

MISSOURI FLOOD THREATENS CITIES AND TOWNS

HUGE FLOOD THREATENS WHOLE CITIES OF OMAHA AS MISSOURI ICE JAMS

Eleven-Mile Ice Gorge Is Strangling the Mighty River and Its Waters Will Pour Out Over Thousands of Acres of Farm Lands and Destroy Hundreds of Homes.

SIoux CITY THREATENED WITH INUNDATION

Associated Press Despatch.
Omaha, Neb., March 24.—Unprecedented mammoth ice gorges in the Missouri River and tributary streams near Vermillion, South Dakota, Sioux City and Omaha, Ia., and Dakota City, Nebraska, today have precipitated conditions which present a flood menace for all the lowlands between Vermillion and Omaha, the flooding of thousands of acres of rich farm lands in the three states; destruction of hundreds of farm homes and at least the partial inundation of Sioux City and several lesser cities and towns.

More than 400 homes in the bottom lands of Sioux City were untenable today, and a two-foot rise in the waters of Floyd River, backing up from the Missouri River, would, according to police, inundate an additional forty residential blocks. The occupants of the Near River section were driven out by police last night, when the swollen waters gradually crept up.

An ice gorge, reported to have attained a length of eleven miles and

Pretty Bride Left Alone In London, Blames 'Mystery Girl'



With impressive ceremony a memorial tablet of bronze, bearing the names of 86 soldier students of the London Normal School, 24 of whom gave up their lives, was unveiled yesterday. Several hundred people looked on as two great flags, one of which was the Union Jack, were drawn back by Lieut.-Col. S. A. Pepper, of Lansing, Mich., who was one of the first students to register at the opening of the school, and by Miss W. Hefferman, who has served continuously as registrar since the school was built. The dedicatory address was given by Prof. J. Dearness, ex-principal, who was chiefly responsible for the erection of the memorial. Rev. Col. Beattie and Lieut.-Col. Pepper spoke afterwards in the school auditorium. The accompanying picture

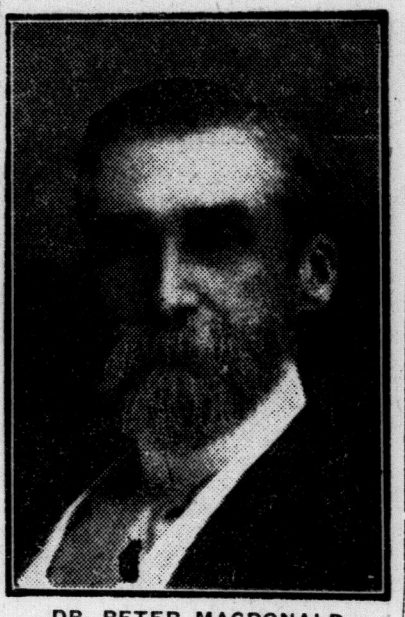
OUTLINES COURSE FOR TUBERCULAR THROAT REMEDY

Dr. Charles Parfitt Speaks at Banquet of Harvey Club.

IMMENSE BENEFIT States Affliction More Prevalent Than Is Generally Believed.

A course of treatment for tubercular throat hitherto unknown in Canada was outlined by Dr. Charles Parfitt at a banquet of the Harvey Club, local medical society, at Byron Sanatorium last evening.

The paper read by Dr. Parfitt, detailing his discoveries in laboratory work in connection with the new treatment, came as a revelation to medical men. The remedy advocated by him was shown to be the most efficacious yet evolved, and local doctors were given a fund of information and knowledge of the treatment which will add to their ability to correct larynx infection.



DR. PETER MACDONALD, Ex-postmaster of London and former M. P. for East Huron, who died shortly before noon today.

DR. PETER MACDONALD DIED THIS MORNING

Formerly Postmaster of London and for Years M. P. for East Huron.

Dr. Peter Macdonald, formerly postmaster at London, and a former deputy speaker of the House of Commons, died at his residence, 288 Central avenue, at noon today, following a week's acute illness. He had not been in good health during the past two years.

The late Mr. Macdonald was born in Pictou, Nova Scotia, 87 years ago. When nine years old, he came to Western Ontario, and practised medicine at Windsor for 40 years. He was member of the federal government for East Huron for 18 years, and deputy speaker of the House of Commons.

