

RAILWAY CANNOT CARRY ON, IVEY ASSERTS

Police Arrest Alleged Hold-Up Man, Wanted in Detroit

Police Claim Baker Aided Bandit Gang

Detroit Jewelry Store Hold-Up Leads to Arrest of London Man.

TWO OTHERS TAKEN

Detectives Find Former Bank Clerk After Five-Hour Hunt in City.

Lawrence Baker, 25-year-old Londoner and former bank clerk here, was arrested last night at his home, 11 Briscoe street, for Detroit police on a charge of robbery armed. He is wanted with two other men for holding up employees of the Matheson-Turbin jewelry company, 7411 Kitchener avenue, Detroit, last month and stealing more than \$5,000 in cash and diamonds.

Baker was taken to police station last night by Sergeant of Detectives Harry Down, Detective George E. Walsh, and a Pinkerton detective after notification had been received from Detroit police that a warrant was held for his arrest.

May Admit Theft.

He will not fight extradition, according to police, and he has made a partial confession of the part he played in the robbery.

Detectives Down and Walsh waited for five hours in front of Baker's home yesterday. It was not until 11:20 o'clock that he approached his house in an automobile. He submitted to arrest without offering any resistance, although he threw the key to his car away.

According to Detroit police, Baker and two other men, Norman Mesjire and William Chesman, entered the Matheson-Turbin jewelry store on Nov. 22. They held up the clerks at revolver point and bound and gagged several with heavy rope and picture wire. They made away with all the cash in the store and quantities of valuable jewelry.

Two Others Nabbed.

McGuire and Chesman have since been arrested in Denver, Colorado, and are now being taken to Detroit. The three men will probably stand trial together.

Lawrence Baker is known to the police as "Jill" Baker, using the name as an alias. He is well known in London, being the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Baker. He is not held in the Detroit police department until officers of the Detroit police department arrive to take him into the United States.

DANCER'S DIVORCE DROVE POET HUSBAND TO DEATH

By JUNIUS B. WOOD.
Special Cable to The Advertiser and The Chicago Daily News.

Moscow, Dec. 30.—The body of Serge Yessenin, the poet and former husband of Isadora Duncan, the American dancer, was brought to Moscow from Leningrad, and lies in state today at the House of Writers. Burial services will be held tomorrow under the aegis of the organization of Poets and Writers.

It was understood that Yessenin's suicide was due largely to the efforts of his latest wife to secure a divorce. Recently all of his works have shown extreme melancholy, particularly his novel New World, and his poem Black Man.

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The Weather

FORECASTS.
Fresh west and southwest winds, fair today and on Friday, stationery or a little higher temperature.

Pressure remains highest over the middle states and relatively low over northern and eastern Canada, with no indication of any important change. The weather is fair throughout the dominion with quite moderate temperature except in the maritime provinces, where it is fairly low.

Temperatures.
The highest and lowest temperatures previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Stations.	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	48	28	Cloudy
Calgary	48	28	Fair
Winnipeg	48	28	Fair
Port Arthur	48	28	Fair
Toronto	48	28	Fair
Montreal	48	28	Fair
Quebec	48	28	Fair
Halifax	48	28	Fair

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 18; lowest, 10.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 21; lowest, 13.

The sun rises at 7:52 a.m. and sets at 4:50 p.m.

Barometric Readings.
Wednesday—8 p.m., 29.53.
Today—8 a.m., 29.59.

L.S.R. ENDS OPERATIONS UNLESS CITY INTERVENES

L.S.R., Bus Work Of New Council

Here is a short resume of what the 1926 city council has done towards solving the transportation problem.
Gave the London Street Railway Company provisional right to run cars until midnight tonight at a 5-cent fare.
Asked the L. S. R. and bus companies to submit proposals as to what they would be prepared to do in the way of service and routes.
Took no action at yesterday's meeting on ultimatum of L. S. R. Will pass bylaw this afternoon extending L. S. R. agreement for 30 days at a 5-cent fare, pending new permanent agreement.

RAILWAY HAS NOT REFUSED TO PAY

Investigation Being Made Into Damages Done to Water Mains.

In recent letters to the public utilities commission the London Street Railway company states that it has not refused to pay the commission's bill of approximately \$200 for electrolysis damages to the water mains on Horton street.

It is true that for weeks the street railway company ignored the communication from the commission, but now the company writes that an investigation is being made into the matter, and that it will be taken up later.

Electricity leaking away from the company's rails, aided by moist ground, enters the water mains, and at the point where it leaves electrolytic action causes the pipe to be eaten away, with consequent water leakages.

OTTAWA DISCREDITS REPORT ON GARDINER

No Credence Placed in Rumor Alberta Man Going Into Cabinet.

Special to The Advertiser.
Ottawa, Dec. 31.—The rumor that Robert Gardiner, U. P. O. member for Acadia, will enter the King cabinet is treated lightly in political circles at the capital. The premier is not divulging his plans of cabinet reconstruction at the present time, and official confirmation or denial of the rumor of Mr. Gardiner's entry is not secureable.

It may, however, be stated authoritatively that the government at present time had no intention of summoning to its councils Mr. Gardiner, or any other independent member.

The member for Acadia is probably one of the most radical of the radical group, which defected from the Progressives last session, and were called "Gingerites." He was elected on Oct. 29 as a U. P. A. candidate, and by a fairly narrow majority.

LORD AND LADY BYNG WILL ENTERTAIN AS HOUSE OPENS

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Their excellencies, the Governor-General and Lady Byng of Vimy will hold a drawing-room in the senate chamber on the evening of Saturday, Jan. 9, following the day of the formal opening of parliament, it was officially announced today.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Dec. 30.—The Rev. Dr. Archibald A. Cameron, aged 84, prominent in Baptist activities in Canada and the United States, died here today.

Besides having charge of the pastorate of Ottawa, Winnipeg, Denver, and the superintendence of the evening of the Rocky Mountain Chautauqua and was for four years chairman of law enforcement in Brooklyn, N.Y.

New Collegiate Rearing Walls

Above is shown the Sir Adam Beck collegiate institute, which is rapidly rearing its walls on a particularly fine site at the corner of Dundas street and Highways avenue. John Paterbough, London, is the contractor for the building, which is to cost in the neighborhood of \$200,000 and which is to be used to house the students of the present east end collegiate unit on Princess avenue and the pupils of Pottersburg public school on Hale street. The school has been named after Sir Adam Beck because of the fact that securing the

site from the Ontario government at a price of \$25,000 was one of Sir Adam's last public acts before his death last summer. The picture shows the first foundations and some of the structural steel of the first story. It is expected that the building will be ready for occupancy by Sept. 1 next.

Canadian Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 30.—The meeting of Premier Mussolini and Sir Austin Chamberlain, the British foreign secretary, at Rapallo yesterday furnished occasion for the fascist press to renew today its previous strong expressions of skepticism regarding the league's proposed disarmament meetings.

In addition to the extremist Ilmporo and Il Tevere, which continued to fulminate against Germany, even the Corriere d'Italia, which usually is comparatively mild, emphasizes the assumption that the Italian premier and Sir Austin talked about the new Russo-Turkish treaty rather than the plans for giving effect to the pacific principles laid down by the treaties of Locarno.

The Corriere d'Italia says clouds of trouble appear everywhere on the horizon. "In the Orient the Chinese anarchy is overshadowed by another free, which again places the United States and Japan face to face."

L'Impero under the title of "The Utopia of Disarmament," says that Europe is more than ever a powder mine. This paper enumerates various questions which might touch the match at any time, and devotes more than a column to trying to prove that Germany, in spite of her professions of helplessness, is really the best armed nation in Europe, principally because of her united spirit of revenge.

Il Tevere declares that the "spirit of Locarno appears more and more as a colossal deception, which is damaging to sincere, honest and chivalrous peoples." This journal says that Locarno is a benefit to France, but only because it represented an internal victory for the government in power, but that in reality Germany has profited most because Locarno enabled Germany "to chloroform the rest of Europe."

Radio May Cure Girl's Deafness

Canadian Press Despatch.
Winnipeg, Dec. 31.—Miss Elsie Hayes, 25, who had been deaf and dumb for the last 22 years, was persuaded to put on the headphones of a radio set last night. She showed evidence that she was able to distinguish between the different sounds in use at the broadcasting station, and when her mother spoke to her later, responded with a word which listeners took to be "mother." It is hoped that further experimentation may result in partial return at least of her hearing and vocal powers.

SALVATION ARMY MAKES TRANSFERS

Commandants Hurd and Ursaki Will Leave London on January 17.

The local divisional headquarters of the Salvation army has received a number of farewell or transfer orders from Commissioner Sowton of Toronto, officer in command of the Eastern Canada division of the army. The orders include direction to farewell to a number of local army officers, as well as others of this district.

Among the officers of London who have received orders to transfer are: Commandant Mrs. H. A. Hurd, financial representatives of the London division, who will go to Toronto Jan. 17, to join the subscribers' department of that division. His successor will be Adjutant Noah Pitcher, who will be transferred here from the subscribers' department of Montreal. Commandant and Mrs. L. Ursaki, officers in charge of No. 1, Clarence street citadel, also will leave on Jan. 17. Their appointments and successors have not yet been determined.

Field Major Hidon of St. Thomas will be transferred on the same date, as will Adjutant Woolcock of Woodstock and Captain and Mrs. J. Rowland of Exeter.

It is expected that their appointments and successors will be announced next week.

TOUCHES WIRE, BURNED.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Dec. 30.—When he came in contact with a feed wire carrying 12,200 volts at the hydro sub-station, Strachan avenue, this afternoon, Harry Lovell, aged 35, was badly burned about the body, hands and face. He is also suffering from shock. He was removed to the general hospital, where his condition is reported as serious.

BRITAIN MAY LOOK TO ITALY IF TURKEY DECLARES WAR

Joint Action May Be Result of Conference Between Chamberlain and Mussolini—Turks May Be Awed by Spectacle of United Western Europe.

By HENRY SOMMERVILLE.
Special Cable to The Advertiser.

London, Dec. 31.—The meeting between Sir Austin Chamberlain and Premier Mussolini at Rapallo is regarded as very important. Italy is now relatively stronger in Europe than she has ever been before. No other European belligerent country has made so much economic progress since the war, and she can count on a debt settlement with the United States.

The Chamberlain and Mussolini were talking to each other about Turkey. There has been many threats of trouble arising from the league of nations settlement of the Mosul dispute and Turkey and Russia have come to an agreement.

A newspaper, as free from jingoism

REV. ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL DIES IN OTTAWA, AGED 84

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Big Merger Of Stores Completed

Twenty-Five Stores in Western Ontario Join New Federation.

LONDON: UNAFFECTED
Stores in Stratford, St. Thomas and Other Cities Are Included.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Hamilton, Dec. 31.—Formation of the Federated Distributors, Limited, a buying group of over 25 department stores in various parts of the province, was announced today by J. P. Whelan of the Arcade, Limited, Hamilton, president of the new organization.

The object of the federation is to effect economies in purchasing by buying goods in bulk. The members will, however, continue to conduct their separate stores.

Mr. Whelan estimated that the group had an annual turnover of \$10,000,000. Department stores interested are located in Hamilton, Chatham, Brockville, Stratford, St. Thomas, St. Catharines, Fort William, Belleville, and other points. The head office will be in Toronto.

As far as it could be learned, no London stores have joined or are contemplating joining the Federated Distributors, Limited.

THREE OF FORD'S PLANES WRECKED ON WAY FLORIDA
Associated Press Despatch.
Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 31.—Three of the four Ford-Stout all metal passenger planes, en route to Florida, were badly damaged here in an accident today. No one was hurt.

TOURIST BUSINESS BRINGS MANITOBA \$250,000,000
Canadian Press Despatch.
Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—Increased tourist business in Manitoba has brought to the province an additional income of about \$250,000,000 in the last year, according to Mayor Ralph H. Webb.

Fortune of Many Million Left By Kincardine Native

Stephen Tomlinson, Who Left Home as Youth and Who Was Never Heard From Afterward, Believed To Have Amassed Much Wealth—Nephew Still Lives in Kincardine.

Special to The Advertiser.
Kincardine, Dec. 31.—With the publication of the news that Mrs. Ethel Vernon of Hollywood, Cal., has been informed that she has fallen heir to a considerable amount of the many millions left by the late Stephen Tomlinson, jun., formerly of this town, much interest has been aroused locally because W. J. McCullough of this town, is believed to be a nephew of the deceased millionaire.

Mr. McCullough, when interviewed today did not express more than passing interest in the news, but appeared rather to be content to await developments.

Stephen Tomlinson, mentioned in the despatch, is believed to be the son of Stephen Tomlinson, sen., one of the earliest settlers in this district, and who passed away some thirty years ago. The younger Tomlinson, along with his brother, William H., spent his early years on the family farm here, and at the age of eighteen left for the United States. Nothing was heard from him since he did not communicate with his home even at the time of his father's death. It is not known what business he had followed or in what way he could have amassed such a large fortune.

It is not known where William is living at present, but if alive he also will share in the estate. He left Kincardine soon after his brother, and he, too, has remained silent.

Ethel Tomlinson, the chief of police in Duluth, Minn., is a cousin of Stephen, jun.

Two sisters of Stephen, jun., Eliza and Jane, married and lived in this locality until their deaths some years ago.

The Tomlinson homestead was located on the North line, near the present town site of Kincardine, and it was here that the younger Tomlinsons spent their early years before going into the world to seek their fortune.

There is more or less uncertainty locally as to the exact relation of Mrs. Ethel Vernon, who has been declared one of the heirs, but it is thought that she may be a daughter of William H. Tomlinson, Stephen's brother.

TRACED BY ADVERTISEMENT.
Associated Press Despatch.
Hollywood, Cal., Dec. 31.—Mrs. Ethel Vernon of Hollywood, was notified today she is one of a few heirs to the estate of Stephen and Barbara Tomlinson, of Kincardine, Ont., reputed to be worth many millions. John Tomlinson of Detroit, uncle of Mrs. Vernon, after reading a newspaper advertisement asking the heirs, advised Mrs. Vernon of her good fortune.

Mrs. Vernon has been employed for some time in a Hollywood hospital. She left her home in Canada at the age of fourteen, she said today.

LONDON'S POSTMASTER ENDS LONG YEARS OF SERVICE HERE

Thomas C. Duncan To Be Superannuated After Leave of Absence.

GIVEN HIGH TRIBUTE

Announcement From Ottawa Is Accompanied by Commendation From Officials.

Thomas C. Duncan, for 23 years assistant postmaster and postmaster for London, tonight concludes a half a century of service with the postal department, when he will be granted six months' leave of absence, dating from the first of the year, to be superannuated on June 30.

