

# The Evening Times-Star

SECOND SECTION

SECOND SECTION

PAGES NINE TO SIXTEEN

ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 1924

SIXTEEN PAGES

## Eight Are Killed When Speeding Train Hits Automobile

### FIVE OF ONE FAMILY VICTIMS

Returning After Visit to a Farm, Had Nearly Got Over Crossing.

### 6 KILLED OUTRIGHT

Mother and Little Boy Dead on Pilot of Locomotive.

Amsterdam, N. Y., May 7.—Eight persons were killed, six of them outright, when the first section of the 20th Century Limited, westbound on the New York tracks, struck an automobile on Degraff's crossing, a mile east of this city, last night. The dead—John M. S. Ace, 45, Amsterdam clothing merchant. His wife, Emeline, 39. His sons, Thomas, 5, and Joseph, 10 months. His daughter, Julia, 14. Mrs. Schandha Harb, 26, of Utica, sister of Mrs. Ace. Her daughter, Mary, 8. David Spiron, 40, Amsterdam. The Ace, with Mrs. Harb and her daughter, had been visiting at a farm near Degraff's crossing. On the way home their automobile, an enclosed car, virtually had cleared the tracks when the locomotive caught it. Mrs. Ace and her son Thomas were caught on the locomotive pilot and carried almost into the city before the train could be stopped. They were dead when removed from the pilot. The woman's body was mangled and the boy's neck was broken. Ace, his other children and Spiron were killed outright. Mrs. Harb and her daughter were picked up living, placed in an automobile and started for the hospital, but died en route.

### MAJORITY REJECT HYMN SINGING

Presbyterian Vote in United States is in Favor of Psalms.

Pittsburgh, May 7.—Members of the United Presbyterian church in seventy presbyteries have voted to continue singing psalms only. The vote in favor of psalms numbered 699, while 626 voted to include hymns. Church leaders said the ballot was so much complicated that probably the general assembly would simplify the questions involved and order a new vote taken.

Fifty-eight American presbyteries have a slight majority for hymns, but this was offset by the heavy vote in the Westminster Confession and other creeds documents, was rejected, 611 to 692.

### 8 NEW MEMBERS ELECTED TO G.W.V.A.

The regular monthly meeting of the local branch of the Great War Veterans' Association was held in the association hall, Wellington road, last evening. President S. C. Tippet was in the chair, and there was a good attendance.

The reports of the various committees showed satisfactory progress in the different phases of the association work. The sports committee's report was on the progress of baseball and basketball. The association will be represented by an exceptionally strong team in the N. B. professional baseball league opening week 24.

Eight new members were accepted and the finance report showed a material gain during the last month.

### MANY SHRINERS TO MEET AT MONTREAL

Montreal, May 6.—Myrtle Shriners from all over Canada and the United States will gather in Montreal May 25 when the cornerstone of the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children will be laid. Imperial Potentate Conrad Dykman, of Brooklyn, N. Y., will be unable to be present but it is thought he will send a representative.

### OLYMPIC MEN TO BE CHOSEN TODAY

Amherst, N. S., May 6.—A. W. Covey and other officials of the executive and registration committee of the Maritime Province branch of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada, will meet here tomorrow when the Maritime men will be chosen to compete in the Canadian Olympic trials. Among those expected to attend are Sam Doyle, Charlottetown; A. C. Williams, Halifax; B. M. Ross, Amherst; J. J. Legge, St. John; C. P. Bolton, Sussex, and Walter Bishop, Dartmouth.

### Minister Welcomed



REV. W. MCNEIL MATTHEWS

### BELIEVE ST. JAMES EQUAL OF EPINARD

Victory Over Zev Increases Confidence of American Turfmen.

