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Speed Skaters to Arrive Monday for Championships at Arena

N.B. "RUFES" AWIS ULTRA VITES

LAKE PLACID RACES FINISH ON SATURDAY

Quarter Mile and Three Mile Races are to be Decided.

NO CONTESTS TODAY

Interest in the Indoor Meet is Now at Fever Heat.

It was officially announced this morning that Charlie Gorman and his rivals on the "big circuit" will arrive in the city early Monday morning in a special sleeper, which will be attached to the C. P. R. Montreal train, to compete in the International Indoor Championships, which are to be staged in the Arena next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

This will be glad tidings for the thousands of fans in this city who are eagerly awaiting the opportunity to witness these greatest amateur skaters on the continent vie for honors in St. John's big winter classic.

Under the original plan the speed kings were to arrive here Sunday about 1.30 o'clock, but the skating programme at Lake Placid was interrupted by severe storms and as a result the finals will not be skated until tomorrow afternoon.

To Race Saturday

The two events pending are the 400 yards and the three mile. If Gorman wins both he can clinch the International title, or if he wins the three mile and places in the three mile he has a good chance of providing Kasky fails to place.

One of the disappointing features in connection with the arrival of the skaters so early in the morning is that a big reception planned for Charlie Gorman, the local pride, and the visiting contestants will not be carried out as the early hours would hardly make for a big reception. However, this is something over which the local committee has no control and it is hoped to make up for this before the expiration of the three days of racing.

Johnson is Entertained

This morning Secretary D. J. Corr received a post-entire from Percy Johnson of the Hampton Park Skating Club of Toronto.

For the information of all local contestants the committee announced today that all must apply to the office of the secretary at 124 Prince William street where they will be provided with "contestants' tickets" for entry to the rink and for skating which they must wear during the meet. Unless they secure these they will not be admitted to the rink.

Interest is Intense

Reports this morning indicated that interest in the meet is gradually working up to fever heat. Many who have held back and took a chance on getting desired points of vantage in the rink are beginning to realize that the advice to buy early was well given, for hundreds of the choicest seats have already been purchased, not only for one night but for all three. As a result those who let the opportunity pass may have difficulty getting anything better than standing room. Some of those handling tickets reported very heavy sales, while others still have some good seats. It is hoped to see the entire seating capacity of the rink will be sold out.

More Entries

The following additional entries for the International Indoor Skating Championships at the Arena on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday were announced this morning:

Senior—Percy Johnson, Toronto, 16 year old class—M. Martin, St. John.

Ladies' events—Sybil Beattie, Albert Beattie, Mary Seaton, Annie Logan, Marlon Wilcox, W. P. Cooper, Stella B. Kirkpatrick.

The Arena Tickets

The committee in charge announce that all "rush" tickets will be withdrawn from the selling depots on Saturday afternoon. They also deem it advisable to notify all who have had seats reserved for them and held should take them up at once. Leaving this unattended to is likely to result in (Continued on page 2, seventh column)

40 Years in Pen For Bank Robbery

Cleveland, Feb. 22.—William Baron, Cleveland bandit trapped by police at Canton on Jan. 11, is on his way to the State Penitentiary at Columbus to begin serving a 40 years sentence.

Youngstown jurist Thursday found him guilty twice participating in holdups of the Elm street branch of the Dollar Savings and Trust Co. Twenty year sentences were imposed in each case.

Baron's 19-year-old wife, Beatrice, was the unwitting cause of his arrest.

When the detectives searched a rooming house at 1359 E. 88th street a month ago for Baron they saw a telegram peeping from her wrist.

Through information contained in the message Baron was arrested at Canton the following day by Detectives Lally and Veneroso of Youngstown. He had entered the post office to mail a package of baby clothes to his six-month-old daughter.

A manslaughter charge against Baron for slaying Gus Phillips, Youngstown contractor, Dec. 20, was dropped following the double conviction for robbery.

FRANCE GETS BACK KEYS OF LYONS

Receives Them From Austria, Grateful for Financial Aid—Were Taken in 1815.

(British United Press) Paris, Feb. 22.—Austrian minister Elchoff has returned to France the keys of the City of Lyons seized by an Austrian army in 1815. The purpose of the affair is to demonstrate Austria's gratitude for financial assistance accorded her by the league of nations with France's permission.

FREED IN MEXICO?