Mr. Duncan has taken advantage of an optional retirement for members of the civil service at the age of 55 years. He made application for superannuation several weeks ago, and today received word, together with a tribute to his years of service, that it had been granted.

Lieut.-Col. Kenneth A. Murray, inspector for the London postal division, will be Mr. Duncan's temporary successor, acting as assistant postmaster until an official appointment is made.

During Mr. Duncan's term of office in London his work has received the commendation of members of the department at Ottawa, and he has been the popular "boss" of some 165 men in this division. The expansion of the local postal department under his regime is reflected in an increasing annual revenue, and so, too, is the growth of the city of London. In 1902, when Mr. Duncan came to London as assistant postmaster, the year's revenue totalled \$85,000, and now the revenue for the past year amounts to \$500,000.

Mr. Duncan entered the postal service in 1877, at a time when the commission basis of employment was used. Belleville office was placed on a staff basis in 1882 and five years later Mr. Duncan was appointed postmaster. He remained there until 1900 when he was moved to Ottawa in the office of the superintendent of the railway mail service. Two years later he took charge of the Windsor office, and on July 14, 1902, came to London as assistant postmaster. He succeeded Dr. Peter Macdonald as postmaster on July 1, 1921.

Although ex-Mayor George Wenigo was appointed for last year, it does not follow that the chief magistrate of the city should hold the position, and this morning's special meeting was called in order that the votes of members could be received and the police department's business carried on without delay over the new year.

HAMILTON'S HOPE FOR CUT IN TAXES RECEIVES JOLT

Canadian Press Despatch.
Hamilton, Dec. 30.—Hamilton's hope for retention of the 32½-mill tax rate for the coming year received a severe blow today when Chief Collector Hopson announced that tax arrears were \$200,000 below the estimate. This sum is the approximate equivalent of two mills.

In addition to this, the street railway company owes over \$60,000 to the city in mileage and percentage, and it is unlikely that in 1926 there will be any revenue to collect from this source.

Numerous other expenditures must be paid for in the coming year. Forecasts of the tax rate are as high as 35 mills.

INVITATIONS AGAIN ISSUED FOR GUILDHALL BANQUET

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 30.—The lord mayor has renewed his invitation to the Prince of Wales to be his guest at a Guildhall banquet in honor of the prince's return from South America. The banquet, in which the prince was originally invited, was cancelled because of the death of Dowager-Queen Alexandra.

Coal Famine In 6 Weeks Threatened

Government Survey Shows the Stock in London Is Nearly Depleted.

NEEDS ARE DOUBLED

Near-Zero Weather Aggravates Shortage of Fuel—Mines Are Millions of Tons Behind.

Scarcity of hard coal in London will reach an acute condition by the early part of February or the latter part of January, according to a report of the dominion fuel board, received at the city hall.

From a survey made in the city, representative of 31 local retail dealers, it was found that in view of the present miners' strike in the anthracite fields of Pennsylvania, the scarcity of hard coal in London will be as badly felt as in all other centers dependent for a supply from the Pennsylvania fields, east of Buffalo.

In London, unless the strike is soon discontinued, the condition will be one of virtual fuel famine by Feb. 15, due principally to a disregard of warnings of the strike and the resultant scarcity of hard coal. The people of the city have been almost reluctant to stock up with a plentiful supply, and in many cases an unwillingness to purchase substitutes or soft coal has been shown here, the report states.

Only a meagre and practically unavailable supply of anthracite is on hand at the present time. This is being kept for regular customers of each coal concern, and will be depleted before the end of next month, particularly if cold weather continues.

Near-zero weather of the past few weeks has made the coal condition in Western Ontario more alarming, dealers say. Many homes were stocked with a sufficient quantity of coal to last through the colder winter months, providing the weather throughout was not too severe. Now, however, double quantities of hard coal have been burned, and the once loaded bins are fast being diminished.

Great quantities of anthracite were sold in the city during the months of October and November. The sale fell off last month, the lessening of a supply from Pennsylvania being the cause. Substitutes of by-product coke, gas coke and high-grade low volatile soft coal jumped in price with an increased demand. There will be a scarcity of the substitutes, too, dealers declare, notably of low volatile soft coal.

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CHURCHES TO GREET 1926 WITH MUSIC, DEVOTION

Old-Fashioned Manner of
Greeting New Year Be-
coming More Popular.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Rev. Bruce Hunter To Speak
at Metropolitan at
11:15.

Watch night services will be held in many of London's churches tonight. The old-fashioned manner of greeting the new year with music and devotion seems to be becoming more popular, as is shown by the increase in the number of churches that are observing this custom tonight.

At St. Paul's cathedral a special service will be conducted by Very Rev. Dean Norman L. Tucker, D.D., D.C.L. Appropriate music under the direction of H. F. Dickinson, organist and choir-master of the church, will also be rendered. The service will begin at 11:30 p.m.

Rev. (Major) J. Bruce Hunter, B.D., M.C., will speak at 11:15 at the Metropolitan United church on "Making All Things New." The service will be held in the auditorium.

At Dundas Central United church, Rev. Edwin A. Pearson, B.A., pastor of the church, will speak at 10:45 p.m. The service will be held in the church.

At the Adelaide Street Baptist church, Rev. W. R. McIntosh, D.D., of King Street United church will speak to the boys at midnight.

Although there will be no watch night service at Crown Memorial church, at 10 a.m. on New Year's morning Holy Communion will be celebrated.

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Many District Firms Exhibiting
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sition.

Gift To Bride Is Five Million

Associated Press Despatch.
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CHURCHES ARRANGE MONSTER RALLY

Service Will Be Held at Metro-
politan on New Year's
Morning.

London's eighteen United churches will begin the new year by a united service in the form of a grand Sunday school rally in Metropolitan church at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Rev. Floyd Maine, former professor of history and religious education at Albert college, Belleville, now taking post-graduate work at Chicago university, will be the special speaker. Mr. Maine, who is a London boy, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Maine, 84 Byron avenue, will speak on the subject of "The Parable of the Runners."

Rev. (Col.) William Beattie, D.D., C. M. G., first church, president of the London United Church Ministerial association, under whose auspices the rally is being held, will preside throughout the service. Behind Dr. Beattie, sitting in the choir loft, will be the ministers and superintendents of the United churches of the city.

The offering at the service will be used to purchase some much-needed furniture for the children's preventorium at Queen Alexandra sanatorium. Byron, and will also be in the nature of gifts from children to children.

A. S. Giesenway, leader of the Sunday school orchestra at Metropolitan church, will lead an orchestra of 100 boys, which will supply the music for the singing.

There will be a roll call of each Sunday school, which will be responded to by the school singing the verse of some hymn or in some other original manner. A pennant will be given to the school having the best percentage of attendance at the rally.

In addition to a special message from Rev. George C. Pidgeon, D.D., Toronto, moderator of the general council of the United Church of Canada, there will be addresses of greeting from Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and Ottawa, in which cities similar Sunday school United church rallies are being held tomorrow.

Dr. Beattie is chairman of the committee which has completed the arrangements for the rally, which is expected to attract the children and their parents in numbers, which will overflow even the large auditorium of Metropolitan church.

The rally is counted on to strike the keynote, especially among the younger adherents of the United church, for the whole year in London as one of genuine unity.

ALL RECORDS ARE BROKEN FOR SHIPMENTS OF WHEAT

Canadian Press Despatch.
Fort William, Ont., Dec. 31.—For the second time in the history of the western Canadian grain trade, the shipments from the head of the lakes this year during the season of navigation, exceeded 200,000,000 bushels of all grains. The shipments were greater than those of 1923, the previous record year, by over seven million bushels, totaling 207,816,934 bushels.

DURABILITY OF BULBS SHOWN BY TEST HERE

Delicate Filaments Are Un-
damaged Even After Strik-
ing Rubber Posts.

An unusual test of the durability of Westinghouse electric light bulbs is being made in the display of bulbs of that make that is now being shown in the window of the Benson-Wilcox Electric company, Dundas street.

The test consists of an electrically-driven shaft that rotates, causing arms, on the ends of which are lighted bulbs, to strike rubber posts. The impact of the rubber on the bulb causes the filaments of the bulb to vibrate to a great extent.

The point of the action of the machine is to show the great amount of shock one of these lamps can stand without the filament becoming damaged. There are six bulbs on the shaft, each hitting a rubber post at a different time. Four of the bulbs are of the common household type, while two are of the mill or round type, which are more fragile. It was also shown that any type of bulb made by Westinghouse would stand this test. It is estimated that an ordinary bulb will last for 1,000 hours under this treatment.

**NEW PASSENGER SERVICE
THROUGH SLEEPING CAR
BETWEEN TORONTO AND
PHILADELPHIA.**

Commencing Monday, Jan. 4, 1926, Canadian Pacific train leaving Toronto 5:00 p.m. daily, will carry through sleeping car to Philadelphia, via Canadian Pacific, T. H. & B. M. C. R. to Buffalo, thence Pennsylvania Railway, arriving Philadelphia 9:35 a.m. Returning car will leave Philadelphia 11:45 a.m. daily, arriving Toronto 11:45 a.m. The new service will be appreciated by the travelling public in view of the fact that through Pullman berth to Philadelphia has not been available via this route in the past.

Berth rates and full information from any Canadian Pacific ticket agent, or phone Elgin 1261 during day, or Main 6477 at night.—Adv.

ROGERS TERMS SITUATION AT OTTAWA BIG GAMBLE

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Dec. 30.—That the political situation at Ottawa was "much of a gamble," was the opinion expressed by Hon. Robert Rogers, member-elect for Winnipeg South, who arrived in Toronto today and spent the afternoon in conference with Premier G. H. Howard Ferguson. He stated that he was leaving for Montreal immediately and expected to return to Toronto before he went to Ottawa for the session.



MRS. EVELYN SPENCER, who, after touring the London Times teaching his cooking, is now coming to Canada to demonstrate the possibilities of greater use being made of one of the dominion's greatest resources.

WORK OF KIWANIS REVIEWED AS NEW LEADER WELCOMED

J. J. McHale Retires Amid Shower of Compliments—H. B. Muir Welcomed as 1926 President—Active Year Summed Up by Encouraging Reports From Committee Chairmen.

Showing John J. McHale, retiring president, with appreciative compliments of his fine leadership during the past year, and promising Harry B. Muir, incoming president, the heartiest of co-operation for the coming year, the annual meeting of the London Kiwanis club, which was held at the Teumess house yesterday noon, proved to be one of the most happily enthusiastic meetings in the club's history.

Mr. McHale, acknowledging modestly the many kind things said of his work as president, paid cordial tribute to the members of the executive committee and the chairman of the day, and outlined some things which he said he would like to see accomplished by the club this year. In this connection, Mr. McHale urged more co-operation with the chamber of commerce, greater interest in questions affecting municipal welfare, particularly the elimination of railway grade crossings at Richmond and other streets in the city, more personal and individual interest in the club boys' work, and the division of the club into sides for the purpose of maintaining and stimulating further improvement in the attendance at the regular weekly luncheons.

Mr. Muir, accepting the presidency amidst the prolonged applause of his fellow club members, expressed the earnest hope that the Kiwanis club would be successful in capitalizing the prestige that had come to it under Mr. McHale, and in consolidating the advanced position the club had gained in the past year to lead on to still bigger and better things in the future. Thanking the club for the 100 per cent. support, which he has had on every point, Mr. Muir reminded the club that working, not as a one-man job, nor as an executive job, but only as a happy family, harmonious together, was the club's real test for the members, and for the community as a whole.

Reports given by Colin French, secretary, by E. Manning, treasurer, and by the various committee chairmen, proved that the past year has been a busy and profitable one for the club. Mr. McHale had set a pace as president that will be hard to equal. Members of the club were quick to recognize the great amount of real work and community effort put forth by the club this year, and there was a perceptible feeling that the club has more than justified its existence by the work carried out, and not alone by the ideals set forth in the club charter.

Colin French's report as secretary made passing reference to the high spots of the club's activities during the past year, including the fund-raising campaign, in which the members participated and secured a 40 per cent increase over the contributions the previous year in the same district; entertainment of the delegates to the Windsor-Niagara Highway association annual meeting; inter-city meetings, with visits to and from Ingersoll, Galt, Brantford, Kitchener, and other cities; special ceremonies for the opening of the London Michigan-Ontario professional ball season; ladies' night; and Christmas tree night; special meetings conducted by different groups of the club; joint meetings with the London Rotary club; assistance in the welfare fund; and the sale of the new hotel bylaw and in the sale of the club's Christmas tree.

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CENOTAPH REPORT IS EXPECTED SOON

Anticipated For Inaugural
Meeting of Utility Com-
mission Next Week.

Some report may be ready for the inaugural meeting of the public utilities commission the first week in January regarding the request of the cenotaph committee to place London's cenotaph in Victoria park.

The request, tabled at the last meeting of the commission a few days ago, was referred to the parks board, under Commissioner T. W. McFarland as chairman, for consideration and report. It is likely that the parks board will hold a joint meeting with the members of the cenotaph committee to learn their wishes in the matter, particularly as to the best location in the park for the cenotaph, and that a report will then be made to the commission.

The request was referred to the parks board on suggestion of E. V. Buchanan, manager of the commission.

SECRET LOVE DRIVES GRANDMOTHER TO KILL

Woman of 58 Murders Hus-
band in Desire To Marry
Another Man.

Associated Press Despatch.
Chicago, Dec. 31.—Mrs. Elizabeth Nushbaum, 58 years old and a grandmother, last night admitted, police say, that she and four others planned the murder of her husband, Albert Nushbaum, 65-year-old contractor, whose battered body was found early yesterday on a city limits prairie.

The plot was made, and executed, Mrs. Nushbaum said, in order that she might be free to marry John Winn of Crown Point, Ind., an ex-convict and one of those named in the plot. Her four co-conspirators were Edward G. Marion, Stringham and Mrs. Delia Martin. Mrs. Nushbaum's statement completely exonerated her 20-year-old grandson, who was arrested earlier in the day.

Those who helped her in the plans were to receive money, she said, adding that she had carried on a love affair with Winn for fifteen years. Details of the murder were not revealed.

mittee, both of which had given pleasure to the club members.

Harry Langford, chairman of the grievance committee, reported that there had been only one complaint registered during the year, and that this had been satisfactorily settled.

Officers installed.

