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Canada, The Empire and The World at Large

CANADA

The Pendulum Swings

The depression is responsible for many practical object-lessons. It has shown the defects of over-centralization, of too intensive development of urban, at the expense of rural, life. The cities, huge as they are, have become overcrowded and the natural movement is away from them. But the process will no doubt begin all over again—the farm, the trek from the farm to the city, back to the farm again. Under present conditions the fields certainly look invitingly green to those who have found disillusionment between city walls. The divine injunction to till the soil and earn one's living "in the sweat of one's face" still holds good. There is no other recipe for economic stability, notwithstanding all the progress of the social and industrial sciences.—Hamilton Spectator.

In Bygone Days

A Toronto paper reproduces an 1835 picture of that place in which traffic on the main street is represented by a pair of oxen. It is a far more placid and soothing scene than can be conveyed by watching the present red and green corner lights.—Brantford Expositor.

"We Must Mildly Protest"

When error gets a start it persists. Several days ago there was an article on this page which said Aimee Semple lived in Stratford as a bride, and that the building the upstairs of which was the home of her and her husband is still here. Since then have seen that item in the Woodstock Sentinel-Review and The Ottawa Journal, and in each case the heading reads, "Aimee Lived in St. Thomas," and the story is credited to the St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Our idea was to claim a little publicity for Stratford, and not without mild protest or a little struggle will we allow these other papers to take away from us whatever value there may be in the fact that Aimee came to Stratford as a bride.

Since then she has had two other husbands, but according to belief and statistics the first was much better than those who followed in his wake. —Stratford Beacon-Herald.

Another Definition

When is a man drunk? That is an old question and there have been all sorts of tests from walking a chalk line to pronouncing difficult sentences. A sensible sort of test is suggested in the Virginia Legislature as follows: 'Any person who has drunk enough alcoholic beverages to so affect his manner, disposition, speech, muscular movements, general appearance or behavior as to be apparent to observation, shall be deemed to be intoxicated."—Niagara Falls Review.

Dirty Markers

Automobile markers are carried not only as an indication that the registration fee has been paid but also as a ready means of identification. For this purpose it is essential that the figures shall be legible at all times. A car with dirty markers is in the same category as a man wearing a mask. Too frequently when a car has sped away from the scene of an accident or of a crime, it has been impossible for bystanders to secure its number.

If those who purposely obscure their markers are to be detected, it is necessary that law-abiding motorists keep their own markers clean. And it is easier to do that than to get the car out of the average garage.—Toronto Telegram.

G. B. S. On Tour

George Bernard Shaw has sailed on a visit to New Zealand. If he finds that the Maoris have never even heard of him he is liable to take the next boat back home.—Brantford Expositor.

What is Needed

What is needed to-day is not new things, but true things. It is an old world, and a good world. There is enough of happiness and progress in the world, just for the bringing out. It means hard work, not big talk. It is one of the old truths, the new truths, the everlasting truths, that there are no short-cuts to things worth while. Those who foolishly imagine that they have some new way to change the world, or the part of the world they adorn, are simply selling themselves false thoughts by high-pressure hypnotism. The world continues to make progress to better things, not in new ways, or by loud mouthings, but quietly and surely through effort and thought and labor. — Timmins Advance.

Advice

It never pays to stick your tongue out except at the doctor's request. A young lady did so at London, Ont., and had it frozen on a steel railing.—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Houses of the Future

When we get to the point where we consider the dwelling house as a machine to yield us the maximum comfort and convenience, we shall progress toward a new type of home which will be worthy of the age in which we live. Then the home will be a building designed from the inside, carefully planned to provide every comfort and convenience in the most efficient way; and it will be possible to have all this at a lower cost than the old type of inefficient dwelling.—Edmonton Journal.

THE EMPIRE

Lord Willingdon on India's Future

The Viceroy's confidence that a great and brilliant future lies before India will be widely shared. The economic barometer is set fair here, as in other quarters, subject to no storm clouds blowing over from the United States. There is another proviso, as stressed by the Viceroy. Co-operation, peace and goodwill must also be maintained. With them, to use Lord Willingdon's phrase, "prosperity will soon come to all who are unitedly working for the welfare of India and her people."—Bombay Times of India.

