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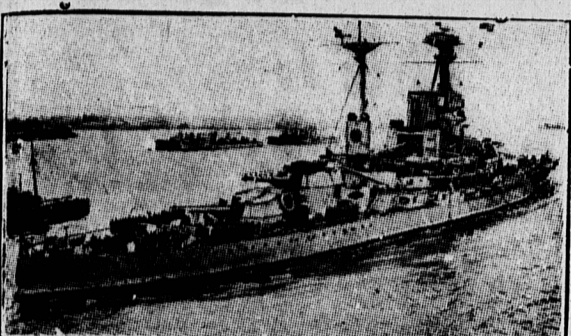
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H. M. S. Royal Oak, flagship of the British Mediterranean fleet, her officers and men refused to sail on maneuvers under Rear Admiral Collard. He was elevated following a court of enquiry as well as the ship's captain and commander.

## WASHINGTON ENVOY WILL TAKE ACTION

OTTAWA, March 27.—The Dominion Government, through the Canadian Legation Washington will take a friendly interest in the proposed trans-Atlantic schooner race and an effort will be made to gain sanction for a Canadian entry. Hon. Vincent Massey will take up the matter with the authorities at Washington and also with the Spanish Ambassador there who is acting for His Majesty the King of Spain, sponsor of the race.

William Duff, M. P., himself an owner of fishing schooners and one of the promoters of the former races between Nova Scotia and Gloucester fishermen, interviewed the Prime Minister today. Canada will sanction the entry of a Canadian schooner, should the consent of the King of Spain and of the United States be obtained. It is believed that should Canada enter, the race may be on a triangular course from Sandy Hook to a port in Spain, thence to Halifax and South to Sandy Hook again. Mr. Duff is quite optimistic as to the outcome and believes the race will be an international affair with Canada as an entrant.

## PROCEEDINGS IN THE LEGISLATURE YESTERDAY

Debate On Draft Address Continued By Mr. Harry McLean, Hon. J. P. McIntyre, Hon. Peter Sinclair, Mr. Larrabee And Dr. MacMillan.

(Monday Afternoon)  
Mr. L. R. Allen (Lib.) after the customary congratulations, dealt with the work of the member from Egmont Bay re the gravel on the road at Reid's Corner, saying that if what he said was true the previous government could not have put on enough gravel to satisfy the hens.

With reference to the grant of \$5,000 for the Experimental Fox Ranch, he stated that this money had never been paid out, nor the treasury depleted. The reason was there were certain restrictions which prevented it. Last year the operating expenses of the ranch were \$10,000 and its revenue was \$15,000. He defended the project, saying that they had received their foxes free of charge from the ranchers round about, who had supplied them with poor foxes. The ranch last year had purchased a pair worth \$350.00, and from grand sires whose pelts were said not to be worth \$5.00. If in two generations, such good foxes could be produced, then the money was well expended.

**Lobster Fishing Industry.**—What is wanted here is a standard pack, put up under inspection, as is Japanese crab meat. Crabs are packed aboard the steamers that go out to fish them. In Montreal they bring \$28.00 per case, while our lobsters will often not fetch more than \$25.00 to \$26.00. The reason is that it is a standardized product, and we must standardize ours also, or we will lose the market. The same with our cod; we must improve and standardize it too.

**Scallops.**—There are large beds of these off Alberton and Mimiquish, and they are said to be all about the coasts of the province. We should advertise our fish products as California does its oranges.

The speaker next referred to the freight rates under the Duncan report. Last year it amounted to \$800,000, and for the potato growers, worked out at a saving of two cents per bushel. Our province is wealthy, but not prosperous. Wealth without prosperity is no good. What we need is to train the people of this province to pay more taxes into the treasury. This is not politics, whose end is always to reduce taxes.

**Education.**—The speaker dealt with the entrance and other examinations at Prince of Wales College. He considered that, instead of the pass mark at the entrance examination and of the graduating exams 65 per cent., it would be better if the entrance was 65 per cent. and the others 50 per cent.

