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SAINT JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1926

ONE CENT  
In Quebec Saint John. TWO CENTS  
Elsewhere

## LLEWELLYN FERRIS KILLED ON WEST SIDE

### STRUCK ON HEAD BY DEAL; FALLS INTO HARBOR

#### Was Dead On Arrival Of Ambulance At Hospital

#### SKULL IS BROKEN

#### Was Working On Scow Loading Lumber Into Steamer Wheatmore

LLEWELLYN FERRIS, Durham street, met death suddenly this morning while at work on the water port, having his skull fractured by a piece of lumber which struck him on the head and struck him on the head.

Mr. Ferris was working on a scow discharging lumber into the steamer Wheatmore, berthed at No. 5 berth. About 10.30 this morning a slip of deal was being hoisted up to the deck of the ship one of the deal slipped from the sling and, falling, hit Mr. Ferris. He was knocked overboard by the force of the blow.

Willing hands among his associates under foreman James Durost, pulled him from the water and he was carried to one of the rest rooms. Here first aid was administered by the physician of the Montrose and the ambulance summoned. On its arrival he was placed in and a start made for the General Public Hospital. On arrival there it was found the man was dead and the coroner was notified. Up to 2.30 he had not viewed the body.

Mr. Ferris is survived by his wife.

### DIVORCES ORDERED IN THREE ACTIONS

#### One Case From Saint John County Dismissed—One is Granted

Canadian Press  
FREDERICTON, Feb. 23.—Mr. Justice Crockett, in the New Brunswick divorce court this morning, ordered decrees of divorce to issue in three actions and set March 16 as the date for further hearing in the case of McIntosh vs. McIntosh, in which the plaintiff wife is in England and the defendant husband in Hartland. Another action was dismissed.

In the case of Eleanor Ada Garland vs. Alfred Absalom Garland a decree was ordered. This action was from Moncton and was defended. Infidelity was alleged.

In the case of William D. Robinson vs. Agnes D. Robinson a decree was ordered. In this action the plaintiff husband resides in St. Stephen and the defendant wife in Grotton, Mass. Infidelity was alleged as ground for divorce. The case was undefended.

### SAINT JOHN ACTIONS

In the case of Frederick Thomas Stewart vs. Letitia Stewart a decree was ordered to issue. The parties in the case reside in Saint John and are colored. Infidelity was alleged.

In the case of Gertrude A. Camick vs. David J. Camick, court commented upon the evidence as extraordinary and unconvincing. The dismissal of the case was ordered. In this action the plaintiff resides at Misipe and the defendant in Saint John. Infidelity was alleged.

### FREDERICTON HOME BURNS; LOSS \$6,000

#### Residents, Awakened By Roaring of Flames, Lose Much of Belongings

FREDERICTON, Feb. 23.—The residence of Walter P. Fenety, University avenue, was completely gutted by fire this morning and a portion of the roof was burned off. The loss is estimated at \$6,000; insurance to the amount of \$5,500 is carried on building and contents.

It is believed that the fire caught from the furnace in the cellar. It had made headway before the occupants were awakened at 6.30 by the roaring of flames in the partitions. The location of the fire made it particularly hard to fight and the firemen worked on the fire several hours.

A number of students of the university of New Brunswick who boarded in the house had to leave hurriedly. Some lost belongings. Much of the furniture of the dwelling was removed.

### RAINS CONQUER FIRES

#### MELBOURNE, Feb. 23.—Considerable relief has been felt from rain, which has fallen during the last 24 hours in the districts of Victoria in which the bush fires are burning. Many have been extinguished by the rains and others are smouldering.

## U.S. Congress To Be Asked To Substitute Wine and Beer For Volstead Act

### Stillman Puts Up Trust Fund For Jay Leeds

Canadian Press  
NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Substantial trust fund in behalf of Jay Leeds, son of Flo Leeds, former actress, has been established by James A. Stillman, banker. It was admitted early today by his attorney, Wm. H. Sullivan, who said the fund, established last November, was purely voluntary on the part of Mr. Stillman. Mr. Leeds, he said, accepted the settlement and made no provision. He declined to give the amount of the fund, but unconfirmed reports placed it at \$20,000, with a principal of \$150,000 upon his coming of age. Mrs. Leeds, however, will be taken care of after that time.