This Complex World

There was a time when government was, if not simple, at least single-strand. Three hundred years ago Cromwell could wait upon events before acting, but to-day the affairs of men will wait for no man and no Government. Any and every difficult problem cannot be solved by a stroke of the sword, and the walls of Jericho no longer collapse before a flourish of trumpets.—Aberdeen Weekly Chronicle.

A Business Whale

"Whales are the business men of the marine world," states a writer. The whale that swallowed Jonah certainly believed in a small prophet and a quick return.—London Sunday Pictorial.

British Guiana's Trade

The outstanding feature of British Guiana's import trade during 1933 has been the continued interest shown in Japanese importations. Statistically, Japan is definitely the most interesting of the foreign countries from which British Guiana imports. Taking the import figures as a whole, we find that British Guiana more than maintained its reputation as being essentially a "Buy British" country, and out of the total value ($7,338,112) for the 90 items of imports, British countries sent to British Guiana a total of $6,175,765 as follows: The United Kingdom, $4,642,098; Canada $914,754; other British possessions $618,913. This represents an increase of $241,772 on the previous year (1932) in Empire importations.—Georgetown Commercial Review.

Australia Looks at 1934

There are, necessarily and naturally, ups and downs. Wheat is up; gold is up. But butter had been up for several years, and the good dairying seasons had helped us to weather the storm. The gold production has nearly doubled, and, although this is an ephemeral benefit, it has been of service in giving some profitable employment in time of stress. For wheat, little can be hoped for at least another season. Perhaps, where it is possible, wheat farmers will profit by their experience and not rely solely upon wheat. A deplorable fact is that some of our considerable primary industries yield no net profit to the Commonwealth. On the whole, however, the outlook for the man on the land has brightened.—Melbourne Australasian.

One View of Nova Scotia

Nova Scotia in certain respects recalls ancient Greece. Both are peninsulas, insignificant in area compared with the great continents from which they project; but both believe in the importance of their contribution to their country in character and influence. Both have thin soil, unsuited to the more opulent forms of agriculture; though the little Canadian province would proudly claim that she is rich in resources—fisheries, lumber, gold and coal, and apple orchards. Yet her scanty population is dwindling. And why? Because her assets are not sufficiently developed, not well enough managed, to find occupation for her sons and daughters. Hence, just as in Greece, her children have gone to richer lands.—L. A. Ward in The Empire Review (London).

Might Know

"I'd teach the man who tried to kiss me at a party," writes a modern miss. But I dont suppose he'd want much tuition.—London Sunday Pictorial.

Hidden Riches of Cyprus

It is astonishing that we should have had to wait till 1934 before there should be a beginning of an adequate organization for maintaining and exploring the as yet incalculable riches of Cyprus in ancient monuments of many periods and many civilizations. Much good work was done by excavators in the second half of last century, but since 1905 the Government of Cyprus has been left to encourage what research it could with limited funds. At last a powerful committee under Lord Mersey's chairmanship has set itself to arouse public interest in regard to what is, surely, an Imperial duty to civilization. Cyprus was at the very centre of the world of which Herodotus wrote, and contains monuments, many of them of great beauty, and more which will constitute new sources of ancient history. —The Spectator.

Thousands of Pounds Go Up in Smoke

Paintings and art objects, valued at thousands of pounds, were lost when fire swept and destroyed the historic mansion of Sir Jeremiah Coleman Colman, the mustard millionaire, near Redhill Surrey, Eng. Fire brigades were seriously hampered by lack of water.

Fur Trade Is Enjoying Boom

Northland Dealers Reveal Optimism—Catch is Large

Winnipeg.—Across Canada's vast northland, from the fringe of the Arctic through the barren lands and the wooded country further south the fur trade is booming.

