

## NINE PERSONS DEAD, 23 MISSING, IN MUSKOKA HOTEL FIRE

Summer Guests at Wawa Hotel on Lake of Bays Driven from Rooms in Night Attire—Total of Dead May be Increased, as a Number of Guests Are Reported Missing.

Huntsville, Aug. 19.—Nine persons are dead, 23 are reported missing, many more are badly injured, and the picturesque Wawa Hotel on the Lake of Bays, the Mecca of hundreds of Canadian and American tourists, is today a charred and blackened mass, the result of a fire which broke out in the hotel early Sunday morning.

While the identity of nine victims has been established, the casualties, it is estimated, may be twice that number, as it is impossible at the present time to obtain any authentic list of those who perished.

A number of the casualties occurred among the help employed at the hotel, who had little chance of escape, so quickly did the fire spread.

### IDENTIFIED DEAD:

Miss Margaret Bowker, aged 14, daughter of C. G. Bowker, General Manager, Central Region, Canadian National Railways.

Miss Annie Leigh, 4 Russell street, Toronto (employed in hotel).

Mrs. Alexander, 6 Duke street, Toronto (employed in hotel).

Mrs. Barrett, Toronto or Hamilton (employed in hotel).

Miss Phyllis Beranda, Thorold (employed in hotel).

Miss K. Rogers, Cleveland, Ohio.

### MISSING.

Elizabeth Krogan, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Among those who are badly injured through jumping from the windows of the burning hotel are:

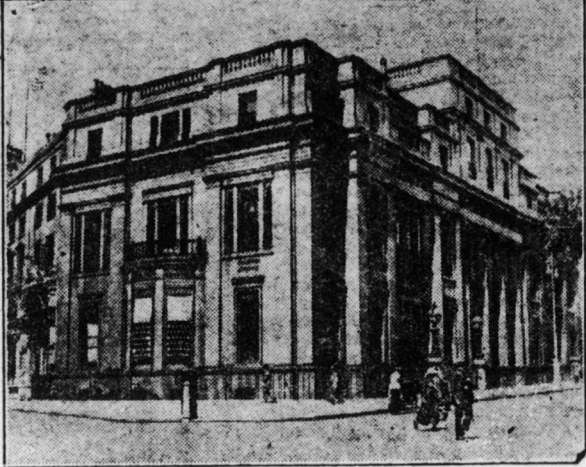
Mrs. Simpson; Mrs. Young, thought to be from Toronto; Miss Kitty Carroll, New York, all employed as help in the hotel, and Miss Mary Miller, Miss Nellie Smith, guests at the hotel.

It was at 12:30 on Sunday morning, when most of the guests had retired, that the fire broke out. Sitting in the rotunda of the hotel, a few men were startled to hear the crackling of flames, and observed smoke pouring from the elevator shaft, which is located in the centre of the building.

Instantly the alarm was raised, but in the twinkling of an eye, it seemed, the whole building was a raging inferno. The elevator was almost instantly put out of commission, leaving the guests on the second and third floors no exit from the building except by jumping from the windows of the rooms.

The scene that followed beggars description. Men, women, and children, clothed only in their night attire, sprang from the second and third storeys of the building, many of them sustaining terrible injuries from their fall.

With such rapidity did the fire spread that in thirty minutes the entire building was destroyed. Owing to the hydrants being located close to the building, little use could be made of them on account of the intense heat.



CANADA HOUSE IN LONDON  
The Canadian Government has purchased a famous English club house which is to be converted into headquarters for all the Canadian offices in the British capital. It will be known as "Canada House."

## SINN FEIN LEADER IN FREE STATE CUSTODY

DeValera Arrested at Ennis as He Was Starting an Election Speech.

A despatch from Ennis says:—Eamonn De Valera, "president of the Irish Republic," at last is in the custody of the Free State authorities.

He was arrested here on Wednesday as he was starting an election speech to his constituents. He had boldly announced his coming and when he took his position on the rostrum in Market Square Free State troops threw a cordon about him.

The crowd that had gathered had given him a tumultuous reception, and he had just started his address in Gaelic when a shout arose, "the soldiers are coming." Simultaneously armored cars rattled up to the vicinity of the platform.

