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BANK MERGER IS APPROVED

Government, Fielding Reports, Decides in Favor of Union Project.

DEALS WITH OBJECTIONS

Minister of Finance, After Reviewing Situation, Confirms Predecessor's Action.

OTTAWA, March 20 .- (Canadian Bank and the Bank of Montreal, it flute, but by a strange was announced tonight by Hon. W. S. Fielding, minister of finance. In merger, Mr. Fielding touched on recent banking amalgamations, remarking that he would, in ordinary circumstances, be unwilling to recommend further restriction of competition by the amalgamation of any two larger banks. From this point of view the proposal to unite the Bank of Montreal and the Merchants Bank was open to objection.

On the other hand, failure of the nent would create a situation in which the shareholders of the Merchants Bank would almost certainly affer further loss and probably a ondition of alarm be created among anadian banks generally. For hese reasons and as the requirenents of the bank act appeared to have been fulfilled, Mr. Fielding mended approval of the mer-

In his statement, Mr. Fielding

Many Inquiries Made. 'Many inquiries have been made n the public press with respect to he action, if any, to be taken by government in relation to the lifficulties that have arisen in the ffairs of the Merchants Bank, of Canada.

"The view taken by the government has been that the first and most important matter to be dealt with was the application of the Bank of Montreal and the Merchants Bank



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Pied Piper Rids Budapest of Rats By Moan and Song Instead of Flute

The rest of the story follows closely

earned much money rat poison manu-

conventional ways, demanded he

The name of the rat charmer is

Peter Joseph Dallos. He comes from

where the remnant of the Kuns (Cu-

Hungarian plain in the fifth century.

COMMISSION WILL

if Adjudged Insane.

Alternative Finding Will Result in

Prisoner Facing Trial for Slaying of Father.

Special to London Advertiser.

Tappan of the United States circuit

inquire into the mental condition of

murderer of his father, Cornelius

Scully of Stratford, Ont., at Port

Doctors W. B. James and T.

Heavenrich will take charge of the

torney Henry Baird and W. L. Jenks

will represent Scully. A date will be

set later for the hearing of the medi-

If it is determined that Scully is

asylum at London, Ont., where he

making his escape. If found sane he will be tried next month by the

United States circuit court at Port

Dismisses Charge.

In the county criminal court to-

judge overruled the effort of the

Mayor George Crawford announced

be appointed to accompany dele-

was received from Sir Lomer Gouin.

minister of justice, advising that

March 29 has been set as the date

ADMITS ASSAULT CHARGE

Magistrate.

GODERICH March 20 .- Alexander

Simon Graviston, who was arrest

ed in Port Arthur on the 11th of

miles from here and whom he was

charged with abducting, was sent

up for trial by Magistrate Reid and

The judge in finishing up the case

in connection with the case, the

The girl Irene was made a ward

TO HOLD OFFICE

WINNIPEG, March 20.-Premier T. C. Norris, with the approval of the Legislature, tonight accepted an

invitation of the lieutenant-governor,

supply is voted by the Legislature

and legislation mutually considered

the interests of the province is en-

MINERS TO ASK BOARD.

CALGARY, March 19.—It is the general expectation that the miners'

costs amounting to \$250.

the charge.

Ected.

Young of Goderich township, appear-

for hearing the delegation.

Fulkerson.

Would Retain Fees.

false pretenses, from

a charge against Russel Fulkerson,

insane, an effort will be made to de-

Huron, on Feb. 13.

cal findings.

psychic powers.

Special to London Advertiser. | Immediately bright eyes begin to BUDAPEST, March 20 .- The Hun- peep from the corner, then so arian capital has been overrun with whiskered faces emerge into the half-The light, and, as he sings, the rats rats during the past winter. bathrooms of the most fashionable swarm around him from every hotels have been set with traps, and ner and crevice of the building. rats have been seen even upon the Swaying toward the pot with smart dresses of chic ladies in some strange motion of his shoulders and of the best restaurants. So it is no head he lures the rats to leap into wonder that the Pied Piper has come the pot, where they are instantly poisoned. The contents of the cauld back as well.

