

Address Before Canadian Club

Horace J. Gagne Was the Speaker at Luncheon Last Evening—Delivered Interesting and Forceful Address.

Teaching on vital issues which the people of Canada today, and outlining the reason of their being, and the steps which ought to be taken to secure a return to contentment and prosperity.

After being introduced to the club by their president, A. M. Belding, Mr. Gagne turned to his honor the Mayor who was seated at his side, and thanked him very cordially for the warm welcome which he and his council had extended him on his arrival in the city.

The speaker at the beginning of his address illustrated, by means of a fairy story, the gradual organization of society, through the division of labor and co-operation to meet the needs of the community and its dispersion through war.

The chaotic conditions for which the war was responsible in the late were also prevalent today. The world, he said, had lost its equilibrium, the three great essentials to the well being of the world were lacking, namely, food, clothing and shelter.

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Normal conditions would only be reached again when the debt had been reduced to its former level, and normal conditions could never be obtained by shorter hours and more pay, but rather through more work and the greater production of essentials.

At present the complaint was of lack of coal, and yet less was being mined than ever, of scarcity of paper, but millions of sheets in papers and magazines were devoted to the advertising of patent medicines, fake oil stocks, and wild schemes, etc.

SPECTACULAR FIRE OCCURS AT DIGBY

The Gasless Garage Destroyed, Entailing a Loss Estimated at \$100,000.

Special to The Standard. Digby, N. S., May 14.—The most spectacular, and at the same time the most destructive, fire since that of twenty years ago took place at Digby this morning, when Gavel's garage, on First avenue, was totally destroyed with all its contents except five cars.

The total loss is estimated at \$100,000, and the insurance is only about \$15,000. Mr. Gavel and family, who lived in a portion of the building, were saved, but the fire was so hot that Gavel had to throw himself over the veranda on the second floor.

The flames were discovered about 2.30 by the stevedores at Gavel's River, which was just coming into port from St. John, and when the alarm was given the building was all aflame. Over forty cars were in the garage, and two were lost. These two were Mr. Green's car and another owned by W. Dixon, of Halifax.

The cause of the fire is not known, but it is believed that the best equipped of tools owned by any garage in the province, besides an immense stock of tires and sundries. This building was formerly a church, and was built on, and was probably one of the largest wooden buildings in the county outside of a few of the hotels.

Fortunately the morning was calm, and the fire was confined to the one building. It burned rapidly, and in half an hour the destruction was complete. Thrift Essential.

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AGRICULTURE CAME UP FOR DISCUSSION

In the House of Commons Yesterday When the Estimates for the Year Were Brought Down.

MINISTER SAYS PROSPECTS BRIGHT For the Future of the Farming Industry in Canada—Markets Available Everywhere Which Are Only Waiting for the Produce.

(Continued from Page 1) The need of better education is thus shown and our work could be vastly extended in this line if we had more money," said the Minister. "Touching on the 'back to the land' idea, Dr. Toimie said the only way to keep the boys on the farm was to make life more attractive. There was no such thing as a cure-all method, but the young men should be encouraged to try it on their own account.

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Dr. Toimie stated that Great Britain was the only place where an embargo was placed on Canadian cattle. He assured the House that as long as there was any possibility of getting the embargo removed, efforts would be made by the Department in that direction.

Value of Grading. Illustrating the value of grading of farm products, Dr. Toimie said last year the value of the wool produced in Canada was \$1,000,000 more than that of the wool produced in the United States. This was due to the fact that the wool was graded, and the higher quality wool commanded a higher price.

The experimental farms system, which was carrying on magnificent work, was valued at \$60,000,000 to the country annually. This branch of the work was not properly appreciated, Dr. Toimie thought.

COUNCIL OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS MET YESTERDAY

May Aak Pres. Wilson to Convoke First Assembly of League of Nations.

Rome, May 14.—The fifth session of the Council of the League of Nations met at the Ministry of the Colonies this afternoon and on a motion by Leon Bourgeois, France, Signor Tittoni, President of the Italian Senate, was elected President and delivered the inaugural speech.