Officers, board of directors, and committee chairmen duly installed for the ensuing year are as follows: President, H. B. Muir; vice-president, Dr. Percy C. Banghart; secretary, Colin French; treasurer, B. B. Manning; board of directors, Dr. Percy C. Banghart, C. C. Hunt, Frank McLaughlin and Harry Langford. For one year—J. J. McHale, Sam Amero, S. P. Lawson, Rev. Col. Wm. Beattie, D.D., C.M.G., and Fred Ross; district trustee, John A. Nash; objective committee, Harry Langford and Ed. Galt; membership committee, T. H. Yull; attendance committee, Ed. Galt; booster's committee, Lloyd Hocking; speakers' committee, A. R. Ford; entertainment committee, Bert Weir; public affairs committee, Dr. Beattie; finance committee, John Buchanan; transportation committee, Archie Lyman; agricultural committee, Harold Fry; educational committee, Sam Baker; sick committee, Ed. Shuttlesworth; reception committee, Ed. Hayden; sports committee, Russell McGee; inter-city relations, John A. Nash.

T. H. Yull, chairman of the membership committee, reported that his committee had passed favorably upon eleven applications during the year. Mr. Yull urged an inflow of applications to bring the club up to strength and to enlarge and strengthen its position in the community.

Dr. Percy C. Banghart, chairman of the education committee, stated that while there had been a change in the membership of the committee during the year, owing to the removal from town of Kiwanian (Rev.) John Agnew to Kingsville, four meetings had been held during the year, and that the committee had accomplished as well as other things the duties of the education committee, being absent, Ed. Shuttlesworth reported on behalf of the committee, expressing appreciation of the services of Kiwanian William Wortman as pianist, and mentioned the Dunblair visit in September.

Mr. Yull, chairman of the speakers' committee, stated that he had secured for January meetings the international secretary of the Lions' club, Gratton O'Leary and Lewis Mitchell, the latter one of the biggest men in Kiwanis in the United States. Sam Amero and other members paid particular tribute to Mr. Ford's work on the speakers' committee, in securing an outstanding speaker during the past year, giving to the club the reputation of having the strongest speakers of any club in this Kiwanis district.

Loaned Motor Cars.
Archie Lyman, chairman of the transportation committee, enumerated the different occasion upon which the members of the club had loaned their automobiles, including drives for Westinghouse hospital patients, poppy day, bylaw vote, Beck endowment drive dinner at Byron, hospital patients to Labor Day program at Queen's park, care for patients at hospitals who could not afford taxis to and from their homes; and transportation of 150 orphans from the Sacred Heart convent back to Mount St. Joseph's orphanage after the fire.

Ernie Moore, chairman of the committee for the sick, reported that fourteen members had been ill during the year, two accidents, and one death, the late Francis Taylor.

Joe Hickey, chairman of the reception committee, was unable to be present, and Sam Amero spoke very highly of Mr. Hickey's work in meeting and providing entertainment for the speakers who came to town to speak to the club, a courtesy that has given an enviable name to the club.

L. B. Whale, chairman of the agricultural committee, referred to co-operation between the urban and rural communities, regretting the failure of the plowing match at Keweenaw, and up to expectations owing to the absence of the Kiwanians.

John A. Nash, chairman of the sports committee, told of the softball and bowling leagues formed under his com-

Radio At Rinks Plan Abandoned

Utilities Commission Manager
Finds Cost Would Be
Prohibitive.

Supplying radio music for London's skating rinks at the civic playgrounds has been definitely abandoned this year.

There was some suggestion last summer that the public utilities commission take up the question, but upon investigation Manager E. V. Buchanan has found the cost prohibitive.

Thus, unless some public-spirited citizen comes to the rescue with a radio receiving set, the skaters will have to continue to enjoy themselves on the skating rinks without the added inspiration of snappy music from Canadian and United States broadcasting stations.

CANCER CLAIMED NON-INFECTIOUS

Doctors Claim Untainted Fam-
ilies Are Immune to Disease
—Environment Is Factor.

Associated Press Despatch.
New Haven, Conn., Dec. 31.—Three outstanding conclusions were announced by leading exponents of medicine and genetics yesterday during a symposium on cancer conducted at Yale university by the American Society of Zoologists. These conclusions were:

1. That cancer is not an infectious disease.
2. That cancer cannot be developed except by persons in whom there is a hereditary cancerous strain.
3. That even persons tainted at birth with a cancerous strain cannot develop the disease spontaneously, but only through the agency of environmental factors, chief among which is frictional irritation.

The first was expounded by Dr. James B. Murphy, of the Rockefeller institute for medical research.

Dr. L. C. Strong, of the Bussey institute, Harvard university, supported Murphy in his finding, and added his convictions on heredity, which were disputed yesterday by Dr. James Ewing of Cornell university.

Another announcement of significance was that of Dr. Halsey J. Hagg of the Cornell medical college, who reported that experimentation with mice and study of the clinical history of 200 cancerous mothers indicated that the nursing of babies has little, if any, effect in producing cancer of the breast. Abstinence from nursing, on the other hand, he believed, has a noticeable effect in causing cancerous susceptibility.

For Colds, Grip or Influenza
and as a Preventive, take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. A Safe and Proven Remedy. The box bears the signature of E. W. Grove, 30c. Made in Canada.—Adv.

UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES LOWEST IN THREE YEARS

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Further seasonal losses in employment were noted at the beginning of December, says the bureau of statistics. But the contract lions caused the release of 16,169 persons by the 5,589 reporting firms were the smallest registered on that date since the record began early in 1923, with the exception of those in 1922, when the number of persons employed by these firms on Dec. 1 was 752,903; the index stood at 95.3, as compared with 97.1 in the preceding month, and with 90.8 in 1923, 1922 and 1921 respectively.

MUSSOLINI RECOVERED.
Associated Press Despatch.
Rome, Dec. 31.—Reports from abroad that Premier Mussolini is due to undergo a surgical operation are officially denied. Mussolini, though somewhat thinner than he was a year ago, has no illness and shows activity and vigor which is declared it would be impossible for any man not in sound health to show.

C. P. R. IS READY FOR CO-OPERATION

President Beatty Declares Road
Still Willing To Eliminate
Duplications.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Montreal, Dec. 30.—No announcements were available at the headquarters here of either the Canadian National or Canadian Pacific Railways concerning what service duplications might be done away with, pending further discussion of the matter by the joint committee.

President Beatty of the Canadian Pacific Railway made the following statement this afternoon:

"The agreement between the two railways to which the honorable minister of railways refers represents a willingness on our part to do all that we reasonably can to assist in lightening the heavy load placed upon the country by the development of the Canadian railroad situation to its present position, to which, as a company, we have not contributed.

"Such operating economies as would be substantial enough to be useful require the extended co-operation of the officers of the two companies, and if their work is to be of lasting benefit the proposed joint committee will probably have to lengthen its work over a considerable period.

"I mention this because it would be unwise to leave the impression that the follow-up on the meeting of such a standing committee. The question of any reduction of railway service is a broad one, with many complications, and must be dealt with in a broad way and with due regard to the convenience and welfare of the public served.

"I can only reiterate what I have said before, that the Canadian Pacific will gladly and heartily co-operate with the Canadian National to the fullest extent that is reasonably and wish possible.

NEGROES GOING SOUTH IN LARGER NUMBERS

Railroad Officials Consider
Movement Permanent Rather
Than Seasonal.

By ROBERT T. SMALL.

Special to The Advertiser. Copyright.
Washington, Dec. 30.—During the past two weeks there has been a steady back-flow of negroes from the north to the south. The tide appeared to reach its flood just before Christmas, but has continued since that time to such an extent that railroad officials are inclined to believe the movement to be more permanent than seasonal.

The negroes are returning from Philadelphia, New York and points beyond. Always there is a return movement from the north when the real hard weather of winter sets in. The east wind wave for the better part of the week, and this undoubtedly has accelerated travel "back home," but the main movement, according to railroad men, started during the really mild weather which prevailed the week before Christmas.

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Suggestions For Increasing Next Year's Income

Huron & Erie
Debentures 5% per annum is
paid half-yearly

upon \$100 or more for 12 months to 5 years. These debentures are trustee investments being authorized by the Government for executors and trustees.

Huron & Erie
Savings Accounts 3 1/2% per annum is
paid half-yearly

You may withdraw your deposits at any time.

Canada Trust Company

Passbook
Certificates 4 1/2% per annum is
payable half-yearly

upon \$500 or more. The full amount or any portion of your money may be withdrawn the first of any month on 10 days' notice. The Canada Trust Company is controlled and managed by The Huron & Erie.

Have you Debentures, bonds or interest coupons falling due January 1st? Bring them to this 62-year-old institution NOW and apply them upon a new Debenture or else deposit them in the Savings Department.

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VALUE OF C.N.R. JUMPS ENORMOUSLY SINCE 1922

From \$60,000,000 to \$600,000,000 On Basis of Net Earnings.

SIR HENRY'S ESTIMATE

New Electric Motor Vehicle Will Be Potent Factor On Branch Lines.

Special to The Advertiser.
Montreal, Dec. 30.—An appreciable enhancement in value to the people of the dominion of the Canadian National Railways was indicated by Sir Henry W. Thornton, K.B.E., chairman and president, during the course of a special New Year's message broadcast simultaneously tonight from three of the stations operated by the radio department of the system, CNR, CNRO and CNRT, and situated respectively in Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto.

In his introductory remarks, the president expressed appreciation of the excellent foundation laid by the two previous administrations, adding: "The constructive work performed by the managements of that day has gone far to assist in the subsequent development of the property."

Significance of Net Revenue.

In his review of subsequent events, Sir Henry stated that the total, enthusiastic and efficient support of the officers and men many things had been accomplished.

"First, we have increased the net revenue from railway operations from approximately three million dollars in 1922 to what will approximate thirty million dollars in 1925, an increase of about 900 per cent."

"Capitalizing this result, and assuming that a 5 per cent return on capital is reasonable, we find that in 1922 the net result from operation represented 5 per cent on sixty million dollars, which I now say, the value of the property to the people of Canada, based on earnings capacity, has been increased from sixty to six hundred million dollars. This improvement has been largely the result of decreased expenses, the result of increased efficiency."

Operating Ratio Reduced.

In review offered by Sir Henry Thornton was amplified by other executives of the Canadian National Railway, each of whom contributed a summary of the year's experience in the particular department over which he presides. Those who spoke through the microphone were: J. E. Dalrymple, vice-president in charge of traffic and experts; S. J. Hingford, vice-president in charge of operations, and W. D. Job, vice-president in charge of collection, telegraph, radio and other activities, the latter speaking in French.

Focusing the introductory statements, Sir Henry Thornton stated that the operating ratio had been reduced from 95.3 per cent to 87.8 per cent, adding that improvement had been accomplished with no deterioration of service and with no injustice of hardship to the employees of the company.

With the financial results were gratifying, the president considered that there were other achievements for which officers and employees might take justifiable pride, the most important being the respect and confidence gained in the transportation world and among the people served.

Banks On New Car.

In a technique of the profession not advanced had been made in improved methods and in progressive work and is continuing. "I particularly mention the development of the Diesel electric motor vehicle, which will go a long way towards a solution of branching problems and motor-bus competition," said Sir Henry, who further declared: "In its final development, it will be a potent factor in the reduction of long-haul transportation costs. This development has been going on to the technical skill and perseverance of our motive-power expert."

Deserts Pulpit For Coal Mines

Conting, the president said: "The future of the Canadian National Railway depends entirely on the future of the Dominion, and I believe, from both Canadian and Imperial point of view, it is in the hands of the threshold of a new era of prosperity of considerable duration."

Sir Henry indicated that this prosperity would follow as a result of the increased standard of living, with the consent of the Dominion, and that food, which would necessarily react upon Canada, would be the foundation of prosperity very largely on the products of the Dominion.

After reiterating his optimism, which he decided to be based on sane reasoning, Sir Henry ventured a suggestion: "I think more tolerance and tolerance, a less sectional dispute would contribute more to our development than any other single thing. The aspirations of all sections of our Dominion are the same, but the methods of achievement are not always calculated to promote that unity which is essential to the welfare of the Dominion."

"There is plenty of scope in Canada for all actions, creeds and races. There is no need for unduly jostling each other or stepping on each other's toes. A few of our sections, races and creeds are something useful to contribute to national welfare. Let us therefore address ourselves to the task of working outwards as the faithful servants of the whole of the people of Canada without prejudice against any community."

"To be true and just in all our dealings with all races, creeds, political parties and provinces."

"While preserving a spirit of tolerance and fair play, to maintain a pride in the undertaking and its good name."

German Floods Menace Cities

Associated Press Despatch.

Cologne, Germany, Dec. 30.—The rivers of southern, western and northern Germany are high above their banks, and the floods threaten great destruction. The Rhine is 25 feet above normal and still rising, and the waters are encroaching on the city proper. Torrents from the Harz mountains have swept away bridges, undermined railway embankments.

Many homeless are making their way out of the Rhine cities of Coblenz, Duisburg and Treves. At Duisburg, 2,000 houses have been wrecked.

The Danube is rising to such dimensions that the smallest tributaries have become rushing torrents.

and to foster that fine fighting spirit and enthusiasm which has become characteristic of the service.

"To continue that spirit of service and courtesy to our patrons and those with whom we come in contact which has thus far done much to increase our traffic and enhance the reputation of the system."

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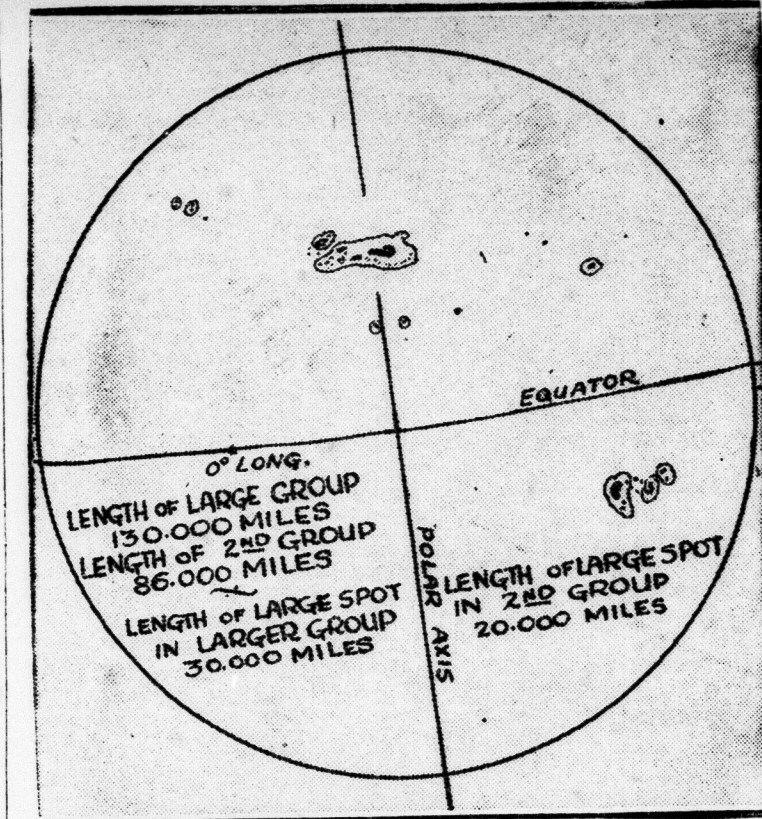
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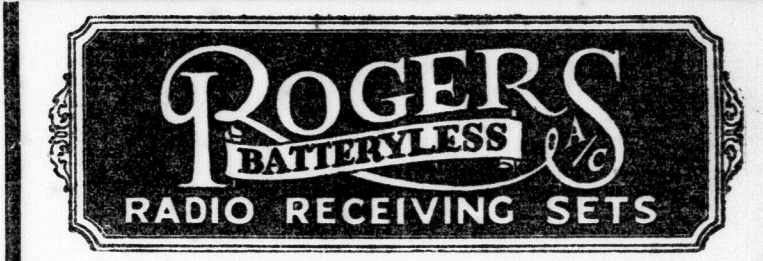
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They Pay Their Debts.