The crowd, made up of men and women, fled in all directions as the soldiers fired several volleys over their heads. Many of the women fainted.

As several soldiers rushed toward the platform, De Valera was seen to sway and then to collapse. At first it was thought the Republican leader had been shot, but it turned out that he had only fainted, probably in consequence of a blow he received during the stampede.

When he recovered De Valera was assisted down the steps from the platform by troops. He waved aside a number of persons who were seemingly desirous of attempting to rescue him, and surrendered to an officer, who received him with a kindly "Come along."

When the first panic had subsided, the people who had been about the platform returned to Market Square. Many of them hurled insulting epithets at the troops and for a moment the situation looked ugly. The troops, however, took things calmly, fixed their bayonets and soon restored a degree of order. Then, with a large crowd following him, De Valera was taken to the county jail. He offered no resistance.

A despatch from Limerick says:—After his dramatic arrest at Ennis, De Valera was brought to Limerick in an armored car and safely lodged in the county jail, where he is heavily guarded. The strictest precautions are being taken against any attempt at rescue. The military authorities, while naturally unwilling to state the prisoner's ultimate destination, say he was not hurt by his alleged fall, but is dejected. He has not eaten yet, but there is no reason to suppose that he intends to go on a hunger strike.

## DeValera Taken to Dublin Under Strong Escort

A despatch from Dublin says:—Eamonn De Valera was removed from Limerick to Dublin under a strong escort on Friday, says the Central News.

A despatch to the Daily Express from Rome says the Irish Republicans appealed to Pope Pius to intervene in behalf of De Valera. Cardinal Gasparri, the Papal Secretary of State, replied that the Vatican lacked power to intervene officially.

## ONLY THREE MEMBERS IN BY ACCLAMATION

Eighty Republicans Placed in Field in Irish Free State.

Dublin, Aug. 19.—The nominations for the parliamentary elections furnish no surprises. On the average there are less than three candidates for each of the 163 seats, grouped into thirty constituencies.

The Republicans carried out their decision to increase their list of candidates, and these number more than eighty. Each candidate was required to deposit £100 but the Republicans did this seemingly without difficulty.

The only constituency uncontested is that of Trinity College, where the three present members, Sir James Craig, and Professors Allen and Thrift, are returned unopposed. There are only two instances of double candidates, Prof. John McNeill, Minister of Education, standing for Clare as well as the National University, and Sir Michael Hayes, speaker of the Dail, for both Dublin City South and the National University.

The Republicans put forward two candidates for the three National University seats, in Prof. Stockley, one of the present members, and Prof. Hugh Ryan. Michael Collins' sister, Mrs. O'Driscoll, is a candidate for Dublin City North. She is an ardent supporter of the Free State.

Joseph McGrath, Minister of Labor, had announced his intention of retiring from public life but under strong pressure from President Cosgrave finally consented to nomination for North Mayo in opposition to Patrick Rutledge, deputy of Eamonn De Valera, and "Acting President of the Republic."

In Waterford, Mrs. Cathal Brugha, widow of the Sinn Fein Minister of Defence, killed after the Four Courts fighting in 1921, is the only Republican candidate considered to have a good chance of success. Major Redmond, son of the Irish constitutional leader, is also expected to secure an electoral quota in Waterford.

Nineteen candidates were nominated for the eight seats in Donegal, ten for the four seats in Cavan, and eighteen are contesting the Leitrim-Sligo constituency, of which six are Government supporters, five Republicans, five Farmers, one Laborite, and one Independent. Louth has five nominees, including three members of the late Dail and Frank Aitken, former chief of staff of "The Irish Republican Army" under De Valera.

Kevin Barry's brother, Michael, opposes President Cosgrave in Kilkenny.

## Dr. Banting Avoids Inter-viewers on Homeward Trip

A despatch from Quebec says:—Among the prominent cabin passengers on the Montcalm, which arrived on Friday, was Dr. F. G. Banting, of insulin fame, of Toronto, who hid himself away from the newspaper reporters who hoped to interview him.

Dr. Banting continued by the Montcalm to Montreal from which city he will proceed direct to Toronto.

