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Charles Gorman Defeated In 500-Metre Skating Race

RAILWAY STRIKE PLARMS LABOR

Trapped in Mine, Thirty Die Fearful Death

JEWTRAW IS WINNER IN FAST TIME

American Ace Captures the 500-Metre Race in 44 Seconds.

GORMAN SEVENTH

St. John Skater Beaten in the Fifteenth Heat of the Event.

(By Canadian Press.)

Chamonix, Jan. 26.—Canada lost its first contest of the 1924 Olympic games today when Charles Gorman of St. John, N. B., was defeated after a thrilling exhibition of speed skating in the 500 metre race. The Canadian skater was beaten by Chas. Jewtraw, of Lake Placid, N. Y., in the fifteenth heat of the race. Jewtraw's time was 44 seconds flat.

This was the best of any heat skated and under the rules made him the winner of the event.

The 500 metre race is equivalent to 546 1/2 yards. Gorman put up a fine race and the heat between the Canadian and U. S. stars was the feature of the opening event. The Canadian skater came seventh in the list of winners, his time being 45 2-5 seconds.

Thirty Men Enticed.

Thirty-one men entered necessitating 15 heats. George Dewilde of France, having drawn a bye, raced alone. The weather was cloudy and the temperature a little below the freezing mark. The ice was in fair condition, but had a tendency to soften.

The rules provided that the skaters start from the same line on parallel tracks ten feet apart, the competitor holding the inside track at the start, switching on the inside on the back stretch, and vice versa. Time alone is taken into consideration in figuring the winners of the Olympic ice events, and the man finishing second in a fast heat is placed ahead of the winner of a slower heat, as there are no semi-finals.

Results of Race.

The results of the race, with the ten leading competitors in the order of their standing were: Chas. Jewtraw, U. S., 44 seconds. Oscar Olsen, Norway, 44 1-5. Thunberg, Finland, and Larsen, Norway, 44 2-5. Vallenius, Finland, 45 seconds. Blomquist, Sweden, 45 1-5. Charles Gorman, St. John, N. B., 45 2-5. Joe Moore, U. S., and Harold Strom, Norway, 45 3-5. Julius Skutnab, Finland, 46 2-5.

Sifton Criticizes Merchant Marine

Brandon, Man., Jan. 26.—Addressing the Canadian Club here last night, Sir Clifford Sifton criticized the management of the Canadian Merchant Marine which he declared belonged to a combine and did most to keep the rates up.

Prior to the lifting of the embargo against Canadian cattle, the shipping rate to England was \$15.50. When the embargo was taken off the rate was increased to \$25 but only after a great deal of trouble was reduced to \$20, he said.

Hurled Against a Pole and Killed

Quebec, Jan. 26.—(Canadian Press)—When his pig employed by Hetherington's bakery, sustained a fractured skull and was instantly killed by being thrown against a telephone pole.

Jilted Girl Must Give Back Ring

New York, Jan. 26.—Morris Sattenstein of Englewood, N. J., when he became engaged to marry Sophie Herskowitz of the same place, gave his prospective bride a diamond ring valued at \$800. After her wedding gown was made Miss Herskowitz received word that her intended had married another girl in Texas.

ANDERSON NAMES NEW MYSTERY MAN

Anti-Saloon League Leader Says He Gave Him The "King" Money. New York, Jan. 26.—Assistant District Attorney Pecora yesterday continued his cross-examination of William R. Anderson, state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, in an effort to learn more about the mysterious "John T. King" named by the league head yesterday as the man who gave him more than \$200,000 because he liked him.

CANADIAN LOAN IS QUICKLY TAKEN UP

Tremendous Volume of Subscriptions Received on Thursday—Books Open Few Hours. Toronto, Jan. 26.—Definite announcement has now been made to the effect that subscription books to the new Dominion of Canada 5 per cent loan were officially closed on Thursday.

Wire Briefs

Ottawa, Jan. 26.—This week's Canada Gazette contains notice of 74 assignments under the Bankruptcy Act.

Ottawa, Jan. 26.—Immigration from the United States decreased nine per cent during the nine months ended December, it was announced today.

Mayne, Jan. 26.—The Separatist former councillor Schlicht was assassinated yesterday on the road from Bell, near Alenau, to Niedermendig, by two men. Eight shots were fired into his body.

Detroit, Jan. 26.—Not a lake season lost his life in a shipwreck during the 1923 navigation season, President Wm. Livingston declares in his annual report to the Lake Carriers Association, made public today.