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—The Government has received a cable from British Ambassador in Mexico City stating that it is reported that T. G. McKenna, the Canadian, captured by Mexican brigands under Villa has been released. Confirmation of the report is now being sought.

Urges Hudson Bay Route Completion

Regina, Sask., Feb. 22.—A resolution urging upon the Dominion government that Sir Henry Thompson, president of the C. N. R., be authorized to complete the Hudson Bay route, was unanimously adopted by the Saskatchewan legislature yesterday.

Wire Briefs

Springfield, Ills., Feb. 22.—W. G. McAdoo entered the Illinois primaries yesterday when his petition as Democratic candidate for president was filed.

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—Representations have been made to the U. S. Government to secure the release of the crew of the Canadian schooner Tomoka, but without result.

Worcester, Mass., Feb. 22.—Police jumped into the ring last night to separate George K. Lee and Scotty White, Worcester's junior welterweights, when they threatened to renew hostilities after the decision had been given to White in their ten round bout.

London, Feb. 22.—Replying to questions in the House of Commons last night, Philip Snowden, chancellor of the exchequer, said that Empire revenue last year cost home revenue \$4,500,000.

Regina, Feb. 22.—Fred Hues was hanged here at 6.30 a.m. today for the murder of Glib Holenbeck, at Dollard, Sask., on June 23 last. The killing of Holenbeck occurred about midnight at the close of the sports day at Dollard.

London, Feb. 22.—The delegate conference of the dockers strike has decided to recommend acceptance of the strike settlement terms to the members of the union. It was announced by Secretary Bevin of the dock workers today.

Sydney Mines, Feb. 22.—That Scotia colliers would not be re-opened this week was the reply given by General Manager H. J. McCann yesterday to the delegation waiting upon him from Sydney Mines.

London, Feb. 22.—The ports of Dundee, Avonmouth and Cardiff are now open again for the landing of Canadian store cattle thereat. The temporary embargo which was placed on Canadian cattle at these ports a few days ago has been raised.

London, Feb. 22.—The Cairo correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph says the Tutankhamen Tomb will be reopened at two o'clock today by the director general of antiquities. This is for the purpose of safeguarding the contents.

RUM SHIPS ARE GUARDED OFF COAST

Three Vessels are Identified But Thick Fog Screens the Others.

3 BRITISH SHIPS

Several Boats are Reported Near to Trade With the Rum Fleet.

By Canadian Press.

Boston, Feb. 22.—Run Row of six vessels, one of these a steamer, and the others sailing craft, is lying about 15 miles off Cape Ann with a coast guard cutter and a coast guard motor boat standing guard to prevent traffic with the shore, according to reports received at coast guard headquarters here from Captain Wheeler, of the coast guard cutter Tampa. The Tampa has been keeping in touch with the rum fleet for several days, lost touch with them, and picked them up again off the cape.

Three vessels have been identified but names of the others could not be made owing to thick fog. The British steamer Newton City is the largest craft in the row. The British schooners Douglas B. Conrod and Marjorie Backman also were identified. A message yesterday before losing touch with the fleet in a storm, Capt. Wheeler reported that two French schooners were included in the row.

The Newton City was last reported as sailing from Halifax, January 23 at Bermuda. She was found yesterday at anchor fifteen miles south by east from Cape Ann. The crew did not appear perturbed over the approach of the cutter.

The schooner Conrod, according to Captain Wheeler, came in from sea yesterday under close reefed canvas and was heading for land when she fell in with the coast guard motor boat Pioneer, Captain King. At the meeting the schooner drew off shore and anchored about 18 miles southeast of the cape. The Conrod was last reported as sailing from Havana, Feb. 1, for St. Pierre.

Other Schooners Follow

The Marjorie Backman, last reported at Havana, came in and anchored near the Conrod and the three other schooners followed suit.

The coast guardmen reported that several boats came out from Gloucester as if to do business with the rum fleet but took to flight on sighting the cutter and the Pioneer. Two boats fled out for fishing also approached the anchored schooners, but also fled when they saw that the rum flotilla was under observation.

LIKELY MAKE ALL CLOSE BARS AT 10

London Magistrates Show Disposition to Have Uniform Rule.

