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A firm of shippers fined 10/ at Manchester for showing lights, said that the youth who had been told to do the blacking-out was a conscientious objector. He had withheld the black-out material.

The Dionne quintuplets have a new nurse, 22-years-old Miss Leona Dubeau, of Toronto, who has come from St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto.

The Sister Superior described Miss Dubeau as "a kind girl with smiling eyes and a forceful personality. She won't be harsh with the quins, but they will obey her."

Professor Charles F. Mercer admits one of his University of South Carolina students has taught him something.

He said the student wrote on an examination paper that the depth of the earth's atmosphere is measured by "falling metaphors."

Six-year-old James Frederick Kell strode into the Branch County Savings bank and offered a note to O. W. Holmes for a penny loan.

The banker accepted the pledge, and when the borrower returned a few days later to repay the loan, he got back his note and an additional cent as a reward for being so businesslike.

Three Peasant leaders with a constitutional right to become

senators for life were refused admission to the Roumanian Senate recently on the ground they were in civilian clothes.

Former Premier Julio Maniu, Ion Michalache, ex-Minister of the Interior, and Dr. Nikolai Lupu were told by the doorman they must conform to King Carol's decree making military-style uniforms compulsory for new members of the corporate Parliament organised on Fascist lines.

The new constitution allows one month for Senators to be sworn in before forfeiting their seats.

Mrs. G. Russell, of Parkhurst, near Newport, Isles of Wight, came forward with evidence about the mysterious "monster" of Ryde, which leaves huge footprints on the ground. The monster, described as a animal with a head like a lion and long, black hair, is reported to have been seen twice in recent weeks, and was one pursued by an armed search party. According to Mrs. Russell, the "monster" is no stranger to the thickly wooded country between Ryde and Newport. She claims to have seen it as long ago as last September. Ms. Russell said: "I was crossing the Bartin Manor Estate, near East Cowes, when I saw the animal peering at me from the undergrowth. "It was as big as an Alsatian dog and was covered with thick black hair and had a long, thin tail. As I watched the animal padded off down the path, moving more like a cat than a dog. I told my story to my husband and neighbours. They all ridiculed it so much that I tried to dismiss it

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so much that I tried to dismiss it
from my mind. But these stories
from Ryde convince me that the
monster is the animal I saw that
day."

Deborah Gold Mines N.L., Ben-
digo, earned net profit of £30,592
in the six months ended January
31, shareholders receiving £19,825 in
dividends. The earnings are a re-
cord.