## HOME BANK OF CANADA CLOSES, CURATOR HAS BEEN APPOINTED

A despatch from Toronto says:—Serious impairment of the assets of the Home Bank of Canada having been caused by losses sustained in a number of large loans and investments, it has been deemed advisable that the institution should suspend payment. Announcement to this effect was made late on Friday afternoon following a meeting of the Board of Directors, at which A. E. Calvert, recently appointed assistant general manager, presented a report which, according to an official statement later issued, was of a "serious character."

The immediately liquid assets of the bank having been practically depleted. Negotiations with other banks for the absorption of the Home Bank having proved futile, it was found necessary to close the doors of the institution, the affairs of which will be administered by Mr. A. B. Barker, who has been appointed curator under the provisions of the Banking Act. He will be required to present a report within three months' time, when the Canadian Bankers' Association will decide what further action is to be taken.

Mr. Barker has been manager of the Toronto Clearing House for the past six years, and previously had long service with the Bank of Toronto, holding the post of supervisor when he resigned.

It was stated on Friday that within the past four days there have been heavy withdrawals of funds in the part of depositors, rumors that the bank was in difficulty having been in circulation recently in the financial district.

Among the number of large loans referred to in the official statement as of a "bad and doubtful" nature, it is stated is one to a large pulp and paper company which had been operating in British Columbia, but which for some time has been closed down. It is believed that, to a very considerable extent, loans to this enterprise are responsible for the straits in which the Home Bank has been placed.

## BANDITS HOLD NO FOREIGN PRISONERS

Priests, Disguised in Chinese Clothes, Make Good Their Escape.

A despatch from Hankow, China, says:—The Reverend Michael McHugh and the Rev. Daniel Ward, Catholic priests who were kidnapped Thursday at Tsao-shih by Chinese bandits who looted the town, have escaped according to advices received here early on Saturday. It is said the priests disguised themselves in Chinese clothes and eluded their captors.

The late reports from Tsao-shih indicated that the bandits burned the London mission hospital and its adjoining buildings instead of the Catholic hospital. The first accounts of the bandit raid told of the burning of the Catholic institution.

With the escape of the two priests, it is now believed the bandits have no other foreign captives, although they are holding more than one hundred Chinese prisoners.

## Greece Pays Interest on Debt to Canada

A despatch from London says:—The Greek Government paid to the Dominion of Canada on account in London \$225,000 interest on its debt to the Dominion, which is approximately \$5,000,000. The \$225,000 interest is for the first six months of this year.

## Weekly Market Report

TORONTO.  
Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.21.  
Manitoba oats—No. 3 CW, 51c; No. 1 feed, 47c.  
Manitoba barley—Nominal.  
All the above, track, bay ports.  
American corn—No. 2 yellow, \$1.06.  
Barley—Nominal.  
Buckwheat—No. 2, nominal.  
Rye—No. 2, nominal.  
Peas—No. 2, nominal.  
Milled—Del. Montreal freights, bags included: Bran, per ton, \$25 to \$26; shorts, per ton, \$27 to \$28; middlings, \$33 to \$35; good feed ton, \$2.15 to \$2.25.  
Ontario wheat—No. 2 white, nominal.  
Ontario No. 2 white oats—Nominal.  
Ontario corn—Nominal.  
Ontario flour—Ninety per cent. pat., in tote bags, Montreal prompt shipment, \$5.10 to \$5.20; Toronto basis, \$5.05 to \$5.15; bulk seaboard, \$4.95 to \$5.00.  
Manitoba flour—1st pat., in cotton sacks, \$6.90 per bbl.; 2nd pat., \$6.85.  
Hay—Extra, No. 2 timothy, per ton, track, Toronto, \$15; No. 3 timothy, \$13; mixed, \$12.50 to \$13.50.  
Straw—Car lots, per ton, track, Toronto, \$2.50.  
Cheese—New, large, 22c; twins, 22½c; triplets, 23c; Stiltons, 24c. Old, large, 32c; twins, 32½c; triplets, 33c; Stiltons, 33½c. New Zealand old cheese, 30c.  
Butter—Finest creamery prints, 36 to 38c; ordinary creamery, 34 to 35c; No. 2, 32 to 33c.  
Eggs—Extras in cartons, 38 to 39c.