Besides his widow, there are surviving four daughters, Mrs. Edward Horsey of London, England; Miss A. Caroline Macdonald of Tokyo, Japan; Miss Margaret Macdonald, at home, and Mrs. Claude Laing of Brantford, and one son, Dr. James R. Macdonald of London. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

Dr. Macdonald served as postmaster in this city for twelve years. He received the appointment from the Liberal government in January, 1909, succeeding the late John Cameron, and in August, 1921, was superannuated. Since that time he had lived a retired life.

HUSBAND LEAVES YOUNG WIFE HERE; POLICE NOTIFIED

Mrs. Anna Rondo Mourning Unannounced Departure of Her Husband.

WOMAN IN CASE?

Husband and Chum Left City Wednesday — Police Think Girl Accompanied Them.

Anna Rondo, pretty 20-year-old of James Rondo, formerly of 439 Talbot street, is distraught.

Wednesday morning her husband and a chum named James Pappas disappeared. Police and border authorities who are conducting a search believe there is a woman in the case—a pretty 18-year-old Italian girl from this district.

Rondo, who is an Italian, and Pappas, a Greek, were formerly waiters at the London Cafe. Pappas came to London from Windsor a year ago. Two weeks ago he quit his job here, and on Tuesday night Rondo also drew his last pay from the cafe.

Rondo met his wife, a pretty immigrant from Glasgow, seven months ago, two months after she arrived in this country.

NO TRACK EXTENSION, SAYS L. S. R. OFFICER

R. G. Ivey Says Street Railway Owes City Nothing of That Kind.

"The London Street Railway owes the city nothing in the way of track extensions," according to R. G. Ivey, vice-president of that corporation.

"We are giving the public service," he maintained this afternoon, relative to the special transportation meeting of the city council Monday night next. "As a matter of fact we are giving the public even better service than called for at the last request from their civic representatives."

The vice-president insists also that the company will not pave Quebec street north, as suggested by Mayor Wenige.

"The mayor thinks you ought to proceed with this undertaking," he was reminded.

"But we don't think so," replied Mr. Ivey, "there's the difference. Do they want us to pave it for someone else to run on? We want to be fair, but we can't operate our Knollwood Park motorbus any further at this time than the C. P. R. tracks. The roads are in such condition to make traffic impossible at any point beyond the tracks."

Replying to the question raised by members of the council that it was time for the street railway to extend its lines, the vice-president contended that the city was not yet entitled to such consideration until at least such time as another census of the city was taken.

He explains also that no official query has reached the company, but the council, as to what price was wanted for the road.

Oxford Wins Today's Race

Defeats Cambridge in Annual Rowing Classic.

Associated Press Despatch.
Putney, March 24.—The Oxford crew, stroked by W. P. Mellen, defeated Cambridge over the four and one half mile Putney-to-Mortlake course on the Thames River today.

REMAINED FOR WEEK ON FORGERY CHARGE

Norman C. Dawe's Sentences Held Over for Further Consideration.

Norman C. Dawe, who a week ago, pleaded guilty in police court to forging a check for \$30, and who was remanded a week for sentence, was granted a further remand in order that any extenuating circumstances in connection with the case might be revealed.

Asked if he had anything to say as to why the sentence of the court should not be imposed on him, Dawe replied: "I'm very sorry it happened, and I can promise it will never happen again."

"But that is not sufficient," declared Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon. "If this offence was regarded lightly business would be seriously hindered."

Crown Attorney J. C. Elliott, K.C., stated that at the present moment he could not agree to suspending sentence on the prisoner, but thought there was something behind the business actions which had not yet been revealed.

"Dawe is not a drinking man and he is industrious. I cannot understand his actions," the crown added. In the interest of the prisoner, he thought a further remand should be granted, that something might be discovered in connection with the case during the week. The court consented to the remand.

LOCAL MEN PURCHASE DUNDAS ST. PROPERTY

"Energy" Gasoline Service Station and Garages Sold to New Syndicate.

One of the most important real estate transactions of this year has just been completed by Bert Weir in the sale of the "Energy" gasoline station and garages on Dundas street, between Waterloo and Colborne, erected last year for the London Pure Gasoline Company, Limited. The price was in the neighborhood of \$30,000.

