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OCEAN COMMERCE DISRUPTED BY STORM

May Consider Further Cut In Farm Loan Rates

5 Per Cent Money Under Dominion Farm Loan Board Mentioned As Possibility By Finance Minister

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)

OTTAWA, Feb. 25.—Hope of five percent money under the Dominion Farm Loan Board was held out in the House of Commons today by Finance Minister E. N. Rhodes. The present interest rate is 5½ percent.

The Finance Minister said he had an open mind on a suggestion from Opposition members that the government pay administration costs under the Farm Loan Act which would reduce interest rates to four or 4½ percent. At the same time, Mr. Rhodes said he would oppose a rate of 3½ percent—actual cost of the money to the Dominion Treasury—on the ground it would dry up private loan sources.

Notice of Amendments

Notice was given by the Finance Minister of several amendments to the government bill which would increase to $90,000,000 the funds available to the Farm Loan Board and extend its operations to every province. The bill was before the House most of the afternoon but progress was slow in committee stage.

The first amendment would extend to farmers who already owe money to the Farm Loan Board, the reduced rates now going into effect. Some farmers have loans bearing interest as high as 6½ percent but the rate will be cut to 5½ and perhaps to five.

Another amendment would permit loans to be made up to 50 percent of the value of lands and buildings on a farm. Under existing laws, the 50 percent limit applies to land but is only 25 percent on buildings.

A third change would provide that a credit would be allowed all farmers who, under present regulations, subscribed five percent of their loan to shares of the Farm Loan Board.

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United States To Strengthen Naval Bases

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25—A measure to authorize the navy department to proceed with strengthening naval bases, chiefly on the west coast and in Hawaii and the canal zone was approved today by the United States House of Representatives naval committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC

**Borden Line Club loading hogs, lambs, calves, Albany Wednesday, February 27th until noon.

**playoff at Milton tonight, Huskies vs. Rovers. Game starts at 8 o'clock. L-4846

**Final playoff between Mt. Herbert and Cross Roads at Arena on Wednesday night at 7.30. L-4844

**Concert, Box-Social, Social Evening, Kelly's Cross Hall, Tuesday, February 26th. Ladies with boxes free. If not fine, Wednesday. L-4809-2-25-21.

**Playoff game at Wiltshire tonight, Hartsville Maple Leafs vs. Wiltshire Beavers. Skating after with music. L-4854

**Doubleheader at East Royalty tonight, Brackley married men vs. East Royalty married men; York Centrals vs, Dewdrops. L-4851

**Reserve Saturday, March 9th, for Trinity Church annual cake sale in aid Prince Edward Island Hospital at Prowse Bros. L-4852

**Hockey match in Graham'n Road rink tonight, Stanley vs. Graham's Road. If not fine, Wednesday. L-4840

**Home baked beans, steamed brown bread, etc., etc., Christian Church School room, Tuesday, Feb. 26, 5 to 7 p.m. L-4823-2-25-21

**Don't miss the game of Auction Forty-Fives in Holy Redeemer Hall tonight. Good prizes and a good lunch. Admission 25 cents. L-4836-2-26-21.

**Hockey at Bradalbane Rink Tuesday, 26th, Freetown Maple Leaves, the Simmons & McFarlane Cup holders, vs. Emerald Hawks. Skating after match. L-4816-2-25-21

**I will be buying live hogs at Emerald and Albany Thursday, February 28th. Highest prices paid. G. C. Green, Emerald. L-4842-2-26-3

**Big special dance, B. I. S. Hall Wednesday night, 27th. Elliot's orchestra. Modern and old time dancing. Last dance before Lent. L-4845

**Buying live hogs all day Thursday, February 28th, at Kensington. Nicholson Bros., Hunter River, loading Friday until noon. March 1st. Sgd., H. S. McEwen, Oliver Campbell. L-4849

**Your orders for seed are requested at once. Available quantity of seeds is scarce. Prices are on the advance. Forward orders at once. W. D. Ross, Secretary Uigg Institute. L-4811-2-25-21.

**Borden Rink, Wednesday night, 27th at 8 P. M. Borden vs. Tryon final game, winner to meet Cape Traverse in finals for Tip Top Trophy, one hours skating. L-4823-2-26-21.

