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FRIDAY—FAIR AND COLD.

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## QUEBEC EXTENDS CORDIAL WELCOME TO ONTARIO DELEGATION

### AUTHORITIES CONDEMN FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

#### Trotsky Goes To Southern Area

Associated Press Despatch.  
Moscow, Jan. 29.—Leon Trotsky, the former soviet war minister, who recently was relieved of his duties as chairman of the revolutionary committee of the Communist party, has left Moscow for Southern Russia, according to an announcement made by the Russian agency, the official soviet news bureau.

#### SMIDDY'S RECALL THOUGHT REMOTE

Free State Awaiting U.S. Minister's Revision of Alleged Fete Scandal.

Associated Press Despatch.  
Dublin, Jan. 29.—There is no question of recalling Professor Timothy A. Smiddy, Irish Free State minister plenipotentiary, from his post at Washington, it was stated in government circles here today.

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Associated Press Despatch.  
New York, Jan. 29.—Captain Arthur A. Carey, in charge of the police homicide squad, has decided to look into the disappearance of Miss Ethel Leginska, English pianist.

#### ASQUITH STILL HOLDS LIBERAL LEADERSHIP

Associated Press Despatch.  
London, Jan. 29.—The rumors which have been widely prevalent since the announcement of former Premier Asquith's elevation to the peerage that he would relinquish the leadership of the Liberal party to Mr. Lloyd George were set at rest for the time being at least when, speaking at the opening of the great convention of the Liberal party here today, he said:

#### UTILITIES SHOULD BE EQUAL PRIVATE INTERESTS, CLAIM

Canadian Press Despatch.  
Niagara Falls, Jan. 29.—A hearing before the commission now revising the Ontario statutes will be asked by the local chamber of commerce.

#### Concentrated Effort Urged to Have Present Council Act.

#### NOW OUT OF DATE.

#### Fire Engineer States Present One Should Be Scrapped or Overhauled.

Fire insurance rates and fire risk in London, combined with this winter's heavy fire record, have brought to the front again the often-postponed question of London's fire alarm system.

More properly, it has brought to the front the absence of an efficient alarm system, and it is probable that some concerted effort will be made to secure from the city council the \$16,000 estimated as necessary to give the city adequate protection.

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#### HEARING OF PEPALL IS CONTINUED TODAY

Former Canadian Official Faces Habeas Corpus Proceedings in Los Angeles.

Associated Press Despatch.  
Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 29.—The hearing of habeas corpus proceedings for a former Canadian official, charged in Toronto with embezzlement of \$68,000 was continued until today by United States Judge Benjamin Bledsoe.

#### COLD WEATHER DESTROYS CAUCASUS VINEYARDS

Associated Press Despatch.  
Batumi, Georgia, Jan. 29.—Vineyards and orchards valued at millions of dollars have been destroyed by the unexampled cold which prevails throughout the Caucasus.



RT. REV. BISHOP SWEENEY, of Toronto, presented the report of the committee on social hygiene at today's session of the social service council convention in Hamilton.

#### HERRIOT'S BERLIN ANSWER LAUDED

Wednesday's Speech Seen as "Formidable Reply to Stresemann's Note."

Associated Press Despatch.  
Paris, Jan. 29.—Premier Herriot's "security speech" in the chamber of deputies yesterday, calls forth laudatory comment today from practically all the morning newspapers, including those of the opposition.

#### MAN LEAPS TO DEATH OVER NIAGARA FALLS

New York City Resident Had Been in Ill-Health.

Associated Press Despatch.  
Niagara Falls, Ont., Jan. 29.—A man believed to be Nicholas Iverson, 23, New York city, leaped to his death over the American falls yesterday after tossing a pocketbook containing a note, to the bank.

#### MAN, ONCE PROSPEROUS, SHOOTSELF AT CHICAGO

Associated Press Despatch.  
Chicago, Jan. 29.—Frederick A. Siebold, Jan., once planner and builder of hotels and amusement places and formerly owner of a steel construction company at Miami, Florida, killed himself at a downtown hotel here last night with a shotgun as he was listening on the telephone.

#### Mother Says Apparition Gave Clue of Son's Death

Inquiry From England Brings News That Harold Henderson Died in Ontario in 1922.

Special to The Advertiser.  
Toronto, Jan. 29.—As the result of what she claims to be an apparition of her son in Toronto, Mrs. John Henderson of Birmingham, England, communicated with the registrar of deaths here and was informed by Spadina House that he had died at Weston, Ontario, on Feb. 3, 1922.

#### LOSS BY FIRE IN MONTREAL \$1,500,000

Business District Is Swept by Conflagrations Involving 26 Firms.

#### FIREMAN RESCUED

Lieut. Desjardines Taken From Ruins Alive When All Hope Abandoned.

Canadian Press Despatch.  
Montreal, Jan. 29.—The most disastrous fires to occur in Montreal for some years, last night and early this morning caused loss in the downtown wholesale and business district roughly estimated at \$1,500,000, and completely gutted the premises of 26 firms which were damaged by the flames, smoke, ice and water as to cause an almost total loss of the property.

