

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

Allahaba, British India, Sept. 26.—As a result of an earthquake which destroyed nine villages in the vicinity of Sujnurd, Persia, one hundred and fifty-seven persons are dead and one hundred and forty-six are injured.

Paris, Sept. 26.—The Greco-Italian affair was brought to a close to-day. A payment of fifty million lire was paid Italy by Greece, as a penalty for Greek dilatoriness in searching for the assassins of the Italian Boundary Mission near Janina, the slaying of which brought about the Italian-Greco crisis and the subsequent occupation of Corfu Island by Italy.

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Bay Roberts, Friday, Sept. 28, 1923

PRICE OF KEROSENE AND GASOLINE

The St. John's Daily Mail in its issue of Sept. 25, has an editorial dealing with the price of kerosene and gasoline. Comparison is made between the selling price of gasoline and kerosene in the United States with the selling price in Newfoundland.

It is high time this thing was ventilated and discussed. Corporations are soulless things and have very little, if any, regard for the pockets of the consumer. And too often the consumer by his apathy and indifference and his fatalistic methods has very little regard for himself. If one among the many consumers raises a question or utters a protest such as the one in question he is told by someone that "What is to be must be," and it usually ends there.

When the Imperial Oil Co. wanted permission and certain concessions to erect mammoth oil tanks on the Southside of St. John's a few years ago, the public were promised all kinds of things in connection with the low cost of gasoline and kerosene. We were told that when kerosene and gasoline could be brought to Newfoundland in bulk and barrelled here, the consumer would be able to purchase his oils at a very low cost.

That such has not happened, the person who uses a motor engine in a fishing boat or motor car, and the person who uses kerosene for lighting purposes, knows too well.

What really happened a short period after the tanks were erected was that the other oil company doing competitive business here, viz: The Standard Oil Co., closed down and left the field to the Imperial Oil Co. alone.

The Mail states that gasoline retails in the States this summer at 13c per gallon, and kerosene at less than 10c per gallon, and contends that we are paying an inflated price for two much used commodities. Gasoline should not cost more than 30c per gallon in this country, and kerosene not more than 20c per gallon.

Newfoundlanders last year consumed over 1,300,000 gallons of gasoline and over 2,050,000 gallons of kerosene. We are, the Mail contends, according to these figures, spending about \$600,000 more on these two commodities than we should be spending.

This is the time for the Government to set the law against profiteering in operation. The Road Commission, or that part of the Commission containing representatives of the people who consume gasoline and kerosene, would be far better employed and would be doing their duty to their constituents if some of them would devote a little more time to this important matter and less time to employing lawyers for the purpose of wringing motor car taxes from an already overtaxed public.

BYE-ELECTIONS

The Government has decided to hold bye-elections in the Districts of Fogo, Harbor Main and St. George's. This is caused by Messrs. Grimes, Hawco and Downey accepting offices of emolument from the Crown. Mr. Grimes became Minister of Marine and Fisheries; Mr. Hawco, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, and Mr. Downey minister of Agriculture and Mines. Nomination day is set for Monday, Oct. 15th, and Thursday, Oct. 25th, will be polling day. Whether a contest in any of these districts will take place remains to be seen.

EMPLOYMENT ON THE HUMBER

As the Advocate states, there are 2300 working men engaged on the various works of the Armstrong Whitworth Co. at Corner Brook, Deer Lake, Junction Brook and the Canal works between Grand Lake and Deer Lake, why is it that so few men are employed there from the District of Harbor Grace? While the men of this District are always glad to learn that great activity and development are taking place in other parts of the country, it is poor comfort to them if those who need employment cannot get a share.

It may be safely stated that the men who are chiefly finding employment at the Humber are the West Coast and Northern men, men who are living nearer the scene of operations last spring could not do so, while numbers of northern men bought their tickets and went an unsecured employment.

The general opinion last spring was that employment at the Humber operations would be given to men of the various districts proportionately, and all would be treated alike. This has not materialized. The best majority of the men of this district could do was to find employment building roads.

The earnings of many this summer will not be sufficient to tide them and their families over the winter. Many will be returning from the fishery season. Some of these who have not secured good catches of fish will be swelling the ranks of the already large number of unemployed.

There is no doubt that the Humber will be a blessing to Terra Nova. The men of this District voted for the Humber and returned the Government to power as much as the men of the Northern and Western Districts, and should receive equal consideration in regard to employment. But strange to say, those who help the least and do the least for the success or realization of a movement or a project are usually the ones to receive the greatest benefits.

In party political matters this has become a truism. It is a well-known fact that very often the man who gives a Party or candidate the least support gets the most consideration or benefits after the contest is over, while those who take a public stand and very often suffers loss are more or less ignored and thrust aside. Successful candidates too frequently forget the men who supported and worked hardest for their success.

REPORTS CONTRADICTED

(Editor of the Guardian.) Dear Sir:—It is a well-known and truthful fact that a story never loses anything in the telling. The truth of this has been amply verified in the stories which are current locally concerning the manner in which the Associate English paper was supervised at Snowden Hall in June of this year.

Many reports are in circulation, and so that the local public may know the truth of the matter, and these erroneous reports be topped, I wish to state that the only mistake which I made was when I warned the candidates that they had "five minutes more" instead of "thirty-five minutes more," but this mistake was corrected within two minutes.

