

FATE OF CREW OF ESPERANTO STILL UNKNOWN

Unless They Were Rescued by the "Elsie" Feared All Have Perished.

MASTS PROTRUDING FROM THE WATER

Elsie's Captain An Old Friend of Skipper of the "Esperanto."

Winnipeg, N. S., May 31.—Tonight in the Nova Scotia town of Shelburne anxious hearts await tidings of the Gloucester schooner Elsie, which it is hoped, rescued the crew of the Esperanto, winner of the international ocean fishing schooner races last fall when she foundered off Sable Island Sunday night last. There has been no word of Captain Theodor Benham and his crew of Shelburne and Gloucester men who almost certainly were taken off by the Elsie or drowned.

Searching the Seas.
All day and far into the night look-outs in ports along the Nova Scotia coast strained their gaze seaward to catch the first glimpse of the Elsie bringing glorious or heart-breaking news to the relatives of the Esperanto's crew. No click of the wireless operator's key told Nova Scotia anything of the Elsie tonight.

Strong is the optimism of the maritime people; expressions of hope amounting almost to certainty were current today in Shelburne.

PRES. HARDING GREET'S ROTARY

Eleven Hundred Visitors Hear His Message at Banquet in New York.

New York, May 31.—Bishop Wm. T. Manning, of the Episcopal church, today was the principal speaker at a luncheon given by the New York Rotary Club in honor of the 1,100 Rotarians of the United States and Canada, who will sail tomorrow on the steamers Caronia and Camorota for Great Britain. The delegates will represent the Associated Rotary Clubs of America at the twelfth annual convention of International Rotarians to be held in Edinburgh, Scotland, June 12-14.

Praises the Rotarians
Bishop Manning praised the overseas mission of the Rotarians and said it undoubtedly would have a great influence in cementing the friendship of the nations.

INSANE NEGRO BURNS COLLEGE

Set a Fire That Caused Loss of Over One Hundred Thousand.

Macon, Ga., May 31.—The main building of Central City College, a negro institution here of 300 students was set on fire and completely destroyed early today by an insane negro woman who appeared on the campus stripped of all clothing and stoned the building before entering to apply the torch.

All students got out of the building without injury. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

GIRL'S CAREER ENDS
Winnipeg, Man., May 31.—A career in which it is alleged by the police, Winnipeg banks, hotels and departments were victimized, was brought to an abrupt close today when Mabel Howard, 25 years old, of Sioux City, Iowa, was arraigned in court on several charges of passing worthless checks. She was granted a remand in order to secure counsel, but was not allowed bail.

AMERICAN POTATOES AND WHEAT DUTIABLE

Must Have Customs Now to Enter Canada Since Emergency Bill is Passed

Washington, May 31.—United States wheat coming into Canada is now dutiable at the rate of fifty cents a bushel, and potatoes at twenty cents a bushel, as an automatic effect of the Young emergency tariff bill effective last Saturday.

The Canadian tariff items in question provided that countries admitting free to their markets Canadian wheat and potatoes are to have reciprocal treatment here, and such commodities are not dutiable.

Where, however, a duty is imposed on Canadian wheat and potatoes going to such countries similar experts to Canada are dutiable at the rate mentioned. The tariff item has been applied since yesterday.

SEN. ROBERTSON UNDER FIRE BY SENATE LEADERS

Declare Head of Department Should Be An Impartial Judge in All Issues.

MINISTER DEFENDS COURSE OF LABOR

Alleges Many Benefits to Workers Because of the International Unions.

Ottawa, May 31.—There was a spirited debate in the Senate today on Senator Casgrain's notice of motion that "in the opinion of the Senate the presence in the cabinet of a minister affiliated to an international union is a menace to Canada."

Senator Casgrain, supporting his motion, said his remarks were not directed against any minister, nor did he wish them to be considered as hostile to international unions.

He was a friend of labor, but believed in individual liberty both for employers and employees.

Praises the Minister.
The career of the minister of labor had been a great credit to labor, but the minister had made a serious mistake when he refused to invite the National Catholic unions to conference.

There was a change in the attitude of labor, and even union men were anxious to assert individually. Union men were restricted in advancement by trade unions. The open shop did not discriminate against union labor and union labor ought not to discriminate against the open shop.