Clarence W. Barron, president of the Wall Street Journal (New York), has been travelling in Europe. On his return he discussed particularly the situation in France and compared the attitude of the people there with that of Britain, particularly as they viewed the payment of debt and the willingness of the two peoples to face a formidable situation and take action accordingly.

According to Mr. Barron, who made suggestions to the French authorities for the funding of their debt, France is prosperous and wealthy, but has become a nation of tax dodgers. There is always in the background the hope that Germany will pay for restoring the devastated areas, provide for war costs and pensions. Germany has not done so, yet the French people have failed to face the situation caused by Germany's default. Politicians, with their promises of lower taxation, have bedeviled the situation. They cannot secure votes on the stated policy of paying debts, therefore they appeal on the impossible ground of lesser levies, and when elected on that plea seek to give expression to it in legislative incompetency. Mr. Barron's conclusion is that "I can see only further drifting toward a political slough from which it will require a strong arm to lift the nation."

The New York financial expert is not in agreement with the idea that England needs a strong man to restore order, at least as far as finances are concerned. His appreciation of British methods is stated here: "When you consider that England has only 40 per cent of our population and collects more taxes than we do, it is easy to see that they deserve a great deal of credit for the manner in which they have handled a hard situation. They are the greatest people in the world for paying their debts."

Another Fire Needed.

Disputants in a controversy about who has the right to hold service in a church near Kingston are furnishing another illustration of zeal that is not tempered with toleration.

One party put on the fire for the morning service, but before worship started members of the other faction dumped it out. Later in the day the minister went to investigate the furnace, but found that it was hedged about by opponents of his side of the controversy, and in the end he found himself out in the snow, with the hostile forces in possession of the furnace. The furnace seems to play a large part in this miserable affair. It is there to supply warmth to the building, but it appears that the chief need is the kindling of a fire that will thaw out the hearts of the disputants and warm their intellects.

The Position of the Communists.

The London board of education has refused to recognize a letter sent to it on behalf of the Communist party in London. The attitude of the board is that were the letter from any individual ratepayer it would be dealt with the same as any other business, but coming from the Communist party it could not be given the standing of official recognition by a board which is itself part of our system of representative and responsible government.

The action of the board is in no way a refusal to entertain protests from any ratepayer regarding the subjects taught in the schools or the amount of homework given, this being the burden of the letter from the Communist party.

The board of education, city council, provincial legislature, federal government, are all parts of our system of government, each of them responsible to the people. The Communist party does not recognize our system of government as being right. That in itself is not a serious matter, but they seek to build up another force that will completely overthrow it. It is because they are faced toward the undoing of what we recognize as constitutional methods, and because they seek to do it by force rather than by persuasion, that the Communist party's communication as such was denied a hearing by the board of education.

If the Communists were seeking to substitute a new form of government for the one which we have developed, and carried on a program of education in order that their ideas might find expression through the ballot box, they would be quite within their rights, because a truly responsible government must at all times reflect the ideas of the people who place it in power. But when the Communists decide upon a course that seeks to disrupt constitutional institutions by unconstitutional methods they have themselves created the situation where the board of education could refuse to recognize them as having any standing in a Canadian constituency.

Reaching For Power.

Reports from New York speak of the prospects of a bank merger that will make "the greatest banking institution in the world," taking in half a dozen large and well-established banks in United States.

None of the banks that are mentioned as prospects for the merger are in danger of collapsing; all are doing a good volume of business and providing banking facilities for the districts in which they operate.

This is a different situation to what we have had in Canada on several occasions, particularly in recent years, where amalgamations were con-

sidered preferable to suspensions or continuance in straitened circumstances.

The only reason left for the proposed amalgamation in New York seems to be a desire for greater financial power, with its accompanying greater possibilities of business dictation for those who do the amalgamating. It is getting well inside the danger zone when banking reaches the point where it can control industry or commerce, instead of being a helpful factor in its success.

Passing Bogus Money.

Crooks who are passing out counterfeit money selected the owner of a Chinese cafe as the recipient for one of their bogus \$50 bills. The method was simple enough as the \$50 bill was tendered in payment of a \$1.30 account on the plea that the crook had no other change.

It is possible to circulate money of this sort by passing it in places where the bogus marks are not likely to be noted.

It would have been spotted at once had it been passed to a bank teller whose duty it is to handle money. According to a banker, there is no particular method in picking out a bogus bill; it is in the "feel" of the paper more than anything else. A person who is counting and fingering over hundreds of good bills every hour becomes used to the feeling of the genuine. It is more the sense of touch than of sight. As soon as his fingers come in contact with one that is made of paper of a different texture the sense of touch notices the change at once. For that reason the passer of bogus money keeps away from places where large sums of money are handled.

It is a safe rule to be suspicious of strangers who want good money in change for bills of large denominations.

Capable Employees.

A combined service of 78 years is the record of two McClary Company employees, J. W. Walton and James Dickson, and fitting recognition of this has been made by fellow employees and the company. Mr. Dickson as foreman of the pattern department, with 34 years of service to his credit, is a skilled workman, while Mr. Walton, foundry superintendent, is regarded as an expert.

Mr. Walton was until recently a member of the advisory committee of the technical school in London, and his well-seasoned advice on all matters made a valuable contribution to the success of that institution.

Progress of a Year.

Peace and threats of war have been strangely mixed in the year just closing, while war debt negotiations have been a stern reminder to several nations that the signing of an armistice is not the last chapter of the struggle.

The Mosul controversy is acute, and to a degree dangerous, but it is not sufficient to dim the accomplishment of Locarno. France had seen German troops cross the Rhine twice in the last half-century, and feared that the same thing would take place again. Locarno gave to France as well as to Germany the definite assurance of a neutral zone between these two nations, and it also provided the means for Germany entering the League of Nations on equal standing with other nations.

The situation at Mosul, which is still serious enough, is the result of not having dealt with Turkey at Versailles. In the interval Turkey had recovered from her standing as a defeated nation, had gained new courage from a successful struggle with Greece, and exhibited a defiance which was capably voiced by Kemal Pasha. Britain is in Mosul, being asked by the League of Nations to protect the small kingdom of Iraq. The temper of the British people, plainly voiced by Sir Austen Chamberlain, is that they do not want war with Turkey or any other nation. It is unfortunate that no finality has been registered regarding Mosul, and that it becomes a problem for 1926 as well as 1925.

The year has witnessed war debt negotiations, ranging from those that were successful to those that failed. Britain started this movement early in 1923 when she agreed to pay her full debt of \$4,600,000,000. There were no other settlements in 1923 or in 1924, but early in the present year Belgium completed arrangements to discharge her debt of \$727,830,500 to United States. No such happy ending came of the visit of Joseph Caillaux to United States. He had wide powers from the president of France, but his trip was a failure, and no further attempt was made. Italy settled quickly for \$2,400,000,000 with United States, her representative handing over the first payment of \$5,000,000 at once, a touch of color being added by arrangements being at once opened in New York for an Italian loan of \$100,000,000.

France did not find it difficult to make a settlement with Britain; in fact, she found her a very generous creditor, ready to scale down not only the rate of payment but the total amount as well.

The year has seen more progress than retrogression; it has been notable for increased frankness of negotiations and dealings between nations. There is a tendency toward mutual trust and a wholesome desire to deal openly with matters that were previously considered the exclusive properties of secret diplomacy.

Note and Comment.

Let's see, where could they have put that old cap that had the side curtains?

It's one thing to go into business with a man, and quite another to come out with him.

Of course we all dislike evidences of unrest, but no person kicked when building permits for the year jumped \$2,389,800 in London.

The late Frank Munsey, U.S. publisher, made a huge fortune, but his friends now claim most of it came from investing in U.S. steel stock.

Toronto assessor says the population there is becoming denser, something we all knew when the federal election returns were announced.

Resolutions

By ARK.

Now that the year is well nigh out it's time for folks like me and you, to start and figure on the things we're going to try forthwith to do.

And so I sharpen down my quill and get a piece of paper here, upon the top I write the line, "I'm resolute" for the year.

For No. 1 I'll quit the drink, the cursed stuff shall part from me, no more they'll cart me home at two the victim of a midnight spree.

I'll swear off swearing, No. 2, and speak with quiet and gentle tone, and talk as peaceful at my work as what I've got to do at home. Then No. 3, let's see what's next, it's one on stayin' home at night, at eight o'clock we'll look the door, at ten o'clock we'll douse the light.

In '26 I'll pay my bills, I'll go unto the corner store, and say if I don't fork out then he's not to trust me any more.

Likewise I'll help around the house and dust the picture frames and door, I'll wipe the dishes then I'll swish the mop upon the kitchen floor. I'll go to church like how I should and boost the preacher at the kirk, and give my ducats to the poor and help in every goodly work.

In summer time I'll mow the lawn and seek for other chores to do, I'll smite sowthistles from the lot and cleave the burdock plant in two.

I'll live in peace with all the folks, and them what hall me to the law, I'll simply smile beneath the rod and turn to them the other jaw.

And if I stay beside them rules and keep 'em as the days go by, I reckon how inside a month I'll be a sort of model guy.

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The Once-Over

"She may be fashion's butterfly," Her hubby cried in wrath,
"But by the way She goes Through clothes She seems more like a moth."

A rise in flour is stirring Britain. The question is, Who put the yeast in it?

Cross-word puzzles are now looked upon as mere pencil-reducers.

A HAPPY COINCIDENCE.

The sprinkler system in a New York hospital froze and burst, dousing the patients with ice-water. Fortunately the building took fire a moment later.

It's getting so that a poor girl can't go near Buckingham Palace without being hailed as a possible bride for the Prince of Wales.

THIS IS BARBAROUS.

London barbers are receiving individually in feminine hair-cuts by introducing the "barbarous bob." We may soon hope for a "personal" shave.

A writer on the fuel problem recommends that we burn briquettes, coke and what-not as coal substitutes. Glad he mentioned the what-not. We always hated the thing.

Cynical Cy suggests revising the saying "All wool and a yard wide" to the more modern version, "All paint and an inch thick."

We don't know what he refers to, of course, but if he means to suggest that the old-fashioned girl was a yard wide—well, you tell 'em, Cy.

A momentous scientific discovery has been reported to the American Society of Zoologists. Science can now turn youthful salamanders into Siamese twins.

The supposed meteor seen last night turns out to have been only our brightest chug wearing the new tie and scarf his girl gave him for Christmas.

Flippers are all right. They don't mind a bay shortage. And another thing, if a horse freezes solid, there's no such thing as thawing him out.

It's so cold down in Dixie that a polar bear selected for a birthplace. Every time he grows too warm he'll growl "I'm going back to Dixie!"

E. J. P.

Isn't It the Truth?

Famous last words: "I believe that's his left headlight burning."

There's a brighter side. Every time anybody dies, some relative is relieved of a critic.

There's much consolation in the thought that drug sales couldn't make a living by selling drugs alone.

A gentleman farmer is just like any other kind except that he loses more money.

About the only thing a man can achieve without some inspiration is whiskers.

The president eats plain liver and bacon, and we wonder if the chief ever heard about putting in a little onion.

The hard part of being an insurgent is to find something to stay mad about.

Open diplomacy; open plumbing; and the feminine knee just an unromantic joint.

Greatness is just a matter of range. The ignorant man knows his back yard better than anybody else.

In the good old days "Get the money" was a campaign slogan, not a government policy.

The greater part of civilization's expense is caused by the effort to keep fit from trimming the unfit.

Whom the gods would destroy they first inculcate with a high-hat complex.

Correct this sentence: "I'm fat," she admitted, "but I think my clothes look well on me." R. Q.

Editorial Opinion

NEED NATIONAL IMPULSES.

From the Brandon Sun.
MUCH has been said about a national policy for Canada. We need also a new national sentiment. Canada is very unfortunately situated between a scant population and an immense territory. It is difficult to build up a vital nationalism in a dominion practically divided into five distinct divisions with physical barriers. We need a mutual understanding of each other, more toleration and a broader national viewpoint.