That the United States will have another able defender against the invasion of the great French four-year-old Epinard was demonstrated by the superior form exhibited by George D. Widener's St. James in the running of the Paumonok on the opening day of the New York racing season at the Jamaica course. Among others, he vanquished Zev, which had been relied upon heretofore as the main defender against the French champion in the series of races at Belmont Park, Aqueduct and Latonia next autumn. There will be an additional feeling of security in the knowledge that there are other horses with the fleetness of foot and stoutness of heart which any racing fan would measure strides with the victor from overseas must possess.

That the season will develop over three-year-olds of quality is certain. The opinion of expert horsemen, who say that the current year is notable for the number of colts of this class hereabout, is in training at this time heretofore.

The sport itself was good. Owners and trainers not only entered their horses, but what was far more important, sent the into the post. It is evident that a new spirit is making itself manifest in connection with amateur racing, and it is felt that those who can and should help this branch of the turf will do their part in the future. It is from the ranks of the amateurs that most of the best recruits for racing and the breeding industry come. Many individuals get their first liking for the turf through a day of amateur sport at some hunt meeting where the environment creates an appeal that is thoroughly wholesome.

A great force for good comes from such meetings as those of the United Hunts, the Essex Foxhounds, the Meadow Brook, White Marsh, Myopia, Rose Tree and other amateur organizations in various parts of the East. Races like the Maryland Hunt Cup, recently won by Mr. Ewing's Daybreak, are the finest kind of stimulus for the turf and bloodstock breeding. Contests like that bring out the qualities most desired in the thoroughbred. The course over which the race is run annually is a trying one, some of the fences being in the neighborhood of five feet in height. The most intrepid and skilful amateurs in the United States are in the saddle year after year, and many an owner would rather win the trophy, which is the sole prize at stake, than score in some of the best steeplechases run at Belmont Park, Saratoga, Aqueduct and Pimlico, with their values of \$10,000.

There is unprecedented interest in bloodstock breeding everywhere. A programme of racing is well under way that is furnishing recreation to immense crowds in New York, Maryland and Kentucky. With the Federal Remount Service unable to meet the demand for the farmers and general utility horse breeders of the country for thoroughbred sires, the turf of today takes on a revitalized importance.

### HAND BROKEN AND FIGHTS CANCELLED

New York, May 6.—Paul Berlenbach, sensational New York middleweight, suffered a broken hand in his bout against Harold Abbott at Madison Square Garden last Friday night and as a result has been forced to cancel two future fights. Examination of the hand immediately after the fight failed to disclose a break, but an X-ray report today revealed a fracture.

### Tin Containers

Any smooth tin box can be painted with enamel paint to make a neat container for small articles.

### NEW MINISTER IN WEST END GREETED

Reception is Held by People of First Presbyterian Church.

The congregation of the First Presbyterian church, West St. John, held a reception last night in honor of its newly appointed minister, Rev. W. McNeil Matthews, and Mrs. Matthews. The hall of the church was prettily decorated in red and there was a large gathering present. Among the visiting clergymen were Rev. R. Moorhead Legate, of Knox church; Rev. Hugh Miller, of St. David's; Rev. W. M. Townsend, of St. Columba; Rev. T. Clark, of Fairville Baptist; Rev. F. T. Bertram, of the Carleton Methodist church; Rev. W. A. Hobbs, of the Ludlow street Baptist church; Rev. C. R. Freeman, of the Charlotte street Baptist church. Each of the visiting ministers extended a cordial welcome to Mr. Matthews. He replied appropriately.

J. R. Cameron was the chairman for the evening and, on behalf of the congregation, he extended a cordial welcome to Mr. Matthews and then presented Rev. W. M. Townsend a handsome club bag, the gift of the congregation as a mark of appreciation of his service as interim moderator. Mr. Townsend replied briefly.

A musical programme was given in which there was an anthem by the choir, a solo and duet by J. Percy Crookbank, a vocal trio by Mrs. Murray Long, Miss Marjorie Long and Miss Marion Stevens, and selections by the quartette, Messrs. Long, Percy Flewelling, Hugh Osborne and Foster Fowler. Delicious refreshments were served, the ladies nursing being Mrs. Walter Brown and Mrs. R. Montgomery. The members of the Young Ladies' Club served.