### MONCTON VETS IN FAVOR OF A MARITIME HOME

#### Meeting Unanimous Over Disposition of Canteen Fund

#### SUBSIDY MOOTED

#### G. W. V. A. Would Ask Federal And Provincial Aid In Proposed Plan

Canadian Press  
MONCTON, N. B., Feb. 23.—At the quarterly meeting of the Moncton Branch of the G. W. V. A., last night, it was the unanimous opinion that the history should be handed in the schools by the commencement of the fall term and another history dealing more thoroughly with the part Canadians played in the Great War should be supplied.

The matter of the disposition of the canteen fund was also discussed and the feeling of the meeting was unanimous that this fund be used for the construction of a veterans' home, and that the entire amount of the canteen fund should not be used for the construction of the building, but that with the aid of a subsidy from the two governments there would be a residue left in the hands of the trustees to carry on the work for the benefit of the veterans.

It was also the opinion that this should be the Maritime Province home and that the funds accruing to the three provinces should be pooled in this connection.

The president made reference to his personal observations in theatres in connection with the attitude of the people towards the veterans and pointed out that some people rushed about instead of standing at attention and paying the proper respect due.

The president was empowered to select a committee of three or five members to wait upon the school board and set forth that more time should be devoted in the schools to teaching the children as to what the flag of the country stands for, also to request the co-operation of the provincial educational authorities to this end.

The attention of the meeting was called to a report that the Red element were degrading the flag and the King and all that they represent in one of the western provinces of the Dominion.

The veterans put themselves on record that everything in their power should be done in stamping out such conditions and the president was instructed to take this matter up further with the Dominion Command of the G.W.V.A. Ernest Dolon, president of the local branch, presided.

### Fear Floor of Bay of Biscay Is Shifting

#### Canadian Press

BORDEAUX, Feb. 23.—Whether the bottom of the Bay of Biscay is suffering from a state of instability is a problem that has been given to scientists to determine. It would appear from reports of navigators that the center of the earth under the famous agitated water of the bay oscillates with such frequency that it is impossible to keep records of water depths straight.

The captain of the French liner La Boudonnais recently found 25 yards of water where Dr. Charcot, the explorer, recently found 4000 yards, and where Lieutenant Cornet of the French navy a few months ago found 135 yards. Old maps of the bay in the region sounded as from 4,800 to 5,000 yards.

### NEW WITNESSES ARE CALLED IN CUSTOMS PROBE

#### Distillers Asked To Bring Books And Directories Lists

#### SPARKS ON STAND

#### Tells of Wholesale Smuggling Across Border At Various Points

Canadian Press  
OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 23.—A number of new witnesses were summoned by the committee of the House of Commons investigating the administration of the customs department when the probe was resumed today.

A. D. Healy, of Windsor, Ont., former member of the House of Commons, was subpoenaed to appear next Friday, to produce all books, papers, cancelled checks, relating to his business.

Another Windsor man, William Hagen, was also called for Friday.

The Ottawa managers of all telephone companies were called for Thursday and they are asked to produce originals of all telegrams sent to the Department of Customs and the Department of Justice since July 1, as well as monetary statements with these two departments in the past.

All these subpoenas were issued on the motion of Hon. H. H. Stevens.

NEW WITNESSES CALLED

E. C. St. Pierre, of Hochelaga, moved for the calling of a number of representatives of a number of distilleries, the production of all papers relating to the companies, including records of inward and outward shipments and official documents concerning the constitution of their companies with lists of directors and shareholders.

The Distillers Corporation and the Federal Distillers of Montreal, the Dominion Distillers, and W. H. Worts, the Canadian Distillers and Hiram Walker & Sons, in Ontario, were named.

J. C. Elliott, of West Middlesex, moved for the calling of manager of the Bank of Commerce in Walkerville, Ont., to produce records of banking transactions by several people in that city in these months carried without debit.

### World's Costliest Bible

#### Dr. A. S. W. Resonance, of Philadelphia, has the world's most expensive Bible. The two volumes were printed by Gutenberg, and Dr. Resonance paid \$100,000 for them at a New York auction sale. The printing, done in the first movable type, is in Latin.