Tokio, Jan. 26.—In accordance with ancient customs, the wedding of the Prince Regent Hirohito and Princess Nagako, eldest daughter of Prince Kuni, was celebrated at the Imperial Palace today with Shinto rites.

Niagara Falls, Jan. 26.—The Canadian plant of the United States Light and Heat Corporation was totally destroyed by fire today. Firemen are still pouring tons of water on the blaze.

Sarnia, Ont., Jan. 26.—For the first time in five years the St. Clair River is covered by a solid ice surface broken only where passages were cut to enable the ferries to ply.

London, Jan. 26.—(Canadian Press)—Senator Wilson of Australia left on the steamship Doric for Canada where he will continue negotiations begun in London for a Canadian-Australian trade agreement.

EXPLOSION RIPS MAIN MINE LEVEL

Sixty Men Entombed and But Few Come Out Unscathed.

FEARFULLY BURNED

Bodies Not Recognizable in Terrible Disaster in Illinois Colliery.

(By Canadian Press.)

Johnston City, Ill., Jan. 26.—Thirty coal miners were killed, two probably fatally burned, and six others suffered burns in an unexplained explosion late yesterday on the main level of the McClintock coal mine, operated by the Crear Clinch Coal Company. Two other men are missing.

Approximately sixty of the 375 miners at work were entombed in the lower levels of the mine, but a few of them escaped.

Several of the bodies brought to the surface last night and early today were burned beyond recognition, and attempts to identify the dead were unavailing, mine company officials giving up the attempt until a full check of the force could be obtained.

A company official declined to make a statement regarding the possible cause of the disaster, but announced that a thorough investigation would be made today. The mine had been considered unusually safe, insofar as gas explosions were concerned. Rescue teams hurriedly organized this morning started rescue work.

The hundreds of relatives and workers grouped about the shaft in the bitter cold weather were totally unprepared for the force of the explosion. The victims' clothing had been almost torn away and all were badly burned.

Canadian Field Crops In Slump

Ottawa, Jan. 26.—(Canadian Press)—The aggregate value of all field crops in Canada in 1923 was \$891,745,200, says a return from the Bureau of Statistics, compared with \$922,283,200 in 1922, a decrease of \$30,538,000, caused mainly by lower prices applicable practically to every crop.

The hay and clover crop alone accounted for a decrease of \$32,969,000, the average price per ton having fallen from \$18.40 to \$10.97. Total area under field crop in 1923, was 56,669,794 as against 57,169,881 in 1922.

Expelled Leader To Receive Hearing

Indianapolis, Jan. 26.—Alexander Howat, deposed president of the Kansas Miners, and Thomas Myerscough, of Pittsburg, who was expelled from the U. M. W. of America on the charge that he was an officer in a dust organization—the International Progressive Miners' Committee—will be given a hearing before the appeals and grievances committee Sunday afternoon at two p. m., it was announced in the miners' convention today.

Is Abandoned On Pacific; Crew Saved

San Francisco, Jan. 26.—The steel freight steamer Mary Horlock, of 2940 net tons, has been abandoned at sea about 2,700 miles west of Honolulu and the crew taken aboard the liner President Taft, according to radio advices here.

Doctor Risks Life To Save Little Dog

Detroit, Jan. 26.—An eight-month-old Alroale, frozen to the ice in the Detroit River and howling for help, was rescued from death by a sixty-four-year-old man who, risking his life on the treacherous, broken ice, crawled to the dog, chopped him free, bundled him in a blanket and brought him safely to shore. The story is told by friends of Dr. S. Adinoglu Newman, to whom Jerry, the puppy, owes his life.

CANADA PRODUCES FEWER APPLES

Ottawa, Jan. 26.—A steady decrease in Canada's apple production during the last four years is noted in a statement issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Since 1920, when 5,928,632 barrels of apples were grown and marketed at an average value of \$2.28 per barrel, production has decreased to 4,967,719 in 1923. No estimate can be made of the value of the 1924 crop.

EXPORTS TO U. S. WERE GREATER

More Farm Produce Sent There from Canada—Wheat Nearly Double. Ottawa, Jan. 26.—(Canadian Press)—During the last three months of 1923, Canada exported farm products to the U. S. valued at \$32,275,902. In the last three months of the year previous the figures were \$25,576,106.

In the corresponding three months of 1922 before the higher U. S. tariff rates came in to force the value was \$39,461,457. There has, however, been, at the same time, a decline in prices.

