

BIG SKATING MEET HERE TO DRAW CROWD FROM NEW ENGLAND

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The Weather Snow Flurries

World Skating Meet here only two weeks away. Let's all boost.

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GORMAN IN NEW YORK; GETS WORKOUT TODAY IN MADISON GARDEN

By W. H. GOLDING,

Special representative of the Saint John Amateur Skating Association.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 13.—From the consensus of gossip at the table and in the club suite of Hotel Bellevue, it was gathered that the World's Championship meet in Saint John the last of the month is going to prove a strong magnet for many New England Canadians who well remember the halcyon days of Hughey McCormick, the Breens and latterly Merritt, Dalton, Bart Duffey and the other old timers.

Therefore there is every indication that when the Boston express rolls into Saint John on the 25th and 26th, it will empty itself of a surprising number of Yankee cousins, sisters and aunts to see the big doings at Lily Lake, and incidentally visit the homeland folks. Boston will probably send some of its sport writers as well, for Gorman's appearance in town today has been of short duration when a representative of a group of papers called upon him at the Canadian Club, got his sporting pedigree and lugged off a batch of photographs.

Yesterday, in Boston, Messrs. Gorman and Golding were entered a lunch by the Canadian Club there, followed by a theatre party. In the evening, they attended the Boston-Canada hockey match, but Gorman did not give an exhibition, owing to the professional character of the game.

SPECIAL EXCURSION.

In a telegram here, Mr. Golding reports that Gorman was interviewed for the Boston papers and the big meet here was given much publicity. Mr. Golding said that the Boston and Maine had under advisement a project to run special excursions from Boston for the meet, but that the railway would require special newspaper advertising. This matter was talked over at the Monday meeting of the Saint John Skating Association executive today here.

HALF-HOLIDAY MATTER.

It was decided at the meeting to appoint a special deputation to wait on the Common Council with respect to a half-holiday for the meet. Reports on the ticket selling of the reserved section this morning showed that they are going steadily, with more than one-quarter gone already. Citizens are urged to get their tickets early.

RICKARD MAY COME.

A letter from "Joe" Page was read, advising that one of the newspapers, John Gribbes Pittsburg Post, could not come, but that the would take his place. Mr. Page said that Tex Rickard, famous sports promoter, was much interested in the meet here and that there was a possibility of his attending.

Gorman arrived in Boston Tuesday morning and with his party was met by W. Harry Allen, president of the New Brunswick Guides' Association, who has been in New England and New York State on one of his many winter missionary tours with moving pictures of our New Brunswick game and fishing exploits. Harry, true to form, had been in telegraphic communication with E. A. Schofield in arranging for a show of new fishing pictures to be pulled off at the same time as Gorman was received by the club. However, a fixture on the club's calendar prevented the exhibition of movies but Harry, Charlie and party were cordially received at the same and made very welcome at a large round table lunch.

GORMAN IS KEEN.

Charlie states that in all his travels he has not been more gracefully received or given better encouragement. In fact, the Gorman that he met at Jack the Giant Killer in New York on Thursday is a vastly changed Gorman as to state of mind. He is as cool as the proverbial cucumber and claims that in his earlier skating days his fitful outbursts of temperament used to upset him. Now he is perfectly at ease and will go on the ice at the Rickard's new Madison Square Garden with no nervous strain but simply determined to do his best, come what may.

Some of Gorman's well wishers are a bit dubious about his performance in the three mile event but Charlie wants them to understand that in the he has specialised and done his best skating in the split distances, his coming within two seconds of the world mark in the three mile event a couple of years ago and his later performance of a credible character at this strenuous length, should hearten him for the New York test on Thursday, though he is not going to prophesy.

MAY NOT REMAIN.

There is some doubt as to Gorman's staying in New York for the Monday one mile event but strong influences will be brought to bear to have him do so as this distance should be more to his liking. The American papers are carrying a lot of pictorial sport chatter about Thunberg's debut and his international rivalry.

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So between Thunberg's intoned intention of breaking into trans-Atlantic fame with a smashed indoor mark for 3 miles, the prospects of his starting at a killing pace—and Joe Moore's speed and foxiness, the Canadian contender has got to dope out his own plans pretty carefully.

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IF ALL VOTE, OPPOSITION IS IN MAJORITY

Crisis Develops Rapidly In Parliament At Ottawa

MARGIN NARROW

Meighen Will Face Difficulties If He Attempts to Carry on

Special to The Times-Star.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 13.—A crisis in Parliament is rapidly developing, and it is now generally stated that there are enough Progressives ready to support the Conservatives to upset the Government. It will be by a narrow margin, which means that if Mr. Meighen attempts to carry on with such a foundation his difficulties will not be less than those of the Liberals. This morning it is known that eight Progressives are ready to pull with the opposition tomorrow.