**The Sun Life offers a very comprehensive policy issued on Limited Life Plan. It has an Endowment Option and guaranteed premium reduction without examination after five years. Ask about it. You'll like it. J. A. Moore, Branch Manager. L-4644-tf

**Dental Hygiene Lecture by Dr. Harry Thompson, Tignish Wednesday, February 27th. Alberton, Thursday, February 28th. O'Leary, Friday March 1st, 1.30 p. m. Children grade one to seven 2.15 p. m. Grade eight to ten 8 p. m. Public lanter slides at Alberton and O'Leary. L-4829-2-26-21.

AUSTRIAN NAZIS DISBAND ORGANIZATION

Authorities, However, Are Skeptical Of Olive Branch Extended By Hitler's Followers.

(C. P.-Havas)

(By Guardian's Special Wire)

VIENNA, Feb. 25—Adolf Hitler's Austrian followers laid down their carefully-hidden arms today and announced the disbanding of their outlawed organization, the Austrian Nazi party.

Despite this apparent surrender by the leaders of the campaign for an Austro-German coalition, the authorities here were on guard against being led into what they fear may prove a clever ambush. They made no effort today to hide their suspicions that the Austrian Nazis merely have adopted a new strategy.

FORMAL ASSURANCES

Formal assurances that the secret Nazi storm-troop organization in Upper Austria has abandoned its struggle to continue its clandestine existence was given to the Vienna government today. Nazi chiefs gave their pledges of honor to end all political activity, the office of the Austrian secret police revealed, and advised their assistants to put themselves at the disposal of the authorities.

News of its capitulation spread rapidly to Braunau, Hitler's birthplace, and to other secret strongholds of Austrian Nazis along the Austro-German frontier. Large quantities of arms and ammunitions already have been surrendered to the authorities, it was declared. At Voecklbrueck, Welsried and other centres Nazi chiefs were reported to have given themselves up to the authorities.

"OPEN CO-OPERATION"

Some of those who surrendered it was learned, admitted frankly that they had not abandoned their loyalty to the Hitler brand of National Socialism, nor have they given up hopes for an eventual Austro-German union. They have explained, however, that they are convinced that they can serve their ideals best by "open co-operation" with existing Austrian patriotic and semi-military bodies, such as the Schutzkorps and Sturmschaeren.

Col. Walter Adam, chief of the patriotic front, declared that the Schuschnigg government will remain on guard against any "camouflaged recruiting" in these loyal services.

LATE DR. JAMES S. CARRUTHERS

Former St. James Church Minister Dies in Vancouver.

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)

VANCOUVER, Feb. 25—Dr. James S. Carruthers, 84, veteran United Church minister and theological educationalist, died here Saturday. He had held several pastoral appointments in the Maritime Provinces before he came to British Columbia in 1910.

Born in Ireland he was educated at the University of Glasgow and completed his training with the Presbyterian College at Halifax, N. S. He held appointments at Coldwater, Truro, N. S.; Knox Church, Pictou, N. S.; St. James, Charlottetown, P. E. I.; and St. James, New Glasgow, N. S.

He was associated with public speaking educational work at Queen's University. He was associated later with Westminster Hall, Presbyterian Theological College in Vancouver, as professor of public speaking and homiletics in 1913 to 1925 and similarly with Union College here from 1925 to 1933, when he retired.

MINERS ACCEPT WAGE CONTRACT

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)

STELLARTON, N. S., Feb. 25—United Mine Workers today voted 354 to 241 in favor of accepting the Acadia Coal Company's new contract calling for general five per cent wage increases and an eight-hour day for surface employees.

The contract replaces an agreement which ran out a few days ago, under which 1,200 miners employed in three pits contributed part of their weekly wage to help receiver-liquidators keep the insolvent company operating.

ACTIVE YEAR FOR I. O. D. E.

Encouraging Reports Submitted At Annual Meeting Yesterday. Mrs. J.A. Mathieson Re-elected Regent.

The annual meeting of the Royal Edward Chapter of the I. O. D. E. was held yesterday afternoon in the Chapter Rooms, with the Regent, Mrs. J. A. Mathieson presiding. Mrs. Mathieson expressed pleasure to be back in Charlottetown again. Comprehensive reports covering the activities of the year were tabled. The names of two members were proposed and accepted and regular routine business transacted.

Mrs. H. J. Gordon reporting on the year's activities of the Study Programme Committee announced that the following papers had been read and discussed: Early History of India by Mrs. H. J. Gordon; East India Co. by Mrs. R. M. Legate; Clive in India by Mrs. J. A. Mathieson; Modern India by Mrs. J. A. MacMillan; Warren Hastings by Miss Mary Irving; The Viceroys of India by Mrs. E. M. Blanchard; Mrs. R. H. Rogers led a discussion on the work of the League of Nations, and Mrs. Blanchard read a paper on her trip through the Mediterranean countries.