The property includes 66 feet frontage on Dundas street, running back 182 feet, with a \$22,500 modern gasoline service station equipped with pumps and other appliances; new brick garage, accommodating 20 cars; tank storage on the C. P. R. tracks at Quebec street, complete with tool house, motor, oil and gasoline testing apparatus, etc.

A syndicate of London businessmen made the purchase for London Automotive Service, Limited, a newly-organized company offered entirely by local men formed for the purpose of operating gasoline service stations in various sections of the city.

The station on Dundas street, according to actual figures taken from the books, dispensed no less than 148,500 gallons of gasoline in nine months of last year—an average of 550 gallons per day.

COMMITTS TWO FOR TRIAL IN 'HAMMER MURDER' CASE

Canadian Press Despatch.
Winnipeg, March 24.—Charged with complicity in the "hammer" murder of John Penner, 20 years old, at his home here in December last, Arthur T. Searle and Albert E. (Happy) Horton were committed for jury trial by Magistrate Sir Hugh John Macdonald in the city police court yesterday. Penner was beaten to death and robbed of money and diamonds valued at \$300.

John Stanton is sought by the police as the alleged actual murderer.

U. S. CONSIDERING SHIPS PROGRAM PAST FEW DAYS

Doubtful as to New Battleship Plan in View of British Stand.

Associated Press Despatch.
Washington, March 24.—Whether the United States should proceed with its battleship modernization program in the face of the statement recently made by the British Government has been considered during the past few days at a number of conferences here with the diplomatic representatives of the other powers, watching from a distance, but with more than ordinary interest for a decision. So far as is known, no formal protest against the program, as authorized by congress, has been made to the state and navy departments, involving the voluntary correction by those departments of statements made by them regarding the modernization of British ships, was to indicate by indirect action that the British Government regards as a correct interpretation of the treaty.

SIR ADAM TO RESUME DUTIES NEXT WEEK

Has Almost Recovered From a Severe Cold Contracted a Few Days Ago.

From present indication Sir Adam Beck will be able to resume active duty early next week. Contracting a severe cold a few days ago he was hindered by his physicians from leaving the house until he has fully recovered. At no time was it believed that his condition was as serious as had been reported from Toronto.

To The Advertiser today, Miss Marion Beck branded the latter statements as "absolutely untrue," and explained that Sir Adam was much improved, and would in all likelihood be out again next week.

The "hydro knight" had not been in St. Thomas one evening last week as was reported from the provincial capital.

M. M. MACBRIDE WILL RUN AS INDEPENDENT LABOR

Brantford, March 24.—M. M. Macbride, M.P.P., announced this morning that he would be an independent Labor candidate in the coming provincial elections.

Packed With Good Things

The Advertiser is packed to the last column with good things this afternoon—things that inform, amuse and entertain.

Lloyd George has cabled another signed article, dealing this time with the peculiar state of affairs in British politics. He believes that Labor will control the Mother of Parliaments.

F. G. Carpenter writes from Germany about cent-a-week apartments and other phenomena.

Canon F. G. Scott gives another chapter of his visit to old battlefields in France; Frances Alda interviews her equally famous husband on temperamental prima donnas, and Agnes MacPhail tells what she thinks of her "job."

Arthur Kennedy paid a visit to the Ontario Hospital for Insane this week, and on the section page you'll find his story of what he found—some fascinating facts about a little-known London institution.

"On the magazine page John Goodwin continues his remarkable story, "The Stranger," and then, of course, there's Andy Gump, who takes the witness box against that man Skink today; Mutt and Jeff, and a four-page colored supplement to make you laugh some more.

DELIVERS ULTIMATUM TO THE GOVERNMENT

Either Carry Out U. F. A. Instructions or Go to People, Challenges Alberta Leader.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Edmonton, March 24.—Either carry out the instructions of the United Farmers of Alberta convention and establish a provincial bank, or resign and go to the country, was the ultimatum given by J. H. Boyle, Liberal leader in the legislature yesterday.

The house finally disposed of the banking resolution of S. G. Tobin, LeDuc, by adopting the government's amendment in a division of 30 to 19, this asking that final revision of the bank act of Canada be delayed another year.