Northern traders reaching Winnipeg from frontier points declare the greatest fur catch in history is in progress. From widely-scattered points in the isolated interior came word of phenomenal yields.

A Fort Chipewan, Alta., a trader already has 3,000 fox skins and none in that district have less than 1,000 skins, traders said. The stimulation of the trade has increased business throughout the north country. Traders have shipped in huge quantities of supplies, many of them by airplane, while outcoming airplanes and dog teams are laden with pelts.

Traders, predicting the depression was over, had no fears regarding the price of furs. Nor were they worried about markets. If demand lagged in Canada, the United States and Europe afforded an outlet.

The same story was told in Northern Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. Every frontier trading post had the same tale of plenty.

Has Bad Luck After 25 Years

Kansas City, Mo.—After having driven for 25 years without an accident, Dr. Harry S. Lane bought a new automobile and within 24 hours it was wrecked by an ancient car worth $5, the driver of which carried no insurance. Undaunted, Dr. Lane bought another car, and within a month it, too, was wrecked by an uninsured driver, who said he had just paid $3 for his vehicle.

Woolen Workers Get Bonuses in England

Morley, Eng.—A bonus of 2 per cent on the wages has been made to 500 employees by Messrs. J. & S. Rhodes, woolen manufacturers, who have three mills here.

Since 1915 this firm has paid £22,000 in profit-sharing bonuses. During the past year 1853 miles of cloth were made and 300,000 pounds of wool used.

What Does Your Handwriting Show?

By GEOFFREY ST. CLAIR

(Grapho-Analyst.)

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A correspondent sends me samples of the writing of several well-known people, and asks me to analyse the writing for her. There is so much of interest in these analyses that I am making them the subject of a special article.

Perhaps you have wondered why many men have been led into the different pursuits in which they have gained fame and fortune. It is intensely interesting to think of what might have been if different individuals had been born with traits of character that were entirely different from the real characteristics of their nature.

Men and women are born into this world with definite talents and abilities that they must learn in order to take full advantage of them. Some go through life and never learn their proper talents, while others find and develop them early in life.

Ramon Novarro, the prominent film star, is particularly fortunate in finding his talent and making it the driving force of his life. His writing shows, as all those who have seen him know, that he is a great dramatic actor—that he can interpret a role in a way that few people can even approach, but he has also another ability and another very outstanding talent with which he has won recognition—his ability in music. The rhythm and breaks in his writing shows immediately to the handwriting analyst—a talent and appreciation of the musical arts.

As an operatic singer, Ramon Novarro has achieved fame that is not often given to a man. His talent in music is well-known, and is, perhaps, his first choice of expression.

He has still another characteristic, another ability. His writing shows an ability to use his hands in a creative way—perhaps in painting, sculpture, or some other means of artistic expression. Few men are born with such pronounced artistic ability in so many lines—drama, music, and the sculptural arts.

Take the handwriting of John Boles, another star. The dominant trait in his character is his self-reliance. This is the quality that makes him depend only on himself for anything that he wants done. He is not surly (quite the contrary) to his many friends, but, at the same time, when he wants a certain thing, he looks to one man only to get it—and that man is himself.

John Boles could not be anything else if he desired—there is an independence of thought and action that will not allow him to think of help when he has a problem to face. He is close-mouthed about his personal affairs, and will usually have them solved before other people have heard about them. Decisive, quick thinking—a man of action—John Boles.

Readers of this newspaper are invited to send samples of their handwriting to the author for a character analysis. Send as long a letter as possible, and write your usual script. Address your letters to Geoffrey St. Clair, Room 421, 73 Adelaide St. W., Toronto, and enclose 10 cent coin and a stamped addressed envelope. Letters, of course, are confidential.

British Revenue Exceeds Outlays

London.—For the first time in a decade, the total national revenue for the year shows a surplus over expenditure.

Last Saturday's ordinary revenue was £26,527,824 in contrast to the ordinary expenditure for one day, of £9,791,052.

The result of this excess is that not only has the seasonal deficit for the fiscal year been wiped out, but a surplus of £1,308,291 has been established.

