they are by no means inactive.

In addition, Scotland has now at least two other military or semi-military organizations — the "Scots Guard," which has originated in the West, and the "Scottish Defence Force," which has sprung up in the East.

THEY DISOWN IT.

The "Scots Guard," which swears loyalty to the King and is organized in companies, with company drill and physical training, claims to be formed of members of the National and the Scottish Party, though the Nationalist officials deny all association with it.

The "Scottish Defence Force" is an off-shoot of the Democratic Scottish Self Government Association, the chairman of which is Miss Winifred Wood.

Claiming it as "the first peace army in the world," the founders of the S.D.F. explain that it has been formed to resist conscription in the event of Britain declaring war and involving Scotland in it, and to insist on British neutrality.

KILTED UNIFORMS.

Uniforms, including the kilt, are to be worn by the members of the Defence Force.

With the formation of the "Scots Guard" and the "Defence Force" Scots are now wondering what will be the next politico-military organization in their midst.

Englishwoman is Sexton of East Barnet

One of the few remaining women sextons in England is Mrs. Catherine Stutters, of East Barnet. She has just completed her 30th year of office and when she retires in the future, owing to recent church legislation, the post will never again be held by a woman.

Mrs. Stutters succeeded her husband, now a Justice of the Peace, in 1903, and before then she had been parish clerk and sexton for more than half-a-century.

Although in the past there have been a few instances of women holding the office, since the appointment passed from the churchwardens to the Parochial Church Councils they have not recurred.

This is partly owing to the fact that, while under the old arrangements the sexton could legally be a deputy to discharge the duties of the office, under the present regime, it is difficult to believe that no good can come out of it all.

One day in July, standing on the shores of the Hodensee (Lake Constance) at Lindau, in Southern Bavaria, I saw three large excursion steamers, brightly decorated with bunting, making for the picturesque Lion Gateway that affords an entrance to Lindau harbour. As these boats approached, swastika flags could be distinguished and it was noticeable that a great number of the passengers were Nazi storm troopers. . . . was talking to the hotel manager, who was watching this demonstration with me, and I remarked, "What do you think of this movement?" His reply was, "You know that I am not easily carried away by any movement but a few months ago, Hitler was a guest at this hotel and I had the opportunity of talking with him—I frankly tell you that I was much impressed. At the time that time I have followed his speeches with more interest and I have come to the conclusion that he shows the elements of statesmanship, at least so far as Germany is concerned." I said, "Do you think that he will be another Mussolini?" to which he smilingly replied, "It is rather soon to tell, don't you think? The outside nations didn't think much of Mussolini, during the first few years of his accession to power."

We were in Nurnburg the latter part of August. The city was full of Nazi officers because on the 31st of that month, as well as on September 1st, 2nd and 3rd, there was to be one of the largest demonstrations of party strength that had ever been staged anywhere. Nurnburg, the centre of the toy industry, was to be the scene of the convention of the Hitler party and over 1,000,000 extra people were expected. During these days no one was to be allowed in Nurnburg—or for a distance of 50 kilometers (about 30 miles) around it—without a permit. For some days before, we had seen hundreds of thousands of Nazi troops, either on the roads or in preparation for their visit to this convention and it is interesting to note that, among all these, we saw only two rifles—these were on the shoulders of the two sentries who stood at each side of the doorway of the Grand Hotel; this hotel was where we stayed and it was, at that time, the official headquarters of the advance guard of the mighty host, which later filled the city. The Herr ober (head waiter), who had always attended to me at this hotel, came over to my table and, after expressing his pleasure at my return, said, looking towards the adjoining tables, filled with Nazi officers, "Well sir, what do you think of our turnover?" I replied, "It is possible to think aloud in Germany these days?" and his answer was, "Why not?" In a later conversation with him, he asked me whether I was not impressed with the feeling that law and order was being observed and, when I agreed, he said, "You know that we have gone through a revolution in this country, perhaps the most bloodless one in history, and, if it had not been for this present movement, we would, long ago, have been in the throes of a great civil war and what good would that do anybody?"