He has arrived in Budapest and ron he empties into the Danube. claims to be able to rid any building of rats in twenty-four hours. So the legend of the Pied Piper. When great has been his success that al- he was eagerly sought after and ready he has earned 32,000 Hungarfacturers and companies organized ian kronen in a fortnight. to rid buildings of vermin in more

His methods are precisely the same as those of the Piper of Hamelin ex-Press.)-The government has apcept that he seduces the rats into fol- should be licensed. proved the merger of the Merchants lowing him not by playing upon a moan, half song. In the cellar of a little village of the Hungarian plain the infested place he prepares in the darkness a great brew of poisonous his report to the cabinet on the herbs and hanging over the poison containing copper kettle, with a black cloth shrouding his head and shoulders, he drones a strange Tartaric tribe are famed for possessing strange song.

of Canada for permission to amalgamate. Permission was granted, so far as the late government was concerned, through the minister of finance, Sir Henry Drayton,

"There was, however, a later stage government to confirm the agree- which had to be considered by the present government. The law provided for certain delays in the procedure. In the views of the go ment it was expedient to await the time expiry required before taking any action. Any move, it was felt, in advance of decision respecting the application for the merger would be unwise. "The time required for these pro-

ceedings under the bank act expired a day or two ago, and the government was free to consider the ap plication of the banks. The government, after reviewing the whole matter, have decided to confirm the action already taken by the late minister of finance, and give the final approval necessary to authorize the Reasons Set Forth

The reasons for such action by the

government are set forth in the report made to the treasury board and the governor-in-council by Hon. W. Heavenrich will take charge of the S. Fielding, minister of finance. This report, after reciting the various proceedings taken under the bank act to effect the merger, concludes as

"The combinations of banks that have taken place in recent years have diminished the number of of port him to Canada to the insane banks operating in Canada, and there is in the public mind an impression that in this way compe-tition is unduly restricted. Sympathizing in some degree with this feeling, the undersigned would, in Huron, for murder. ordinary circumstances, be unwilling to recommend further restriction by the amalgamation of any two of our day, Judge A. R. Taylor dismissed "From this viewpoint, the proposal a well known employee of the Im-

to unite the Bank of Montreal and perial Oil, Limited, of obtaining the Merchants Bank of Canada, the money undersigned believes that the pro-posed amalgamation is the best ing on Rose street. Woloshin alleged available means of dealing with the at the preliminary hearing that Ful-

"Failure of the treasury board and officer of the law, called at his home the government to confirm the agree- and attempted to obtain the sum of the two banks would create a situ- liquor which he alleged Woloshin was housing act have been rented. Alation in which the shareholders of manufacturing illicitly. The com- though the houses were completed the Merchants Bank of Canada plainant was not in court, and the would almost certainly suffer further loss, and there would probably be crown to put in a deposition of the remainder have been rented. It is created a condition of alarm conperning our banks generally, which would be prejudicial to the public Fulkerson. All Requirements Met.

"For these reasons, and as, from today that a delegation will probably

submitted, it appears that all requirements of the bank act Western Ontario to Ottawa in conwith regard to the purchase of the nection with a requested amendment assets of the bank have been fulfilled to the criminal code to permit muassets of the bank have been fulfilled in incipalities maintaining police courts in the present instance, the agree- and departments to retain fines and ment referred to and herewith sub- fees imposed therein. mitted, is recommended by the min- P. A. Blackburn will likely be chosen ister for the approval of the treasury as one of the delegates. A letter board and of the governor-general-

During discussion in the house tonight, Hon. H. H. Stevens, minister of trade and commerce in the Meighen administration, brought up the merger.

Mr. Stevens said there was need of careful study in regard to amendments to the bank act which was due next year. The banking and commerce com- ed before Magistrate Chas. Reid in

mittee of the house should take the police court charged with assaulting matter up this session and find out and doing bodily harm to Richard what changes were necessary. He Porter, to which Young pleaded did not subscribe to the statements guilty. He was fined \$25 and costs that the banks were not working in of \$10.50, amounting in all to \$35.50. the interests of the people. On the Porter says he will now enter an whole the Canadian banking system action for damages against Young. was the soundest in the world. Sees Flaws in Act.

There were, however, flaws and loopholes in the act, he thought, blutt of Auburn, a little village 12 which had been brought to attention by recent failures, or incidents. The Merchants Bank management

declared Mr. Stevens, must have he appeared before His Honor Judge made false returns to the finance Dickson today and pleaded guilty to department for several months before the crash came. Otherwise he did not see how the matter could not said he would suspend the sentence have been checked up before it on Graviston and assessed the costs reached such a serious stage. The committee on banking and

commerce should call before it the president and other officials of the of the Children's Aid Society. Merchants Bank and examine them and parliament should be given full NORRIS DECIDES led up to the crash of that bank. The committee could well make this investigation in view of the need of amending the bank act next session.

TRIBE RECEIVES \$84,000 ON SALE Sir James Aikins, to stay in office with his government until necessary

Special to London Advertiser. BRANTFORD, March 19.—The Six Nations Indians are being paid \$84,000. Six by the various groups as essential in the first installment on the sale of the Glebe property in this city. There are about 4,000 Indians, so that they will eceive about \$20 each.

