# **ECONOMIC UTILIZATION** OF UTILITIES IS URGED

Best Managed by Commission Responsible to Government and Municipal Authority.

MAINTAIN EFFICIENCY

Retention of Incompetents in Office Is Fraud to the Taxpayers.

There is throughout the world a strong feeling that the cost of living must be very materially reduced before "normality" can be reached. It is conceded that to attain this desired condition, "privilege" and

"private monopoly" must be modified. This at once brings us face to face with the problem of "public ownership" of public utilities, combined with the economical and efficient utilization of them. The ancient argument that public administration can not equal private ownership in efficiency, which embodies administra-tion, is simply involving, as an assumed fact, that private owners hold a monopoly of all the knowledge necessary to successfully operate the

construction, mainte ance and utili-ation of public utilities can best and most economically be managed by

These authorities have at first hand all required information concerning each project, as well as officials capable of estimating actual cost of the work specified and required. For reasons of economy there should be a negroup and extensively actual to foreigners and their immediat with and kin.

ACTING MAYOR TO GIVE permanent corps and staff capable of maintaining efficiently each of these public utilities. This corps and staff should be immediately and invariably controlled by the chief official, who alone is responsible to the commission, who in turn must be appointed and controlled by the authorities who appointed them. This also precludes the necessity for calling in so-called "experts," whose appointment is an insult to commission and an acknowlinsult to commission and an acknowledgement of the incapacity of both corps and staff. The inefficient should be dismissed. To retain any incompanies is a fraud upon taxpayers.

When Tom Moore, the actor, arrives in London tomorrow he will be met by a deputation headed by Ald. petents is a fraud upon taxpayers.
They should see that their corps and staff was capable of carrying to city. Dr. Douglass, who is acting the city of the city of

Whenever the temporary use of the plant required to economically prosecute the construction of a prolect is a large portion of the cost, it might be well to consider tenders from contractors, provided they al-ready possessed the required plant, the Grand, where Tom Moore will but not otherwise. Any solvent corporation can buy or hire anything as advantageously as any private contractor can. Very often the difference in cost of constructing any undertaking by the owners of it is offset by the difference in quality of of the work as completed. No specification was ever written which covered all contingencies, and every contractor will end sust make the difference in quality of the work as completed. No specification was ever written which covered all contingencies, and every contractor will end sust make the difference in quality of the work as completed. No specification was ever written which covered all contingencies, and every contractor will end sust make the difference in contractor will be on hand to greet the first screen star to grace his theatre, on Friday Mr. Moore will be the guest of honor at the Kiwanis lunch in the Tecumseh House, and on Satisfaction was every will be on hand to greet the first screen star to grace his theatre, on Friday Mr. Moore will be the guest of honor at the Kiwanis lunch in the Tecumseh House, and on Satisfaction was every will be on hand to greet the first screen star to grace his theatre, on Friday Mr. Moore will be the guest of honor at the Kiwanis lunch in the Tecumseh House, and on Satisfaction was every will be on hand to greet the first screen star to grace his theatre, on Friday Mr. Moore will be the guest of honor at the Kiwanis lunch in the Tecumseh House, and on Satisfaction was every will be on hand to greet the first screen star to grace his theatre, on Friday Mr. Moore will be the guest of honor at the Kiwanis lunch in the Tecumseh House, and on Satisfaction was every will be on hand to greet the first screen star to grace his theatre, and the guest of honor at the Kiwanis lunch in the Tecumseh House, and on Satisfaction was every will be on hand to greet the grace will be on hand to greet the g ered all contingencies, and every contractor will and must make an extra charge for these contingencies, which can rarely be foreseen, hence the difference between the continuent of the contractor will and must make an every contractor will be every contractor will the difference between the con-tractor's tender and the cost of the completed work. The general public rarely notice this fact, because it is rarely explicitly and clearly explained

For reasons of economy there should be permanent corps and staff capable of maintaining public utili-ties efficiently. This corps should invariably be controlled by the commission entrusted with the under-taking, which in turn must be re-aponsible at all times to the authority which constituted it. This avoids the necessity for calling in "experts," the necessity for calling in "experts."
who at best are not responsible for anything they do or say. Indeed, when commissioners or staff call for "experts," by that very act they admit their own incapacity and should, therefore, be removed from the commission corps or staff. Canadians the found who can do anything don. England, in connection with the

# Prevent Exodus.

Whenever a competent public works department is under control of efficient public authorities, emigrant agents and transportation subsidies will not be required. Consequently the burden of txaation would proportionately.