The following are the officers elected: Honorary President, Mrs. George D. DeBlois; Honorary Regent, Miss Rosa DeBrisay; Honorary Vice-President, Miss Blanche Haviland; Regent, Mrs. J. A. Mathieson; First Vice Regent, Mrs. H. R. Hillson; Second Vice Regent, Mrs. C. H. B. Longworth; Secretary, Mrs. W. M. Brehaut; Treasurer, Mrs. H. C. Hooper; Provincial Educational Secretary, Mrs. J. A. MacMillan; Chapter Educational Secretary, Mrs. H. L. Bethune; Assistant Secretary, Mrs. H. S. Henderson; Echoes Secretary, Mrs. W. A. Huestis; Standard Bearer, Miss Rose Longworth; National Councillor, Mrs. J. A. Mathieson; Councillors, Mrs. J. F. Whear, Mrs. E. M. Blanchard, Mrs. W. E. Bentley, Mrs. A. E. Morrison, Mrs. Victor Goodwill; committees:

Flower and card: Mrs. T. W. L. Prowse and Mrs. Percy Turner.

Canadian National Institute for Blind: Mrs. W. A. Miller, Mrs. W. S. Stewart, Mrs. J. S. Bagnall.

League of Nations, Mrs. R. H. Rogers and Miss Mary Irving.

Child and Family Welfare, Mrs. W. M. Brehaut.

Work in India, Miss Ethel Stewart.

Sewing: Mrs. F. E. Smallwood.

Study Programme, Mrs. Legate, Mrs. H. J. Gordon.

Calendars: Mrs. Edison Sterns.

Social Committee: Mrs. Hooper Horne, Miss Stewart, Mrs. Samuel Kennedy.

REGENT'S ADDRESS

Each year as we meet in church to

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Re-elected Regent

MRS. J. A. MATHIESON

FORMER ISLAND PASTOR DIES AT PORT ELGIN

PORT ELGIN, N. B., Feb. 25—After four days illness of pneumonia, death Sunday morning claimed Rev. Malcolm James MacPherson, minister of the Presbyterian Church here. Deceased was 60 years of age and was a native of Prince Edward Island. He came to Port Elgin one year ago, having previously held pastorates in Ontario, for many years, as well as in Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, being formerly located in Woodstock and Sussex in the latter province. He preached at the Presbyterian Church on the Sunday of the week previous to his demise.

The late Rev. Mr. MacPherson had not been in the best of health for several years, although always able to fulfill his pastoral duties. Since coming here he had won the respect and esteem of the residents of this village and deep regret at his passing is heard generally expressed. He is survived by his wife and one son, Paul.

Funeral service will be held in the Presbyterian Church here Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. A. Kennedy, of this place, and Rev. A. Craise, of Sackville, after which the body will be taken to deceased's old home in Uigg, P. E. I., for interment.

Rev. Malcolm James MacPherson was born at Murray Harbor Road, P. E. I., and had charges in different parts of the Maritimes during his long career as a minister.

His wife, who survives him, was formerly Miss Ella Stavert, Kelvin. She is a sister of Mrs. MacLean, wife of Mr. A. E. MacLean, M.P.

Rev. Mr. MacPherson was brought up by his grandfather, the late Mr. Malcolm Campbell, at Uigg, P. E. I. He was a graduate of Prince of Wales College at which institution he won honors as a brilliant student. His last charge on Prince Edward Island was a circuit in the western section of the province when he ministered to the congregations of Hampton, Bonshaw, and Tryon.

Of recent years his health failed him and for a time he had to give up his ministerial duties. He preached for a time in Ontario and had charges at Woodstock and Sussex before going to Port Elgin.

VERMILYEA IS FOUND GUILTY

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)

BELLEVILLE, Ont., Feb. 25—Harold W. Vermilyea tonight was convicted by an assize court jury of the hatchet murder of his 79-year-old mother, Mrs. Aurelia Vermilyea. Mr. Justice Nicol Jeffrey deferred sentence until 10.30 a.m. tomorrow.

The defence plea of insanity at the time of the crime did not figure in the jury's verdict. There was no rider recommending mercy. Imposition of the death penalty is automatic. It is within the power of the presiding judge to recommend clemency in his usual confidential report following a murder conviction to the Secretary of State at Ottawa.