Even Berlin, which some of us hadn't liked on previous visits, treated us nicely. A year ago, when we were there, we saw marching and counter-marching—Communists, Nationalists, the Catholic Centre Party, as well as the forces of the Government then in power—there was always grave danger of street clashes. To-day there is none of that; I have seen a few policemen in full control of crowds attending the parade of 100,000 Nazi troops. A year ago—in all parts of Germany as well—there was being displayed publicly, at every bookstore, newsstand and magazine counter a score of different publications, depicting the activities of the nudist colonies—Nackt Kultur Clubs—and photographs and picture postal cards were everywhere in evidence. To-day all these are "verboten" and not one magazine or picture of this type is to be seen anywhere; even the clubs are banned. As to the atrocities on the Jewish population, we saw or heard nothing of this while in Germany. It has been stated that tourists would hardly be permitted to see these things—but, reply to this is that, even if this were the case, surely in the hundreds of miles we travelled and from the hundreds of people we talked to, something would leak out. All I can say is, in the words of the Salvation Army Commissioner for Germany, who visited Toronto a few day ago, *in my humble opinion "the atrocity story has been grossly exaggerated."*

One thing is certain, the German people are behind Hitler at present. In every village, town and city, there is an "Adolph Hitler Strasse," and it is always one of the principal streets. In Berlin, the square, formerly known as "Chancellor Square" is now "Adolph Hitler Platz." The man who, in such a short space of time, can bring himself from obscurity to such a position of world-wide importance, cannot be the moral pervert or the brainless fanatic that some writers would have us believe.

In view of the interest taken in the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes, I will tell you, next week, about a visit paid to the place where the counters were being fixed and the ceremony which accompanied this unusual scheme.

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Ontario Favors Pork More Than Mutton

Cattle and Sheep Smaller Today Than Years Ago — Public Demand Variety

Because the public has become more particular about its food during the past 10 or 15 years, beef cattle and sheep are smaller in size today than they were a decade ago. And another reason is that families are smaller now than they used to be and more of them live in apartments.

This was one of the things revealed in an interview with J. C. Steckley, professor of animal husbandry at Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph. For 11 years he has been professor of animal husbandry at O.A.C., and previous in York County.

In the old days beef cattle were bulky animals. Those were the times when a cut or a roast would be served up in the average families for several days. But now, Prof. Steckley explained the housewife and her family want meat that is more tender and they want more variety in their meat dishes. They don't want a roast to last two or three or more days. They want a different kind of cut every day, or as often as they have meat served.

"In sheep, the same situation has come to pass," Professor Steckley said. "The lamb now in demand weighs 80 pounds. Years ago they were bigger and heavier. Less lamb and mutton is consumed in Ontario than in England, allowing for the difference in population, but more pork is eaten here than in the Old Country. Very few farmers specialize in sheep raising."

In the hog-raising industry the weight of the animals has become stabilized at about 200 pounds. This has been the standard weight for years. But 15 years ago farmers fattened their hogs to weigh far beyond this figure.

Just Signed Contract Then Breaks His Elbow

Toronto.—Eddie Burke, in training with the New York Americans of the National Hockey League, is suffering from a broken elbow, received when he lost his balance and fell while practising. Burke, a Toronto boy, had just signed a contract before going on the ice.

Pushing Stalled Car Cost Women Lives

Brewer, Me. — Two women were killed instantly as their husbands attempted to push their stalled automobile from the path of a Maine Central Railroad passenger train.

The dead are Mrs. Isaac Milton, 55, and Mrs. Hartland Bernard, 27, both of Melrose, Mass.

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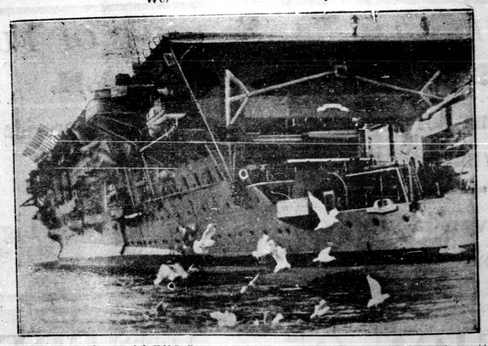

The new aeroplane carried, H.M.C. Courageous, described as the most efficient warship in the world, leaving Portsmouth bound for fleet manoeuvres off the east coast of Scotland.

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Five Types to Avoid In Mothers-in-Laws

Chicago.—Dr. E. W. Burgess, University of Chicago sociologist, sifted through 6,000 questionnaires in efforts to determine how people may be happy though married, and said there were five types of mothers-in-law to be wary of.

He listed them as mothers-in-law, who:

1. Keep their children close to them after marriage.
2. Make the newly married couples dependent upon them financially.
3. Insist on living with newly married couples.
4. Try to insert themselves in the newlyweds' social affairs and try to act the ages of the youngsters.
5. Take the part of the new mates against their children in domestic arguments.

Looks for Librarian Is the New Slogan

Chicago.—If people don't borrow enough books, the American Library Association was told here, get a snappier looking librarian.