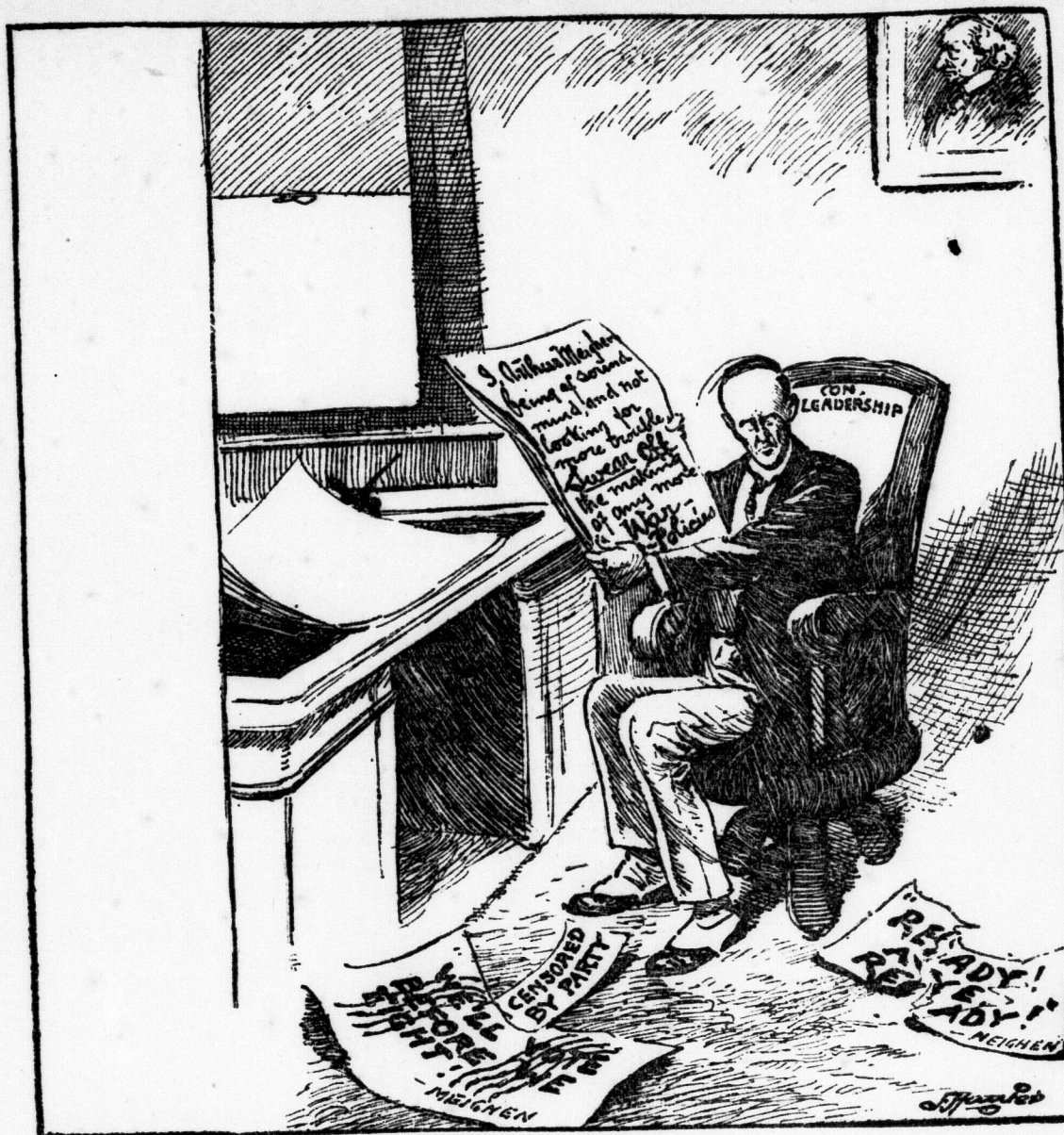
NOTHING OF THE KIND.

From the Brantford Expositor.
A CAMPAIGN has been started in the United States to lengthen women's skirts. Present styles are commencing to make some of the fair sex feel uneasy.

AN ENDLESS CHAIN.

From the Hamilton Spectator.
ANNOUNCEMENT that the bogus money ring operating in the United States has been broken will be good news to the new bogus money ring that is waiting to take its place.

A New Year's Resolution



Molly Acquires Wisdom

By MACKELLAR McARTHUR.

THE FARM, Dec. 30.—There was a time when the great event of the season came, when Molly was hooked up in the cutter for the first time. She shook off the weight of her many years and cut loose as only an old horse can. Drifts were anathema to her and she drove through them to the huge delight of her drivers. If they were youthful, occasionally such rides ended, for the occupants of the cutter, in a snowbank, while Molly careened on. But those days are past. Molly has evidently decided that she was being made sport of. It is two years since she has given any indication of her once annual rejuvenation. Or perhaps it is because the roads do not drift up as they did when the picturesque but inefficient rail fences lined the roadside. A ride over some of those drifts was the equal of any roller coaster, especially if Molly kicked and plunged over every crest.

Even though my first cutter ride was uneventful in so far as the horse was concerned, I enjoyed it, despite the temperature. An umbrella took the edge off the wind and the slanted rays of the sun had a pleasantness unexpected when in the wind. The clanging of the bells chimed cheerfully on the winter quiet, while the polishing runners of the cutter groaned and whined on the dry, fluffy snow.

For a little while during the winter the horse gains a partial supremacy over his all-conquering rival, the automobile. Molly, who takes the side of the road in summer and swales in clouds of road dust, has almost a grin on her otherwise imperturbable physiognomy when we pass a car laboring through the snow. But Molly could be consulted she would probably favor the auto, for to judge by her performance on the road she would just as soon be in the stable.

25 Years Ago

From The Advertiser, Dec. 31, 1900.

The last day in the nineteenth century.

Among the men who were on the platform at the second meeting in the municipal campaign last night were: H. B. Ashplant, chairman; Mayor Rumball, W. H. Bartram, Aldermen Douglass, Cooper, Winnett, Drenney, Joseph Graham, A. G. Chisholm, J. W. Pocock, Alex. McKee, J. W. Smith, G. Taylor and J. M. Parsons.

Rev. Daniel Webster Davis, colored author, spoke at the Auditorium last night. Some feeling was aroused when he made it known that he had been refused admission to several of London's hotels.

Included in the list of nominees for water commissioners at the coming elections are: J. W. Jones, William Jones and J. M. Parsons.

It is announced today that Field Marshal Lord Roberts was made an early and a knight of the garter by the Queen on his return from South Africa. The St. John's A. C. tendered an "at home" to their friends yesterday. Among those who took part in the program were Charles Povey, Frank Taylor and E. Miner.

The London hockey team will play the first game of the season, when they meet Tibury tomorrow night.

Among those who are running for reeve of London township are E. Danth, T. Clark and W. Patrick, for councillors, J. R. Hodgins, J. H. Hodgins, T. Ramsey, B. C. Brooks, R. A. Powell, W. A. Langford, E. H. Reid, R. A. Galloway, E. S. Mathers, E. Ironside and J. Beacom.

ONCE WEALTHY BANDIT NOW BEGGING FOR LIVING

Special to The Advertiser.

New York, Dec. 29.—"Pat" Crowe, 57 years old, former outlaw, who in 1900, with "Jim" Cullahan, kidnapped Eddie Cudaby, 16-year-old son of the Chicago millionaire packer, and received a ransom of \$50,000 when the boy was released, was given a suspended sentence on a charge of vagrancy when arraigned today in the Essex market court. He was specifically charged with begging in a subway.

Crowe held up the St. Joseph and Council Bluffs railroad train near St. Joseph, Mo., many years ago. He and his confederates secured \$20,000, and a reward of \$50,000 was at that time offered for him "dead or alive."

Reduced now to beggary, he said, he preferred to beg rather than steal, and that accounted for his present plight.

THE ALIMENTARY CANAL.

Julius Tannen—Of course, you've all heard of the late war. It's been sort of hushed up since, but once upon a time we all had heartless days, sleepless days and fish days. During the war I ate so much fish that my stomach was rising and falling with the tide.

MEDICAL DEAN SHOT DEAD.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Albert C. Evelyn, 38, dean of the University of Illinois medical school here, was found shot through the head today in his home. He died in a few minutes. He was slain by the family physician to have been cleaning a revolver.

Canadian Trade \$225,000,000 Greater Than Total In 1924

Export Surplus of \$277,082,566 in Past Eleven Months—Customs Revenue Will Be Approximately \$20,000,000 Higher in Present Year.

Associated Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—The sum of Canada's trade in 1925 will greatly exceed that of 1924.

The latest figures available at the bureau of statistics show that in the 11 months ending Nov. 30, 1925, the total of the dominion's trade was valued at \$1,993,730,656.

In the whole twelve months of 1924 the total trade was valued at \$1,868,253,471. Figures for December, 1925, are not available, but if the current month shows as high a trade as last year the

FILIBUSTER WINS AT BOYS' SESSION

More Seats Demanded by Ottawa, London, Hamilton and Border Bloc.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The redistribution issue brought about a filibuster in the fifth Ontario boys' parliament tonight, when representatives from Ottawa, London, Hamilton and the Border Cities formed a bloc and fought for extra seats. They finally impressed their will upon the house, but not without vigorous opposition from the standing committee on redistribution, which had drawn up the legislation.

The bill, as it came from the committee, proposed simply a realignment of constituency boundaries, leaving the number of ridings unchanged at 116. Opposition was immediately forthcoming from the Ottawa members, who fought for an extra seat, giving them three instead of two. Other cities joined in the agitation for more members, with the result that the bill was finally amended and passed.

The parliament during the day also disposed of its budget for the coming year. Proposed expenditures aggregate \$12,625. The main source of revenue will be, as in the past year, a bond-selling campaign, with \$11,000 as its objective.

EIGHT-DOLLAR WHEAT WOULD EVEN SCORES

Hoover Declares Prohibitive Price Would Be Required If Revenge Sought.

Special to The Advertiser.

Washington, Dec. 30.—The United States would be demanding \$8 a bushel for wheat and 75 cents a bushel for cotton if this country were to follow the example of Great Britain in boosting the prices of her rubber monopoly.

Secretary of Commerce Hoover said today.

Hoover, in an interview with new paper men, voiced an urgent plea for the co-operation of the American people in "Hoovering" rubber.

"Our job is to use as little rubber as we can," Hoover said. "It is our job to ask for given reprisal. To American people are in the habit of helping themselves."

The American producers would be asking tremendous prices, however, if they were to boost their prices for export trade on the basis of production figures parallel to the rubber industry's action.

Hoover's plan to cope with the situation includes:

1. To discourage bankers from vying American credit to the support of the British cotton industry.
2. To institute a systematic campaign to effect conservation of rubber in combinations become extortionate.
3. To stimulate manufacture of substitutes.
4. To stimulate production in countries where price fixing combines are not so active.
5. To institute "properly" controlled machinery for emergencies which would prevent our many hundreds of tons from pitting against each other.

BREAK GROUND AT DETRIT, HUGE MACCABEE TEMPLE

Special to The Advertiser.

Detroit, Dec. 30.—Ground was broken Tuesday and construction began the magnificent new \$2,500,000 international headquarters building of the Maccabees at Woodward and Putnam avenue.

Dispensing with the usual tin shovel, Maccabees, grand old of the fraternal huge steam shovel and scooped two tons of dirt, dumped it to one side and jumped to the ground.

With ground officially broken the regular crew took charge of the digging and carried on with a determination to complete the building Jan. 1, 1926 as scheduled.

The building will be a 14-story structure.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

In Sunny California this winter—hundreds of Canadians will again revel in the beauty of the orange trees, the peepers and the palms that had of perpetual summer.

The attractions of California are manifold. It is recognized as one of the greatest out-of-door playgrounds of the world, with an unsurpassed climate. The glory of its mountain scenery is indescribable. Deep-fishing, motor-car golf, and everything in outdoor recreation may be indulged in.

Canadian National Railway offers special fares and a wide variety of routes, going and return, either through Canada or United States. Ask for particulars to your nearest agent.

NO ONE QUALIFIED.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ampror, Dec. 30.—A peculiar situation has arisen in local municipal affairs owing to the fact that none of those nominated for either mayor, deputy-revee or councillors allied.

This will necessitate the present council continuing probably until after nominations take place, which will likely be in about two weeks' time.

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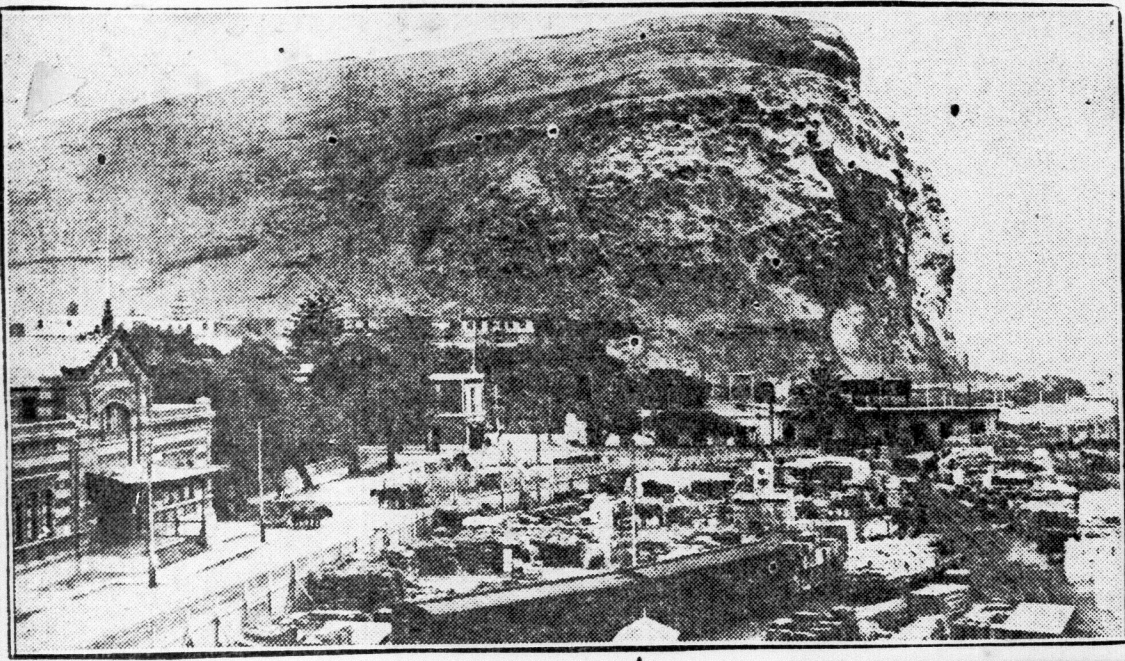
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In the eleven months of 1925, the value of exports was \$1,093,730,656. In the corresponding period of 1924, exports reached \$747,249,085 and exports \$922,628,458, making a total trade for that period of \$1,680,877,520.

The total duty collected on Canadian imports was approximately \$9,000,000 higher in 1925 than in 1924. In the eleven months ended Nov. 3, total duty collected was \$13,969,464. For the same period in 1924 it was less than \$115,000,000.

Four Days In Open Boat On Stormy Sea :: Gun Used By Robinson Crusoe



A VEXATIOUS GIBRALTAR—This bluff and the terrain around it is making trouble in South America that can be compared to the century-old conflict concerning Alsace and Lorraine. It is the disputed Tacna-Arica territory, between Peru and Chile, where efforts of Gen. Pershing at adjustment are barely prospering.



C. M. MCCARTHY of Elk Lake, Gowganda, discoverer of the great china clay deposits at Kaolin City on the Mattagami river, Ontario. Mr. McCarthy is part owner of these deposits, with Mr. William Douglas of Toronto, who announces that they had disposed of a one-third interest for the sum of \$2,500,000.



ROBINSON CRUSOE'S rudely-carved gun, another sensation on the antiquity market in London, which has been insured for \$10,000 by the owner, Charles J. Sawyer. It is of 1700 vintage.

THIS PORTRAIT of Raquel Miller was painted by J. W. de Ruistgaard, a prominent American painter, from the vantage point of a box at the play in which Miss Miller was appearing.