The jury of nine farmers, two laborers and one merchant deliberated four hours and 31 minutes. The jurors retired at 4.31 after the charge of Mr. Justice Jeffrey.

GERMANY READY TO ENTER PEACE TALKS

Hitler Ready To Consider All Phases Of Anglo-French Accord.

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)

LONDON, Feb. 25—(C. P. Cable)—Parliament and the country learned definitely today that the German government has agreed to talk over all the points of the Anglo-French accord with its far-reaching recommendations for European peace.

Sir John Simon, foreign secretary, will leave for Berlin shortly for this purpose, but whether he will also go to Moscow and Warsaw, as proposed recently, has yet to be decided.

Will Enter Discussions

In the House of Commons this afternoon the foreign secretary confirmed that Germany is now willing to discuss all the points of the Anglo-French accord and not merely the proposed air defence pact, which was the only matter on which she had anything much to say in her initial reply to the Anglo-French overtures.

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To New York?

REV. J. S. BONNELL

WINNIPEG, Feb. 25.—Rev. John Sutherland Bonnell would make no comment today on a report he has been nominated as pastor of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York. It was said a call would probably be sent Dr. Bonnell after a congregational meeting March 6.

"Until I hear from New York personally I can say nothing of the proposal," the Minister of Westminster United Church said.

Dr. Bonnell has been in Winnipeg since 1929. Born at Cavendish, P. E. I., he attended Dalhousie University but interrupted his course to go overseas where he was stricken by poison gas. He returned to Canada to complete his courses in arts and theology and took post-graduate courses in the London School of Economics.

His first pastorate was at his birth place, where he still has a summer home. He subsequently became pastor at St. Andrew's Church, Saint John, N.B., and during his office there he took further post-graduate work at Union Seminary and Columbia University, New York.

At Westminster Church in Winnipeg he has been immensely popular, it being a recognized fact that one must "go early or there'll be no seats."

Death And Havoc Is Wrought In Three Day Storm

Six Persons Drowned 22 Missing When Excursion Boat Capsizes In Carribbean Sea. Dozen Ships Crippled.

(Canadian Press, by Guardian's Special Wire)

Six persons were drowned and 22 were listed missing last night after a crowded excursion boat capsized off the coast of St. Lucia, in the Caribbean Sea. Seventy-four survivors reached shore.

Ocean commerce in many parts of the world was disrupted by a severe three-day storm, and extensive property damage was reported.

At least a dozen ships were crippled by the fierce gales and mountainous seas. Others, battered by the terrific storm, wirelessed they feared trouble and might need assistance. Several ships were forced to send out SOS signals.

The storm-lashed Bay of Biscay continued to be a danger spot. Besides the ships in difficulty, several fishermen were reported washed overboard from small vessels.

Only meagre details of the excursion boat tragedy near Castries, St. Lucia, were known. The ship capsized three miles off the coast.

Gales continued to rage off the west coast of France and England. The British steamer Transylvania grounded off the Scottish coast near Glasgow. Tugs refloated the vessel. Wireless reports received at Land's End station in England listed five ships in distress and one safe.

The S. S. Ottinge, without a rudder in the Atlantic was taken into tow by the French tug Abeille. She was due in Brest before morning.

Dangerous Situation

"Dangerous situation, need urgent salvage," was the message flashed from the Italian S. S. Caterina Madre. She gave her position as 40 miles west of Ile-D'Yeu, and said her propellor was gone.

Assistance was needed by the Greek S. S. Eftychia Vergotti, out of Stettin for Stanbul. She had a damaged steering gear.

The Greek S. S. Delphoi, in distress for some hours, was reported sighted by the British S. S. Strathnaver.

Heavy losses in maritime property were reported at Vigo, Spain, where fierce gales piled ships up on the shore and did other damage.

"Come as near as possible," was the wireless flashed to the Italian S. S. San Pietro by the German S. S. Schlesein.

The S. S. Schlesien reported she had repaired previous damage done by rough seas, but expected to be in trouble again shortly and then would need immediate assistance.

To Stand By

A wireless asking assistance was received from the Belgian S. S. Syrie, bound from Antwerp to the Levant, by two vessels, one of which, the United States S. S. Liberty, planned to stand by. Her position was latitude 46.18 north, longitude 8.52 west.

Serious structural damage was suffered by the British S. S. San Melio, bound from Tuxpan to Tyne, and it was believed she would have to turn back to Fayal or St. Micaels to effect temporary repairs. A "gale with mountainous seas" was reported in the area 80 miles off Fayal in the Azores group.