THESE COMMITTED

They are: Miss Macphail, Ontario; Lucas and Boutillier, Alberta; Beaulieu, Manitoba; Carmichael, Evans; Fansler and Campbell, Saskatchewan. This will give the Conservatives a majority of one, provided every group in the House is completely represented at the time of the division. It is possible that instead of voting with the Conservatives one or two, or even three of the above named might simply absent themselves from the House.

STRONG SKATER.

Thunberg is a powerful skater, Charlie says. He is thick-set, slightly shorter than Gorman and much the type of Norval Bapte, the American western ice king of other days. He cuts a terrific clip and like all old world skaters, excels on the straight-aways.

Provincial Accounts Audit Completed

Special to The Times-Star.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 13.—Routine business occupied the provincial government this morning. The audit of the provincial accounts for the last fiscal year has been completed.

BRITAIN LOOKS FOR A BUSY AUTO YEAR

The government will complete its meeting here this evening and proceed to Saint John to meet there on Thursday.

Home Produced Small Car Makes Good in Competition With U. S. Product

TWO WERE EXECUTED

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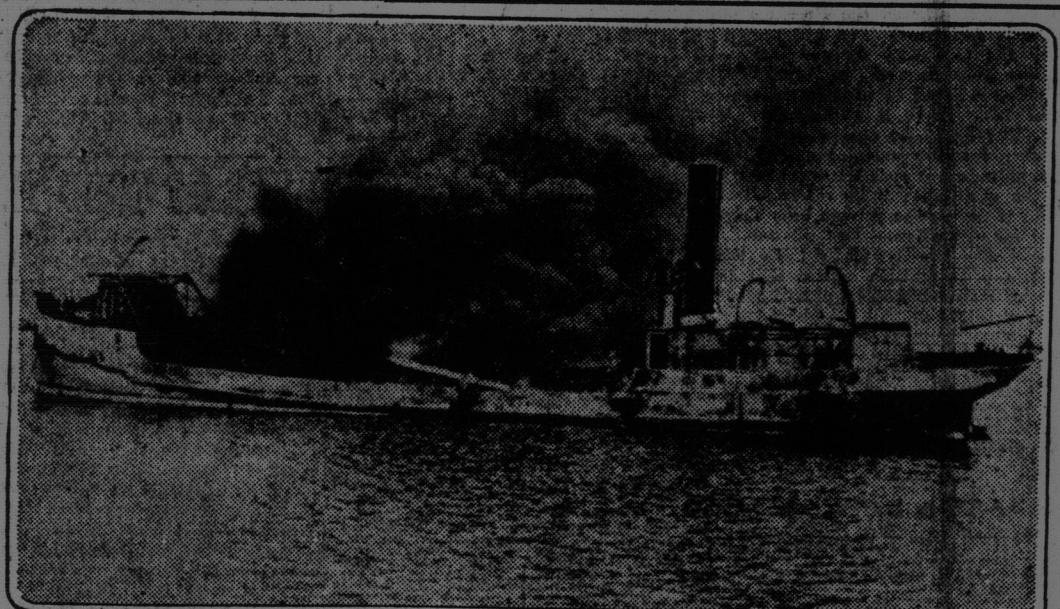
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Quebec Reaffirms Ban on Hydro Export To U. S.

Just Before Tanker, Afire at Sea, Blew Up



The Italian tanker "P. Coullida," on a fire off the coast of Bengal, Tripoli, Africa, with a cargo of oil and naphtha, just after it crew made a thrifting escape in small boats. This photo was made from one of the boats while an explosion was imminent.

Maritime Men Heads of Four Leading Banks

HALIFAX, Jan. 13.—With the appointment yesterday of Sidney Logan as general manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce the Maritime Provinces have provided general managers for the four leading banking institutions. J. A. McLeod, general manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia, was born in P. E. I.; Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, Bank of Montreal, was born in Moncton; C. E. Neill, Royal Bank of Canada, was born in Fredericton; and Sidney Logan, Canadian Bank of Commerce, was born in Springhill, N. S.

MEXICAN FLOODS TOLL FULLY 2,000

Thousands of Families Homeless; 14 Inches of Rain in Three Days

Threaten War On Ban Against Women Clergy

Canadian Press. NOGALES, Ariz., Jan. 13.—Fully two thousand persons lost their lives and thousands of families are homeless as the result of the recent floods which swept the State of Nayarit, Mexico, said H. B. Tilcomb, president of the Southern Pacific of Mexico Railroad, who has returned from Mexico. The floods were the worst since the region, were unprecedented and that 18 1/2 inches fell in three days. He says the loss of life probably will never be definitely known, as many persons were swept away to the ocean by the walls of water that descended on several towns. The damage to the Southern Pacific of Mexico Railway will reach \$250,000, Mr. Tilcomb estimated.