Those replenishing were Mrs. D. W. Newcombe, Mrs. A. W. Fraser, Mrs. F. Norton, second-in-command; George Leigh-Mallory, Dr. T. Howard Somerville, Captain Geoffrey Bruce, transport officer, and Captain J. B. Neve, roving in the Oxford boat against Cambridge in 1922 and was in line for the presidency of the Oxford University Boat Club, when he decided to walk up Everest instead of rowing for office.

### CREED QUESTION, M.C.A., REWIVED

Interest Caused by Y. W. C. A. Action in New York.

The question of admitting men of Christian faith other than the evangelical Protestant churches to full membership in the Young Men's Christian Association is said by "Y" officials to be as important an issue in the organization as it has been in the Y. W. C. A., says the New York Herald-Tribune.

Following a vote Saturday of more than 1,600 Y. W. C. A. members at the association's national convention to lift the barrier that prevents all women members from having equal rights, it was found that the men's organization was in a similar rule regarding voting membership, is equally divided on the subject, and the factions just as determined.

This was admitted by Walter T. Diack, national secretary. Mr. Diack said a majority of the Y. M. C. A. members favored an amendment similar to the one the women voted.

Widely Discussed Subject. E. Graham Wilson, executive secretary of the West Side Branch, defined the issue at greater length. "The vote of the Y. W. C. A. was no surprise to us," he said. "The question of office and voting rights of evangelical members has been a widely discussed subject in the men's organization for the last six years. There are liberal and conservative members in all branches of our association, and during our last national convention in Atlantic City two years ago both factions were given a chance to air their views."

The West Side secretary explained that the proposed amending to amend to change the membership rules in the Y. M. C. A. would be different from the one in the Y. W. C. A. The amendment carried Saturday by the women's organization will not become a law until passed by a similar gathering in 1926.

Mr. Wilson also disclosed that such an amendment was suggested at the Atlantic City convention, and then referred to the "constitutional convention" held last October in Cleveland. He said that no vote was taken at the latter gathering, and that the subject was referred to the international conference to be held next year.

Strongholds of conservatism where opposition has been expressed to the proposed liberalizing of the rules are in the West and South. New England and the East in general, owing to the large number of Unitarians, is said to be liberal.

### WINS LAMP

A drawing in connection with an electric lamp, the proceeds of which were for the benefit of a young man at East St. John, was held last evening at the home of Mrs. W. P. Penny, 98½ Main street. The lucky ticket was No. 171 and bore the name of Mr. Downey. No initials were on the stub.

### A Battle In the Wilderness



The Texas state fish and game commission believes this is the only picture ever taken of a fight between two deer. T. V. Nave and Arthur Bogger, obtaining pictures for the commission, found the fighters in the forests. Their horns were locked. To save the deer from agony and death by starvation, it was necessary to shoot them.

### PREPARE FOR THIRD ASSAULT ON WORLD'S HIGHEST PEAK

British Expect to Scale Mt. Everest—Race With Monsoon.

London, May 7.—(United Press.)—Out in the cold and wind and crags of the Himalayas, thirteen explorers are pushing forward in final preparations for the third British assault on Mount Everest, the great, unconquered Goddess Mother of the Snows, whose head is the highest ascertained point on the surface of the globe.

In a half mile of the summit. Four oxygen cylinders, dumped by these climbers about 1,700 feet below the top of the 29,000-foot giant, mark the greatest height ever trodden by human footstep.

The present expedition is headed by Brig-Gen. Charles Granville Bruce, who is 38 years old. Doctors' orders and his age do not permit the General himself to go higher than 16,500 feet or live in parts where the thermometer registers much below zero. He expects, therefore, to direct operations from a base camp about three-quarters of the way up.