London, Feb. 22.—(Canadian Press.)—Licensing sessions for different districts in the London area have been held within the last few weeks, the chief matter for discussion being the hour at which the licensed houses ought to close. Roughly speaking, the magistrates in these areas, which include the industrial and suburban quarters of London, have for some time imposed 10 o'clock as the hour of closing. Strenuous efforts were made to induce the justices to grant permission for houses to remain open until 11 o'clock. Much was urged concerning the anomalous spectacle of a house on one side of a street closing at 10, while another house on the opposite side was permitted to be kept open till 11. The 11 o'clock rule pertains in areas which embrace the western portion of London, including that part of the metropolis where the places of amusement are chiefly congregated.

The magistrates, however, clearly betray a disposition to remove the anomaly by imposition of an all-round hour of closing at 10 o'clock. "There have been many more convictions for drunkenness this year than last," declares the chairman of the Westminister Bench, where the hour of closing is 11.

The Holborn Justices have postponed further consideration of the matter for a month.

Price of Insulin Greatly Reduced

London, Feb. 22.—The price of insulin has been reduced from 12 shillings and six pence to 6 shillings and eight pence a bottle of 100 units. This big reduction in price is the outcome of less than a year's production of insulin on a large scale.

French May Take Bonn University

Berlin, Feb. 22.—The French authorities are reported to have threatened to commandeer Bonn University as an artillery barracks if the town authorities refuse to build the required barracks. The Bonn officials plead lack of money.

Christen Village Fire Truck Despite "Drys"

Freeport, L. I., Feb. 22.—Mystery pervaded the atmosphere last night when the Freeport fire department's new aerial truck was christened.

With the stage all set on the village green, former Fire Captain George Hoffman, approached the big truck with a nervous step, his hand clutching something beneath his coat.

"Go on, George," urged Captain Curtis Fulton in a hoarse whisper. "I guess it's safe," Hoffman drew the burden from beneath his coat and brought it down with a sickening crunch on the hood.

A sweet, alluring, almost forgotten scent arose and perfumed the night air. A villager caught some of the drippings from the shiny hood and slipped them to his tongue.

"Champagne!" he cried, and there followed a scramble for the drippings.

Hoffman, ahen-faced and breathing heavily, murmured, "Thank you, there were no prohibition agents around. This had to be done."

CHINESE IS FOUND SHOT THROUGH HEAD

Murder is Suspected by Police in Hull, Quebec, Tragedy.

Hull, Que., Feb. 22.—Charlie Joe, 34, a Chinese restaurant keeper, was discovered dead in his bed here last night with a bullet wound in his neck and the blankets pulled over his face. He had been dead for 24 hours when found. The Quebec police are investigating, and an inquest will be held.

A 32-calibre automatic with one discharged shell in the chamber was found in the death bed.

Charlie Joe, according to his assistants, had sold for 24 hours in the building basement. He was reported to have intended returning to his home in China next month after living 20 years in Canada.

While the theory of suicide is advanced, the fact that the blanket was pulled over the dead man's face is thought to indicate murder.

BABY IS BORN IN A SNOWDRIFT

Automobile is Struck by a Train But Noble Bird Arrives.

Mount Kisco, N. Y., Feb. 22.—As Nathan Elman was driving his car to the Northern Westchester Hospital yesterday when Mrs. Elman hoped her baby would be born, the rear of the automobile skidded as Elman jammed the brakes at a railroad crossing. The machine was struck a glancing blow by a train. Neither the man nor his wife was seriously injured.

Mrs. Elman was replied to a snowbank. In a group that gathered was an invisible member—the storm. Before Mrs. Elman could be moved the bird had arrived at the snowbank.

One of the men wrapped the infant in his coat and started it top speed for the hospital, a short distance away. Policemen and neighbors carried the mother to the hospital, where it was said today both were "doing splendidly."

Own Sentence Too High; Judge Cuts It

Golden, Colo., Feb. 22.—Law violators here are glad that Jacob Gaber's judge. After Gaber had pleaded guilty to drunkenness and reckless driving, Justice Merckson asked:—"Will you name your own sentence?"

"Sure," Gaber replied. "Three hundred dollars and costs."

"You're too severe," said the court. "I'll reduce it \$100."