LUTHER ASKED TO FORM NEW CABINET

Canadian Press. BERLIN, Jan. 13.—Suffragettes are on the war path against the edict which bans members of their sex from the ministry and participation in church convocations.

NASH LOOKING FOR HIGHER AUTO COSTS

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BRINDLE FINED IN INSTITUTE CASE; ORGY THERE, SAYS COURT

Magistrate Henderson Speaks of Drunken Revelry on New Year's Eve; Comments On Manager's Acts; Tells of Good Influence Institute Has Had and Defines Liquor Law.

THAT in his opinion New Year's Eve was a night of drunken revelry at the Seaman's Institute, and that the defendant had been informed that there were drunken men on the premises before he left, and that he ought to have been attending to other duties as manager, instead of taking tickets for the dance, although he did not make any gain by reason of the men being drunk, was the comment of Magistrate Henderson in delivering judgment this morning when he found him guilty of permitting drunkenness on the premises and imposed a penalty of \$100 or three months in jail.

In his judgment the magistrate paid a tribute to the work being carried out at the Institute. He also said that the small number of seamen arrested for drunkenness in this city was a tribute to the work the institute was carrying on.

D. King Halse represented the defendant while J. Starr Tait appeared for the prosecution.

TEXT OF JUDGMENT. The judgment follows: It may be necessary to remind people that the Prohibition Act was passed in the year 1916, designed to suppress the traffic in intoxicating liquor in this province and has the same force of law as any other act or statute in our books and is just as much an offence to break its provisions as it is to violate any other law.

What are some of its provisions? No person shall by himself, clerk or agent, expose, procure or keep for sale or offer to sell liquor except for medicinal purposes and then only by persons duly licensed. No person shall publicly drink or offer to other persons liquor in a public place. No person shall keep liquor in any place whatsoever other than his own private dwelling house in which he resides without having a wholesale or retail license.

A private dwelling house is a separate dwelling actually and exclusively occupied and used as a private residence, and is not a place where there are more than three lodgers, or an inn, a tavern or hotel or other house of public entertainment, is not a private residence. Consequently it is illegal for liquor to be had or kept in any of these places and when it is found the person in charge is responsible.

SOCIETIES AND CLUBS. No society or club or association of any kind shall sell or keep liquor in any room or building occupied or controlled by such club or association. No prescription shall be furnished by a physician unless he has visited professionally such person and no prescription shall be given or liquor administered except in cases of actual need.

Liquor shall mean every spirituous or malt liquor and every wine and any other combination of liquor that is intoxicating, and all liquors contained in a boarding or lodging house without having a license shall be deemed intoxicating liquor.

MUST NOT PERMIT. Primarily then these are the provisions in reference to the traffic in liquor. Incidentally other provisions are enacted which create offences and among them it is provided that no one shall permit drunkenness to take place in the premises controlled by him, or permit or suffer any drunken person to consume any liquor in said house or on said premises.

Inspectors are appointed whose duty it is to prosecute all offenders against any of the provisions of the act under penalty if they do not do so and by section 156, police officers, policemen and constables shall have full authority to, and it shall be their duty to

enforce all the provisions of the act. The provisions of the act are drastic and the machinery ample. There can be no good reason why the law should not be enforced as well as any other law if we are law-abiding citizens and not outlaws.

REVIEWS THIS CASE. In this particular case the facts are, that the Seaman's Institute, commonly called Mission, has for many years existed on Prince William street, intended to safeguard the sailor, providing him with a home to which he could resort and be removed from the temptations that prevail in city life. The managers have worked with a view of accomplishing the object for which it existed and the institution has been wonderfully successful. It has been a rare occurrence for a sailor to be in court charged with drunkenness. I can offer no other explanation than that they have been safely sheltered in the building that was erected for them by public subscription and now so splendidly maintained by the provisions of the Navy League. Somehow or other this year a looseness has evidently crept in. How far back that date is uncertain. Reference has been made to the appearance on the night in question of a bag—that would account for three of the bottles, but does not explain why there should be some thirty others. Some labelled "whiskey," others "gin," and others undoubtedly liquor bottles, nor is there any explanation offered.