**Public Health.**—There are 1,000 cases of tuberculosis in the Island. The death rate is 100 per year. It costs \$1500 to raise a child to the age of 15 years, and the cost of death is \$500.00. So there, in the death rate is a money loss to the province of \$200,000.00 per year, apart from the loss of precious lives.

**The Car Ferry** is now 15 years old, and a new one is now urgently needed. The new one should have a capacity 50 per cent. in excess of the present ship. This the speaker thought would not be accomplished by adding a third track. There should also be a deck for motor cars.

**Immigration and Colonization.**—We are producing many things and exporting them—among them, said to say, our boys and girls, leaving behind only old men and women. We should make it attractive for them to stay here. And this can only be done by installing a system of education so as to make them interested in their work. Make it easy for them to stay home and hard to go away. Let us make the letters "P. E. I." stand for "Prosperity, Enterprise and Independence."

**Mr. Harry McLean (Cons.)**—After extending his congratulations to the speaker and to the mover and seconder of the Speech from the Throne, he began a consideration of the Speech from the Throne. Clause No. 2 of that speech stated that our prosperity was largely due to the Ottawa Government, Premier King had seen conditions here, returned to Ottawa, and beneficently arranged matters for us. It is true the Prime Minister visited Halifax, but he had gone there to look into some troubles of his own. He found two Governments there which had previously been Liberal, but were now Conservative. After the election instead of twenty-five seats he only had six from these provinces. The Liberals boast that the recommendations of the Duncan Report have been implemented by the King Government. We have at present it is true \$125,000.00, but this amount is not definitely settled.

## PROCEEDINGS IN THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENT

(From our own Correspondent)  
OTTAWA, March 27.—Miss Agnes McPhail's peace speech of yesterday, in which she so dramatically declared that the so-called peace tower of parliament buildings "bravely, though beautifully, glorifies the institution of war gallantly brought to itself the attention of a number of doctry warriors of debate, some profoundly in sympathy, and others cynical of the practical value of creating a 'department for the promotion of peace and international understanding.'"

After the Rev. T. Bird (Nelson) had given the proposal his blessing, dinner hours intervening, Evans (Rosetown) and J. S. Woodsworth, both formerly of the cloth, supported the motion, expressing peace sentiments as recurrent as propaganda in pacifist circles, and implied in an understanding of international goodwill.

The latter charged that of the per capita national expenditure of \$35.08 the debt charges of \$14 per head were due to war.

Mr. Bourassa, in a speech much more militant than peaceful, gave unqualified support to Miss McPhail's intentions. From his vehement declarations, the impression was obtained that it was Great Britain and not Germany that was responsible for the late war. France was nowhere in his picture at all and he went so far as to place the responsibility on the "war mongers" of London, an expression for which he was sharply reppped by the Hon. Mr. Stevens later on.

There were very excellent and moderate speeches made by the Hon. Mr. Ralston, Minister of Defence, the Prime Minister, MacKenzie King and the Hon. R. J. Manion, the Hon. H. H. Stevens, Vancouver. All sympathized with the objective which Miss McPhail had in view but could not see the practicability of the method by which she proposed to achieve it.

The Minister of Defence said while we should always keep in mind the ideals of civilization which should rule, until all the nations of the earth attained to a common standard peace spirit, it would be very foolish not to take ordinary precautions of defence, even if it were the irreducible minimum to which Canada has reduced her defences.

The Minister used a homely but effective illustration in this; the effect of our Ministers preaching the gospel in the City of Ottawa Sunday afternoon is not I think, effected by the fact that we have to maintain defence forces which protect those Ministers and once in a while might have to protect the church as well.

The Prime Minister at some length pointed out, and in that respect he was confirmed by Mr. Stevens, that through the agency of



The German-built dirigible Los Angeles, shown ABOVE, whose trial flight is set for May or June, is similar in type to L.Z.127, the big new Zeppelin now under construction in Germany. The new air-liner which is to be 775 ft. long, is shown in relation to the Royal Bank building in Toronto, which is 267 feet high.