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Live poultry—Spring chickens, 30c; hens, over 5 lbs., 22c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 20c; do, 3 to 4 lbs., 17c; roosters, 12c; ducklings, over 5 lbs., 25c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 20c; turkeys, young, 10 lbs. and up, 25c.  
Dressed poultry—Spring chickens, 40c; hens, over 5 lbs., 28c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 24c; do, 3 to 4 lbs., 20c; roosters, 15c; ducklings, over 5 lbs., 25c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 20c; turkeys, young, 10 lbs. and up, 30c.  
Beans—Canadian, hand-picked, lb., 7c; primes, 6½c.  
Maple products—Syrup, per imp. gal., \$2.50; per 5-gal. tin, \$2.40 per gal.; maple sugar, lb., 25c.  
Honey—40-lb. tins, 11 to 12c; 10-lb. tins, 11 to 12c; 5-lb. tins, 12 to 13c; 2½-lb. tins, 13 to 14c. Ontario honey, per doz., \$4 to \$4.50; No. 2, \$3.50 to \$4.  
Smoked meats—Hams, med., 27 to 29c; cooked hams, 43 to 45c; smoked rolls, 22 to 24c; cottage rolls, 23 to 26c; breakfast bacon, 30 to 34c; special brand breakfast bacon, 34 to 38c; backs, boneless, 32 to 38c.  
Cured meats—Long clear bacon, 50 to 70 lbs., \$18; 70 to 90 lbs., \$17.50; 90 lbs. and up, \$16.50; lightweight rolls, in barrels, 33c; heavyweight rolls, 33c.  
Lard—Pure tallow, 15½ to 16½c; tubs, 16 to 16½c; pails, 16½ to 17c; prints, 18c. Shortening tallow, 14 to 14½c; tubs, 14½ to 14¾c; pails, 14¾ to 15½c; prints, 17 to 17½c.  
Choice heavy steers, \$7 to \$7.60; butcher steers, choice, \$7 to \$7.40; do, good, \$6.50 to \$7; do, med., \$5.50 to \$6.50; do, com., \$4.50 to \$5.50; butchers heifers, choice, \$6.50 to \$7; do, med., \$5.50 to \$6.50; do, com., \$4.50 to \$5.50; butchers cows, choice, \$4 to \$5; do, med., \$3 to \$4; canners and cutters, \$1.25 to \$2; feeding steers, good, \$5 to \$6; do, fair, \$4 to \$5; stockers, good, 4.50 to \$5.25; do, fair, \$3 to \$4; milkers, springers, each, \$80 to \$100; calves, choice, \$10 to \$11; do, med., \$8 to \$10; do, com., \$4 to \$7; lambs, spring, \$12.50; sheep, clover light, \$3.50 to \$5.50; do, choice heavy, \$4 to \$5; do, culls and bucks, \$2.75 to \$3.50; hogs, fed and watered, \$10.50 to \$10.60; do, f.o.b., \$9.90 to \$10; do, country points, \$9.65 to \$9.75.

MONTREAL.  
Corn—Am. No. 2 yellow, \$1.04. Oats—CW, No. 2, 56 to 57c; CW, No. 3, 53 to 54c; extra No. 1 feed, 52 to 53½c; No. 2 local white, 51 to 51½c. Flour—Man. spring wheat pats, 1st, \$6.90; 2nds, \$6.40; strong bakers, \$6.20; winter pats, choice, \$6.75 to \$7.85. Rolled oats, bag 90 lbs., \$3 to \$3.10. Bran—\$25 to \$26. Shorts—\$28 to \$29. Middlings—\$33 to \$34. Hay—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$15. Cheese, finest easterns, 19½ to 20c; butter, choicest creamery, 34c; eggs, selected, 35c.  
Hogs, ungraded lots, \$10.50; government graded select bacon hogs, \$11.25.



Irish Rebel Chief Captured  
Eamon de Valera, who was arrested by Irish Free State troops as he was making an election speech at Ennis, Ireland.

## Two Hundred Killed by Typhoon in Chinese Town

Hong Kong, Aug. 19.—More than one hundred persons were drowned and about one hundred persons killed and injured ashore and about fifty junks and sampans capsized during the typhoon at Macao on Saturday. Many persons were entombed when houses collapsed.