### WETS POINT TO WASHINGTON AS GOOD EXAMPLE

#### Self-Control In Use of Drink Without Abuse Cited

#### TREASON DENIED

#### "Face the Facts" Conference Answers Arguments of Prohibition Champions

Canadian Press  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 23.—Substitution of a modified prohibition system, legalizing light wine and beer for the present Volstead Act, is to be asked of Congress.

Recommendations incorporating sentiment expressed at the second "Face the Facts" conference, concluded last night by the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, will be drawn and presented to Congress by a committee of 21 prominent persons selected by the conference. The committee was appointed after a well known in business and club life and the clergy condemned prohibition under the Volstead law as a failure.

### JUDGE HOLDS U.S. RULE ENDS AT 3-MILE LIMIT

#### Free British Schooner Seized With Large Whisky Cargo

#### Claims Treaty With Britain Needs Congress Act Before Becoming Operative

Canadian Press  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 23.—The battle cry of the anti-prohibitionists for a modified form of prohibition to correct alleged evils among the young today and save the morals of the coming generations was sounded yesterday and last night by numerous speakers at the second annual "Face the Facts" conference of the association against the prohibition amendment.

Called to meet on what was described as a propitious day in view of the principles of liberty and self-control taught by George Washington, hundreds of delegates to the conference heard a series of emphatic speeches in support of legislation from members of light wine and beer from members of both houses of congress, the clergy, leaders of women's clubs, and others.

WASHINGTON CITED

The Democrat delegation in the House from New York, attended the conference en bloc because, its members said in a statement, they believed it would aid "in calling attention to the manly, vigorous virtue, temperance and self-control of George Washington, which enabled him to make proper use of beer and wine and even strong spirits and to avoid the abuse thereof."

Objecting to the charge of prohibitionists that the "blasphemous" "implications of a contemptible minority," Senator Edwards, and emphatic voice and hand, declared that section would apply to goods which were the manufacture or product of Germany, Austria, Hungary, Yugoslavia and Russia. Under a new memorandum issued under instructions from Hon. G. H. Edwin, Minister of Customs, application of the section is extended to goods manufactured or produced in any country where the currency is depreciated more than fifty per cent.

A delegation of Canadian woolen manufacturers who recently walked on Mr. Edwin requested that this change be made.

### ONTARIO PREMIER LAUDS VETERANS

#### Declares Conduct of Canadian Troops Finest Example Country Ever Received

Canadian Press  
TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 23.—Speaking over the radio last night, at the official opening of the radio installation at Christie street Hospital, Premier Ferguson of Ontario, expressed the gratitude of the province to the men of the Canadian Expeditionary Force for the splendid reputation which they have held among the nations of Europe.

"These men," he said, "have not only won for us, but have also won for the world, a reputation which has been accorded to us by the nations of the world."

Premier Ferguson's address was broadcast from the auditorium of the hospital and heard by more than 350 patients in the wards who were supplied with head phones.

### MILAN ROTARIANS SEND OTTAWA GIFT

#### Club at Canadian Capital Presented Italian Flag From European Branch

Canadian Press  
OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 23.—On behalf of the Rotarian Club of Milan, Italy, Dr. Bonardelli, consul general of Italy in Canada, presented the Rotary Club of Milan, Italy, a gift of an Italian national flag. The flag was brought to this country from Italy by the director of commercial intelligence service of Canada and formerly Canadian Trade Commissioner at Milan, Italy. He was one of the founders of the Milan Rotary Club.

### CANNOT LOCATE LIQUOR SHIPPER

#### Authorities Unable to Serve Subpoena on G. Scherer at Border Cities

Canadian Press  
WINDSOR, Ont., Feb. 23.—Sheriff Howard Anderson notified Ottawa last night that no such man as "G. Scherer" could be located in the border cities of Detroit.

A subpoena for Scherer was received at the sheriff's office yesterday afternoon. It directed that use an exhaustive search, failed to unearth the mysterious shipper.

One detail about the mysterious man uncovered by the sheriff's enquiries was information from a dock in LaSalle, where it was said shipments to Scherer had been handled in the past, that no liquor or beer in Scherer's name had been handled at the dock for the last two months.

The point of law involved in the raids was settled in favor of the exporters and Scherer was not obliged to appear to claim his liquor.