Accompanying General Bruce are five other veterans and seven new members. The old-timers are Major F. Norton, second-in-command; George Leigh-Mallory, Dr. T. Howard Somerville, Captain Geoffrey Bruce, transport officer, and Captain J. B. Neve, roving in the Oxford boat against Cambridge in 1922 and was in line for the presidency of the Oxford University Boat Club, when he decided to walk up Everest instead of rowing for office.

Part Taken by Natives. Four Gurkha non-commissioned officers, two of whom were in the 1922 climb, also are in the party, besides a number of native porters. General Bruce had seventy-five coolies with him on the previous attempt. The mulemen play a big part in the success of a venture such as this, and these are selected from among natives who work regularly seven months of the year carrying wood from Tibet down to Kalimpong. They are men who understand thoroughly the art of unloading and driving mules.

When General Bruce returned after his former venture he paid a high tribute to walk up Everest instead of rowing for office. "I do not think ever before in the history of Himalayan exploration," he said, "have men been called on to do harder or even as hard work. I think their performance was absolutely without precedent. The track itself was very rough, the elevation was very great, and yet these men put a full month's stores into these camps (four feet up) sufficient to keep twelve Europeans and fifty of themselves. They also carried the great oxygen outfit, tents and Alpine equipment, and an immense mass of stuff."

"Further than that, as soon as those camps were established they moved what was required to form the base at Chang La, Camp 4, and from there carried loads for the first climbing party to 25,000 feet, and for the second party to 25,500 feet. I may point out that only on one occasion before has a camp been slept in for one night at 25,000 feet. The camp on Chang La was continually occupied by quite large parties, as mountaineering parties go."

### STARTS INSURANCE AGENCY

Harold McLellan, who for some time has been provincial manager of the National Life Insurance Company, has retired from that position and opened an insurance agency of his own. At present he is busy completing arrangements with the several companies he will represent and making his new office ready for business.

### U. S. USES MUCH OPIUM

Chicago, May 7.—Opium enough to consume in the United States annually to keep every man, woman and child in the country under the influence of "dope" for twenty-five consecutive days, according to Dr. Herman N. Budson, health commissioner of Chicago, in an address here before the mid-year convention of the National Fraternal Congress.

### SAYS NEW SERUM WILL HALT MEASLES

Dr. Park Declares This Disease Soon Will Be Conquered.

New York, May 7.—Two of the most feared diseases of childhood, scarlet fever and diphtheria, have been conquered and will ultimately be eliminated, Dr. William H. Park, president of the American Public Health Association and Director of Laboratories of the Health Department, said in an address before the annual meeting of the State Committee on Tuberculosis and Public Health of the State Charities Aid Association.

Dr. Park said that a serum has been found that will check measles and prevent the development of the infection. He predicted that measles would be conquered by serum treatment in much the same way that diphtheria has been checked by anti-toxin.

Public Health and tuberculosis workers from fifty-four counties of New York State attended the meeting in the Hotel Biltmore. George F. Canfield, president of the State Charities Aid Association, presided.

Dr. Park said that a serum has been found that will check measles and prevent the development of the infection. He predicted that measles would be conquered by serum treatment in much the same way that diphtheria has been checked by anti-toxin.

Dr. and Mrs. Dick discovered that a special streptococcus was in all probability the cause of scarlet fever and that a toxin made by this organism could be utilized like the diphtheria toxin in the Schick test to distinguish between those who were immune and those who were not, and that a single dose of this toxin large enough to make a person somewhat ill, or repeated smaller doses, would give immunity.

We have used this in the Willard Parker Hospital with very considerable success. "In measles we do not yet know the nature of the organism producing it, but we do know that in the serum of those who have had the disease there is a marked accumulation of protective substances. If some of this serum is injected into a child who has been exposed to the disease in three or five days, the disease is either prevented or made so mild that it is but a trifling complaint. Thus in three of the most feared diseases of childhood we now have remedies which enable us to prevent the development of the infection, if we can get the child vaccinated in time, and in the case of diphtheria and scarlet fever we have vaccines which make it possible for us in time to eliminate them."