HOLD LEADERS IN PLOT TO RESTORE MONARCHY

Lesser Members of Conspiracy Were Liberated Today to Government.

Special Cable to The Advertiser.
Berlin, March 24.—Leading members of the alleged revolutionary conspiracy, recently broken up by the government, were ordered indefinitely detained today, while the lesser members were liberated.

Among those held are General Huger and Majors Schroder and Smethlage, Professors Daniche, Erdmann, and Wilhelm von Krieling of Bavaria. In an interview today, declared there was no chance of a revolutionary "putsch" succeeding against the central government of Germany, so long as the Berlin stands fast against the French.

OPEN STEEL ACCOUNT FOR CANADIAN ASSETS

G. T. Clarkson Arranges To Hold Any Realty Proceeds Temporarily.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, March 24.—An arrangement was reached at a conference yesterday between G. T. Clarkson, receiver for the Steel Realty and Development Corporation, and representatives of the Ontario government, by which proceeds derived from any realty holdings will be deposited in a separate account until it is determined whether they can be retained for Canadian shareholders.

Holdings are valued at from \$300,000 to \$1,500,000, with mortgages of \$350,000. Notices for meeting of the 700 creditors will be sent out next week, and a meeting held about ten days later.

MONDAY IN PARLIAMENT.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, March 24.—Private members' resolutions will be in order in the House of Commons. The first two on the order paper are to the effect that the bankruptcy act should be amended or abrogated, and to the effect that Canada should withdraw from the League of Nations.

The Senate stands adjourned until April 11.

THORNTON GOES TO MONTREAL

Canadian Press Despatch.
Montreal, March 24.—Sir Henry Thornton and his staff, who have been making their headquarters at Ottawa since December 1, will arrive in Montreal next Monday, and from that date the president will continue to have his head office at Montreal.

MR. BLANK'S HOUSE UNABLE TO STAND SHOCK OF MOVING

Collapses Just in Sight of Its Goal on Huron Street.

Edgar Allan Poe, immortal author of "The Fall of the House of Usher," would have had an interesting subject for his trenchant pen if he could have seen the fall of the house of Blank this morning.

Blank is a convenient nom de plume for the owner of the ill-fated structure. As a special favor the owner asked that his name remain out of the public print. He is said and sick at heart.

The house he had purchased in his hour of opulence had failed him in his hour of need. In fact, it behaved so badly that he has cast it off, disheveled and dismembered.

Asked what his house looked like before it fell to pieces, Mr. Blank's description of the royal college of physicians of England, was couched in terms too emphatic for publication. Here, however, are the bare facts:

Early this morning, Mr. Blank's house was resting contently on its accustomed site on Princess avenue, near Adelaide street. However, he owned some property on Huron street and decided to move his little castle from its hereditary estate to regions near Adelaide. Like a wooden lady, he subjected to a long journey across the city. At first it appeared dejected, but as it proceeded it seemed to half-way there it voiced a series of reverberating groans and rattles.

GOADS ON SHACK.

The merciless Mr. Blank, however, goaded his faithful shack on with block and tackle. Within a few minutes he was bawling out, "Shanty refused to budge a mile farther. Its arteries were manifestly hardened, and its ancient body symphonized a serious attack of sclerosis of the liver." But the puffing steels that dragged the unoffending beast to its awful fate would not be denied. Like a wooden lady, Godiva, unadorned of furnishings, the house was carried within half a block of its new location.

Suddenly its hinges cracked, its walls shuddered in agony, and the archaic piece of architecture suffered a nervous collapse. It simply faded from sight, and in its place were the remnants of a once proud and haughty domicile scattered all over the road.

FALLS IGNORANTLY.

Its enemies were confused, flabbergasted. In that brief second the house of Blank had ignominiously fallen. No one could see what had happened. A convulsive heave was detected in its hurly chest; no fluttering pulse symbolized its demise. Life had become as extinct as the prehistoric dodo.

Sadly and mournfully the gang of men supervising its removal gazed at the remains. Solemnly they kicked pieces of its wasted shell into a ditch on the road. Part of the structure was still intact, but the soul, the heart had fled to that celestial region where abused houses bask forever in well-earned bliss and happy independence of cruel masters.