No evil propensity of the human heart is so powerful that it may not be subdued by discipline.—Seneca.

Call Settlement For Lois Booth

Montreal.—A new settlement near Taschereau, Abitibi, Que., has been named Lois—for Lois Booth, formerly of Ottawa, and now Princess Erik of Denmark—Alderman Leon Trepanier, city council leader, and ardent supporter of the back-to-the-land movement informed the council here recently. Many men are already established at Lois and 15 more heads of families will travel to the settlement shortly, he said.

Fancy rules over two-thirds of the universe, the past and the future, while reality is confined to the present.—Richter.

Train Crew Escapes

Twenty-seven freight cars piled up near Nomence, Ill., February 8, after a broken truck derailed one of the cars. Here is how they came to rest in the ravine alongside the track. The train crew escaped.

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Bigamous Man

Liverpool, Eng.—"Bigamy is never condoned in the case of a woman as in that of a man," said Mr. Justice Rigby Lever at Liverpool Assizes recently. "When a woman commits bigamy," he added, "the only harm done is that the man is disappointed with matrimonial life. When a man commits bigamy it may be that some unhappy woman is ruined for life."

The judge bound over a man accused of bigamy. He said that there were circumstances in his favor.

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TRAVEL IMPRESSIONS

BY CAPT. F. H. REID

A Portuguese Bull-Fight

On July 13, 1931, Cavalero Jose Casimiro, the celebrated toreador, was making his farewell appearance at a "festa artistica" held in his honour at the Bull Ring in Lisbon. Ordinarily, these performances are held on a Sunday afternoon but, in this particular instance, the gala event was held on a Monday night, commencing at 11 o'clock.

The hotel, at which we were stopping, was not far from the Bull Ring and some of the party thought that they would like the experience of attending the spectacle, widely known as the favourite sport of Spanish and Portuguese peoples. We had but little idea of what was before us and the women of the party, especially, felt that, at least they might stay for the opening ceremonies and leave before any objectionable features came on. We had several surprises, before the evening was over, but more of this later.

When we arrived at the Bull Ring—a huge structure, occupying a whole city block—we found people pouring into the entrances from every point. We had decided rather late, that we would go, consequently, only the cheaper seats, in the second gallery, were available. It was most interesting to climb the wide stairs and take notice of the excited crowd that were making their way to their places. The interior of this huge arena was open to the sky—we were rather glad of this later, as the air, in the vicinity of our seats was made more bearable thereby. One section of the bull ring was covered—ordinarily for the purpose of shade from the afternoon sun; here were the highest priced seats (25 escudos, written 25$00, worth $1.25 in our money); the cost of seats, in the gallery, where we went, was $800, or about 40 cents. We arrived in plenty of time to get our places—I was sitting on a slatted seat, similar to those put up at the circuses, and, part of the time, I am afraid that I was sitting on the feet of the person who was in the row behind me. As far as, we could judge, we were the only English-speaking people there—I am quite sure that we were the only Canadians—but our neighbors were friendly, even to the extent of passing a wine-skin—out of which everyone was taking a swig—to us and inviting us to do likewise.

It was fascinating to watch the crowd; exciting to listen to the band, and hear the animated talk all about us. The place was jammed with humanity whose interest in the proceedings, about to take place, was as intense as our own. Presently we realized that something was about to happen. This was the parade around the ring, that preceded the actual combat. Here we had our first surprise; instead of the wrecks of horses, that we had been expecting—for we had read that only broken-down animals were used in bull-fighting—there appeared the most magnificent Arab-Portuguese steeds, ridden by beautifully dressed riders, clad in old-time court costumes, with wigs and feathered hats, lace ruffles on the cuffs and front of the coats, highly polished knee length boots and, carrying in their hands, the long lance-like sticks, later to be used when the bull appeared. Accompanying these were the other performers—the bandoleiros, picadors, etc.—each colorfully and attractively dressed and contributing to the fascination of the scene. These latter were walking and, as the parade proceeded around the ring and stopped in the centre, the excitement of the audience almost got beyond bounds. Hats were cast into the cork-covered arena; these were caught on the swords of the performers and thrown back in the direction from which they came. More hats were sent sailing across space and cheers resounded from all sides. The final and most stimulating moment came when the star of the evening—Cavaleiro Jose Casimiro—came into the centre and, after bowing to the frenzied plaudits of the crowd, was kissed on both cheeks by those of his associates who had come to bid him farewell to the ring. It was easily seen that he was the idol of the Lisbon public and the demonstration was only stopped by the anxiety of the people to greet the appearance of the first of eight bulls that were to be used that night.