## NOTHING TO INDICATE FIRE CLAIMED VICTIMS

HALIFAX, March 27.—While clouds of smoke and steam rose all yesterday from the blackened ruins of the fireswept Prince George Hotel, cursory examination by firemen failed to indicate that all the guests had not escaped.

Late last night no definite check had yet been made on the habitués of the hostelry, and although rumors of tragedy still persisted, the general belief was that all the occupants had got safely away.

After their long battle with the flames, my men naturally were very tired, and I didn't like to order them back to the scene to search the ruins," stated Fire Chief Churchill. "However," he continued, "I expect to send a crew there in the morning to do what they can."

He pointed out that the debris was of an unusual nature: In the majority of serious fires, there is little left but charred and crumbling lumber, whereas here and there are huge slabs of the roof which had caved in, and large portions of the building, left after the collapse of the walls.

"It would be a week's work to search the ruins thoroughly," said the Chief, "but we will do as much as we can. A few of the people who were in the house have asked that an effort be made to recover some of their personal belongings which may have survived the devastating flames. From all reports, I believe that everyone escaped, but in any case the firemen will conduct a search tomorrow."

No reports of missing persons had been made to the police last night, adding strength to the belief that the fire took no toll of human life. Among those who were first to escape from the building were six men from different parts of the province who are taking a fisheries course at the Atlantic Fisheries Experimental Station.

## Hundreds Homeless In California

(Canadian Press)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., March 27.—Flood waters roared through Northern and Central California and Western Nevada with renewed violence today. Hundreds of persons were homeless in California where two deaths were attributed to floods, and property damage was estimated at upwards of \$500,000. The city of Reno also was threatened with further inundation.

## Main Features Of The New Road Act Of 1929

In the Legislative Assembly yesterday Hon. Mr. McIntyre gave notice that he would ask leave of the House to move the following Resolution, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Lea:

**RESOLVED**, That Statute labour shall be abolished and a provision be made for the payment of the Road Tax through the Treasury Department and provision be also made for the maintenance and repair of the Public Highways at a time in the Spring when the work can be done to the best advantage. That the Minister of Public Works and Highways shall have the general control over roads and bridges, the Province to be divided into twenty-five divisions, and the Lieutenant Governor in Council shall appoint a Highway Superintendent for each Road Division, define his powers and duties, with power to remove and appoint another to such office, in case of vacancy, and provide penalties for neglect of duty. The salary of the Highway Superintendent shall be fixed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

To provide for the levying of a Road Tax on all residents in each Road Division, except Clergymen, School masters, actually engaged in teaching, and those who from infirmity, are incapable of working.

To provide for the sale of repairs on roads and bridges and enable the Highway Superintendent to appoint Winter Overseers who shall have the power to summon as many of the inhabitants in their school districts as they think fit; to work on the winter roads by breaking the same in the snow, by horses, or teams, or other means, by levelling of pitches, or opening water courses with such implements as the winter Overseers may deem requisite whenever the state of roads renders it necessary; any person refusing to turn out as aforesaid, to be liable for a fine of Five Dollars for each refusal; any person obstructing or encroaching upon any public highway, or wrongfully opening or closing any drain, across same, shall be liable to a penalty of Twenty Dollars, and in default of payment, to imprisonment for thirty days.

To provide for the opening of any necessary drain across adjoining property. The amount of compensation therefor on failure of amicable agreement as to the amount to be settled by reference to the County Court, with an appeal to the Supreme Court.

To provide for the bushing of the ice and a penalty for removing the said bushes not exceeding Twenty dollars.

To appoint Machine Operators, to have charge of power machines and fix the salaries and duties of same.

The Minister of Public Works and Highways may take land for new roads or opening or widening old ones, and make an agreement as to the compensation therefor. In default of agreement, he may mail to owner his offer for sale, who may appeal to Justice of County Court, if same is unsatisfactory.

