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GET A PROGRAMME
You can follow the Arena races intelligently only if you have a programme, giving skaters' numbers, etc. Courteous attendants will give these at the International meet.

Citizens Are Stirred By Thrilling Contests At The Arena

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St. John bubbled over again this morning with enthusiasm over the fine series of skating events forming the first instalment of the International Indoor Championships at the Arena. On all sides were heard words of praise of the various skaters who took part in the different items of the programme; of the keen competition which developed during their progress; of the crisp businesslike manner in which the races were run off in short, of the whole affair.

Twins Sentenced In Separate Thefts

Worcester, Mass., Feb. 25.—Francis and Edward Graves, 14-year-old peas and are inseparable. Francis appeared before the Juvenile Court on a charge of taking a bicycle and was sentenced to the Lyman School. Edward appeared on a charge of stealing a fountain pen from a department store. He was given a like sentence but it was suspended.

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Council for the Provincial Party Blocked in Commission Efforts.

PROBE "SLUSH" FUND

Unable to Shake Premier Oliver From Statement Before Board.

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LITTLE SKATER NOW HERE TO BE JOCKEY

Jackey Marr, Diminutive Speeder, Signs Three Year Contract to go South.

Jackey Marr, the diminutive speed skater from Toronto, who is here competing in the International Indoor Skating Championships, will become a jockey. In conversation with a Times reporter today he announced that he would leave for Kentucky in April, having signed a three year contract with Richard Watts, a "pony" magnate.


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Victoria, B. C., Feb. 25.—Council for the provincial party were yesterday blocked in their efforts to call Hon. W. J. Bowser, Conservative leader, before the Royal Commission on Pacific Great Eastern Railway affairs. When they refused to call any other witnesses at this time, the Government counsel called Premier John Oliver to testify on the alleged payment of Pacific Great Eastern money to Mr. Bowser and Hon. Mr. Sloan, Minister of Mines. In a gruelling cross-examination, which lasted about an hour and a half, the third party counsel failed to shake the Premier from his statement that he knew nothing of the P. G. E. "slush" fund.

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AND SHE WANTS TO BE TALLER!



Usually girls who dance on the stage like to be small. But Alene McGill (above), a perfect blonde who dances in "Lollipop," the Broadway play, is almost six feet and she dresses to accentuate rather than decrease her height.

MEXICAN REBELS ARE DEFEATED

Three Hundred Insurgents are Repulsed by 200 Government Troops.

MARCH IS STARTED

Large Oil Holdings are Again Inside the Government Lines.

(By Canadian Press.)
Tampico, Feb. 25.—Three hundred rebels yesterday made a feint against Panuca, 30 miles from Tampico, in an effort to divide the federal forces operating against Tuxpam. They were defeated by a force of 200 government troops.

RANDOLPH CHESTER, AUTHOR, IS DEAD

Playwright Succumbs Suddenly From Heart Attack at Home in New York.

New York, Feb. 25.—George Randolph Chester, author and playwright, died early today.

ANOTHER LINK WITH PAST GOES

"Boston's Corner" sign Rudely Dislodged as Dufferin Walls Come Down.

The old Dufferin Hotel today is making its last brave stand against the onward march of progress. Shorn of its upper portion above the first story, the attack was renewed this morning against the last remaining walls and they are gradually being brought to ground level.

BRITISH TO DEBATE ON FINANCES

MacDonald Faces Gravest Parliamentary Crisis of His Career.

CABINET MAY FALL

Conservatives are Insistent Upon Forcing Rate on Poor Law System.

BY LLOYD ALLEN (British United Press.)
London, Feb. 25.—Premier MacDonald today faced the gravest parliamentary crisis of his administration. The House of Commons before adjournment tonight may witness the defeat of the Labor government on an issue which normally would cause resignation.

DIVER SAW NONE OF DROWNED MEN

Completed Work of Dismantling Schooner Maid of Scotland Off Partridge Island.

The work of dismantling the ill-fated schooner "Maid of Scotland," which was sunk near the Fairway buoy, two miles south of Partridge Island, some 150 miles ago as a result of a collision with the S. S. Perene, was completed yesterday by Contractor William J. Swanton.

WIRE BRIEFS

Moscow, Feb. 25.—M. Rykoff who succeeded the late Nikolai Lenin as president of the Council of Commissars has gone to the Caucasus for his health.

Washington, Feb. 25.—An increase in estate or inheritance taxes was voted into the revenue bill in the house yesterday by another continuation of Democratic and Republican insurgent forces.

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Tickets For Tonight's Races Can Be Had At Arena After 3 P. M. Today

The ticket committee of the International Skating Championship meet announced at one o'clock today that all box and reserved seat tickets unsold at the depot at 3 o'clock today would be placed on sale AT THE ARENA at that hour and would be available there all the rest of the afternoon and evening.

STORM IS COMING

Entire Atlantic Seaboard is Threatened by Big Storm, Washington Predicts.

Washington, Feb. 25.—A severe storm is probable along the entire Atlantic seaboard and heavy snow is looked for by the weather bureau tonight and Wednesday from the upper Ohio Valley eastward and northeastward to the Atlantic.

TWO GET MILLION

Milk Peddler and Sister Fall Heir to Riches of Aunt in California.

Rutland, Vt., Feb. 25.—T. G. Hart of Rutland town, a milk peddler, and his sister, Mrs. Edward Leonard of Clarendon, an adjacent farming community, have become joint heirs to the \$1,000,000 estate of their aunt, Mrs. Ellen M. Wilson of Sacramento, Calif., through a decision of the California Supreme Court.

AGED INDIANS ARE ACCUSED OF THEFT

Montreal, Feb. 25.—J. Beauvais, aged 80, and Angus Monteur, aged 70, Indians from the Iroquois Reservation at Caughnawaga, must appear for sentence for stealing a wampum belt given to the Iroquois as a peace offering by the Hurons in 1667 and valued at \$20,000 to \$25,000.

WOULD SEND DANIELS TO THE WHITE HOUSE

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 25.—The first definite movement in North Carolina looking to the nomination of Joseph Daniels, former secretary of the navy, as the Democratic candidate for president, was taken here last night with the issuance of a call by a score of prominent men for a meeting of Democrats of the state of this city on Thursday night to organize a "Daniels for President" club.

Snowdrifts Twenty Feet High in Ontario

Mitchell, Ont., Feb. 25.—From many quarters come stories of snowdrifts from 16 to 20 feet deep and there are plenty of these in this community, but there is a drift on the farm of Peter Regan that covers his windmill which is forty feet high.

Case Progresses

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 25.—The writ in the libel action of R. B. Hanson against the Gleaner, Limited was not withdrawn today ten days is provided to put in an appearance the Gleaner filed and served appearance in the case this morning.

Weather Report

Toronto, Feb. 25.—Pressure continues high from the Western States across the Great Lakes to the Atlantic, while the disturbance over the Gulf of Mexico is moving slowly northward with increasing intensity. The weather has been fair and a little warmer from Ontario eastward.

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BRITISH COLONIAL SECRETARY DECLARES FORMATION OF IMPERIAL COMMITTEE IS OFF

London, Feb. 25.—(Canadian Press Cable)—Colonial Secretary J. H. Thomas announced in the House of Commons tonight that the Government had abandoned the idea of an Imperial economic standing committee which was recommended by the economic conference when meeting in London last November.

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