Finally all retired, excepting those who were about to participate; the entrance into the ring—immediately under where I was sitting—opened to admit the first rider, who exhibited his horsemanship to the admiring throng. The spectacular curveting of the beautiful snow-white animal was an inheritance from the showy Arab riding in the days of Moslem rule. Round and round he rode, putting his horse through various manoeuvres and waving his plumed hat to the applauding populace.

A bugle sounded a shrill fanfare and the bull was admitted from an entrance at the side. There the poor animal stood, with forelegs braced, snorting from the nostrils, eyes blinking in the fierce light and frightened and dazed by his unfamiliar surroundings. One thing I noted, that the tips of his horns had been cut and the remaining portion covered and padded with heavy leather. Then three or four men, in toreador costume, vaulted over the barricade and, by taunting red and orange colored capes, tried to get the bull into action. Failing in this, the cavaleiro rode up and attracted the bull's attention; this time the bull charged, as if he would toss both horse and rider into the air but by a clever manipulation of the reins and the intelligent co-operation of the noble horse, both were uscatched, not before the rider, by leaning far over the crupper, gracefully planted a dart, covered with paper streamers between the bull's shoulders. We soon learned that it was unsportsmanlike for the rider to touch the bull unless during one of these charges. The audience gave him his due meed of praise; the action was repeated with slight variations, several times and each time the rider scored a "hit" he acknowledged the ovation and again exhibited his horsemanship.

By this time, even the ladies of our party were assured that there was no danger; the joviality of the crowd; the excellent riding; the humour of seeing the men on foot vault over the fence, when the bull came close to them; the huge amusement of the spectators—all this gave zest to the performance and, instead of leaving, they remained.

When seven or eight hits had been registered, the bugle sounded again and, from the opening where the bull had entered, a herd of tame oxen, carrying jangling cow-bells, were driven in by two fantastically garbed herders, each wielding long sticks. Before he knew it, the bull was manipulated into the centre of this herd and escorted out of the ring.

Six other bulls were thus dealt with before we left. Some showed more activity than others; the last one we saw, making a beeline for the rider as soon as he had entered the ring. The dexterity and technique of the horse men, as well as the men on foot, provided plenty of thrills and prevented anything approaching monotony. Some of the horses were jet black, some were bay; all were superb and apparently enjoyed their share of the combat—if such a bloodless bull-fight could be termed a combat. In this respect it differs greatly from the Sapnish variety; the nature of which I may describe on another occasion.

I have already mentioned the hour when the entertainment commenced. By the time six bulls had been handled, the hour was close to 1 o'clock in the morning. The Portuguese folk in the seats beside us remonstrated, in a friendly fashion, against our departure, making signs to inform us that the best was yet to come. However, we decided to leave but not before I had purchased, from a small boy, one of the paper covered darts that had been lodged in the skin of a bull's shoulder. This I have as a souvenir of a very delightful evening, spent at the huge Bull Ring of Lisbon, the Capital of Portugal.

One or two experiences in the neighborhood of the Leaning Tower of Pisa, will be the subject of next week's article.

"Travel Impressions" have been coming to us each week. These articles are a feature of this paper and are taken from the experiences of one who has seen what he writes about. We have been asked to bring to your attention a unique trip which Captain Reid is organizing and which he will personally direct this coming Summer. If you have no definite plans and desire to take advantage of a real opportunity to see the Old Land under ideal auspices, this selected motor party should appeal to you.