Another allied problem is the fuel question. Through the press we learn that Canada sends out of the country over sixty-five and a half million of dollars for coal, and that Ontario's panies in Canada. chere in this exit is about thirty mil-lions Capitalized at 5 per cent, this represents \$600,000,000 It would well to an amount necessary for the use and purpose of mining and distributour own coal and natural re-sources With this available, Canada would be in a position to dictate price of coal without having to resort to an armistice Now that the cheap electric power is established no other commodity will enhance manufactures and promote trade and commerce as certainly as cheap and commerce as certainly as cheap coal Cheap coal means cheap iron and clay products, such as bricks, sewer pipe, crockery, as well as many other clay products Canada has at

present to import
With cheap coal, transportation with cheap coal, transportation would follow as certainly as night follows day. Emigration would become self regulating without government bonus or subsidy. Canadian young men and women would then have something for which to stay at home. Most of them would rather do so. Education is too high in Canadian for it to produce either ray, time formatory died in the General formatory died in the General for it to produce either rag-time formatory, died in the General Hos-musicians or jazz dancers. All that pital early today from heart trouble, trade is in the hands of foreigners, for which she was undergoing treat-

who also enjoy a monopoly of boot-legging and daylight hold-ups.
Canadians, at least those descended from British stock, are home-lovers, just as their ancestors were. They have shown this spirit continually, have shown this spirit continually, and express it in their decision to have public ownership of all public utilities. In former times there was some excuse for granting special privileges to the early-formed corporations. Canada has grown conderably since then, and particularly ince the war. We now pay about a fillion dollars a day in interest. Be-



ENGINEER DIES. W. A. Bowden, chief engineer of the department of railways and canals,

business and possess an equal monopoly of the only capable and honest people available. Such a claim has never been a truth, nor will it be one, until high-priced manipulators cease until high-priced manipulators cease there is now no reasonable excuse for granting special privileges or any of the public domain to any foreign the public domain to any foreign public owners. most economically be managed by commission responsible to parliament, legislature and municipal and poorhouses, which have public owners, already are little used except to foreigners and their immediate

Deputation of City Officials and Leading Citizens To Meet Actor.

stan was capable of carrying to city. Dr. Douglass, who is acting successful completion the plans decided upon with economy and ef-Chicago, will give the newcomer a key of the city and present him with the freedom of London. A compar outstanding figure for the Grand.

First International Power Conference Will Be Held in London, England.

can be found who can do anything canada needs to have done. The truth of this statement was proved at the Marne.

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Mr. Buchanan, when questioned as to whether he intended attending the congress, said that he was not prewould be the London representative

The federal government will in all be reduced and unemployment would probability be represented by Ormond Higman of Ottawa, electrical mend Higman of Trade and head of the Department of Trade and head of the Department of Trade and Commerce, and chairman of the board

### MASCARI AND GAMMAGE DEFEND JOHN A. NASH CUP

Mascari and Gammage defended the Nash Trophy against Howe and Santo at the National last night winning by 406 pins. The challengers appeared off form, while Mascari of the holders turned in exceptionally good games, having high single game of 297, and an average of 225. The scores:

Mascari . 205 297 250 178 245—1175 Gammage . 245 189 292 141 195—1062 Totals. 450 486 542 319 440—2237 Howe ... 160 241 195 255 150—1001 Santo ... 129 171 232 162 136—830

# DIES OF HEART TROUBLE

Totals.. 289 412 427 417 286-1831

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Feb. 6.—Susan Beedie aged 19, an inmate at Mercer Refor which she was undergoing treat-ment. The girl was sent to the reformatory from Hamilton last De-