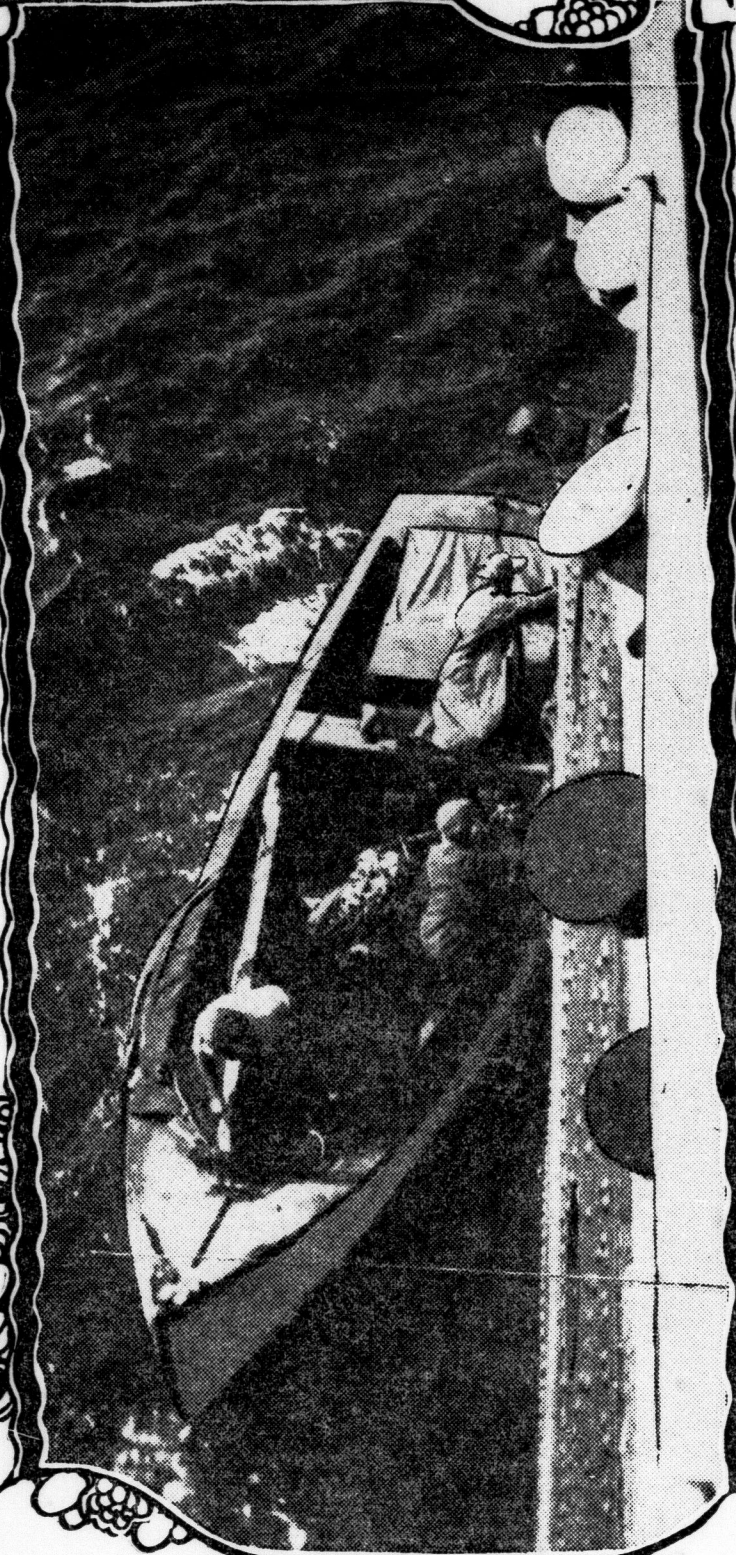


ABOVE is shown Cardinal Laurenti leading the procession during the Festival of the Immaculate Conception when the image of the Madonna was carried in procession through the streets of Rome to the Church of St. Loranzo.



ENVOY TO UNITED STATES—Henry Berenger, French senator, who has been appointed to the ambassadorship at Washington.

WOMEN BARBERS—Pupils at work in the barber school for women opened by S. E. Giordano, New York knight of the shears. He claims that haircuts will reach the dollar mark, and it behooves wives to learn the art in the interests of economy.



AFTER A FOUR-DAY BATTLE with the raging seas off West Palm Beach, William Brush, hotel magnate, and two negro boat-hands are taken from their motor skiff on board the liner Orizaba 200 miles from where they were first swept to sea. They were without food or water the whole time.

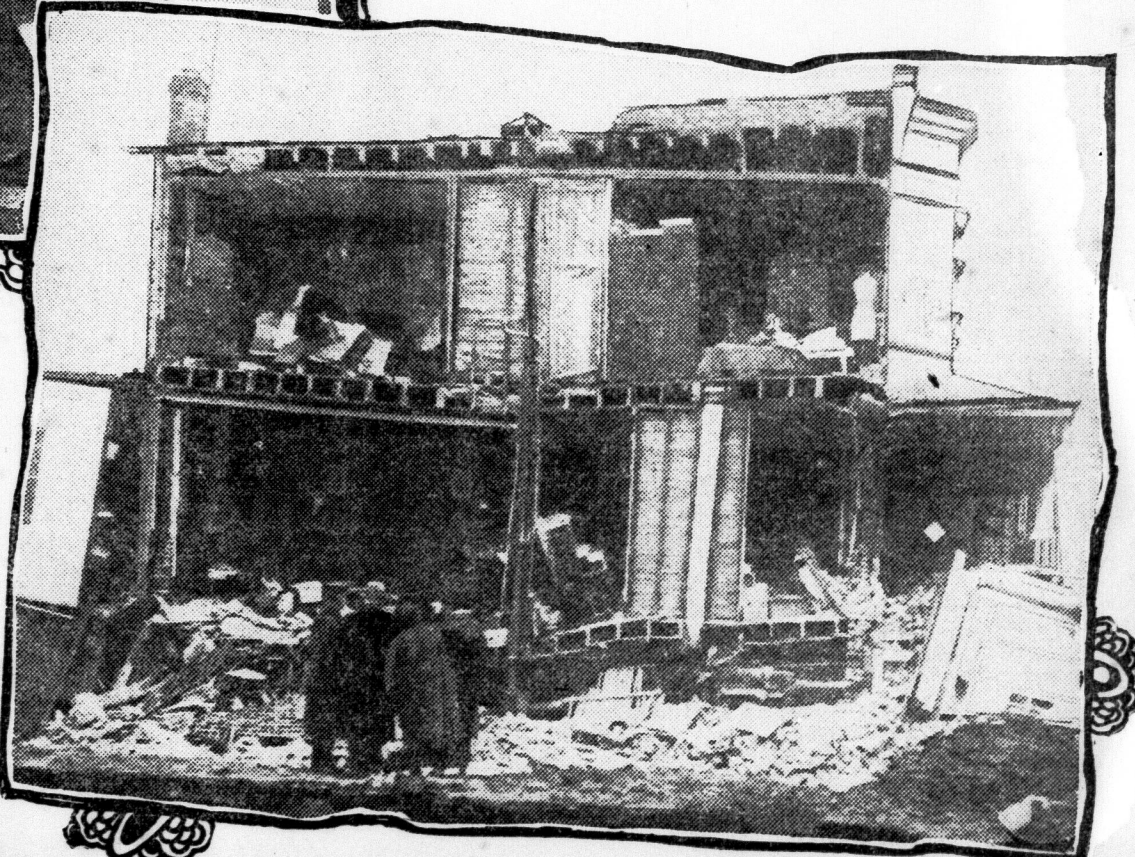


SHE WEARS \$500 WORTH OF SHOES—Miss Eleanora Ambrose, new dancing partner of the noted Maurice, with the stock of footwear she has purchased for her trip abroad. She says the average life of a pair is about two nights of dancing. The couple are going to Egypt to rehearse for a Paris engagement in the spring.



BOBBED-HAIR MISS AS PREACHER—Miss Hattie Horn, sophomore at Drake university, who is gaining many converts by her Sunday sermons, delivered from the pulpit of the Promise City Christian church at Des Moines, Ia. The church is said to be packed each day to hear the 19-year-old girl.

RIGHT—Not another "still" explosion, but simply the result of excavations made by laborers next door to the substantial brick house of Mrs. Catherine Scholes, of Brooklyn. Nobody was hurt.



LEFT—Moslem mosque at Mus-aifra, in Jebel Druse, after the recent shelling by French troops. The French flag flies over the mosque, while the famous crescent, Moslem symbol, may be seen still on the dome.

SARNIA WILL HAVE OPEN-AIR SKATING

Rink Sponsored by C. of C. Club To Be Opened New Year's Day.

Special to The Advertiser.
Sarnia, Dec. 30.—New Year's Day will see the official opening of the large open-air rink sponsored by the luncheon club of the chamber of commerce, which will give Sarnians a reliable skating sheet. When Stan Drew's rink was dismantled and turned into a dance hall this spring, the regular mecca of skaters was lost, but the luncheon club has stepped into the breach with a free outdoor rink on the collegiate campus. The opening New Year's Day will be made quite a popular event with band in attendance and a list of prizes for holders of tickets, the proceeds of which will be devoted to the crippled children's fund.

CONSULT OTHER CITIES ON JOBLESS RELIEF

No. 1 Committee Decides To Seek Information On Methods.

London will consult with Brantford, Hamilton and Toronto in an effort to learn of a satisfactory manner of giving relief to the unemployed.
In view of the fact that ex-Mayor Wenig received promises for unemployment relief from provincial and federal governments, no definite action was taken by No. 1 committee of the city council last night. Word from the two governments is being awaited, and the committee will meanwhile seek information from the other Ontario cities. An inquiry for resuscitation in cases of asphyxiation from poisonous carbon monoxide gas fumes, presented to Victoria Hospital some months ago by the City Gas Company, will be placed at the department of public safety, according to the committee's decision.
The question of granting sums of \$100 and more to the unemployed, such as the merchants, the Macabees and the dairymen's association, which are to be held here this year, will be taken up at another meeting with the estimates for the year.

Trolley Plunges 150 Ft., 3 Missing

Street Car in Tacoma, Wash., Falls Through Open Draw of Bridge.

Associated Press Despatch.
Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 30.—A municipal street car went through the gate on the Eleventh street bridge here tonight and plunged through the open draw into the city waterway 150 feet below. Two, a woman and a girl, are known to be missing.

WARDSVILLE

Special to The Advertiser.
Wardsville, Dec. 30.—Holiday visitors in town included:
Miss Farrar of Glenora, Miss Anthele of London.
Richard Murphy of Alliston; Ford, Arthur and Violet Murphy of Toronto, and Miss Maud Murphy of Virginia, at the Rectory.
Mr. and Mrs. James Ward and baby and Miss Tola Quigley at the home of Mr. Cornelle.
Mr. and Mrs. McCracken, George and Isabel of London, at the McVicar home.
Miss Lillian Shepherd at the home of J. V. Faulds.
Albert and Freda Bridgetta at the home of George Paulsen.
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin King of Detroit at Mrs. B. King's home.
Carlyle Bolton and William Tomlin at John Bolton's.
Hugh Lamont and Jack Douglas of Windsor at Mr. Lamont's home.
Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McKellar of Murkirk at the home of E. R. Davies.

NO TRUSTEE ELECTION.
Special to The Advertiser.
Chatham, Dec. 30.—A nomination meeting held this afternoon resulted in the election by acclamation as trustees of the Chatham separate school board: J. A. McNevin, ward three; Joseph Bedard, ward four; A. I. Jacques, ward five; Alfred Deloge, B. Mohan acted as returning officer. A. E. Stirling is the present chairman of the board, with J. P. Dunn as secretary.

NICKLE DECLINED TO SEE JARVIS.
Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Dec. 30.—Hon. W. E. Nickle, attorney-general, said this morning that he declined to see Mr. E. Jarvis had requested an interview with him, but that he declined to see him. Mr. Jarvis had furthered discussion about the fine imposed on Jarvis is a matter of the courts.

STEAMER ARRIVALS.
Halifax, Dec. 30.—Arabic, Hamburg. New York, Dec. 30.—Albion, Doris, Liverpool; Minnewaska, London.

ANONYMOUS GIVER BACK.
Canadian Press Despatch.
Regina, Sask., Dec. 30.—An anonymous giver in England, who has donated more than \$100,000 to church of England institutions in Regina, is making another gift of approximately \$5,000 to wipe out the present indebtedness of Grace Anglican church.

BANDITS GET \$17,000.
Associated Press Despatch.
Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 30.—Four bandits obtained about \$17,000 in silver and currency today in a daring hold-up of the Argyle state bank in the downtown business district. Scores of people passed the bank during the robbery.



DUCHESS OF DEVONSHIRE.

This latest photograph of the Duchess of Devonshire shows her wearing the famous pearls which took over 50 years to collect, and are worth over \$100,000. The duchess, who is mistress of robes, is one of the queen's most intimate friends.

UNIQUE ART DISPLAY PLANNED IN STRATHROY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Special to The Advertiser.
Strathroy, Dec. 30.—The teaching staff of the public schools have arranged for an elaborate art exhibit, to be held in Colborne street school from the 13th to the 16th of January, inclusive.
The exhibit consists of over 200 carbon photographs, photographs and prints in full color made directly from the original. It comprises a plan of recognized world masterpieces of painting and architecture, so that this should be a unique opportunity to become acquainted with the best of the world's art productions, both ancient and modern.
The exhibit will be open each evening and all day on Saturday, the 16th, so that teachers and pupils from the district schools will have an opportunity to attend. Musical programs will be given each evening. A small admission will be charged, and the funds will be used to purchase pictures for the ten schoolrooms in town.

ST. THOMAS STORE JOINS PROVINCIAL ORGANIZATION

Special to The Advertiser.
St. Thomas, Dec. 30.—The dry goods establishment of Andersons, Limited, have become affiliated with the newly formed organization known as the "Federated Distributors' Limited," composed of 24 of the leading stores of the province, representing a business turnover of at least ten million dollars annually. The new organization plans to benefit by a greater purchasing power.

ST. THOMAS INCLUDED IN GOOD TRADE CITIES' LIST

Special to The Advertiser.
St. Thomas, Dec. 30.—The January sales and credit map issued in conjunction with the Babson Statistical Organization contains information of which citizens of the Flower City feel justly proud. St. Thomas is included with London, Brantford, Toronto, Guelph, Kingston and Cambridge, being the most favorable sales opportunities.