Here are but a few of the features: Lakeland — Lake Windermere, Loch Lomond and the Lakes of Killarney; the Welsh Mountains and the Highlands of Scotland; Cathedral Cities—Salisbury, York, Chester, Durham, Wells, Ely, Hereford, Lincoln, Peterborough, Winchester, etc.; Castles — Warwick, Blarney, Carnarvon, Edinburgh, etc.; Shakespeare, Scott, Wordsworth, Moore and Handy Country; The Fens; The Dukeries; Glorious Devon; Cornish Riviera; The Trossachs and the Garden of Ireland; Glants' Causeway. Lovely roads, beautiful scenery. London, Edinburgh, Belfast, Dublin, Douglas—all in one glorious holiday.

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Humming Bird In London Show Is Worth $5,000

Record Entry at Crystal Palace — Valuable Exhibits Would Provide Ideal Feline Paradise

London.—The National Show of Cage Birds, which opened at the Crystal Palace recently, has attracted a record entry of 5,000 birds—600 more than the previous record.

That the largest entry is of budgerigars ("love-birds")—over 1,000—is hardly surprising, for these pompous "pocket parrots," with their solemnly interminable flirtations, their cheery small talk, and their delicate perfections of color, are indeed patterns of all that pets should be.

One of these escaped from its cage before the public were admitted, and flew around the showroom. Attempts to catch it with a butterfly net failed at first, but its tiny wings soon tired, and it was recaptured.

Next in number to the budgerigars are canaries of every shade and shape, white, green, and cinnamon red. There are curiously-coiffured "Crests" and "Coppys," hunchbacked "Scots Fancy," and monstrously upholstered "Belgians."

THE HOMELY THRUSH.

Besides these favorites a host of varieties, from the homely English thrush and hedge-sparrow to exotic foreign birds—Nature's jewellery. Among these last are tiny nectar-drinking humming birds, sunbirds, vain birds of paradise, and gorgeous tanagers.

If these are gems, their cost is proportionate. One ruby and topaz humming bird is valued at $1,000. A fictitious price, perhaps, but one which the exhibitor modestly declares he would refuse for this scrap of gold and flame. If this is exceptional, prices of £25, £50 and £100 rule commonly enough to provoke the interesting—if unworthy—speculation as to how cheaply a healthy cat in normal appetite could dine in such company.

There are, too, birds with names which compel the layman to look again just to make sure, as the catalogue reveals classes for "guits and zoshers-ops," "cockatoos and avadavates," "spider-hunters and flower-peckers," "siskins and bobolinks." Others among the exhibits are:

Wartled Honey-eaters, White Eyebrowed Seedeaters, Fairy Bluebird, Purple Sunbird, Brazilian Babblers, Silky Cow-birds, Blood-stained Finches, Festive Tanagers, Red-vented Bulbul, Purple Sugarbird.

The Marquis of Tavistock, who has a fine collection of parrots and birds of paradise at his Sussex home, judges the parrot section.

Cigarette Stains

At Tavistock Police Court, a solicitor argued that a man must have means because his fingers were stained with cigarette smoke, writes the Manchester Guardian. He asked the man to show his hands to the court, because, in his view, it amounted to "one of the most valuable ways of testing a man's means." But the court declined to take that view—and the "means test" by stained fingers was not admitted as evidence.

Most people will agree with the court. Cigarettes are cheap enough; sixpence will buy more than enough to stain the smoker's fingers if he keeps the cigarettes, when lighted, in his hand rather than his mouth. The staining depends to a large extent on the way in which a cigarette is held. If it is always held so that the lighted end is above the hand forty a day will not make much difference to the fingers of the addict. If it is held down so that the rising smoke surrounds the fingers one cigarette will produce a recognizable stain.

It is not the "nicotine" which comes through the paper that does the trick; it is the rising trail of smoke from the burning end that kippers the fingers that are exposed to it. And so, though all litigants should come into court with clean hands, if they should happen to enter with be-yellowed fingers it implies no absolute certainty that they smoke dozens of "caspers" a day.