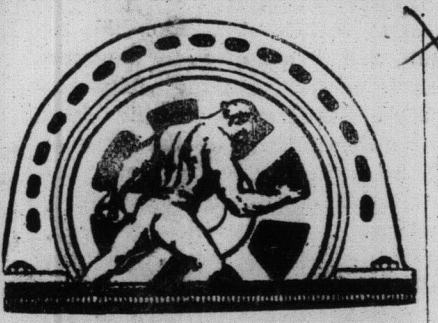
These are the facts, Mr. Editor, from which these stories sprang. Trusting that you will do me the favor of publishing this.

I remain, yours truly, J. PLOUGHMAN Bay Roberts, Sept. 26/23.

FOOTBALL

On Saturday afternoon last the third game of the League series of football was played between the teams of the C. L. B. and Scouts. This game was the hardest contested of the matches played and resulted in a win for the C. L. B. by a score of 2-0.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name, Team. Includes Rev. E. M. Bishop, Nath Erench, Bob Mercer, Arthur Mercer, Max Dawe, Walter Mercer, J. Ploughman, Fred Peach, Bert Hillyard, Will Mercer, Charlie Russell, Hector Bartlett, Roy McLeod, Will Squire, Arthur Wilson.



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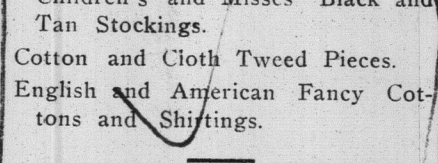
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On Monday night the Executive Government considered certain proposals in connection with the erection of a Flour Mill at Shoal Harbor, Trinity Bay. The proposals from a company incorporated in Newfoundland, its managing director being Mr. Roland H. Palmer, a native of Shoal Hr., who has had 15 years experience in milling in Canada. The company is capitalized at \$1,030,000, with its head office in New York. No local capital is in the venture. The proposals, according to the Daily News, are as follows:

- 1. The Company to erect a mill at a cost of about \$650,000, its location as at present indicated, to be in Shoal Harbor, Trinity Bay. 2. Raw material, that is to say, grain in bulk, and machinery to be admitted duty free. 3. Exclusive rights for milling flour to be granted for a period of 20 years. 4. The Company guarantee to sell flour at the same price that it is sold in Canada and the States for home consumption, and bran middlings or cattle feed at half the imported cost.

About 400 men will be employed and the output is placed at 1,000 barrels a day, or about 300,000 barrels a year. The company, we understand, is asking for no guarantees or subsidies other than the above. It will be necessary for the Government to give the matter consideration from every standpoint. If the proposition is a practical one, and one that will be advantageous to the consumers of this country, it will no doubt meet with general approval. If capitalists can be found to put their money into such an enterprise, they must have considered the matter fully.

Whether Mr. Palmer and those associated with him are known to be men of practical experience and knowledge we do not know. We have had so many glowing assurances in the past of what certain industries were going to mean to the consumer, and realized afterward how flimsy were those assurances, that we are somewhat like the man from Missouri, "we want to be shown."

FOOTBALL ACCIDENT

About five minutes from the finish of the football match between the Scouts and C. L. B. teams last Saturday afternoon Walter Mercer (C. L. B.) got control of the ball and, with no one between him and the Scouts goal except the full back, bid fair to score No. 3 goal for the C. L. B. when he collided with Charlie Russell, who was playing full back, and in some unaccountable manner Walter broke his left leg just above the ankle. The sound of the break was heard all over the field. Dr. McLeod was summoned and the young man was carried to the Dr.'s motor car and taken home. This is the first serious accident that has occurred in local football playing, and is very much regretted by all the players and the general public. Walter Mercer is one of the best type of players. He is a fast runner and hard worker, and the C. L. B. team will be handicapped for the rest of the series through Walter's enforced absence. All his friends will hope that the bone will knit together quickly and that he will be alright again in a short while.

LEVEL OFF THE ROADS

Since the material was placed on the Cross Roads a few weeks ago ruts have developed which makes driving difficult for drivers of motor cars and other vehicles. It would not cost very much to have the surface levelled off. In fact, the work of levelling off should have been done before the men were laid off. The Station road has been made worse than it was before. The south side of the road has been graded too much, while drivers of vehicles avoid the centre which was filled in. How a road can be considered repaired when the surface is made worse than it was before it was touched beats our comprehension.

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C. of E. Academy—Mr. J. Ploughman, Teacher. Primary Grade: Ron Mercer, Chesley Snow, William Cave, Beryl Roberts—4 passes out of 4. Preliminary Grade: Arthur Mercer, Christeen Dawe, Eileen Roberts, Lilian Smith, Ida Cave—5 passes out of 7. Intermediate Grade: Edward Snow, Ron Calpin, Ethel Cave, Howard Hedges, Alton Churchill, Hector Bartlett—6 passes out of 6. A very creditable showing was made in the C of E. Academy when 88 per cent. of those taking the exams were successful.

Methodist Superior—Miss B. Hull, Teacher. Junior Associate: Alfred Smith, Willie Mercer. Intermediate: Roy Abbott, Dis. in Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry; Stanley Belbin, Dis. in Algebra; Myrtle Wilcox, Dis. in School Management; Doris Snow, Dis. in English Literature.

Information to hand from St. John's states that there is no demand for codfish drums, either halves or wholes. The Brazil market is in poor condition, exchange being very low. Sales of codfish to Brazil are much restricted, and prices obtainable in that country prohibits sales. Codfish casks will be in fair demand.

A butcher of a certain village, being a devout Christian, whenever he sent a business note invariably accompanied it with a text.

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