#### MARRIAGE WILL TAKE MISS MARION BECK FROM LONDON.

Tomorrow, in Sir Andrew's Presbyterian church, Toronto at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, Miss Marion Beck, only child of Sir Adam and the late Lady Beck, is to marry J. Strathmore Hay of Toronto.

#### UNION CHURCH VISIONS 700,000 MEMBERSHIP

Toronto Committee Makes Prediction of Strength After June 10.

Canadian Press Despatch.  
Toronto, Jan. 29.—The United Church of Canada will have more than 700,000 communicant members on the consummation of the union of Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational denominations, after June 10 next, after making all allowances for their members who will remain with the continuing Presbyterian church.

#### Gunman Fails To Get Horthy

Associated Press Despatch.  
Paris, Jan. 29.—A despatch to the Herald from Budapest says a shot fired at Admiral Horthy, regent of Hungary, as he was seated in a suburban train in the station in Budapest yesterday.

#### WINNIPEG CADETS WIN EMPIRE SHOOTING SHIELD

Associated Press Despatch.  
London, Jan. 29.—Dr. Hugo Eckener, director of the Zeppelin works, and commander of the "Zit-3" (now the "Los Angeles") on her memorable trip to the United States, is here discussing with airship builders a plan for the adoption of a standard type of mooring mast as the first step toward international airship service.



THEY WERE MET BY A LARGE CROWD OF QUEBECERS MET THEM, AND FROM THE DEGREE OF ENTHUSIASM MANIFESTED IN HAND WERE QUICK TO REMOTE MATTERS BY MAKING NEW ARRANGEMENTS WHICH WOULD NOT CHANGE THE EVENTS OF THE SCHEDULE FOR THE AFTERNOON.

#### ORILLA YOUTH KILLED BY REVOLVER BULLET

Ralph Montgomery Shot by Pistol in Hands of Chum.

Canadian Press Despatch.  
Orillia, Jan. 29.—Seventeen-year-old Ralph Montgomery was fatally injured by a bullet from a revolver in the hands of a chum here last night.

#### MOORING OF AIRSHIPS PRESENTS DIFFICULTIES

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#### NEW RECORD IS MADE IN MOTORLESS PLANE

Associated Press Despatch.  
Saint Remy, France, Jan. 29.—Lieut. Thuret yesterday made a new record in a flight with a passenger in a motorless plane at the inauguration of the new flying field of the L'Esplanade school.

#### BIRTHS DECREASING, BABY DEATHS INCREASE

Fewer Babies Born and More Die in English-Speaking Canada.

Canadian Press Despatch.  
Ottawa, Jan. 29.—Fewer babies are born and more babies die in English-speaking Canada as the years go by, judging by a return of the Dominion bureau of statistics on vital statistics for Canada (exclusive of Quebec), for July, 1924, the latest record available.

#### COMMUNISTS CLASH WITH FRENCH PATRIOTS

Associated Press Despatch.  
Paris, Jan. 29.—Fifteen persons were injured in a clash last night between Communists and French patriots at a meeting of the "League of the Patriotes" in the hall of the "Marseillaise" which the Communists tried to drown out with "The Internationale." The Communist deputies taking part in the demonstration were severely handled and canes and umbrellas were freely used.

#### FIREMAN RESCUED AFTER SIX HOURS IN WRECKAGE

Canadian Press Despatch.  
Montreal, Jan. 29.—After having been entombed in the wreckage of the burning building of Poulin & Co. on Lemoyne street here, for six hours, Lieut. Desjardines of the Montreal fire brigade, was finally rescued alive at 2:45 this morning, and taken to a hospital. The extent of his injuries is not known.

#### ANCIENT CITY OPENS DOOR TO ONTARIO

Government Officials and Leading Citizens Attend Bonne Entente Celebration.

#### 350 IN DELEGATION

Premier and Lieut.-Governor Head Large Body to Quebec Reception.

Canadian Press Despatch.  
Quebec, Jan. 29.—The gates of the ancient capital were thrown wide open this morning to receive more than three hundred and fifty citizens of Ontario imbued with the spirit of goodwill and mutual understanding, anxious to bring to French Canada the most cordial of greetings from the sister English province.

The warmth of the welcome accorded the visitors was not stinted, and today these three hundred and fifty Ontarians are being made to feel that the old city of Champlain is a lover of true friendship.

#### THEUNIS IS DETERMINED TO QUIT AFTER ELECTIONS

Associated Press Despatch.  
Brussels, Jan. 29.—Premier Theunis reiterated to the press today that he was determined to retire definitely after the next elections. Parliament is likely to be dissolved in March.

#### The Weather

FORECASTS.	TEMPERATURES.
Today—East; cloudy; moderate; light snowfall.	The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:
Friday—Fair and cold.	Highest: 12; lowest: 18 below.
Saturday—Fair and cold.	The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:
Sunday—Fair and cold.	Highest: 32; lowest: 18 below.
Monday—Fair and cold.	Barometric Readings.
Tuesday—Fair and cold.	Wednesday—3 p.m. 29.5.
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