TILLSONBURG INSTALLATION.
Special to The Advertiser.
Tillsonburg, Dec. 30.—Right Worshipful Bro. W. S. McDonald, D.D.G.M., Wilson district, installed an officer of King Hiram Lodge, No. 78, A. F. and W. M. C. G. H. Bro. Walter Gibson; stewards, Bro. A. P. Hillberg and Thos. R. Winters; chaplain, V. W. Bro. A. E. Raynes; secretary, Rt. W. Bro. Dr. H. McQueen; treasurer, W. Bro. C. H. Denton; D. of C. R. W. Bro. W. S. McDonald; Tyler, Bro. Geo. Anscombe; auditors, Bro. A. M. Hare and C. G. Leach.
At the conclusion of the installation V. W. Bro. Dr. H. McQueen graciously acknowledged a bouquet of roses from the officers of the lodge for Mrs. McQueen and himself. Adjournment was then made to the banquet room for an oyster supper, after which a splendid program was given. Those taking part were Bro. A. P. Hillberg and Bro. W. Frank Smith, B.A.

MISS HATTIE CUTHBERT DIES.
Special to The Advertiser.
Ingersoll, Dec. 30.—The death of Miss Hattie Cuthbert, a well-known resident of West Oxford, occurred today following an illness of about three weeks' duration with pneumonia. Although born in East Oxford, Miss Cuthbert had spent the greater part of her life in West Oxford. She was a member of St. Paul's Presbyterian church here, and was always deeply interested in its welfare. She is survived by one brother, James H. Cuthbert, and one sister, Miss Sarah, both of West Oxford. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon from the home of her brother, James S. Cuthbert, to the Presbyterian cemetery at Woodstock.

MRS. W. NEWELL BURIED.
Special to The Advertiser.
Oil Springs, Dec. 30.—The funeral of Mrs. W. Newell, who died at her home, Dawn Mills, was conducted by the Rev. Lawson Davis, assisted by Rev. J. W. Penrose of Oil Springs. Interment was made in Oil Springs cemetery. The late Mrs. Newell, who was 29 years of age, was born in Oil Springs. Survivors are the husband and little daughter, Annie, the mother, two brothers, Wallace of Bowling Green, Ohio, Harvey of Oil Springs, and three sisters, Mrs. Jos. Warwick, Mrs. Harry Penfund and Mrs. Vernon Nurse of Florence.

MRS. JOHN ANDERSON BURIED.
Special to The Advertiser.
Cambridge, Dec. 30.—The funeral of the late Mrs. John Anderson took place on Monday. A short service was held at the house, and a public service in Knox church, conducted by Rev. A. W. Gazeley. Interment was made in Knox cemetery.

STREET RAILWAY DEMANDS ELIMINATION OF BUS LINES

Council Authorizes Company To Run 60 Days at 5 Cent Fare.

CANNOT BAN BUSES
Police Commission Can Pick Bus Routes If It Chooses.

London's transportation difficulties still remain unsolved, and there is more than a possibility that the city will start the new year without street car service.
The city council met behind closed doors yesterday afternoon at the city hall with City Solicitor T. G. Meredith, and at the conclusion of the meeting City Clerk Samuel Baker was authorized to inform the press that the street railway would be given special authority today to operate cars for 60 days at a 5-cent fare. The aldermen met this afternoon at 4:30 to pass a bylaw to this effect.

Cars In the Barns.
The council took no action regarding the request of the L. S. R. that buses be banned from the streets.
Vice-president Ivey of the L. S. R., who was not present at yesterday's gathering, told the council at a meeting on Tuesday that the company could not possibly operate against bus competition and that the only alternative was to place the street cars in the barns. He quoted figures to show how much money the company was losing through bus competition. The L. S. R.'s written proposition was discussed, but no action taken, following Mr. Meredith's statement as to aldermanic powers.

Questioned last night, Mr. Ivey declared that as far as he could see there was no other course but to put the cars in the barns.
"That is the only course we can take, as far as I can see," said Mr. Ivey. "We have done our best to give service, and have outlined to the council what we are willing to do. We have invited the aldermen to submit us a proposition as to what they would like to do, and more than that. In the meantime, we cannot continue to operate at a loss every day."

Council's Hands Tied.
While no vote was given to the press, it is known that City Solicitor T. G. Meredith told the aldermen in plain language that they did not have the power to take the cars off the streets. Transportation powers were at the present time, vested in the police commission, and the only way to change this state of affairs was, like Toronto, to petition the Ontario legislature.

The police commission could not refuse to grant licenses, but it could refuse to issue them. The council has power to recommend to the police commission that it refuse licenses, but it cannot force it to do so. Therefore, if the aldermen really wanted to put the buses off the streets they could effectively use this method.

Police Commission's Powers.
Another point stressed by the city solicitor was the fact that the police commission had the authority to pick the routes of the buses. They could refuse to allow buses to operate on the same streets as the street railway, and could order their operation in the thinnest parts of the city.
The Metropolitan Bus Company, operating six buses in London, has not yet taken out licenses for 1926. The council should not take out city licenses today, they, too, will be off the streets.

Manager Kamm is expected in the city this morning, and will go into the local situation thoroughly with bus supporters. There was no proposition from his company before the council yesterday afternoon.

Council's Own Preference.
From what could be learned last night, the majority of the aldermen were agreed that there was room for only one transportation company in London, and that the street railway should be given the preference, providing a decent service was not only promised but given.

To perpetrate definite action of some kind, the street railway management may place the cars in the barns tonight. Buses could not hope to take the crowded streets until more buses were brought in. It would be some time before anything like a definite schedule could be maintained all over the city. The temper of the people, sorely tried on other occasions, is likely to be strained to the breaking point before anything that resembles a settlement is reached.

MRS. ROBERT RUTLEDGE.
Special to The Advertiser.
Thorndale, Dec. 30.—The funeral service of the late Mrs. Robert Rutledge of Thorndale, was conducted at the family home on Wednesday afternoon by the Rev. W. Sterling, interment at Webster's cemetery. The late Mrs. Rutledge was in her 94th year, one of the oldest residents of West Nisourpi. She was born in Tyrone, Ireland, where she lived until 45 years of age, when she married and came to Canada. After seven weeks spent at Port Hope, they came to West Nisourpi, county of Middlesex. About 22 years ago they retired from farm life and moved to Thorndale. Mrs. Rutledge was a member of the Methodist church, now the United Church of Canada. She is survived by her husband, Robert Rutledge. In October, 1924, Miss Mary Livingstone, a niece, came from Ireland to nurse Mrs. Rutledge.

THORNDALE OFFICERS INSTALLED.
Special to The Advertiser.
Thorndale, Dec. 30.—The installation of the officers of Mount Olivet lodge, A. F. and A. M. No. 200, of Thorndale, took place Monday evening. Wor. Bro. James Guest acted as installing master. At the conclusion of the meeting, lunch was tendered by the newly installed master, Wor. Bro. Joseph Johnson.

PROF. J. B. S. HALDANE.
Special to The Advertiser.
Cambridge, Dec. 30.—The funeral of the late Prof. J. B. S. Haldane, a center of a sensation in British university circles, was held in Cambridge when he refused to resign because he was involved in a divorce case, his wife had demanded a hearing before the sex viri.

WOODSTOCK COUPLE MARK SILVER WEDDING

Friends Make Presentations To Trustee John Scott and Wife.

Special to The Advertiser.
Woodstock, Dec. 30.—Married at Dearham, county of Cumberland, England, 25 years ago, Mr. and Mrs. John Scott, the former a member of the Woodstock board of education, were last night honored by a large party of their friends and presented with many beautiful pieces of silverware. About 40 persons were present at the function. Mr. and Mrs. Scott (formerly Miss Elizabeth Cameron) went to live in Belfast, Ireland, after their marriage, and sixteen years ago came to Canada, settling in Cobalt. They came to Woodstock two years later. Mr. Scott was the Labor-U. F. O. candidate in the provincial general election of 1919. There was only a fair attendance of farmers and shoppers at the special New Year's market held here today. Eggs dropped as low as 50 cents a dozen, but butter was firm at 48 to 50 cents.

Railway Head Is Exonerated

Probe Into St. Thomas Street Car Fares Comes To End.

Special to The Advertiser.
St. Thomas, Dec. 30.—The probe into irregularities in the St. Thomas street railway system was officially closed this afternoon when the railway committee brought in a resolution exonerating Manager Johns from any suspicion of irregularity in handling of fare tokens and fare boxes at the street car barns.

MISS ELEANOR JORDAN DIES AT PARENTS' HOME

Special to The Advertiser.
Dublin, Dec. 30.—The death occurred yesterday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Jordan, Hibbert township, of Miss Eleanor Jordan, in her 28th year, after a week's illness. Miss Jordan was a school teacher in Thorold, and had returned home for the Christmas vacation, when she was seized with pneumonia. She is survived by five sisters, Sisters Alma and Theresa of St. Joseph's convent, Mrs. J. J. Smith, Parkhill, Mrs. James Dewar, Granton and Mrs. Peter Fitzpatrick, Hibbert; and three brothers, Michael, London, John, Toronto, and Frank of Hibbert. Funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

ROBERT GRAHAM DIES IN NINETY-SIXTH YEAR

Special to The Advertiser.
Wingham, Dec. 30.—With the passing of Robert A. Graham in his 96th year, one of the oldest citizens of Wingham has been lost. He was born in Scotland, coming to Canada when a young man. He taught school in the village of Wroxeter for a number of years, afterwards moving to Turnberry as a farmer, finally moving to the town of Wingham, where he established himself as a merchant. He was a member of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. Funeral services will be conducted from his late residence Friday afternoon, January 1, interment will be made in the Wingham cemetery.

ACCLAMATIONS IN DUBLIN

Police Trustees Returned—No Election for Three Townships.

Special to The Advertiser.
Dublin, Dec. 30.—The village police trustees were returned by acclamation, Alex. Darling, L. J. Looby and Patrick Woods, Sen.
Hibbert, Logan and McKillop townships re-elected their councils by acclamation, as follows:
Logan—Reeve, James Douglas; council, Dan McCarty, Harry Chaffee, George Ahrens, Edward Preuter.
McKillop—Reeve, J. Frank McQuaid; council, Ed. Hogan, Bruce Meddy, John Doodie, Dan Reggie.
Hibbert—Reeve, Robert Hogarth; council, Allan McDougall, James Malcolm, William Morris, William Jeffrey.

PROSPECT HILL

Special to The Advertiser.
Prospect Hill, Dec. 30.—Among the Christmas visitors here were:
Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Bruce of Anderson.
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tait and family with Mrs. Geavson of Ennisdale.
Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Evans with Mr. and Mrs. Fewster of Granton.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Perrin with Mr. Cecil Power.
Messrs. Launce and Frank Hudson with Warner Hudson.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cook and daughters of Granton with Arthur Coats.
Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Metters with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kew of Kintore.
Mr. and Mrs. Mary Lindsay, Miss Winifred Gregory with Mr. and Mrs. Warren Gregory.
Mr. and Mrs. Hazel Perrin with Mr. and Mrs. Neil of McGillivray.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ferris with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dickey of Cherry Grove.
Mrs. Frank Westman with relatives in Toronto.
Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Lankin with Cameron Westman.
Miss Irene Mossey has returned home after a visit with her sister, Mrs. Stanley.

42 DEAD IN MINE.
Associated Press Despatch.
Eagle Pass, Texas, Dec. 30.—Forty-two bodies have been brought out of a Mexican National Railway coal mine at Palan, state of Coahuila, where an explosion occurred Saturday. The blast is believed to have been caused by the breaking of a miner's safety lamp, which ignited gas in the mine.

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ROYAL ACADEMY PRESIDENT DEPLORES MODERN ARTISTS

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 30.—Sir Frank Dicksee, president of the Royal academy, has not much use for some of the modern artists who go in for freak art.
"There are young men and women today who want to show the world their own personality in their work. That is all right, if it is worth seeing. Those who say that in certain light and certain positions they see a person's nose looking a tremendous length and the other features looking weird, should not put these sights on canvas. They should go immediately and see an oculist."

TREE CRUSHES FOOT

Roy McCracken Loses Toe and Has Three Bones Broken.
Special to The Advertiser.
Melbourne, Dec. 30.—Roy McCracken had one toe crushed so badly that it had to be amputated and three bones in his foot broken, when a tree which he was cutting in his woods, fell on his foot. The tree after being cut, lodged, and Mr. McCracken was freeing it when it fell.

WYOMING S. S. HAS CONCERT.

Special to The Advertiser.
Wyoming, Dec. 30.—The Christmas entertainment of St. John's Sunday school was held Tuesday evening. The program consisted of songs, recitations and a short play, entitled, "The New Minister Arrives." Much regret was expressed that the superintendent, John B. Dale, was unable to be present.

New Carshops Again Reported

Special to The Advertiser.
St. Thomas, Dec. 30.—Once again the C.N.R.-Wabash officials predict radical changes on the local division. For several years the local officials have been advised that the construction of locomotive shops and round-houses, and enlarging of the yards was pending. Such steps have been expected in past years, but Superintendent Matthews believes that the work will be carried out this coming year.



HERMAN MERRITT, P.C., member of the Chatham police force, who has been reappointed in the reorganization effected by the police commission. He has been a member of the force for several years.

CARS' EXHAUST GASES MAY INCREASE CANCER, IS CLAIM

Harvard Professor Comments on Breathing of Poison in "Canyon" Streets.

Special to The Advertiser.
New Haven, Conn., Dec. 30.—The amazing growth in the number of automobiles in use throughout the world may lead to a sharp upward trend in the number of cancer cases in our large cities, because of the irritation set up through the constant breathing of the poisonous exhaust gases in the canyon-like streets of the great centers of population, Dr. L. C. Strong of Burzy Institute, Harvard university, said today.
Dr. Strong read a paper on the genetic studies on the nature of cancer at the cancer symposium conducted by the American Society of Zoologists at their closing meeting at Yale university here today.

SHOULD COME TO CANADA TO PURCHASE THESE THINGS

Associated Press Despatch.
San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 30.—Sir Thomas Hughes, representing a syndicate of British and Australian capitalists, arrived here today from Australia to purchase several million dollars' worth of machinery, rolling stock and agricultural implements needed by farmers of Australia.
Australian farmers are rolling in prosperity, Sir Thomas said. Wool growers and dairymen, especially, have had an extraordinary year, and the wheat crop is one of the largest in history. Bank deposits are unusually large, and the financial situation is better than ever before.

AN AMAZING DISCOVERY.

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Dec. 30.—A motion picture director received the surprise of his life when 20 out of 30 extra "girls" employed in a new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayor production confessed they did not know how to smoke cigarettes.

YOUNG PEOPLE HOLD SOCIAL.