TO ASK RECONSIDERATION OF FREIGHT RATES STAND

Canadian Press Despatch.
Calgary, March 24.—Representatives of the Edmonton and Calgary boards of trade will request the Alberta government to reconsider its policy recently adopted supporting British Columbia in its equalization of freight rates case before the privy council. It was decided here yesterday.

V. A. Porter, chairman of the traffic bureau of the Edmonton Board of Trade, and John Blue, secretary, were accord in stating that in the past the government was not working for the best interests of Alberta.

IS FINED FOR FAILURE TO STAMP A RECEIPT

First Prosecution in Middlesex Nets Police Court Ten Dollars.

The first prosecution in the County of Middlesex under the recently-enforced receipt tax act occurred in Parkhill two days ago, when a Toronto man was fined \$10 and costs by W. W. Logan, justice of the peace, for failing to place a stamp on a receipt, as required by the act. N. F. Newton was prosecuting attorney.

Various reports state that London merchants are becoming very lax in this regard, and unless they observe the clauses in the act better than they have in the last few months, prosecutions will follow.

O. H. Talbot, collector of customs in London, said this morning that, in his opinion, the sale of stamps is not as large as it should be. He pointed out that under the act a penalty may be levied of \$100 for failure to affix a stamp to every receipt issued.

AGED HAMILTON PRIEST CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

Hamilton, Ont., March 24.—Rev. L. E. Cherrier, C.S.B., 89 years old, at the House of Providence, Dundas, is today celebrating the 60th anniversary of his consecration as a priest. He was born at Dundas on Oct. 29, 1834, and was ordained a priest in 1863.

During his long career he was stationed at Owen Sound and St. Michael's College, Toronto, where he labored for thirty years. Father Cherrier sang his first mass at the opening of St. Augustine's Church, Dundas, which is also celebrating its 60th anniversary today.

Wild Bull Dashes In House, Attacks Women and Girls

Finally Drops Dead With Sixteen Bullets in Body, After Leading a Chase for Two Miles.

Associated Press Despatch.
Philadelphia, March 24.—A bull ran wild yesterday in the streets of Philadelphia, and, dashing into a house, attacked a woman and her two daughters. After leading a chase for almost two miles, the beast dropped dead with sixteen pistol bullets in its head and body.

Mrs. Nellie Jeffries was trampled under the hoofs of the animal and received a blunt horn in her shoulder, but was not seriously injured. After overturning furniture and smashing crockery, the bull headed into the back yard, where Mrs. Jeffries' six children were at play. Too terrified to move, two little girls were struck and trodden upon. They received only minor bruises, however. The four other children rolled from the hoofs of the beast and scampered to safety.

130 STUDENTS ESCAPE WHEN COLLEGE BURNS

Assumption Students Save Little Except Night Clothes in Today's Fire.

Associated Press Despatch.
Worcester, Mass., March 24.—Assumption College in Greenfield, established in 1904 by a band of Assumption Fathers, who had been expelled from France, was destroyed by fire today, but the 130 students escaped in safety, although they saved little except their night clothes.

The blaze was discovered in a section of the building close to the physics and chemical laboratories, and it is believed it started from an explosion of chemicals.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.
Strong northwest winds and colder, tonight and on Sunday.
Pressure is low and the weather unsettled. A high snow from the Georgian Bay eastward, while a fair pronounced high area and cold weather covers Manitoba and Northern Ontario.

The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Station	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	46	40	Fair
Calgary	20	10	Snow
Winnipeg	4	-20	Clear
Fort Arthur	25	-6	Clear
S. S. Marie	25	-2	Clear
Toronto	41	20	Cloudy
Kingston	46	25	Clear
Ottawa	44	28	Snow
Montreal	45	20	Fair
Quebec	34	25	Snow
Father Point	28	16	Cloudy
St. John's	40	24	Snow
Halifax	44	20	Cloudy

Minus (—) means below zero.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night, were: Highest, 53; lowest, 31.

The official temperatures for the 18 hours previous to 5 a.m. today were: Highest, 23; lowest, 27.

Barometric Readings.
Friday—8 p.m., 29.21.
Today—8 a.m., 29.11.