### HIGHER DUTIES ON WOOLLEN IMPORTS

#### New Customs Ruling Affects All Countries Where Currency Has Depreciated

Canadian Press  
OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—Woolen fabrics imported from continental Europe will be specially affected by extension of the section of the customs act in regard to depreciated currencies.

When the customs act was amended in June, 1925, and the present depreciated currency provision inserted, a memorandum was issued by the department of customs to the effect that the section would apply to goods which were the manufacture or product of Germany, Austria, Hungary, Yugoslavia and Russia. Under a new memorandum issued under instructions from Hon. G. H. Edwin, Minister of Customs, application of the section is extended to goods manufactured or produced in any country where the currency is depreciated more than fifty per cent.

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### TRAIN 24 HOURS ON 32-MILE JOURNEY

#### Passengers on Buctouche Branch of C. N. R. Have Momentous Experience

Special to The Times-Star.  
MONCTON, Feb. 23.—The storm which swept the eastern sections of Quebec and the Maritime Provinces badly crippled the main line passenger service on the C. N. R. yesterday, especially on the northern division. The Maritime Express from Montreal for Halifax due at 10.15 a.m. did not arrive until 9 hours later, having been held up near Mont-Joli, Que., on account of a snow plow being derailed. The eastbound Ocean Limited, due here at 4.10 p.m., was also held up for 2 1/2 hours by the same cause.

A momentous trip was also made by passengers on the Buctouche branch which left here at 8.30 Sunday afternoon and only arrived at Buctouche at 8 o'clock Monday afternoon, taking over 24 hours to make the 92-mile run.

### BELOXI, Miss., Feb. 23.—Holding that a treaty between the United States and Great Britain regulating whisky traffic on the high seas, is not self-executing in regard to the enforcement of the criminal law, but needs an act of Congress to make disposition of whisky beyond the three mile limit a crime, Judge E. R. Holmes, in United States court here yesterday, issued an order releasing the British schooner Wanderer.

#### The craft was seized with a large cargo of whisky aboard, by a coast-guard cutter last autumn.

#### GREW IS HELD

Judge Holmes ruled that the facts in the seizure did not show a violation of the customs laws because the boat was taken more than 12 miles from a customs house. Members of the crew were arrested and brought here but were not indicted. They are, however, facing charges of violation of the immigration laws.

The Wanderer was captured nine and a half miles from shore. Judge Holmes held that the sovereignty of the United States extends three miles from shore.

### LAPOINTE MOVES, BENNETT SECONDS

#### Amusing Incident Occurs at Adjournment of House of Commons

Canadian Press  
OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—An amusing incident occurred in the House last night at the adjournment of the debate on the address. Hon. R. Bennett, Conservative, West Canada, was seated on the government side next to Hon. Ernest Lapointe, acting government leader. When the debate had been adjourned, Lapointe nodded to the speaker to indicate that he moved the adjournment of the House.

"It is moved by Mr. Lapointe, seconded by Mr. Bennett, that this House do now adjourn," said the speaker, and the motion carried.

The motion for adjournment, therefore, while made by the acting government leader, was seconded by a prominent member of the Conservative party.

### REDUCTION IN LAND VALUES OPPOSED

#### Moncton Council Refers Back Proposal For 30, 25 and 20 p. c. Cuts

Special to The Times-Star.  
MONCTON, Feb. 23.—Moncton City Council last night referred back to the committee of the whole a recommendation endorsing the Board of Assessors' proposal to reduce all land values within the city, except acreage, by 80 per cent, 25 per cent, and 20 per cent, according to location. A large delegation appeared before the council and a petition signed by over 500 ratepayers was presented protesting against the proposed reduction.

The council also passed a motion to ask for legislation requiring all citizens to take the oath when making their civic tax returns.

### World News In Short Metre

#### HALIFAX—The appointment of an agricultural agent for every county in the province to direct the organization, educational and cooperative activities as an aid to the farming industry of Nova Scotia, was urged in the report tabled by Premier Rhodes in the legislative assembly last night from the agricultural commission recently appointed.

#### PARIS—The report of the Senate finance committee on the financial restoration bills will recommend the adoption of measures which, according to the estimates, will produce 6,235,000,000 francs new revenue.