SAYS DRUNKEN REVELRY. We also have the evidence that when the police visited the place the help was cleaning up, and to that extent making the place look better than it had been. Men had been sick all over the place and had vomited over many beds and there is so much evidence of disgusting character that one can come to no other conclusion than it was a night of drunken revelry and later a veritable orgy, drinking, fighting and drunken sickness. The whole situation was positively opposed to the object, the spirit and the provisions of the act.

Who does the law as well as public opinion hold responsible? Why, the person in charge. But you say he had left the building before the crisis came. Suppose he had, a person cannot escape responsibility by moving away from it. Moreover, I am of the opinion that his assistant called his attention to the condition of things before he left—to which his answer was "perhaps things will quiet down before morning." It may be argued that the defendant had no guilty mind. Even if it could be regarded as a bona fide mistake as to the condition of the drunken persons, that would not be a defence. It could only be considered in mitigation of penalty. The general scope of the act is for the suppression of drunkenness.

SPEAKS OF MANAGER. In old time and as applicable to the common law the maxim of "mens rea" had general application, but modern times have seen the rise of the "strict liability" doctrine, and it is now held that a person can be held liable for an offence even though he had no fault or blame.

DRY LAWS OF TWO COUNTRIES ARE COMPARED

Where U. S. Failed, Quebec Triumphed, Says Taschereau

\$5,000,000 A YEAR

Province Will Oppose St. Lawrence Waterway Scheme, Premier Declares

Canadian Press. QUEBEC, Que., Jan. 13.—There will be no export of hydro electric energy to the United States from the Province of Quebec, although Quebec stands ready to co-operate with other provinces for the development of its natural resources and pointed to the power. But this co-operation is subject to the terms of the local administration's policy, and these absolutely prohibit the United States from getting hydro power from Quebec sources.

This was reaffirmed last night in the Quebec Legislature when Premier Taschereau speaking during the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the Throne, dwelt at great length on the advantages accruing to the province through the conservation of its natural resources and pointed to the fact that the aluminum companies of America were spending one hundred million dollars on the Saguenay River, as justifying the Government's policy in this connection.

LIQUOR LAWS CONTRASTED. "The bankruptcy of the Volstead Act" in the United States, was also cited by Premier Taschereau in support of the Quebec Liquor Law.

He referred to a recent address of Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, New York, as showing how many distinguished men in the neighboring Republic viewed the matter of prohibition.

"Where the United States has failed, Quebec's revenue from this source amounted to \$5,000,000 annually, he said.

WATERWAY OPPOSED. Quebec would also oppose the St. Lawrence waterway project, being willing to impose a further immense debt on the Federal Government, a large part of which would have to be paid by the people of this province. The recent decision of the Imperial Privy Council, which vested the bed of the river in the province, through which it flowed, provided Quebec with a formidable arm as far as the St. Lawrence was concerned, said the Premier.

HOT SOUP OUSTS BEER AS THIRST QUENCHER

CARLISLE, England, Jan. 13.—Soup as a thirst quencher for beer and whisky drinkers, is being tried out by the Carlisle Municipality.

"These facts furnish abundant reason why the state should assume and exercise the power of control of unquenchably has over antracite as a public utility."

MUSSOLINI UNDER KNIFE SOON, REPORT

LONDON, Jan. 13.—The report that Premier Mussolini of Italy was to undergo an operation, which has appeared from time to time in the newspapers and denied officially at Rome, is again revived by the Daily Express.

The newspaper prints a despatch to the effect, it is understood, that Mussolini has finally decided on the advice of his physician to undergo an operation, possibly this month. The operation is described as of a dangerous nature.

Hungry Ferrets Escape And Attack Child

BERLIN, Jan. 13.—Two hungry ferrets last night gnawed their way through a cage and probably fatally injured two-year-old Katie Bitterling as she lay in her crib. They had chewed off two of the baby's fingers and bitten her arms and face before her screams awakened her foster parents.

Temperatures TORONTO, Jan. 13.— Lowest Highest during 8 a.m. Yesterday night

Victoria ... 36 40 30
Winnipeg ... 14 20 6
Toronto ... 14 16 6
Montreal ... 6 10 2
Saint John ... 16 24 14
Halifax ... 26 36 30
New York ... 14 24 10

The Weather SYNOPSIS—A shallow depression is centered this morning, over the Great Lakes, and another is moving eastward across Northern Manitoba. The weather has been cold in Ontario and Quebec and mild in the Western Province. Light snow has fallen in the Maritime Provinces.

FORECASTS: Snow Flurries. MARITIME—Moderate winds, cloudy, and moderately cold tonight and Thursday. Local snow flurries.

NEW ENGLAND—Probably snow tonight and Thursday, rising temperature tonight and on the coast Thursday; moderate to fresh south and southwest winds, shifting to northwest winds.