Eight Are Rescued In Montreal Fire

Montreal, Feb. 22.—Two invalids and six other persons overcome by smoke were rescued during a fire which broke out in the basement of Le Rita apartments, Sherbrooke street, east last night. The invalids were C. L. Chastagne and his daughter, who were carried down the stairs; the others were taken down ladders. Acting District Chief Pelletier, in charge of the fire-fighters, suffered a fractured finger when he slipped on the floor. The fire was confined to the basement.

Church Advertisers by 44-Foot Electric Sign

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 22.—What is said to be one of the largest church electric signs in America has been erected over the First Baptist Church here. It is 44 feet high and four feet wide. The letters are 18 inches high. The sign, surmounted by a flasher, bears the name of the church and the word "welcome." It attracts the eye in any part of the city.

DAUGHERTY REFUSES TO QUIT OFFICE

Attorney-General to Fight Efforts to Force Him From Cabinet.

SEEK COMPROMISE

Report Discloses That Lawyer Has Dealt in Sinclair Oil Stock.

(By Canadian Press.)

Washington, Feb. 22.—With Attorney-General Daugherty on record as being ready to carry to the country his fight against efforts to force him out of the cabinet, negotiations proceeded in the Senate today looking to early action on the resolution of Senator Wheeler, Democrat, Montana, providing for an investigation of his administration.

Progress toward a compromise of the resolution is understood to have been made yesterday at conferences between Mr. Wheeler and Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, the Republican leader, who objected to the measure as introduced because it undertook to name the investigating committee instead of leaving that matter to President Cummings of the Senate.

Statement is issued.

Mr. Daugherty's statement of his position was made late yesterday in a letter to Senator Pepper, of Pennsylvania, who with Senator Lodge advised President Coolidge Wednesday to ask for the attorney-general's resignation.

Daugherty's statement was being investigated by the oil committee and had been placed before the president.

PROMINENT REBEL LEADER IS TAKEN

Alvarado Captured in West of Mexico—U. S. Sends Gunboat to Protect Citizens.

Mexico City, Feb. 22.—General Salvador Alvarado, one of the principal rebel leaders in the west, has been captured at Colima, according to a report given out by the war office.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The U. S. gunboat Tulsa has been ordered from Galveston to Mexican waters and is to arrive at Tuxpan today.

Despatch of the gunboat was ordered by the navy department at the suggestion of Secretary of State Hughes after department advice had been reported that the U. S. citizens at Tuxpan desired increased protection.

PHONE GIRL HEROINE

Sacrifices Life to Sound Fire Alarm—Sister Also Perishes.

Andalusia, Ala., Feb. 22.—Miss Edna Donaldson, 21, and her sister, Miss Maude Donaldson, 25, were suffocated in a fire that swept the Standard Telephone Exchange in the Knox building yesterday.

Miss Edna Donaldson sacrificed her life in turning in a fire alarm. Her sister, who was her guest, stayed by her side.

BURYING GROUNDS ARE DESERTED

99 Monuments and Tombstones in Catholic Cemeteries Are Broken or Overturned.

Pawtucket, R. I., Feb. 22.—Police from Pawtucket and East Providence were called upon to investigate a strange case of desecration and vandalism in Mount St. Mary's cemetery, one of the largest Roman Catholic burial grounds in Rhode Island, after the discovery yesterday that 99 monuments and tombstones had been broken off at the base or overturned the night before. Property damage running into thousands of dollars was caused, investigators said.

Farm Wages a Bit Higher in 1923

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—(Canadian Press.)—The average wages of farm help during the summer season of 1923, including board, were, for men \$81 as against \$89 in 1922, and for women \$39, the same as 1922. The value of the board was \$12 in 1922, \$21 for men and \$17 for women. By the year the average value for males, including board, was \$911 in 1922, as compared with \$894 in 1922, and \$422 for women, as compared with \$418 in 1922.

It's Still Plain Edith Allen



Edith Allen (above), movie actress, was bitten with the prevalent "name-changing bug." She wanted something that sounded lofty. So she picked "Medda Lind." But it wouldn't work. She might have been "Medda Lind to herself, but she was Edith Allen to everybody else. So back it went to plain Edith Allen.

Little Spaniel Is Hero of Stable Fire; Saves "Pete" and "Nellie"

New York, Feb. 22.—A fat poodle that waddles roughly forward every time some one yells "Pete" at him, and a dignified old collie, named "Nellie," would have been burned to death in a fire that damaged the sheds and stable of the Greater New York Charcoal Company in Brooklyn if it hadn't been for Spot, a spaniel.