Dogs Found Their Way

A dog, which had lived on a farm in Iowa, was taken to Florida in a closed box-car, filled with household effects, a distance of fifteen hundred miles. A few days after arriving in the new locality he disappeared, and was later was found on the porch of the house from which he had been removed. The dog had gone straight to his destination, though he had not seen the country through which he passed, and had known nothing of the direction taken. Such wisdom as this is positively uncanny.

A bonny shepherd dog was lost from his owners and their car in the East, and given up for good, but three months later he appeared at his old home in the capital of Oregon; a staggering skeleton, to be sure, yet he was there. This animal had followed the sun to the west for more than two thousand miles, over boundless prairies, deserts; across rivers and mountain ranges, as true to his course as the beam of a star. —Our Dumb Animals.

No "Discipline"

Washington.—War Department officials said it would be impossible to subject Col. Charles A. Lindbergh to army discipline for protesting to Pres. Roosevelt on the cancellation of all air mail contracts.

Action had been asked by Arthur addressed to Major Gen. Dennis E. W. McMahon, former senior lieutenant in the Naval Air Reserve, in a letter Nolan, commander of the army Second Corps Area, at Governor's Island, N.Y.

Although Lindbergh holds a commission in the Army Air Corps Reserve, officials said he was a civilian and subject to army disciplinary charges only when on active duty.

HERE ARE THE USUAL SIGNS OF ACID STOMACH

Neuralgia Feeling of Weakness
Headaches Mouth Acidity
Nausea Loss of Appetite
Indigestion Sour Stomach
Nervousness Sleeplessness
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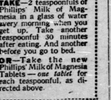

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Child Prodigy to Receive $75,000 For One Season's Work

Nine-year Old Girl Pianist Signs Contract to Give 30 Concerts For an Average of $2,500 Each

New York.—Ruth Slenczynski, the phenomenal nine-year-old pianist, recently signed a contract through her father guaranteeing her $75,000 for her second season in the United States.

Charles M. Wagner under the contract will control her appearances throughout the world until she becomes of age, when she will choose her own manager.

Ruth, who made a sensational debut here last November, will present 30 concerts for her $75,000, an average fee of $2,500. The first will be in New York on her 10th birthday, next January 15th.

Her most recent appearance was at Pittsburgh with the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra under Eugene Ormandy.

"Come to Minneapolis and play with us twice next season," said Ormandy. "I'll let you break all the rules you want."

Ruih, who has not forgotten her sets to with Bernardino Molinari, guest conductor of the San Francisco Orchestra, over her desire to play more engores, accepted Ormandy's invitation.

Construction in U.S. Shows Increase

New York.—A definite increase in large scale industrial building was announced by James H. Manning, president of the Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation, in a recent interview. This firm, which has completed construction totaling over $1,000,000,000 during the last 20 years, is now working on seven jobs.

"Most of the industrial building activity representing replacement and normal growth has been deferred during the past two years or more," said Mr. Manning. "There are now signs that a few concerns are able and willing to go ahead."

"We do not count a man's years until he has nothing else to count.—Emerson.

Lady Willison Says Ontario to Cradle The Canadian Novel

Maritimes Produce Best Poetry —What Price Quebec

Toronto.—The novel "Dry Bones Yesterday" written by the outstanding author, Fred Jacob, revealed the possibilities of what can be done in novel writing in Canada, Lady Willison, wife of the late Sir John Willison, told a meeting of the Canadian Authors' Association here recently.

Lady Willison reviewed the field of the Canadian novel and asserted her belief that while the maritimes would probably continue as the source of the best Canadian poetry, Ontario is destined to be cradled the great Canadian novel.

Lady Willison said it was surprising that as Canadians had "a fashion for politics" novelists in the Dominion had not so far made use of this in their writing. Humor, character creation and a devotion to the soil were named as essentials in the making of great novels.

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