Lord Shaughnessy had said that in the midst of this period of world-wide trouble Quebec was proving a shoe an anchor for civilization.

Canadian Cattle And Meat Prices

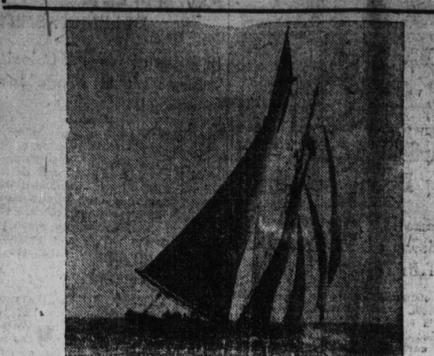
In March 2,007 Canadian Steers Were Landed in British Isles.

London, May 31.—In the House of Commons today Percy Hurd asked for the numbers of Canadian and United States cattle arriving in Great Britain for slaughter since the re-opening of trade, and whether they had had any appreciable effect on meat prices.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, president of the Board of Agriculture, gave the numbers as 14,740 from the United States and 2,007 from Canada between March 4 and 29. The whole sale price of meat had, he said, tended to fall, but it was impossible to state the effect of cattle importations on such prices.

FEAR TO GRANT BAIL.
Sydney, N. S., May 31.—Owing to the state of public feeling over the affair of Crown Prosecutor W. P. Carroll, K. C., has ordered local courts not to grant bail to any of the seven young men held here on a serious charge preferred by a seventeen year old girl.

"ESPERANTO" IN HER RACE



This picture shows the lost Gloucester racing fishing schooner sailing in her championship contests off Halifax last fall.

DISARMAMENT FEELERS ARE OUT ALREADY

Washington, May 31.—"Informal feelers" with respect to an international agreement for a reduction of armaments already have been put out by the United States government.

MARITIME MEN MEET FEDERAL LEADERS TODAY

Delegation Will Be Received by Government at Noon to Present Case.

"KID GLOVE TIME" GONE THEY SAY

Stand on Confederation Terms is Motto of the Atlantic Men.

Special Staff Correspondence
Ottawa, May 31.—The members of the Maritime delegation met in caucus here tonight and discussed fully their plans for presenting their case before the Cabinet tomorrow morning.

It was decided to base their case on the carrying out of that agreement in full. Messrs. R. E. Finn, I. C. Rand, H. J. Logan, H. R. McLellan, W. S. Fisher and Angus McLean were the men selected to present the argument which will be heard on the resolution passed by the Nova Scotia Legislature at its last session.

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Mrs. Nelson Norton
Moncton, N. B., May 31.—The death of Mrs. Debbie Norton, wife of Nelson H. Norton, a well-known C. N. R. conductor, occurred this morning after being in failing health two years.

FIVE HUNDRED FARMERS FLEE BEFORE FLOOD

Twelve Thousand Acres of Land Inundated When Great Dike Breaks.

WATERS COVER LAND NINE MILES LONG

Torrent Poured Through Gap in River Wall Sixty Feet in Width.

Woodland, Wn., May 31.—Between 400 and 500 persons, farmers and their families were believed early today to have escaped to safety as the result of warning given last night when a dike near here protecting a reclaimed farm area of 12,000 acres broke under pressure of flood waters from the Columbia river.

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RAILWAYS TO OPEN SHOPS ON SHORT WEEKS

Grand Trunk and C. P. R. at Montreal to Have Reduced Staffs.

WORK TOO EXPENSIVE FOR LARGE GANGS

Another Two Weeks Holiday May be Order Early in Month.

Montreal, May 31.—Preparations for a gradual resumption of the work of the various big railway shops through-out Canada are now underway, although it was stated today that these shops would not return to anything like full time, owing to the high cost of production, and the diminished volume of work consequent on increased costs of traffic.

Four Days' Each Week

At the Canadian Pacific Railway headquarters it was stated today that the Angus shops here which closed down two weeks ago will not resume until tomorrow when they will commence with their full staff of over 3,500 men and will work about four days a week. There is no prospect ahead of the usual high pressure activity of the past few years.

Huge Wage Cut

Chicago, May 31.—An estimated \$400,000,000 will be slashed from the railway wage bill of the United States when an order cutting wages an average of 12 per cent. to be handed down tomorrow by the United States railroad labor board, becomes effective July 31.