# HERE'S A PAGE that puts "U" IN HUMOR

THE GUMPS-MAKING HOME HOWL - white 1024 BY CHICAGO TRIBUNE IF I WERE YOU DON'T FORGET IT TOOK A GOOD WELL, THAT WHAT DO YOU MEAN I'M NOTA -LISTEN TO THIS, MIN - AN BRAIMY BUSINESS MAN TO HANDLE PROPOSITION 18 O.K. BUSINESS MAM? YOU DON'T SEE I'D STOP BRAGGING INVENTOR ADVERTISES FOR A UNCLE BIM LIKE I DID- GETTING FOR SOMEONE WHO AMONE PUTTING OVER ANYTHING ON PARTMER - HE WANTS AN UP-TO-DATE ABOUT YOUR HAIR-BRUEH \$50,000 ADVANCE ROYALTY FROM UNDERSTANDS THOSE ME DO YOU? HOW DO I MAKE MY CO .- ONLY FOR WICLE THE HAIR BRUSH TRUST SHOWS WHAT A SAP I AM- RIGHT NOW ! BUSINESS MAN WITH EXECUTIVE . THINGS - BUT WHY DO LIVING? I'M NOT A BURGLAR OR A ABILITY AN \$10,000 TO MARKET BIM YOU'D STILL BE YOU WASTE YOUR BOOTLEGGER - I GUESS MAKING ALL THE TRYING TO PAY FOR' HAVE A BANK BALANCE OF OVER A RUBBER SULT CASE HE HAS COIN I MADE OUT OF THE COMBINATION HAIR BRUSH AND MIRROR CO. PROVES I'M TIME READING IT? A FACTORY THAT 147,000 HONEST DOLLARS THAT ! IMVENTED - THAT LOOKS TO YOU'RE HOT A MADE WITHOUT TOUCHING A PICK OR SHOVEL - 1 SUPPOSE YOU THINK A BUSINESS MAN IS A FELLOW WHO HEVER EXISTED - 1 A DEEP SEA DIVER OR A DANCING WOLINIST ME LIKE A GOOD BUSINESS DIDN'T HEAR YOU MAN-CHANCE FOR A OH NO- I'M NOT A BUSINESS TELLING WHAT A GREAT BUSINESS MAN YOU WERE LIVE WIRE TO MAKE RUNE AROUND WITH HIS POCKETS HA TOUL MI - HAM FULL OF SHARP
POINTED PENCILS
AND COLORED SOME MONEY -THE WEEK BEFORE ARTISTIC AVIATOR-CHRISTMAS WHEN I HAD TO LOAN YOU \$360 WHICH YOU HOVER PAID BACK-FOUNTAIN BUSINESS MAN! BENS-

## BARNEY GOOGLE AND SPARK PLUG

### SICK ROOM I'M LEAVING NOW -BULLETIN THE NEW NIGHT NURSE WILL BE IN 9.45 A.M DIRECTLY -GOOD NIGHT. SIR MR. GOOGLE AWOKE - ATE TWO RAW EGGS AND DRANK A SCHOONER OF SKIMMED MILK TEMPERATURE 1 % ABOVE NORMAL DAY NURSE SAYS MR. GOOGLE IS CRABBIEST CASE SHE'S ATTENDED IN 22 YEARS OF SERVICE

Barney Improves. Well, Why Shouldn't He? OH THAT FACE ONE SLANT AT IT AN I GET THE HEEBIE

NOBODY

LET ME

THEY LET ME ALONE - THIS



BY BILLY DE BECK



SICK ROOM BULLETIN 6.A.M. MR. GOOGLE SEEMS TO EXCELLENT SPIRITS HAVING PASSED MOST COMFORTABLE NIGHT . TEMP. WHEN AST RECORDE WAS 99 % 9:00 AM HAD SLIGHT CHILL AS DAY FOR DUTY

TOOTS AND CASPER

Casper Didn't Want To Read, Anyway.



BY THE WAY, DROP G03H! THIS 15 IN MY ROOM SOME TIME, AND TAKE A A SENSATIONAL TRIAL! THE LOOK AT MY LITTLE NEWSPAPERS BUTTERCUP'S PHOTO! ARE FULL OF HE SAY DA LIKE

BY JIMMY MURPHY HERE'S THE DAILY PAPER !!

MUTT AND JEFF

Yes, Ain't Science Wonderful?

BY BUD FISHER DARNED IF M-M! SOUNDS TO SIR SIDNEY'S A SMAPT HE TOLD ME HE HEARD A ME LIKE A FEMALE MAN! HE TOLD ME TONIGHT FLY WALKING ON A RUBBER I KNOW. FLEA CALLING SEE IF YOU THAT SCIENTISTS HAVE PAD EASY AS PIE OVER DOWAH TO ITS YOUNG: PERFECTED A RADIO CAN TELL HIS RADIO LAST WEEK! WHAT IT IS! BROAD CASTER THAT'S 30 WE'RE LIVING IN A DELICATE IN IT'S MECHANISM THEY GREAT AGE: BROADCASTING, THAT YOU CAN HEAR AN EEP-EEP MISECT'S HEART BEAT QUER EEP THE RADIO!

REG'LAR FELLERS





BY GENE BYRNES