But Spot made such a fuss, barking and whining and darting in and out of the burning stable, grabbing men by the trousers and trying to drag them along, that Charles Solomon, Reinhardt Lang and Henry Hecker decided they had better see what excited him. So, worried and grimy and blackened though they were—they had already led nine horses to safety and had carried 10 children and a woman (weighing more than 200 pounds) down three flights of stairs—they followed the spaniel into the stable. And there behind a partition in the rear, with flames roaring all about them and smoke so thick that even a flashlight could hardly pierce it, they found Pete and Nellie tied to a post. They were taking their situation philosophically enough, just sitting there waiting for humans or death to come along.

Woman Contractor Takes Large Jobs

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 22.—Mrs. E. E. O'Brien does work unique for a woman. She is a contractor who bids on large jobs, and recently she has completed several such projects. Mrs. O'Brien has just built the Tunnel road on the boulevard known as the Sky-Line. Now she is engaged in grading and excavating the site of the United States veterans' hospital near Livermore, Cal.

Kiss a Day Keeps Divorce Away

London, Feb. 22.—Mr. Marsh, of February-street, Manchester, who celebrated his golden wedding on Christmas Day, is dead at the age of eighty-seven. He leaves more than seventy descendants.

Here's Loaf of Bread Century Old

London, Feb. 22.—A penny loaf of the brown "famine" bread sold in Coventry during the Peninsular War of more than 100 years ago has just been presented to the museum of the City Guild.

Accompanying it is a small notebook faded and discolored with age, in which the owner said he intended to keep the loaf as a memento of the extraordinary price of corn at that time, when it was sold at above 35 per "strike."

Grannie Webb, at 102, Enjoys Pipe

London, Feb. 22.—"To live long you must be contented. To be contented you must have a smoke, and that means a pipe. Better still, a clay pipe. All women should smoke a clay pipe." "Grannie" Webb of Ross who has just celebrated her 102nd birthday gave this prescription for longevity. She added: "I would rather go without my dinner than my pipe. I recommend shag."

TOO GOOD TO MISS. The entry list on today's sport page means spirited races at the Arena next week. Let's all go and give Gorman a great welcome.

J. M. QUEEN JUDGMENT REVERSED

Supreme Court Quashes a Conviction Made by Magistrate Henderson.

C. P. R. BRIDGE CASE

Dismissal of Suit Brought by Province Regarding Falls Bridge Upheld.

(By Canadian Press.)

Fredericton, Feb. 22.—New Brunswick's "blue sky" legislation, enacted at the last session of the Provincial Legislature under the title of the Sale of Securities Act, was held ultra vires this morning by the appeal court in a judgment quashing a conviction made by Police Magistrate Henderson, of St. John, against J. M. Queen for unlawful sale of securities under the act.

New Brunswick's legislation was similar to that of Saskatchewan, which was also held ultra vires.

C. P. R. Bridge Case. Judgment was also delivered in the appeal of the Attorney-General of New Brunswick vs. the Canadian Pacific Railway Company sustaining the decision of Mr. Justice Grimmer in dismissing the suit brought against the company to compel removal or raising of the C. P. R. bridges across the St. John River at St. John. Several other judgments were also given.

Half Million More For St. Maurice Work

Quebec, Feb. 22.—The Quebec legislative council yesterday passed the government's measure for spending an additional \$500,000 for the development of the St. Maurice River and its tributaries, bringing the amount up to \$2,000,000 for that purpose.

The council killed the bill regarding the Aime Massie estate, a bill which has created considerable stir, since it asks that an illegitimate child be placed in the same basis as the legitimate children.

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Weather Report

Toronto, Feb. 22.—The southern disturbance has moved eastward to the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the weather is fair and moderately cold from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces. It is cold in Manitoba and mild in Alberta.

Forecasts: Fair and Cold. Maritime—Moderate to fresh west to northwest winds, fair and cold tonight and Saturday.

Gulf and North Shore—Fresh southwest to west winds, fair and cold today and on Saturday.

New England—Fair tonight and Saturday. Somewhat colder to night, moderate to fresh west and northwest winds.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Temperatures: Lowest Highest during 8 a.m. Yesterday night

Table with 2 columns: Location, Temperature. Locations include Victoria, Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Montreal, St. John, Halifax, New York.