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Hope springs eternal, but never more so than at the dawn of a new year.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year to All Our Readers

High-Powered Explosives Are Found In Mails

Wide-Spread Plot To Deal Death And Destruction Through East And Middle Western States.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 31.—(By the Canadian Press)—The pick of federal investigators tonight tore at the hazes of an apparently wide-spread New Year's eve plot to deal death and destruction through the east and middle west by means of concealed bombs.

Italian officials and public figures were the immediate object of the high powered explosives spread through the mails and by express. Following closely on the heels of an explosion of two bombs yesterday in Easton, Pennsylvania, costing two lives, others of the deadly packages were delivered today at the Italian Consulates in Cleveland and Detroit.

In Chicago the vice president of the school board and editor of a pro-Fascist paper, Oscar Durante, was the recipient of a bomb. Other suspicious packages labeled similarly to those already found to be explosives were received by the Italian consulate at Youngstown, Ohio, and at the Associated Press Office in Chicago.

Meanwhile, at Washington, a special guard of police was placed at the Italian embassy. It was requested by Ambassador de Martino.

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Warns Public Against False Ten Dollar Bills

QUEBEC, Que., Dec. 31.—Officials of the Banque Canadienne Nationale here, have warned the public to be on their guard against false ten dollar notes of this bank which are in circulation. The spurious \$10 bills which have come into the possession of the bank authorities all bear the numbers 347301.

Copyright Off

VIENNA, Dec. 31. (A.P.)—The music of Johann Strauss, the famous Austrian waltz composer, will be anybody's property after Jan. 1, because the Austrian Cabinet failed to extend the copyright law from thirty to fifty years.

In 1929 the Strauss Copyright was extended for two years when it was expected that Austria would join other nations in aborting the fifty year copyright proposed at an international conference in Rome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC

- **Cardigan Club leading hogs, January 6th. 11247-12-31-31.
- **Dance in East Suffolk New Years night. Admission 35 cents. Ladies with cake free! 11254-12-31-21
- **Covehead Club leading hogs at York Wednesday afternoon, January 6th. 11236-12-31-21.
- **Mt. Stewart Club leading hogs, Tuesday, January 5th. Afternoon only. Hogs must be previously listed with Secretary, D. J. McDonald. 11276-1-2-21.
- **The Annual Meeting of the Wiltshire Dairy Co., will be held in the hall at North Wiltshire on Monday, January 11th at 2 P. M. Roland Easter, Secretary. 11267-1-2-41.
- **South Melville Dramatic Club present their play Cranberry Corners at Kelly's Cross Monday, January 4th. If stormy on following Thursday. 11284-1-2-21

TROUBLE IS PREDICTED IN INDIA

If Nationalists Renew Their Civil Disobedience Campaign the British Govt. Is Prepared To Meet It.

(Special to The Guardian) BOMBAY, India, Dec. 31.—Lord Willingdon, Viceroy of India, telegraphed Mahatma Gandhi today that if the Indian Nationalists renew their civil disobedience campaign the government is prepared to meet it.

This means war, said one of Mr. Gandhi's closest advisers. The Mahatma took to his tent with a solemn expression to write an answer to the Viceroy.

"In the one or two days more of freedom, he said, let us say our prayers in peace."

(By James A. Mills, Associated Press Staff Correspondent) (Copyright, 1931, by the Associated Press)

BOMBAY, Jan. 1.—(Friday)—Mahatma Gandhi informed Lord Willingdon, Viceroy of India, today that he would withhold renewing the civil disobedience campaign of warfare against the government if the viceroy would grant him an interview for the discussion of recent restrictive ordinances.

"If you think it worthwhile to see me," Gandhi said in reply to a telegram in which the viceroy warned him the government would ruthlessly crush agitators, "the working committee of the all-India Congress will suspend operation of a resolution renewing civil disobedience which, at my suggestion, the committee tentatively outlined."

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Lucky Number Means Big Trip

(Canadian Press) VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 31.—Somewhere in Western Canada is a New Year gift for someone who is unconscious of his, or her, good fortune. The gift is a free trip to Australia from any point in Canada, and return, first class all the way. The lucky person will be brought to Vancouver, placed aboard a partial Canadian-Australian liner, transported through the south seas to Australia's summer. There he or she will be shown the big cities and the scenic beauties of the Antipodes—with all expenses paid—and then returned home to Canada. But the receiver of all this must possess a certain number—15,250. This number is on a coupon which was one of those enclosed in every case of Australian oranges that came to Canada in the past year. The idea was to boost the sale of Australian oranges, and fruit dealers could keep the coupons they received or give them to their customers, as they saw fit.

Settlement Is In Sight

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, Dec. 31.—A settlement of the difference between the Government and the British millers regarding the proposed wheat quota plan is in sight, according to the News Chronicle today. The millers, the paper said will be prepared to work on a quota basis if a duty is imposed on imported flour with empire preference.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 31. (A.P.)—William Cameron Forbes, United States Ambassador to Japan, has notified the State Department he desires to retire from the diplomatic service. The Ambassador said he was willing to remain at his post until the acute phase of the Manchurian crisis is over, but he wishes to leave within two months. He plans to return to private life.