Special to The Advertiser.
Wallaceburg, Dec. 30.—The young people of Trinity United church held a social evening in their Sunday school room on Monday evening. Program features were: Vocal solo, Ella Shaw; piano solo, Gertrude Drader; reading, Hortense McDonald; piano duet, Lettie and Bill Burgess. Refreshments were served.

SEAFORTH WOMAN DIES.

Special to The Advertiser.
Seaforth, Dec. 30.—Word has been received of the death, in Florida, of Mrs. John Cameron, of Seaforth. She was spending the winter there, and was run down by an automobile, sustaining a fractured skull and other injuries, which resulted in her death.

TILLSONBURG HITS NEW C. N. SCHEDULE

Council and Trade Board Officially Protests Dropping of Two Trains.

Special to The Advertiser.
Tillsonburg, Dec. 30.—At a joint meeting of the town council and board of trade, held in the council chamber this evening, the following resolution was unanimously endorsed:
"To H. C. Bourlier, general passenger agent, C. N. R., Toronto, Ont.,
"At a joint meeting of the town council and the board of trade, the following resolution was passed. The reported changes in the timetable of the C. N. R. and the cancellation of trains No. 261 and No. 264 to and from Tillsonburg are very detrimental to the town of Tillsonburg, and shipping and passenger service in connection therewith, for the following reasons, namely:
"Daily connections with Woodstock, our county town, are practically cut off.
"All afternoon connections to reach C. N. R. main line west and east as far as Hamilton, are cut off.
"All connections to and from Stratford and the north are cut off.
"The afternoon mail, carried on the C. N. R. 3:30 p.m. for Brantford is cut off.
"Pupils attending Woodstock Collegiate and business college from surrounding country will be unable to do so, under the proposed timetable.
"Express and shipping facilities during the middle of the day are seriously interfered with, including large shipments from the Tillsonburg Shoe Co., Ltd.
"To partially remedy a few of the above objections, we would request that connection be made at Norwich, Jct., returning to Tillsonburg, and that train known as No. 235, could be run into the T. & B. station, and the same course followed with train No. 232 in the afternoon. This could be done with a delay of ten minutes for each train, and we are satisfied it would more than make up for the additional mileage (signed), Mayor G. Hollier."

RECOMMEND COUNCIL GOVERN '25 CENTENNIAL

Following a meeting of No. 1 committee in the city hall last night a recommendation will be sent to the city council that they as a whole be a committee to make full arrangements for London's centennial next August, with power to name their own committees.
If the council adopts this recommendation of No. 1 committee, a special meeting will be immediately called by the mayor, and the various committees will be lined up. The subject of a grant to the centennial was also discussed at length by the committee, and it was decided to leave this also in the hands of the council.

BANK OF TORONTO MADE GOOD SHOWING IN YEAR

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Dec. 30.—According to the annual statement of the Bank of Toronto, issued this evening, a good showing was made during the fiscal year ended Nov. 30. A gain in deposits of \$6,225,225 to \$4,749,197 during the preceding year. Quickly realizable assets amounted to \$5,125,021, which is 59.54 per cent of total liabilities to the public. To this compares with \$4,823,943, or 52.62 per cent of liabilities to the public at the close of the preceding year.
The bank's total assets increased from \$103,508,887 to \$110,966,887 during the period under review.

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MARRIED—In this city, Dec. 22, 1925, by the Rev. Bruce Hunter, at his home, Gladys, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Kellor of Wabash, and Harold Robson, youngest son of Mrs. Robson and the late Jeremiah Robson of Hinton.

DIED
ALEXANDER—At his late residence, 883 Adelaide street, on Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1925, Frank Alexander, beloved husband of Mary Alexander. Funeral private, from the above address on Friday at 2:30 p.m. Service at 2 o'clock. Interment at Westlister Cemetery. Please omit flowers.

WILSON—Suddenly, on Dec. 22, 1925, at his late residence, 171 Wortley Rd., Herbert J. Wilson, beloved husband of Mary L. Wilson, in his 57th year. Private funeral services at the above address on Thursday, Dec. 31, at 3 p.m. Interment at Woodland Cemetery.

WARD OF THANKS
The family of the late Mrs. J. McCrackin desire to express their very deep appreciation of the many kind and generous contributions and services rendered by their many friends during their bereavement.

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HOOVER'S LAMENTS SURPRISE BRITONS

Rubber Prices Governed by
Great Increase in U. S.
Demand.

By HENRY SOMERVILLE.
Special Cable to The Advertiser by a
Staff Correspondent. Copyright.
London, Dec. 30.—Businessmen here
are astonished at the declarations of
Secretary Hoover and other responsible
Americans at the high price of rubber.
The fantastic nature of Hoover's case
is illustrated by his calculation that on
the basis of rubber prices the United
States would be justified in charging
\$3 a bushel for wheat.

The question is asked why the United
States does not charge \$3 for wheat.
It is pointed out that they always have
charged the highest price they could
get and it is true that the rubber
output on British plantations has been
restricted by means of export duties,
but, it is declared, there is no moral
or economic difference between these
export duties and the import duties
which the United States imposes for
the benefit of their industries.

Facts Forgotten in America.
Two facts are frequently forgotten by
American agitators. The first is that
the present quoted prices for rubber
are nearly double those which
large American manufacturers will
actually pay during the coming year,
for they made their contracts in the
early summer. The second fact is that
it is not the restriction of the output
but increase of the demand that has
caused rubber prices to soar.

The United States department of
commerce estimates that the United
States has imported 125,000,000 pounds
of rubber more this year than last year.
British rubber users have to pay
high prices equally with Americans.
Dutch rubber producers are sharing
gains at a higher proportion than the
British, for they increased their output
when the British practiced restrictions.
Holland has been taking gold
from Britain at the rate of four million
dollars a week for the last nine weeks.
This is a good index to Holland's
prosperity resulting from the rubber
boom.

NEW MYSTERY SESSION HAS ITALY ON TIPTOE

Mussolini Meets Austen Cham-
berlain, British Foreign Min-
ister, at Rapallo.

By HIRAM K. MODERWELL.
By Radio to The Advertiser and the
Chicago Daily News.

Rome, Dec. 30.—The meeting be-
tween Premier Mussolini and Austen
Chamberlain, British foreign minister
at Rapallo, Tuesday, thrills the Italian
public with speculations of what great
things may be in the air.

Mussolini's newspaper, Popolo di
Roma, hazards the guess that the sub-
jects of conversation, were, besides the
debt settlement, Italy's position regard-
ing the possible British conflict with
Turkey, international disarmament
plans, and Italian participation in in-
ternational action in China.

But the entire article, written with
an air of great mystery, reveals little.
Certainly the conversation is accepted
here as another indication that Italy
is a full partner in read of a poor rela-
tion in the family of nations. Mussolini
aims to seize every opportunity to as-
sert Italy's prestige and obtain a
share in possible gains.

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TITLED RUM-RUNNERS FLEECE BY OTHERS IN ILLICIT TRADE

700 British Investors in the Lurch As He Goes Into Bankruptcy
—Not Paid For Liquor Sold in the
United States.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 30.—The 700 investors
who took a flier in rum-running, many
of them women, got little comfort out of
a statement which Sir Broderick Hart-
well, titled rum-runner, made today at
a meeting of his creditors.

Sir Broderick appeared in the bank-
ruptcy court. He declared that his
liabilities were £250,000 (\$1,200,000),
and that his only assets were amounts
due from dealers who got the liquor in
the United States and have not paid
him and apparently never will.

The final shipment which Sir Bro-
derick sent to the United States, he
asserted, alone was worth £250,000, but
in this case his partner and the dealers
to whom the liquor was turned over
never paid him a cent.

The creditors gloomily passed a
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Chief Declares.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Dec. 30.—"To the outside
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bination or a merger organized for the
purpose of squeezing money out of the
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objects and views.

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sition of chain stores. We maintain that
the independent and small storekeepers
must be kept in business for the sake of
the community.

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tion of food products made through in-
stitutions who have no concern with
the welfare of the community, which
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and who threaten to put out of busi-
ness your own citizens who have es-
tablished homes in your city and whose
sons look forward to carrying on and
extending the business started in your
midst by their fathers."

This was the substance of the pres-
idential address of A. Foster of Toronto,
delivered to members of the National
Grocers' Company, Limited, at the
sales convention of the company, held
here today.

The convention, which terminated this
evening, was the third held during
the week, the first and largest being
at Toronto and the second at North
Bay.

DON'T LIKE TARIFF WHEN
IT IS TURNED AGAINST THEM

By J. C. ROYLE.
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New York, Dec. 30.—The two-edged
sword of the tariff is being raised
threateningly by half-a-dozen nations
in defence of their own pet products
and against those of other countries.
American flour millers have begun an
active campaign to prevent Germany
from adding 57 per cent to the tariff on
flour. Millers here contend that such
action would bar American flour from
the German market.

C. T. Vandenberg, secretary of the
Northwest Spring Wheat Millers' club,
which embraces in its membership
about one-third of the producers of
flour in the United States, asserted to-
day that the doubling of the German
tariff would be a severe blow to millers
and weaken the domestic market of
an industry employing tens of thou-
sands of men and in which hundreds
of millions of capital are invested.

ACCLAMATIONS FOR COUNCIL.
Special to The Advertiser.
Sarnia, Dec. 30.—The Sarnia town-
ship council of 1925 was returned to office
for 1926 by acclamation, when other
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Do Not Put Much Stock in
Story of Plot Against
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London, Dec. 30.—It is noteworthy
that the Liberal newspapers refrain
from attaching too much weight to the
statement made in the Glasgow Her-
ald by its London editor that there is
a plot among some of the Conserva-
tive members of the house of commons
to depose Premier Baldwin from the
party leadership, break up the govern-
ment and split the Conservative party.
The Herald, however, says that leading
Conservatives are not connected with
the movement, which has originated in
a small group of dissenting quarters.

The Manchester Guardian (Liberal),
while conjecturing that there may be
fire behind this smoke, hastens to add
that it is doubtful whether it is much
of a fire. It expresses the opinion that
the contemplation of a general election
would cause the vast majority of the
Conservative members of parliament to
rally around Stanley Baldwin or any
other Conservative premier.

The guardian also fails to observe
any inside revolution against Premier
Baldwin, although the coal subsidy, it
says, has created uneasiness in the
Conservative party.

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Channel Raked By Fierce Gale

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 30.—Gales and tor-
rential rains, the worst of the winter,
are beating the waters of the chan-
nel, and parts of the Atlantic, and
sweeping over England and Western
Europe.

Steamships crossing the Bay of
Biscay report the worst conditions
in 30 years. Transatlantic liners
are encountering exceptionally high
winds and heavy seas.
London is also stormwreck, and
weather experts estimate that 11-
000,000 tons of water fell in the
metropolitan area within a single
hour.

passed away since August of 1924. The
funeral will be held Friday afternoon
at 3:30 o'clock to the St. Thomas
mausoleum, Rev. Newnham officiating.

TWO ARE RELEASED
AS BOY RECOVERS

Shooting Charge Against Roy
Galippo Withdrawn at
Chatham.

Special to The Advertiser.
Chatham, Dec. 30.—With Alfred Hus-
tick, aged 13, recovering from a bullet
wound in the knee, suffered in a shoot-
ing accident, a week ago, Roy Galippo,
19, and Ernest Smith, 19, arrested at
the time, were released today by Mag-
istrate Arnold. Galippo, who was charg-
ed with shooting and doing bodily harm
to Husstick was released on suspended
sentence. A charge of vagrancy pre-
ferred against Smith was withdrawn.
The three obtained permission to shoot
pigeons in a barn near Louisville. Gal-
ippo admitted firing the small calibre
rifle, but he denied knowledge as to
how the accident happened.

Mrs. Pearl May McClure, aged 35,
wife of Alexander McClure, of Wind-
sor, died today at the home of her
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Goodreau,
of Harwich township. Mrs. McClure had
been in failing health for a year. Her
husband, parents, two sisters and one
brother survive.

Theodore Demaulder, a Chatham
township Belgian, who is familiarly
known as "Billie," because of his
thrilling rescue from the ill-fated ocean
liner of that name, was dismissed by
Magistrate Arnold in county police
court on two charges preferred under
the O. T. A.

Mrs. Mary McAllister, widow of the
late Godfrey McAllister, Simcoe, died
suddenly last night at the residence of
her daughter, Mrs. R. K. Rutledge,
Landowne avenue. Mrs. McAllister was
born in France 75 years ago, but had
resided in Canada practically all her
life. Her daughter and one son, Wil-
liam, of Inlay City, Mich., survive.

TORONTO'S MAYOR OUT
FOR GOVERNMENT CONTROL

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Dec. 30.—As a climax in his
election campaign, Mayor Foster sprang
a surprise by announcing tonight his
stand on the liquor question, at a meet-
ing in Parkdale Assembly hall. He de-
clared: "I say there should be govern-
ment control, with local option, if you
want it."

He further stated: "I hear from
provincial members that the govern-
ment is going to the country in June,
and the issue is to be government
control. I think this should be the
issue."

FIRE DOES LITTLE DAMAGE.
A small chimney fire broke out at
7 o'clock last night in a store occupied
by Geo. Strydom & Company at 406
Hamilton road. One chemical was used
to extinguish the blaze, which did little
damage. The property is owned by
Ted Warren.

NEW YEAR'S EVE,
THURSDAY, DEC. 31.

New Year's Eve's Best Features.
KGO—Comedy, Stray Cats.
WIP—Civic celebration.
WJZ, WGY—Trinity services.
WJZ, WGY—Passing of 1925.
WQAW—Pacific coast program.
WOS—Old time fiddlin' contest.
WJZ, WGY, WQAW—Salon orchestra.

(All time schedules p. m., except that
time after midnight is denoted by
heavy figures.)
(Eastern Standard Time.)
CJCG, LONDON—330M.
1-2 p.m.—Musical program, market re-
ports, weather forecast.
6-8:15 p.m.—Closing market quotations.
Evening silent.

OF TORONTO—356.9.
8:00—Hambourg trio.
10:30—New Year's Eve dance.
CNRC, CALGARY—433.9.
9:00—Children's concert.
11:00—CNR orchestra; soloist.
KDKA, EAST PITTSBURGH—309.1.
8:30—KDKA little symphony.
9:00—KDKA little symphony.
10:10—Shrine band and orchestra.
10:30—Watch night service.
12:15—Dance program.

KFI, LOS ANGELES—467.
10:00—L. of S. C. program.
11:00—Hollywood serenaders.
12:00—Concert and dance.
KFXX, HASTINGS, NEB.—288.3.
6:30—KDKA little symphony.
8:00—Market summaries.

KGO, OAKLAND—361.2.
8:30—Fried to boys.
11:00—Comedy, Stray Cats.

KGW, PORTLAND—491.5.