Soldiers and firemen worked energetically to rescue the persons buried under the debris of fallen houses. The floating plant of the Netherlands Harbor Works Company was not damaged, but the company's dredger Rotterdam dragged anchor and grounded on a mud bank undamaged. Trees in the public squares were uprooted and the roof was blown off the Catholic cemetery chapel.

## Prince Books Passage for Canada on Liner

A despatch from London says:—The Prince of Wales has provisionally booked his passage for Canada on the Empress of France, to sail on September 5. He will go straight from Quebec to his ranch in Alberta. He expects to return to London about the end of October.

His Royal Highness left Thursday night for Glamis Castle, the residence of the Earl and Countess of Strathmore, parents of the Duchess of York, to join the Duke and Duchess of York, who are visiting at Glamis Castle.

## \$6,000,000 Loan for the Irish Free State

A despatch from London says:—Great Britain, according to the Morning Post, is arranging a loan of \$6,000,000 for the Irish Free State. In effect, the paper says, the Government is abandoning its claims to compensation for the damage to British property in Southern Ireland during the disturbed period.

## Only 10 Per Cent. Damage by Hail to Alberta Crops

A despatch from Calgary says:—While there is yet time for considerable damage to crops in this province from hail, present weather conditions indicate that the worst has passed, with the result that estimates by heads of various companies place the total loss in the province at ten per cent of the entire crop.

It is possible that the seed extracting plant of the Dominion Government at New Westminster, B.C., may be reopened this fall as the fire cone crop in the Fraser Valley is a large one. Seed from this plant is distributed in Canada, the United Kingdom, and other European countries.

## Natural Resources Bulletin

The Natural Resources Intelligence Service of the Department of the Interior at Ottawa says:

The products of Canada's forests are so numerous and varied that it is difficult to select an industry in which some class of wood product is not an essential factor. A report recently issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics gives the value of the output of the Canadian saw, door and planing mill industry for 1920 as \$53,348,656, of which dressed lumber and interior woodwork formed the greater proportion, although boxes and packing cases, butter and cheese boxes, handles, etc., occupy a prominent place in the output. Ontario has the largest number of plants, 342, of the 810 in Canada, the investment of the provinces in this industry being \$22,646,512. Ontario employs 5,515 of the total of 11,312 engaged, and of the total value of the Canadian output, \$53,348,656, Ontario produced \$29,874,994. The 5,515 employees in this secondary industry, together with their dependents and others, will thus have a very material interest in protecting the forest from fire.

## DEPOSITORS IN HOME BANK MAY NOT LOSE

Shareholders May be Assessed Upon Holdings Besides Losing Value of Stock.

Toronto, Aug. 20.—Although the announcement of the suspension of the Home Bank of Canada has come as a severe blow to thousands of depositors, strong hope is felt that when the assets are realized upon to the fullest extent, though probably at the cost of a levy in part at least upon shareholders under the double liability provision, persons whose money has been deposited with the bank will be indemnified to some extent against loss.

The curator, Mr. A. B. Barker, announced on Saturday that all bills of the Home Bank would be accepted at par at any other banking institution, thereby relieving any anxiety among unduly timorous holders.

So far as depositors are concerned they are likely to obtain a percentage of their money within ninety days, the period for which operations of the Home Bank have been suspended, while other payments will likely be forthcoming as the process of liquidation progresses.

The savings deposits total \$17,887,092, and the assets are placed at \$27,918,095, of which about \$11,000,000, or about 64 cents on the dollar, are believed to be certain of realization. In addition to this are real estate, mortgages and bank premises exceeding \$600,000. Then there is the large sum of \$15,757,320 under the heading of "Other current loans and discounts in Canada," and in this it is expected that the large loss sustained will be found.

It appears inevitable that the shareholders will not only lose the value of the stock, but will be called upon to for at least a portion of their double liability, a phase of the Canadian banking system which has always been regarded as tending so largely to the security of the depositors. Much, it is said, now depends upon whether the assets and holdings of the bank are thrown on the market, or whether they can be conserved and sold at a more opportune time.

## NEW MANITOBA WHEAT POOR IN QUALITY

Exporters' Grain Exchange Endeavor to Arrange for Transportation Down Lakes.

Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 19.—New wheat from Manitoba continues to grade away below normal. Of 27 cars received at Winnipeg on Saturday, eleven went to special grades established No. 4, 5 and 6. But seven graded No. 3 Northern. Others went even lower. Color, size and weight were off, worse than has been known for some years. The crop averages sixteen bushels to the acre. Exporters' Grain Exchange will meet the Grain Board on Tuesday in a final effort to arrange working conditions to get the new grain down the lake, since it is apparently settled that no United States boats will be in the traffic this fall. The plan to route some fifty millers via Duluth is still under consideration.

It is now estimated by the Southern Alberta Wool Growers' Association that the clip in the south part of the province will reach a million pounds, and that the average price will be about 28 cents a pound.



The "Shy Doctor."  
Because he shunned all publicity and evaded the lionizing that London was prepared to give him, Dr. F. G. Banting of Toronto, the discoverer of insulin, was known as the "Shy Doctor." He was caught by the photographer leaving a conference of world famous doctors.

## NOTABLE CABINET CHANGES AT OTTAWA

Portfolios Are Given to Hon. E. M. Macdonald and Hon. T. A. Low.

A despatch from Ottawa says:—Important Cabinet changes were announced Friday, namely:

Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Trade and Commerce, since the formation of the King Government, takes the portfolio of Immigration and Colonization.

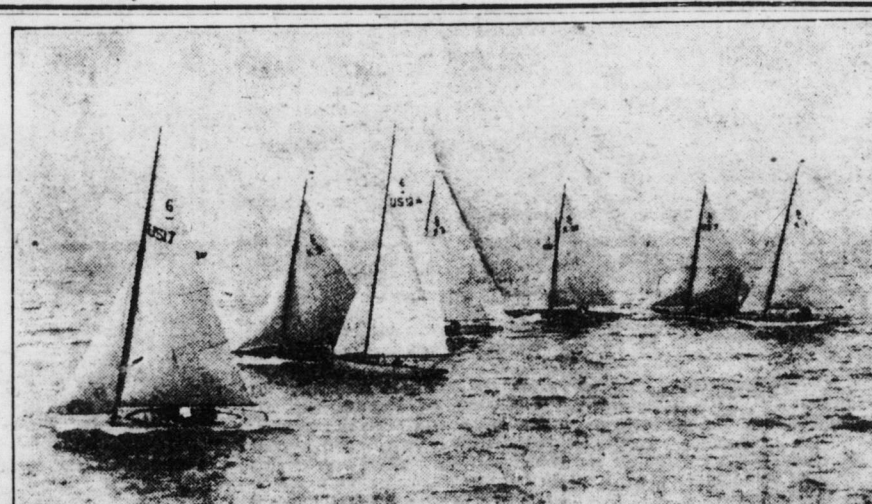
Hon. T. A. Low, member of the Cabinet without portfolio, succeeds Mr. Robb as Minister of Trade and Commerce.

Hon. E. M. Macdonald, who has been acting Minister of National Defence, becomes Minister of Defence.

The changes entail two by-elections. Mr. Macdonald will seek re-election in Pictou and Mr. Low will have to seek re-election in South Renfrew.

Until the present appointment of Mr. Robb, the Immigration Department has been in the hands of Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior. Mr. Robb, it is announced, will give full attention to developing the immigration plans already worked out by Mr. Stewart and the Government for an energetic and carefully considered campaign of immigration and settlement.

Writes for the by-elections in Pictou and South Renfrew will be issued immediately. In both cases nominations are fixed for September 6th and polling for Sept. 20th. In the last general election Mr. Macdonald had a majority in Pictou of 3,558, although in 1917 the constituency returned a supporter of the Union Government by a majority of 757. In 1911 Mr. Macdonald's majority was 264. In South Renfrew Mr. Low had in 1912 a majority of 1,651.



BRITISH SAILORS RETAIN INTERNATIONAL HONORS  
The British-American Cup contest for yachts of the international six metre class, at the Isle of Wight was won by the British entrants by 24 to 10 points. The contests take place alternately in British and United States waters. The picture shows the graceful little vessels getting into position for the start of one of the races.