Authoress



WRITES NEW BOOK

Mrs. Martha Weiss, Austrian authoress, who after spending a year with friends in California, has written a novel dealing largely with life in the U. S. western states.

LOSS GREATER THAN FIRST ESTIMATED

Riley Section of Building Saved In Fire, Which Completely Gutted DeBlois Bros' Premises.

(Associated Press) MANCHESTER, Eng., Jan. 1.—(Friday)—O. P. Scott, managing director of the Manchester Guardian, died at 1.30 a.m. today. Mr. Scott, who was regarded as one of the greatest journalists in British history, contracted a chill shortly before Christmas. Fears were felt about the outcome of his illness, as his heart was in bad condition. Mr. Scott was 85 years of age.

Following Wednesday night's destructive fire in the Riley building, Messrs. DeBlois Brothers have secured temporary office quarters in Clarke Brothers' building, lower Prince Street, and through the co-operation of the wholesale houses of the City and the neighboring provinces who have offered to furnish supplies required for immediate use they hope to be re-established at an early date.

The loss on DeBlois Bros. stock is estimated at between \$60,000 and \$75,000, with \$43,000 insurance. While the heavier class of goods was carried in the lower warehouse on Full's wharf, the cash value of this stock is less than a third of the value of the stock carried in the Queen Street warehouse. Only this week the greater portion of a carload of dried fruit was transferred from the lower warehouse to the Queen Street building.

No attempt has yet been made to salvage goods from the burned premises. It is thought that practically nothing of value will be saved as goods not destroyed by fire are crushed by fallen floors or ruined by water.

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Alberta Farmer Neglects Cattle And Is Fined

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WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 31. (By the Canadian Press)—Thief charges were laid against Maurice Jones and James F. Spawls, employees of the provincial treasury department, late today after auditors who had worked for several days on books of the department announced a shortage of \$102,700 which they had accumulated over a five year period. Earlier in the day Jones and Spawls, accountant and chief clerk in the department headed by Premier John Bracken, were remanded until Saturday when they appeared in city police court, charges of theft were laid several hours later and the two will hear the charges Saturday.

New Year's Greetings From Empire Premiers

(Canadian Press) That 1931 was a year of deep anxiety and distress is admitted by Empire Prime Ministers in New Year's messages gathered by the Canadian Press with the co-operation of Reuters' Limited, but a sincere belief the coming year will be more hopeful, is voiced. Australia and New Zealand in particular look to the coming Imperial Economic Conference confident it will result in mutually-beneficial increases in Empire trade.

Great Britain

From London, Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald sends his message: "The year we have just rung out has not been one on which we shall dwell in our memories. It has been a year of crisis and hard struggle which was borne heavily upon all sections of the community to prevent crisis from developing into catastrophe. I am afraid in many a home this Christmas the severity of the times made itself harshly felt. "One bright feature has distinguished the old year; the determin-

ed and gallant way in which the great mass of people have recognized the difficulties that confront the country, and have braced themselves to face them. The task of which all of us have to bind ourselves is to keep that spirit alive till we win through to better times. The government faces the new year determined to act in a manner worthy of the confidence so freely given to it. I hope that the nation will appreciate the difficulty and complexity of the problems we have to tackle and will continue to give us their understanding support."

Canada From Ottawa, Prime Minister R. B. Bennett sends the following message: "We bid the old year good-bye without sorrow or regret. We welcome the new year with confidence, and the firm belief that by courage, perseverance and mutual help we may be able, under Divine Providence, to so improve conditions that when it ends we will bid it a reluctant farewell. I wish my fellow Canadians health, happiness and prosperity." (Continued on page 3)

ENGLISH JOURNALIST PASSES AWAY

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Levinsky Is Matched

(Canadian Press) CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 31.—King Levinsky, Ohio-go's reformed fish peddler, today was matched for a ten round bout with Paulino Uzcudun at the Chicago Stadium, Jan. 15. Uzcudun, the Basque wood chopper, never has been knocked off his feet.

Outstanding



SHOWS-EM HOW

An astonishing performance was turned in by Miss Gladys Parrish of the St. Anne's Church League, at the Rummymede alleys, Toronto, when she scored 399 for the high feminine single of the season. Few better scores have been made by any male rollers this year.

TORNADO TAKES DEATH TOLL

(Special to The Guardian) JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 31.—Five persons dead, three dying and fifty persons estimated as less seriously injured were counted today in the trail of last night's tornado that tore through Simpson and Covington Counties, Mississippi.

Mrs. Anse Everett was instantly killed when her home three miles south of Magee was demolished by the tornado. Early today the body of Wilbur Brown, Jr., aged two was discovered in the ruins of the home of his parents in the Mt. Zion community.

The home of John Rankin was reported blown two and one half miles to block highway 49 near Magee and the farmer, his wife and one son were missing last night. Mrs. Dolly McAlphin was reported perhaps fatally injured near Magee.

THREE KILLED

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Dec. 31.—Three persons were reported killed when an American Airways passenger plane crashed east of here tonight, the ship was enroute from Cincinnati to Cleveland. Several other persons were believed to have been injured.