Other distress messages were received from the Swedish S. S. Delphinus and the British freighter Hillcroft, both in western European waters.

A tug had the Japanese motor ship Taihei safely in tow, after the vessel had been helpless with disabled engines. The Taihei Maru was off Vancouver Island, in the Pacific.

Fears Felt For Four Missionaries

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)

SIAN, Shensi Province, China, Feb. 25.—The capture and possible murder of a young Australian missionary at Ninkiang and the disappearance of his wife drew attention to the hazards of missionaries in this area today. Fears also were felt for two American women missing since Feb. 18.

Unconfirmed reports reached the China inland mission here that Rev. S. C. Frenchan had been killed by his bandit captors. Communications in the Nankiang area were cut off and no confirmation could be obtained.

Information available at the inland mission that the Frenchans, who had been married less than a year, were captured together about two weeks ago at Nankiang. Mrs. Frenchan was released and told to procure ransom.

Local missionaries have undertaken a pressing search through the rugged mountains of western and southern Shensi for Mrs. Frenchan, who is said to be an expectant mother. It was feared she had become lost while attempting to reach Fengsiang, a 10-day journey northward on foot.

Weather Etc.

(Canadian Press)

Fresh or strong winds, easterly at first; cloudy with occasional snow, probably part sleet.

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, Toronto, Feb. 25—Minimum and maximum temperatures:—

Ottawa	8	18
Montreal	8	10
Quebec	8	12
Saint John	28	32
Halifax	24	36
Charlottetown	14	30

FORECAST

Maritime West:—Fresh to strong winds; cloudy with occasional snow, probably part sleet or rain.

Maritime East:—Fresh or strong winds, easterly at first; cloudy with occasional snow, probably part sleet.

High tide this afternoon at 2.44 and tomorrow morning at 5.05.

Sun sets this afternoon at 5.42 and rises tomorrow morning at 6.43.

Last quarter moon Tuesday, Feb. 26th., 5.14 a. m.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Leave Borden 9.45 A. M. (Extra) 1 P.M.

Leave Tormentine (Extra) 11 A. M. 2.55 P. M. daily except Sunday

Pair Human Legs Found On Suburban London Train

(A. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)

LONDON, Feb. 25—Chief Inspector Donaldson of Scotland Yard, who had charge of the famous Brighton mysteries, "Trunk Crime No. 1" and its sequel "No. 2," tonight took over London's latest dismmeberment mystery—the gruesome find of a pair of human legs on a suburban train.

The limbs, severed from the body of a man, were discovered by trainmen stuffed under the seat of a coach arriving at Waterloo Station from subsurban Hounslow. A coach cleaner inspecting a third class compartment found the objects wrapped in newspaper and with an outside covering of heavier brown paper.

The legs were almost hairless, and railway police at first could not even identify the sex of the individual to whom they had belonged. They called in the Criminal Investigation Department, and experts quickly determined that they had belonged to a man.

It was recalled the woman's torso in Brighton's "Trunk Crime No. 1" was similarly wrapped. The Brighton crime, occurring last summer, was officially closed last week by a coroner's jury returning an open verdict. The woman's identity was never discovered. The head and arms of the woman have not been found.

Physicians examining the legs estimated their owner had been dead only about 12 hours.

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'SALADA' TEA 43

Special Session Of League To Deal With Chaco Dispute

(C. P.-Havas)

(By Guardian's Special Wire)

GENEVA, Feb. 25—Resignation of Paraguay from the League of Nations was acknowledged today by the League's secretary general, Joseph Avenol. In a carefully-worded note he reminded the Asuncion government it still had obligations amounting to approximately $170,000 to meet in the next two years, in accordance with the League covenant.

These obligations represent about $70,000 in arrears in assessments for the support of the League, and the balance as Paraguay's share of the cost of the Chaco investigation commission.

The note, sent in the form of a cablegram to the Paraguayan Foreign Minister in Asuncion, and the Paraguayan representative to the League said: "I have the honor to acknowledge the Paraguayan Government gives notice of its withdrawal from the League of Nations. The dispositions of article 1, paragraph 3, of the pact is conceived thus: "A member of the League of Nations can, after two years' notice, retire from the League of Nations, providing that at that moment all its international obligations have been fulfilled." I shall not fail to communicate immediately to other members the message of the Paraguayan government as well as my reply."

Meanwhile League officials expressed the opinion that the Chaco consultative committee will be called at once and that it will hold a special session early next week.