In the House yesterday forenoon, the above resolution was introduced by Hon. Mr. McIntyre, who explained that it was proposed to abolish the old system of statute labour which has been abolished in every province in Canada. Usually farmers have been too busy in May and June getting in their crops to do statute labor at a time when it should be done. A small road tax will be levied in lieu of statute labor, a number of power machines have been procured, and with these it is hoped to get to work by the first of May and have the work about completed at the end of June. Later he would explain in detail the new Road Act when it was before the House in Committee.

## Unemployment In U. S. A.

(Special to the Guardian)  
WASHINGTON, March 27.—The number of unemployed in the United States was 1,870,000 persons on January 1, 1928, according to a report to the Senate today by Secretary of Labor Davis, in response to the resolution of Senator Wagner of New York who recently said he had been informed that four million were unemployed.

The present slump in employment while not so extensive or grave as the estimates which have been generally circulated is nevertheless serious. Mr. Davis said, using as a basis for his statement a compilation by Ethelbert Stewart, Commissioner of Labor Statistics.

## Resumes London To Capetown Flight

(Special to the Guardian)  
CAIRO, Egypt, March 27.—Lady Mary Bailey resumed her London to Capetown flight at 7 a. m. today hopping off for Khartoum. She will be joined there by Lieut. R. R. Bentley, who agreed to accompany her over the Sudan danger zone. The authorities refused Lady Bailey permission to continue her flight over this region unless she accepted an escort.

## Strikers Threatened With Dismissal

(Special to the Guardian)  
OSHAWA, March 27.—An ultimatum has been given the 1,500 strikers at the plant of the Canadian General Motors Corporation, by the management this morning that unless further consideration of the terms offered the men by the strikers and their families, the men will be dismissed from service and their places filled from outside. Should the men report back to work at once, they will be reinstated.

Fifteen hundred strong strikers from all branches of the General Motors Plant in Oshawa who have been doing piece work gathered in Martins Theatre this morning for the purpose of holding a mass meeting to determine what would be their course of action. Early in the morning the Theatre was packed to the street. Small and large groups of painters, woodworkers, chassis men, body makers and trimmers all of whom have walked out because of repeated cuts in pay, talked some seriously and some lightly of their situation.

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JUST ARRIVED—CAR CHOICE young bull broken western horses. For sale at Agricultural Hall, who had followed Mr. McLaure and (Sgd.) W. A. Mutch, 3393-3-28-31 Mr. Allen.

## Adopted Report On Imp. Conference Resolutions

(Canadian Press)  
CAPETOWN, S. A., March 27.—The South African house of assembly today unanimously adopted the report on the Imperial Conference resolutions of 1926, which was moved by Premier J. B. M. Hertzog more than two weeks ago and has been debated at intervals since.

The feature of the debate was the Premier's declaration that South Africa had a right to be neutral if Great Britain were at war, and the repudiation of this attitude by General Smuts, former Premier, and also by Colonel Creswell, Minister of Defence, a labor member of the Hertzog Government.

Premier Hertzog's claim to the right of neutrality was based on what he termed the "dominions new-found independence," and the right of each dominion to be the sole judge as to the extent of its cooperation with the Empire. The "new-found independence" was gained at the last imperial conference, the Premier claimed.

General Smuts, in opposing the Premier's neutrality stand, declared that "the same king could not be both at war and at peace in the same Empire." He strongly deprecated the position the Premier had taken on the question and said it was one that ought to be looked upon as purely academic.

Col. Creswell said he could not conceive of South Africa or any other Dominion wishing to remain neutral if Great Britain was at war and there had been previous consultations in the matter between the British Government and the Governments of the Dominions.

## Sentenced To Four Years In Kingston Penitentiary

(Special to the Guardian)  
TORONTO, March 27.—The inglorious conclusion to a year of youthful folly was enacted today in Police Court before Magistrate J. Jones in a strangely pathetic manner when Cecil Laughlin and Norman Bray, two well dressed and presentable men were sentenced to four years each in Kingston penitentiary. The former was a teller in the Capital Trust Co., while the latter occupied the same position at the headquarters of the Standard Bank.