News Briefs

(Canadian Press) YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Dec. 31.—An express package suspected of containing a bomb, was returned by Dr. Attilio Rasapepe Italian Consular agent here today. The package was mailed from New York. It was turned over to police and taken to a field near Youngstown for examination.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 31. Directors of the Delaware, Lackawanna and western railroad today decided to defer action on 1932 dividends until the June meeting.

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 31. (By the Canadian Press)—Irving E. Robertson, Editor of the Toronto Evening Telegram is seriously ill at his residence here. According to his physicians he passed a better night last night and his condition is somewhat improved today, but his condition remains critical.

Working To Raise British Embargo

(Canadian Press) FREDERICTON, N. B., Dec. 31.—Hon. Lewis Smith, Minister of Agriculture for New Brunswick, who has

Japs Moving In On The Chinese Last Stronghold

General Chien's Army Pouring Out Of Walled City Of Chinchow In Disordered Retreat.

(By Glenn Babb, Associated Press Staff Correspondent) MUKDEN, Manchuria, Dec. 31.—General Jiro Tamon, conqueror of Tsitsihar, sent his Japanese cavalry down from Kowpangtze to the Taling River, fifteen miles from Chinchow tonight while the main body of his troops followed for what appeared to be the final drive on China's last Manchurian stronghold.

Astride his black horse, this five-foot soldier led his men into Kowpangtze without a struggle this afternoon and camped there while General Kamura's division came in from Hsinmintun, 69 miles to the north. Scouting airplanes went out ahead of the cavalry and came back to report that the Chinese were leaving Chinchow in droves. The advance guard went down to the Taling, and Japanese troops continued to pour into Kowpangtze until there were nearly 15,000 of them.

The League of Nations council provided a troublesome complication in the Manchurian problem, General Tamon said, because the council members do not understand the real situation here.

LATER CHINCHOW, Manchuria, Dec. 31.—Japanese troops were only fifteen miles away from this walled city tonight and the Chinese army was pouring out in disordered retreat.

Store keepers had nailed their doors and windows shut, fearing looters, and ordinary civilians remained indoors as the soldiers hurried through the streets to the railroad yards. They coupled box cars into long trains, three locomotives to a train, crowded into them and rolled on down toward the great wall. Once a squadron of Japanese airplanes flew over and the panicked soldiers, expecting bombs, raced for dugouts built within the past few days. The entrances were narrow and sometimes there were desperate fights to get in. The planes looked the town over, circled and headed north.

Most of the railway employees have quit, and one telegrapher who stuck by his post asked anxiously if the Japanese were likely to kill the railroad crews when they took the town. General Yang Chien, whom Marshal Chang placed in command of the Chinchow force was back in town today from Peiping, but he

PASSENGERS ON BUS HAVE NARROWESCAPE

Are Rescued After 21 Hours in Deep Snowdrifts — One Apple Divided Between Six.

(Special to The Guardian) LIMON, Colo., Dec. 31.—With only one apple to divide among them for food and suffering from cold and exposure, six passengers on a motor bus were rescued today after spending twenty-four hours in deep snowdrifts. Highway employees with snowplows and tractors worked more than five hours to rescue them. Seats and interior furnishings of the bus were burned to keep the passengers from freezing, a tool box serving as an improvised fireplace.

FIRE LOSSES

(Canadian Press) TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 31.—Fire losses in Canada during the week ended December 29, 1931, were estimated by the Monetary Times at \$598,375, as compared with \$153,700 for the previous week and with \$1,062,075 for the corresponding week of last year. From January 1, 1930, to December 30, 1931, fire losses totalled \$29,392,700 and from January 1, 1931, to December 29, 1931, they were \$36,884,309.

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, Toronto, Ont., Dec. 31.—

| MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES | |
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| Vancouver | 38 42 |
| Regina | 11 21 |
| Winnipeg | 16 28 |
| Toronto | 16 29 |
| Ottawa | 10 28 |
| Montreal | 14 22 |
| Quebec | 14 22 |
| St. John | 24 32 |
| Halifax | 22 34 |
| Charlottetown | 25 38 |

FORECASTS

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence Valley—Strong northeasterly winds; cloudy followed by snow or sleet.

Lower St. Lawrence Valley—Fresh northeast winds, increasing to strong; cloudy and cold at first, with snow at night.

Gulf and North Shore—Moderate to fresh northerly winds; fair and rather cold.

Maritime East and West—Fresh northeast winds, increasing at night; fair and rather cold.

High tide this afternoon at 6.21 and tomorrow morning at 4.59.

Sun sets this afternoon at 4.28 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.53.

New moon Thursday, Jan. 7, 6.29 p.m.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Record & Forecast of the Weather

THESE WILL SOON BE A RUSH FOR THE HAT CHECKING PRIVILEGE AT THE POLITICAL RINGS!

CAR FERRY SCHEDULE
Week days—Leaves Borden daily 8:15 a.m. and 11:40 a.m.
Leaves Tormentine daily: 10:36 a.m. and 2:55 p.m.