It should help, said Frank L. Tolman, director of Library Extension, Albany, N.Y., even more than getting in a new supply of books.

The librarian's choice of clothing should not be restricted, Tolman said, except that it must be becoming and must add to the good looks which the librarian presumably should possess in order to get her job.

"The day of cotton stockings and severe dress as standards for the librarian is ended," Tolman said, "and more people are borrowing books as a result."

DRIVES HIMSELF TO WORK AT 82

And Still Plays a Little Golf

How many of us, when we are 82, will be the equal in health and activity of this vigorous old Scottish engineer? In a letter he says:

"I arrived here from Scotland on the 7th April, 1870. I am over 82 years old. I drive my Ford car 40 miles over hills and dales to a factory, and can still play a little golf. I have taken the little dose of Kruschen Salts in my cup of coffee every morning for some years, and I believe it is keeping me in good health and enabling me to keep on working at the factories as engineer."—L. A.

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Prison Football Squad is Deprived of Drinks

Joliet, Ill.—Incensed by a 20-7 defeat, Athletic Director Walter Nierstheimer of Stateville Prison has promulgated the following training rules for his football squad:

"No drinking, no pie or candy, no smoking, no arguments on the field, no betting, no grandstanding, no roughing, and no swearing."

Violation of the rules, Nierstheimer said, will result in "immediate release (from the team)."

Are you looking for something different in the way of entertainment for your church, society, club or institute?

Capt. F. H. Reid, the well-known traveller, who has been contributing the series of articles to this paper, under the heading of "Travel Impressions," has what is, perhaps, the finest collection of European views in the country. Pictures taken with his own camera, beautifully coloured, showing some of the out-of-the-way places, as well as the localities about which you have read and heard. Portugal, Spain, France, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, Jugoslavia, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Germany, Holland, Belgium and British Isles are included in this unique collection.

For particulars regarding this, communicate with Captain Reid at Room 421, 73 Adelaide Street West, Toronto.

Winnipeggers Seeking Cheaper Dwellings

Annual "moving day" hit Winnipeg with a "bang" this year, with the result the October migration has been far greater than it was a year ago. Transfer companies and moving firms are working 15 to 17 hours a day.

The main reason for this year's great move is that most Winnipeggers are seeking to live more economically. To cut down expenses residents of apartment blocks are moving from large to smaller suites, sometimes within the same building.

Moving is by no means limited to residents of apartment buildings and conditions similar to that in the apartment field have been encountered by agents for houses. The search has been for cheaper houses, doubling up has been frequent, and prices, have been dropped materially, one agent stated.

Bridges are expensive. The temporary bridge built to relieve Waterloo Bridge, London, cost £174,647.

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WATCH YOUR DIET

By Bon Sagte

You have a cold or are feeling out of sorts. Probably you expect, and get, the sympathy of your friends and relatives. You'd probably be surprised and hurt if someone were to criticize and blame you for your indisposition. If you reflect a little on the cause of your disposition don't you think you are more to be blamed than pitied?

When people are ill, providing their illnesses have not reached the stage of a disease, the cause can be traced to some very serious indiscretions in the matter of their daily health habits. Wrong diet is the usual cause, and lack of exercise is another, and the two together combine to produce a condition of debility all the way from being out of sorts to downright illness.

"Watch Your Diet" is a watchword which deserves the serious consideration of everyone. With a proper, balanced diet, and a modest amount of daily exercise, no one should ever be ill. That's why we suggest that one should be ashamed to be ill.

If you are in doubt as to what constitutes a balanced diet buy a book on the subject, or write to the Ontario Government for a copy of its Health Almanac. It's free and worth studying.

How It Feels to Be Married to a Prince

New York. — Mary McCormick, the opera singer who has a separation action pending against the Georgian prince, Serge Midivani, gives an ex-parte version of how it feels to be a princess.

"It feels something like this," she said, biting on stalk of celery. "I put on my hat and coat to go out. The prince says: 'What for?' I say: 'Fresh air.' He is insanely jealous. The prince says: 'Stick your head out of a window.'

"And the prince goes out, and locks the hotel door, and I have to stay in all day, and if I want fresh air I have to stick my head out of the window."

Selecting another piece of celery, a very crisp looking piece, she continued:

"Life with the prince was just a piling up of Asiatic stupidities.

"Do I hope the prince marries again? I certainly do. I'd hate to think I was the only dope in the world."

The prince, who has a divorce action pending against her, was not around to tell how it felt to be the husband of an opera singer.

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