"Horses" and playing the stock market" coupled with modern crick to get rich quick, so it was revealed at the trial last week, was the influence that led the pair from the "straight and narrow path" into Police Court to face charges of theft involving over \$100,000.

## Series Of Earthquakes In Mexico

(Canadian Press)  
MEXICO CITY, March 27.—Dispatches from Pochutla State of Oaxaca say that the towns of Pluma Hidalgo and Xodani have been devastated by a series of earthquakes which have been felt daily in the district since last Wednesday.

## Recognized As Independent Govt.

(Special to the Guardian)  
JERUSALEM, March 27.—Transjordan, the western part of Palestine, was recognized as an independent Government in the new agreement between Transjordan and Great Britain made public here today. The agreement stipulates that Transjordan is to be independent under the rule of Emir Abdullah on a constitutional basis with regard to all international matters. In matters of international import the territory is to be represented by Great Britain which may also maintain in Transjordan armed forces. Great Britain already holds a League of Nations mandate over Transjordan.

## Islander Heads Big Financial Deal

(Special to the Guardian)  
NEW YORK, March 27.—At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Superior Corporation, had today in New York. Robert Dodd, a former Prince Edward Islander, was elected chairman of the Board of Directors and President of the Company.

The Lake Superior Corporation is a fifty million dollar holding company owning and controlling the following companies:—Algoma Steel Corp., Fibron Limestone Co., Canellon Coal and Coke Co., Lake Superior Coal Co., Algoma Rolling Stock Co., British American Express Company, Sault Ste. Marie Traction Company, Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway, Algoma Eastern Railway.

STANLEY CUP PLAY-OFFS  
Rangers 4, Pittsburgh 0.  
Montreal 1, Ottawa 0.  
At Halifax  
Kentville 6, Moncton 1.

## Weather Thy Name Is Mud

OH! WEATHER THY NAME IS MUD!!

DRUMHELLER, Alta., March 27.—Advice was received from Ottawa Monday afternoon that April 15th is date set for the commencement of the shipment of Alberta coal to Ontario.

## Date Set For First Coal Shipment

(Special to the Guardian)  
Mines already have their representatives in Ontario while other salesmen are either on the way or preparing to leave for Ontario to carry on active selling campaigns so that every possible car of coal will be shipped during the period allowed.

First quarter moon, Wednesday, March 28th, 7.30 a. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

## Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc

- IRIS BRAND Rolled Oats are PAN-DRIED, all grocers. 3-23-2 wks.
- Tracadio Dramatic Club presents "Prairie Rose" Friday, March 30th, at Corran Ban Hall. 3317, 3, 27, 21
- Come to the postponed weighing social at the Parsonage, Cornwall on Wednesday, March 28th, at 8 p. m. 3438
- Wanted—Everyone at Mt. Stewart Friday to see wonderful show. Don't miss it. Best yet on Friday. 346.
- Play and Box Social at York to-night. Don't miss this great comedy. 3425-3-27, 21.
- Dr. Cliff, M. D., 112 Prince Street, Chronic invalids cured at home. 3109-3-13-3nos
- At Home. The Ladies of the Christian Church will be at home Wednesday afternoon, March 28th, at the residence of Mrs. R. H. McNeill, 179 Kent St. Tea 35 cts. 3434-3-27-21
- Received another shipment Kapok, lightest and most sanitary material for cushions and infant's pillows. Henry MacFarlane & Co. 3456-3-28-41
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## New Airplane Will Attempt Non-Stop Flight

(Special to the Guardian)  
LONDON, March 27.—Construction of an airplane capable of making a non-stop flight of 30 hours over 7,200 miles is contemplated by the air ministry it was disclosed today. The airplane is a part of the British plane to capture the world's record for speed, height and endurance.

## First Vessel Back From Ice Fields

(Special to the Guardian)  
ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., March 27.—The first sealing vessel to arrive from the ice fields is the schooner Young Harp which has just reached Port Union with a full load of seals, numbering about 5,500.

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