### EUGENE LAFLEUR TO ACT FOR MURDER

Montreal Lawyer Will Defend Youth Condemned to Death.

New York, May 6.—Eugene Lafleur of the Montreal law firm of Lafleur, MacDonnell, MacFarlane & Barclay, and one of the leading members of the Canadian Bar, has agreed to represent Walter Muir, the New York youth sentenced to be hanged for murder, when his case comes up before the Federal court at Montreal, May 15, according to word received by Howard Carter Dickinson, who is acting here for Muir's mother. Mr. Dickinson said that when Mr. Lafleur learned that Mrs. Muir's funds had been exhausted in her efforts to obtain a new trial, he volunteered to take the case without charge. At the suggestion of Mr. Lafleur, negotiations are now in progress to obtain the services of N. K. Lafamme of Montreal, a leading criminal lawyer, to argue the appeal.

Young Muir, who was engaged in running liquor over the Canadian border, shot and killed a man named Laville in the Windsor Hotel at Valleyfield, Que., Sept. 22 last. Laville was seated at an adjoining table with a cripple and Muir, who was intoxicated, asserts he fired when Laville was about to strike his crippled companion. Laville died in the Montreal General Hospital three days later. Muir was convicted of murder by a jury before Justice Wilson at Valleyfield on Dec. 22, after a three-day trial. He was sentenced to be hanged April 4 and the appeal was granted the day before.

It is argued in behalf of Muir that conviction for manslaughter, and not larger than any mine motor in use in the United States. Generators converters, blowers, fans, pumps, hoists and other mine and mill machinery also will be installed.

### BRITISH MAILS

The times for the closing of British mails the St. John post office have been announced as follows: Today, May 7 at 4 p. m., letter and newspaper mail for Ireland via Quebec on the Marlock. On May 8 and May 9 at 4 p. m., a full British mail via Quebec on the Montcalm and the Doric. On May 12 at 4 p. m., a British letter mail via New York on the steamer Paris.

### Is Again President



T. P. REGAN

### SAY LOST HEAT COSTS MILLIONS

Experts Declare Huge Tax Due to Wrong Building Standards.

Chicago, May 7.—(Associated Press.)—An annual fuel tax of \$450,000,000 for the United States "is approximately the price paid by home owners and tenants for building standards of the United States, which are expensive of fuel," according to a survey completed here by the Bureau of Industrial Research, which extended into all parts of the country and in which a number of state universities co-operated.

What it describes as "the wasteful standard of construction" will make a difference in buildings to be erected this year, the survey says, and adds that this will add "many more millions to the fuel tax and be passed on to tenants in requirements for excessive rents to cover fuel waste."

"The fuel consumed in 16,000,000 homes of northern states is fully 30 per cent. and probably 50 per cent. more than would be necessary if standards were maintained in materials," the survey reports. "The heat which pours upward through the roof of buildings in Chicago, New York and every other large city where artificial heat is required during part of the year, represents a loss of \$100,000,000 of fully a billion dollars every four years, for 60 per cent. of the heat produced by burning expensive fuel under present conditions escapes through the roofs. The time honored fallacy that air spaces between roof and upper ceiling serve to stop heat losses is discredited."

### RESTORING MINA MENERA

American Machinery to Operate Iron Mines Mentioned in Bible.

The Mine Menara is mentioned in the Book of Ezekiel. It was famous as a source of iron in the time of the Jews. The mine was a Spanish commercial port of Sagunto grew rich from the product of this oldest iron mine in the world. It was because of the mine that Sagunto was famous, and because of Mina Menara that Scipio Africanus rebuilt that ravished city.

For more than two thousand years iron has been taken from the hills north of Valencia. It was this metal that made the famous blades of Toledo and Damascus, and from the time of Scipio to the end of the dominion of the Moor in central Spain, the mine gave up an estimated total of more than eleven million tons of rich brown ore.

Today, because Spain has come to an industrial awakening, and because iron from the Mina Menara promises equal in a few years to the wealth of the Moor in central Spain, the mine gave up an estimated total of more than eleven million tons of rich brown ore.