The quantity of Canadian wheat exported to the U. S. during the three months ended December was nearly double what it was in the corresponding period of 1922—17,260,478 bushels, valued at \$18,961,464, compared with 9,172,155 bushels, valued at \$10,260,338.

Police Shake-Up

Sensational New York Order Issued—Inspectors Freed from Prohibition Enforcement. New York, Jan. 26.—A sensational police shake-up in which one inspector, three deputy inspectors, eleven captains, seventeen lieutenants, twenty-three sergeants and three hundred and thirty patrolmen were transferred to other posts, was ordered by Police Commissioner Enright last night. The order also relieved inspectors of responsibility for enforcement of prohibition, that duty being given to a special service division.

Will Sell Furs Worth \$1,500,000

Montreal, Jan. 26.—American, European and Canadian buyers will bid for the \$1,500,000 worth of raw furs which will be auctioned at the mid-winter sale of the Canadian Fur Auction Sales Company, Limited, here on Feb. 12 and the following four days. The furs will be mainly Canadian and include beaver, ermine, silver fox, red fox, marten, mink and muskrat.

Australian Fleet May Visit Japan

Sydney, N. S. W., Jan. 26.—(Canadian Press, via Reuters)—Referring to a Japanese admiral's suggestion of an Australian naval visit to Japan, Hon. E. K. Bowen, Australian minister of defence, said it would be impossible for the Australian squadron to visit Japan in 1924 but he would ask the cabinet to send the squadron in 1925.

INTEREST ON G.T.P. BONDS REPUDIATED

Canadian Government Will Not Pay on 4 Per Cent Debentures.

BOMBHELL FALLS

Rush Made in London to Unload Stocks as Value Drops.

(By HARRY N. MOORE, British United Press.)

London, Jan. 26.—The Canadian Government will not pay interest on the four per cent debentures of the Grand Trunk Pacific on March 1st. This is the general opinion of brokers and financial men here for the past few weeks with the news that such a payment this week has been gradually being leaked through to London. In anticipation of the interest payment this week has been gradually being leaked through to London. In anticipation of the interest payment this week has been gradually being leaked through to London.

FLIES TO FUNERAL

Leon Trotsky Expected to Attend Service for Dead Premier. (British United Press.)

Moscow, Jan. 26.—Leon Trotsky was expected to arrive in Moscow this afternoon by airplane from Tiflis to attend the funeral of Nikolai Lenin. The dead premier is to be buried tomorrow in "Red Square" in a temporary mausoleum, the coffin under a glass covering where thousands may pass and gaze upon it. There was much talk too, of cremating Lenin's remains as an example of hygiene to the country.

Children between the age of ten and twelve took turns as guards of honor around the coffin in the great hall of the "Red Square" during the night. Among the youths heaped high in the hall is one from the cab drivers of Moscow. The Afghan representative, Tschernin his condolences and declared that the Afghans more than all other Orientals loved Lenin. Tschernin replied that the Soviet government will continue Lenin's Oriental policy.

\$18,000 Fire In Store At Moncton

Moncton, Jan. 26.—Fire broke out last night in the store of Moncton Carpet and Furniture Company and caused \$18,000 damage to the stock and premises. The fire was discovered by Aid. Rual Taylor, and E. W. Givais, who noticed smoke pouring from windows.

As a result of the quick turn-out of the department, the fire was confined to the lower floor where it is supposed to have originated near a gas heater. Loss is partly covered by insurance. \$2,500 insurance had been allowed to lapse.

Wife Is Exonerated For Husband's Death

Toronto, Jan. 26.—The wife of Frank Ferguson was exonerated of all blame for the death of her husband by a coroner's jury last night, which found that she had accidentally stabbed him.

41 Pigs Burn To Death Near Moncton

Moncton, Jan. 26.—Forty one pigs were burned to death in a fire which destroyed a barn and slaughter house, the property of Jacob Hans, at Luts Mountain Wednesday night. The loss which is several thousand dollars is only partly covered by insurance. The origin of the blaze is unknown, but it is thought it may have caught from a boiler which was used for cooking feed for the pigs.

Now Her Name Is Ada-May



It used to be Ada May Weeks, but now it's just Ada-May. She changed her name when she opened in the new musical comedy "Lollipop."

C. N. R. to Help Employes Install Home Radios; Officers to Give Talks

New York, Jan. 26.—Warning that consolidation of U. S. railroads into large groups might prove unwise, Sir Henry Thornton, president of the C. N. R. system, speaking before the Bond Club here, said he did not believe in addition to the large railway systems of the U. S. would be productive of any good.