#### GENEVA—An official call for the council of the League of Nations to meet March 7 when the special assembly summoned to act on Germany's application for membership in the League will open, was issued today.

#### TORONTO—Premier Ferguson, just before the legislature adjourned last night, read a telegram from Premier King stating that the federal government would provide one-third of the excess rate over \$3 a ton on Alberta coal coming to Ontario, provided that the governments of Alberta and Ontario also paid a third each.

#### MOTHER IN SUICIDE PACT

ROME, Feb. 23.—Though she admitted she shared in a suicide pact in which her 18-year-old daughter died, Signora Giulia Paley was freed.

### KING HOLDS LEVEE

#### Brilliantly Uniformed Diplomats and Officials Pay Tribute at St. James

LONDON, Feb. 23.—Brilliantly uniformed diplomats and officials today paid their respects to the King at the first levee of the season, held in St. James' Palace.

The King drove in state from Buckingham Palace, attended by his majesty and various other members of the royal suite. He was received by the Lord Chamberlain and other officers of state, who conducted him to the throne room, where the levee was held.

### LITTLE CHANGE

#### FREDERICTON, Feb. 23.—The condition of Nathaniel Jones, chief of police, is reported by Victoria. Hospital to be about the same.

### ONTARIO POLICE COMB WOODS FOR FINNISH LAD, 15, SUSPECTED OF MURDER OF FARMER FATHER

#### Believed to be in the district which the provincial police are searching. They are confident of placing him under arrest, as the country at this time of year is very hazy, and night, but up to a late hour last night no word from the searchers had reached the inspector's office here.

#### The dead man's left arm and side were shattered by the bullets which were evidently fired from a rifle at short range. Lyytinen was a Finn. An inquest jury was called and adjourned for a week.

### PORT ARTHUR, Ont., Feb. 23.—Provincial police are conducting a man hunt through rough country, about 14 miles from here, for Weitto Lyytinen, aged 15, who is alleged to have shot and fatally wounded his father, Voto Lyytinen, aged 42, a Gorham township farmer, during a quarrel at their home Sunday night. The older Lyytinen died in a Port Arthur hospital last night. Weitto is said to have escaped from the scene of the shooting on skis and is believed to be in the district which the provincial police are searching. They are confident of placing him under arrest, as the country at this time of year is very hazy, and night, but up to a late hour last night no word from the searchers had reached the inspector's office here.

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### JOE MILLER SIGNED

#### NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Joe Miller, all round athlete of Ottawa, Ont., has been signed by the New York American as a goal keeper for the local pro hockey team. Miller played this season with St. Paul, Minn.

### GOLDEN EAGLE SHOT

#### YARMOUTH, Feb. 23.—A golden eagle measuring eight feet one inch from tip to tip of its wing spread, one of the largest specimens of this rare bird ever killed in Nova Scotia, was killed after a battle on the Hardscraze road near here and is being stuffed by a local taxidermist.

### BEAUTY AMONG CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR

#### LONDON, Feb. 23.—Baron Byng of Byng has not yet notified the British government whether he will accept an invitation, already extended to him, to serve another term as Governor-General of Canada, but it is understood by the Associated Press that in the event of his refusal, Earl Beatty will be prominent among the candidates.

#### While the Duke of York, King George's son, is being considered, it is said to be unlikely that he will serve at this time.

## The Weather

SYNOPSIS—The area of high pressure is now moving slowly southeastward across the Great Lakes and Middle States, and the barometer is falling both north and west. The weather is quite cold from Ontario eastward and mild in the West.

FORECASTS:  
Fair and Cold.  
MARITIME—Fresh northwest winds, fair and cold today and tomorrow.  
NEW ENGLAND—Fair and slightly colder tonight. Wednesday, fair with slowly rising temperature, diminishing northerly winds, becoming variable.

Temperatures.  
TORONTO, Feb. 23, 1926.

	8 a.m.	Highest during night.	Lowest during night.
Victoria	40	46	40
Calgary	28	34	22
Edmonton	18	24	14
Winnipeg	20	24	20
Toronto	10	22	7
Montreal	4	14	2
Saint John	4	18	3
Halifax	12	28	8
New York	20	38	21