### RESTORING MINA MENERA

Immediately after the election of officers the secretary read a reply received by him in answer to a letter sent to the secretary of the Good Roads Association, stating that a conference of this association would be held at St. Andrews, June 24 to 27, and inviting the members of the N. B. A. to attend.

### T. P. REGAN HEADS AUTO ASSOCIATION

Re-elected President of N. B. A. A. at Annual Meeting Last Night.

### TOURIST CAMPS

Matter is Considered—Plans for Good Roads Meeting Discussed.

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Automobile Association was held last evening in the Board of Trade rooms, T. P. Regan, K. C., president, in the chair. The members present occupied themselves with three matters—routine business, election of officers and a presentation to the president at the close of the election.

J. Charlton Berrie, secretary, reported that 94 had joined the association last year, thus bringing the enrollment up to 981. The president then suggested that it would be a good plan for every member to encourage a friend to join, stressing the point that there was strength as well as safety in numbers. He said that as there were at least 17,000 motorists in the province he could not understand why the association should not have a membership of 1,000 or 5,000.

John Thornton was then called upon by the president. He first expressed to the association sincere appreciation of the assistance given him while in office as Commissioner of Public Safety in St. John. Mr. Thornton then spoke on parking places and safety zones, and the importance of having new parking places had been set out in the city but that it was very difficult to arrange for them.

Commissioner Wigmore endorsed the remarks of Mr. Thornton as regards the parking places. He said that he himself was more interested in camping places for tourists and suggested that spaces on Mahogany road, the Spruce Lake road and one in the rear of the grandstand at the exhibition grounds could be conveniently utilized by tourists. They could be prepared for use at small expense and in every case water was available and sewerage installed.

Mr. Regan appointed Commissioner Wigmore, F. A. Dykeman, R. D. Patterson, St. John; second vice-president, R. G. Lee, Fredericton; third vice-president, E. W. Gowan, Moncton; fourth vice-president, Hon. J. E. Michaud, Edmundston; fifth vice-president, Mac Fyfe, Moncton; chairman of the committee of legislative committee, Hon. Dr. W. F. Roberts, St. John; chairman of Good Roads committee, C. T. Green, St. John; chairman of the committee on rates, J. D. McKenna, Sussex; H. M. Wood, Sackville; John S. Martin, Chatham; secretary-treasurer, J. Charlton Berrie.

### Good Roads Convention

Immediately after the election of officers the secretary read a reply received by him in answer to a letter sent to the secretary of the Good Roads Association, stating that a conference of this association would be held at St. Andrews, June 24 to 27, and inviting the members of the N. B. A. to attend.

Mr. Regan appointed F. A. Kinnear, F. A. Dykeman and J. C. Berrie as a committee of three to represent the association at the Nova Scotia and P. E. Island association convention at St. Andrews at the same time as the Good Roads Association convention.

The business of the meeting completed, R. D. Patterson, in a happy and complimentary speech, presented to the re-elected president a gift in the form of a beautiful leather club bag, congratulating him on the fact that he had held the office of president for 12 years. During that time Mr. Patterson said, he had given of his best to the association.

### Mr. Regan Replies

Mr. Regan, although taken completely by surprise, replied in a fitting and jovial manner.

Mr. Regan said: "The premiers of several provinces, Governor Baxter of the State of Maine, Lieutenant-Governor F. A. Dykeman, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Lieutenant-Governor Grant of Nova Scotia, will also be present at the Good Roads Convention. Lieutenant-Governor Todt of New Brunswick, will open the conference.

"I consider this convention one of the most important ever held in New Brunswick. Speakers will be present from the United States and different parts of Canada, leading authorities in good roads work.

"Speaking as one of the executive of the Canadian Good Roads Association, I wish to extend on their behalf and at their request, a cordial invitation to all our members to be present. I can assure you that your time will be well spent and that you will be amply repaid."