U. S. TAXES ARE CUT

House Committee Agrees on \$103,000,000 Reduction—Some of Items. Washington, Jan. 26.—Tax reduction of \$103,000,000 annually and affecting more than twenty industries were agreed upon yesterday by the House Ways and Means Committee in its first major decision on the revenue rates. The rate changes, repealing some of the miscellaneous or nuisance taxes instituted during the war, were effected by non-partisan votes in committee and included some suggestions of both Men and democratic plans.

English Girl in Admiral King-mill's Home in Ottawa Was Homesick

Ottawa, Jan. 26.—Lillian Harris, 29, domestic in the home of Admiral Sir Chas. Kingsmill, former senior officer of the Canadian navy, committed suicide yesterday by shooting herself in the head with a revolver. The young woman, who recently came out from England, is declared to have been homesick.

No Progress Made in Miners' Strike

Sydney, N. S. W., Jan. 26.—The subcommittee of representatives of British Empire Steel Corporation and the U. M. W. went into session again at 10 a. m. today and were still in conference at noon. The impression is gaining ground throughout the district that little or no progress is being made. The miners are holding out for a twenty per cent increase or practically the 1921 rates, the highest ever paid in Nova Scotia, while the company before the conference declared that a twenty per cent. cut was necessary to enable the industry to carry on. It is not believed the miners will consent to a compromise on the basis of 1923 rates.

C. P. R. Captain to be Honored in N. Y.

New York, Jan. 26.—Captain Samuel Robinson, hero of the Japanese earthquake disaster, arrived here yesterday aboard his command, the Empress of Canada. While here he will be decorated with the title of C. B. R. by Governor Armstrong, British Consul General. Captain Robinson is to receive this honor in recognition of his courageous behavior while in command of the Empress of Australia in the harbor of Yokohama during the earthquake. He was instrumental in the rescue of approximately 3,000 persons. The Empress of Canada, on a world cruise, came here from Vancouver via the Panama Canal.

PLAN EFFORT TO SETTLE DIFFERENCES

Imperial Conference Proposals May be Accepted to End Strike.

PICKETS ACTIVE

Leaders Anxious as Deser-tions Increase From the Strikers' Ranks.

(By HARRY N. MOORE, British United Press.)

London, Jan. 26.—Sensational developments in the railway strike are expected over the week-end in quarters that have inside knowledge of the latest developments. It is considered likely that between now and Monday the new Labor government, acting in close co-operation with the trades unions, will make its first real effort to settle the strike, the continuance of which is beginning to seriously alarm them.

The government will accept the Imperial Conference proposals reached at that conference and does not consider itself in any way bound by the pledges made at that time by its predecessors in office.

For some days the rumor has been circulated that Mr. MacDonald would withhold his hand from the guillotine at least temporarily in view of the definite desire of the Dominions, and especially of Australia and New Zealand, to see the preferential clauses agreed upon at the conference put into effect.

The decision, however, which has rung the death knell of preference at least for the time being has strengthened the hand of Mr. MacDonald and the support given to him by Liberals already secured his accession to office is to be rewarded by the Premier in this fashion. The method chosen for the settling of the findings of the Conference is to submit them to a free vote of the House of Commons which in view of the composition of the Commons on the lines of Free Trade or preference means certain defeat.

SERVANT ENDS LIFE

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Weather Report

Toronto, Jan. 26.—The storm is now centred in the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the western high pressure has passed to the Mississippi Valley and middle states. The cold wave has spread over Ontario and Quebec and the temperature is much below zero over the greater part of both provinces. The weather is moderating in the west.

Very Cold on Sunday

Maritime—Becoming much colder; snow flurries. Sunday strong westerly winds, fair and very cold. New England—Fair and colder tonight, Sunday fair and continued cold; strong northwest winds. Toronto, Jan. 26.—Temperatures: Highest during night. Victoria ... 44 44 45 Kamloops ... 26 32 24 Calgary ... 6 4 7 Edmonton ... 10 9 12 Winnipeg ... 20 8 20 Montreal ... 12 24 12 St. John ... 14 42 14 Halifax ... 34 44 30 New York ... 14 46 30 *Below zero.

Paris Green Kills Barnardo Boy

Peterboro, Ont., Jan. 26.—Johnny Page, a fifteen year old Barnardo boy, died yesterday after taking Paris green. He was employed for the last four years with a farmer, Wm. Fee, in South Bayly.