Special to London Advertiser.

LISTOWEL, March 20.—F. W. Hay,
M.P.P., Ontario Liberal leader, left
today for New York to meet his wife
and place. HAY LEAVES FOR NEW YORK. and niece, who are returning from act to endeavor to arrive at a settle-Bermuda after spending the winter ment of the present coal mining disthere.

NEW CONCRETE ROAD PLANNED

Province to Build Mile-and-Half of Highway From Talbotville.

HEARS CHIEF ENGINEER

Elgin Motor Club Presents Membership to George Hogarth.

Special to London Advertiser. ST. THOMAS, March 20.-George logarth, chief engineer of the highway department of the Ontario gov-St. Thomas and Elgin County Motor | nia and transshipping it across the | migration authorities permit his wife Club at the Shriners' Hall Monday manians) still live. These Kun tribes night. At the conclusion of the adwere the first Asiatic settlers on the dress a smoker and social evening was held. Like the gypsies, the members of this Mr. Hogarth, assisted by lantern

slides, explained in full the work accomplished by the department in the construction of provincial highways during the past two years, and he outlined the program to be undertaken this year. He made reference to the perma-

EXAMINE SCULLY nent highway to be constructed in the local district this year. One mile and a half of concrete would be laid Solf-Confessed Murderer May Be from Talbotville southward this summer, he said. He intimated also that other work would probably be Returned to Hospital at London undertaken in the vicinity of St. Thomas, as well, but he did not say NOW HELD IN PORT HURON

how extensive it would it.

It is expected that construction ork would be started as soon as weather permitted. The tenders for all provincial work, Mr. Hogarth said, closed March 5. More than 200 sealed tenders had been received for work in different parts of the prov-SARNIA, March 20 .- Judge Harvey

Mr. Hegarth was presented with an honorary membership in the St. Thomas Club. The badge was precourt, has named a commission to sented on behalf of the club by Mayor Anthony Scully, the self-confessed C. E. Raven.

WOODSTOCK MEN FINED FOR SUNDAY GAMBLING

Eleven Plead Guilty to Charge, and Are Assessed \$10 Each.

Special to London Advertiser. WOODSTOCK, March 20 .- Eleven oung men with ages ranging from 16 to 20 were today fined \$10 each or 20 days in jail on a charge of gambling on Sunday. They were discovered by the police on Sunday evening in a shack near the northern boundary of the city, and when brought into court they looked on the affair as a joke. All pleaded guilty Simon Henry, an Indian from the

Brantford reserve, died in the General Hospital here last night after a week's illness with pneumonia. Al-though he had been working in the woods near Woodstock for some time, nothing is known of him here, outside the fact that he is married and his wife lives at Ohsweken. The Indian agent at Brantford has been kerson, representing himself as an notified of his death.

The last of the 21 houses built by the Woodstock Housing Commission ment that has been made between \$50 for keeping quiet with regard to under the terms of the provincial eighteen months ago, only four of them have so far been sold, and the will eventually buy the houses, some of which have been rented by new residents of Woodstock.

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BELIEVE BLUNDEN AGAIN

Border Officials Readmitted Deported Liquor Trader to Visit Sick

Special to London Advertiser. SARNIA, March 20.-Frank A. Blunden, the gentleman bootlegger who figured prominently in the Brantford courts some weeks ago, and was deported to the United Canadian law if statements made today by the police are correct. Frank Smith and S. A. Carson of Detroit, carload of liquor are said to be St. Clair River by boat.

lay in wait on the London road for the fast Cadillac car which has made HELD BY ONTARIO POLICE repeated runs through this city. They were prepared to shoot if the car did not halt. This week-end it failed to put in an appearance and the police have every reason to believe that the notorious Blunden is one of the men held at Hamilton. Lewis obtained entry to Canada by claiming that he was on his way to Toronto to see an uncle who was ser iously ill.

It was learned today that Roy States, is again in the hands of King, held in jail here for robbery with violence following his escape from the Ontario Reformatory, was secretly married to Hazel Sharlow arrested by Hamilton police with a bride is at present held by Port Huron police, but Haney and Mc-Nally defending King, when he ap-Benny Lewis and Frank Blunden, pears at the Sarnia police court for who in recent weeks have been mak- preliminary hearing on Friday, are ing a small fortune in running taking up King's case with Washingliquor from Waterloo county to Sar- ton in an endeavor to have the imto enter Canada to give evidence at Saturday and Sunday armed police her husband's trial.



JES, at my age I suppose I should expect a change in my con-But I am so nervous and irritable, so easily excited and worried, that I cannot understand what is wrong.

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