Some of the Reductions.

For section men the reduction was approximately 18 per cent. Switch men and shop crafts were given a nine per cent. reduction, while the train service men were cut approximately seven per cent.

May Lose a Year

Punishment has not been decided upon, but it is expected that the strikers who were trying to pass their examinations on false pretences will be suspended for a session and then forced to repeat their present year.

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World News Today

CANADA

On a motion to give Ontario bill the six months' hoist the Government is sustained by 44 majority.

UNITED STATES

American wheat and potatoes must pay duty to enter Canada since Emergency Bill became law.

BRITISH ISLES

Three soldiers murdered and several more injured when military lorry is bombed in Ireland.

PAPER MAKERS MAY ARBITRATE ALL TROUBLES

Consideration of Manufacturers' Proposal is Now Before Workers.

FORTY THOUSAND MEN ARE INVOLVED

Go Back on 75 Per Cent. of Former Wages Until Scale Decided.

Albany, N. Y., May 31.—Consideration of a proposal of representatives of ten paper manufacturers to arbitrate the differences which resulted early this month in a strike of about 40,000 paper mill workers in Canada, the United States and Newfoundland, was begun here today by officials of the International Brotherhood of Paper Makers and International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers and shop delegates from each of the plants affected.

The Proposal.

The proposal of the manufacturers was that the strikers return to work pending arbitration of the differences, that until the decision of the arbitrators was announced the men should receive 75 per cent. of the wages they were paid prior to the strike, that any change in the wage rate should be effective as of the date on which operations were resumed and that any increase would be given to the men at back pay on the pay day after announcement of the verdict.

Clash With Strikers.

Green Bay, Wis., May 31.—Several minor clashes were reported today when officials, office employees and strike breakers employed at the Northern Paper Mill here were turned away from work by pickets numbering more than 1,000.

Soldiers Killed in Bomb Tragedy

Twelve Others Injured in Accident on U. S. Proving Ground.

Washington, May 31.—Two enlisted men were killed and three officers and nine enlisted men were injured in the explosion of a bomb today at the Aberdeen, Md., army proving grounds, according to a private message received here today from Aberdeen.

BATTLE IN SILESIA.

Ansbang, Silesia, May 31.—Fifty Poles and fifteen Germans were killed and a total of about 175 were wounded, when Polish insurgents attempted today to take Ansbang after a brief shelling by small field pieces.

NAVY WILL BE REAL PROBLEM FOR PREMIERS

Imperial Conference to Decide How Dominions Will Assist the Empire.

FAVOR PLAN FOR DOMINION SHIPS

In Event of War All Colonial Fleets Would Merge into Imperial.

London, May 31.—The imperial premiers together with representatives of India, are assembling in London the second fortnight in June for what is considered the most important meeting of the kind ever held in the history of the British empire.

Dominating Issue.

Of these questions the Anglo-Japanese alliance is the dominating one, involving as it does future relations between Great Britain and the United States and, incidentally, the naval policy.

More Imperial Voice.

The dominion governments, it is said, are not averse to such a solution, but will expect to return to have a greater voice in the imperial policy.

Heroic Boy Saves Little Girl's Life

Two Miles from Shore When Canoe Upset But Boy Rescued Girl.

Montreal, May 31.—Although only thirteen years of age, Edward Jennings, of Lachine, gave evidence of courage and presence of mind which a full grown and experienced lifesaver would find it hard to equal, when under difficult circumstances he saved the life of his little boating companion, Margaret Henry.

Cambridge Honors Rear-Admiral Sims

With Prince of Wales He is Given Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws.

Cambridge, Eng., May 31.—Rear-Admiral William S. Sims, commander of the United States naval forces in European waters during the war was granted an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws today by the University of Cambridge.

TODAY

IMPERIAL—"Snow in the Desert."
OPERA HOUSE—Norris' Baboon, Dog and Pony Circus; Dolly Dumplin; 3 Other Big Vaudeville Acts and Serial Drama.

QUEEN SQUARE—Louis G. May, Jr.'s Special "The Woman in His House."

EMPRESS—"The House of the Telling Bell."
STAR—Tom Moore in "Just for Tonight."