

RUSSIA HOLDS ALL RECORDS FOR RED TAPE

Soviet Government Uses
Great Quantities of
Paper for Reports

PROLONG ROUTINE IN
TRIVIAL AFFAIRS

Expenses of Bringing Cases
to Trial Extremely
Large.

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MOSCOW, April 17.—Russia has always been a country of red tape and bureaucracy and this condition has not been changed by the extension of state management to most of the industry and a good deal of the trade of the Soviet Union.

While no exact statistics are available, it would probably be safe to guess that Russia holds the world's record for paper used up in reports and questionnaires and time spent in congresses and meetings, large and small.

An enterprising reporter for the Pravda has dug up three stories which deserve to take prizes as illustrations of this humor, if sometimes exasperating, side of Russian life. He sent it back to White Russia. Finally it was agreed that the case was too trivial to demand the attention of the highest courts, so it went to Smolensk, the largest town in the neighborhood of the branch line. A game of battle-dore-and-shuttlecock ensued between Smolensk and a smaller district centre. When the case finally came up for trial in the latter place, the documents which had accumulated weighed over two hundred pounds. How the case was finally decided is not recorded, and is really not very essential, in view of the fact that the expenses involved in bringing the case to trial outweighed not only the cost of the alleged mismanagement, but the cost of building the branch line itself.

Wool Accounts.

The Penza Wool Trust distinguished itself by drawing up what may be the longest accounts in history. Its monthly accounts were made out on enormous sheets of paper five yards long and two feet wide. One of the Russian railroads decided to build a branch line in a western part of the Soviet Union, which is known as White Russia. A vigilant official, an unpaid taxpayer, discovered evidence of mismanagement in the construction of the branch line. So there arose a case or as the Russians call it a "dyelo."

Passed in Courts.

The dyelo grew with the rapidity and momentum of a snowball. The highest tribunal in White Russia passed it on to the Supreme Court in Moscow. The Supreme Court decided that the case didn't belong there and yards wide, and its accounts for the year, when spread out, covered an area of eighty-four square metres. The offices of the Supreme Economic Council contained no tables large enough to hold these voluminous reckonings. So, in order to scrutinize the operations of the Wool Trust, it was necessary to spread the accounts on the floor, and newcomers in the Supreme Economic Council are sometimes startled upon finding accountants sprawled out in full length on the floor, checking up on the trust's balance sheets.

The Tula Trade Union organization also put itself in line for a red tape prize by sending out to its members a questionnaire with 228 headings and about fifteen or twenty questions under each heading. This made a grand

Effect



New developments in field artillery are being tried out at Fort Bragg, N. C. The opening shot on this bridge, constructed by military engineers for the experiment, is shown. The shot weakened it, and the next, a direct hit, destroyed it.

CAUSE



Here are shown the new developments in field artillery which are being tried out at Fort Bragg, N. C. The photo shows the firing of one of the new six-inch field guns. Photo shows the smoke just breaking from the mouth of the gun.

Two Drowned When Squall Hits Boat

LETHBRIDGE, Alta., April 16.—R. B. Donaldson, Lethbridge merchant, and his nephew, Earl Donaldson, were drowned in the irrigation reservoir at Chin last night when a squall hit the boat in which they were fishing.

The bodies have not yet been recovered.

Search Continues For Woman's Body

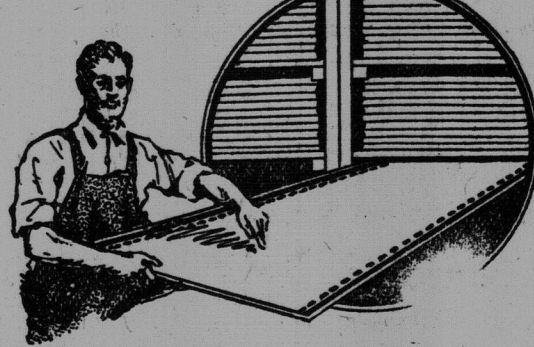
HALIFAX, April 16.—Egged on by the Crown's reward of \$200 and the news this morning that a tenanted grave had been discovered on the Picou-Trang highway, searchers took up with renewed interest today their efforts to find the body of Sarah Ann Gammon, young English war-bride, with whose murder on or about Sept. 9, last, her husband, Duncan Gammon, war veteran, has been charged by the Attorney-General for Nova Scotia, Hon. W. J. O'Hearn.

COURT SESSION DEFERRED

Following the news of the death of Mr. Justice Crockett's mother, which occurred in Fredericton yesterday, Sheriff Wilson received word that the present sittings of the Circuit Court, over which Judge Crockett was presiding, would not be resumed until next Thursday. Court was to have sat this morning after having been adjourned from Tuesday of this week.

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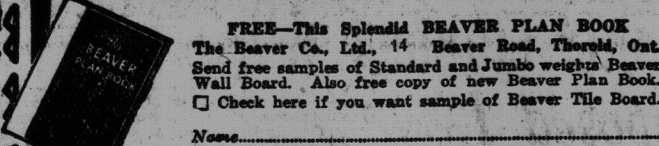
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Grattan O'Leary To Be Candidate

CAP CHAT, Q., April 16.—A Conservative convention has been scheduled for early in May for the purpose of preparing the party organization for the next Federal elections. The Conservative candidate for this constituency (Maisonneuve and Gaspé) will be M. Grattan O'Leary, of Ottawa. The present representative is Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux.

IN THE MORNING HER TONGUE WAS COATED HAD BAD TASTE IN MOUTH

Miss Pearl L. Zinck, Barris Corner, N. S., writes: "I was awfully troubled with my liver, and used to get such dizzy spells I would have to sit down while I was doing my work. 'In the morning when I used to get up, my tongue was coated and I had a bad taste in my mouth and often times, throughout the day, I was troubled with pains in my stomach. I suffered in this way until a friend of mine who had used your

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EDUCATE MEXICANS BY MEANS OF RADIO

Plans Made to Broadcast Information From Great Central Station.

By A. W. FOLGER.

(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

MEXICO CITY, April 17.—Man's most recent invention will be brought into play very soon as a factor in the education of North America's most ancient race. Mexico's immense broadcasting station, CFE, installed here by the department of education, is to be utilized in the most comprehensive manner feasible for reaching the rural districts, populated principally by the Indian, with an educational programme. In the most remote sections, where schools are rare or non-existent, radio will serve as "maestro" to thousands of Indian boys and girls, who might otherwise receive only the scantiest instruction, despite the government's broad programme for taking education to them.

Increase Schools.

Under the supervision of Dr. Jose Manuel Puig Casauranc, secretary of education, the radio schedule will be directed so as to augment the work of the rapidly increasing number of rural schools. The distribution of receiving sets and magnifiers for these community centres will be made as speedily as the finances of the department permit.

Millions of fish were thrown on the beach near Waller's Bay, South Africa, recently, by a volcanic eruption under the sea.

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