Among the questions which will come up for discussion will be that of inviting President Wilson to convolve the first assembly of the League of Nations which is expected to take place in the autumn. According to the "Tribune," the Council of the League of Nations decided, today, to reply to M. Tchitcherine, the Russian Bolshevik Foreign Minister, that the League's commission must be received in Russia unconditionally. This was in answer to a Moscow wireless despatch of May 9, saying that in view of the fact that certain members of the League of Nations were actively supporting Poland and the Ukraine, the central soviet could not for arbitrary reasons admit into Russia any delegation which included representatives of these nations although the soviet supported the principle of the League's decision to send an investigating delegation into Russia.

TURNING STATE'S EVIDENCE DIDN'T HELP To Win Clemency for One of Famous Bond Thieving Gang.

New York, May 14.—Turning State's evidence against one of the members of a bond-stealing gang in New York, the \$500,000 bond plot, failed to win clemency for Donald C. Burgess, clerk, who today was sentenced to a term of from one to two years in State's Prison, after confessing to the theft of \$300,000 worth of bonds from a Wall Street brokerage firm.

There are Cases of men buying Rebuilt Remington Typewriters—and after over a year's use, getting as much for them as they paid for them. A Mine Fraser, Jas. A. Little, Mgr., 37 Dock St., St. John, N. B.

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STRIKE LEADERS CASE BEFORE PRIVY COUNCIL. Winnipeg, May 14.—W. H. Trueman, E. C. C. the defense counsel at the recent strike leaders' trial will leave next Monday for London where he will lay the appeal of the convicted strike leaders before the Privy Council. Mr. Trueman conferred with Russell at the penitentiary today.

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BORN. REID—On May 14th to Mr. and Mrs. Asa V. Reid, 17 Blenheim Street, a son. BANQUET TO SIR JOHN EATON. Tendered by Mayor Chapman of Moncton Last Evening. Moncton, May 14.—Sir John Eaton who is spending a few days in Moncton, was entertained at luncheon at the Hotel Brunswick today, by Mayor Chapman. The guests included about thirty of the leading citizens. LATEST SHIPPING. Montreal, May 14.—Arrive: star Lorient, Glasgow; Calmington, Povey; Gunborg, Sweden. New York, May 14.—Daca, D'Anasta Genoa and Naples; Buenos Aires, Barcelona.

THE POINT WATERWAYS COMMISSION. To Hold Public Meetings at Various Places in Canada and United States. FOR DISCUSSION PROPOSED ROUTE. State of New York Principal Opponent of Suggested Development.

New York, May 10.—(By Canadian Press)—Interests favoring and opposed to the proposed development of the Lawrence deep waterway have for weeks been marshalling their forces for a series of public hearings on the subject, to be held by the International Joint Waterways Commission. These hearings will be continued until the end of June in various Canadian and American centers.

The plan for the joint development by Canada and the United States of a St. Lawrence ship channel has been enthusiastically greeted by the former country, the port of Montreal alone standing about somewhat, as the established outlet of the St. Lawrence for oceanic tonnage, and by fourteen western and middle western states in the neighboring republic. The state of New York is conducting the active opposition south of the international boundary line, seeing the scheme a menace to the New York State barge canal, and possible rivalry to the port of New York. At a convention held March 15 a large number of representatives of chambers of commerce and commercial organizations of the state of New York expressed themselves to work against the project.

Are You? Are You Willing? Are You Ready for Self-Denial? Under The Direction of The Rotary Club, St. John. To forget what you have done for other people; and to remember what other people have done for you? To ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe to the world? To put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground? To see that your fellowmen are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy? To close your book of complaints and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness? Then you are ready for Self-Denial. Are You Willing? To stoop down and consider the needs and the desires of little children; to remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old; to stop asking how much your friends love you, and ask yourself whether you love them enough? To bear in mind the things that other people have to bear on their hearts; to try to understand what those who live in the same house with you really want, without waiting for them to tell you? To trim your lamp so that it will give more light and less smoke, and to carry it in front so that your shadow will fall behind you? To make a grave for your ugly thoughts and a garden for your kindly feelings, with the gate open? Are you willing to do these things, even for a little while? Then you are ready for Self-Denial. Are You Willing? To believe that love is the strongest thing in the world—stronger than hats, stronger than evil, stronger than death—and that the blessed life which began in Bethlehem nineteen hundred and twenty years ago is the image and brightness of the Eternal Love? Then you are ready for Self-Denial. (With acknowledgments to Dr. Henry Van Dyke). Salvation Army Jubilee Self-Denial Appeal May 15-22