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Business Outlook In Great Britain The Best in Years

Competent Authorities Report That Conditions Are Greatly Improved—Big Reduction In Unemployment Last Year—Bank Clearings Show the First Increase Since 1929.

LONDON, Eng., Jan. 3—The industrial outlook for Britain in 1934 is the best that it has been for years, according to all competent authorities.

Unemployment between January 23 and December 18, 1933, was reduced by 678,986, with December showing an increase in employment of 55,938. Of workers coming under the Insurance Act there are now 10,007,000 employed and, while official figures are lacking in the matter of employment among non-insured workers, it is believed that there are large numbers of them who have found work in the past year.

Equally important is the fact that bank clearances have shown the first increase since 1929. In 1933 they were £25,667,000 more than in 1932.

The whole range of industry has been affected by the betterment in conditions.

WILL IMPORT MORE LIQUOR FROM CANADA

Montreal, Jan. 2—Some details of the agreement between Canadian Industrial Alcohol Company, Limited, and National Distillers Products Corporation, of New York, under which the American company will market about 7,000,000 gallons of Bourbon and rye, from the Canadian company's inventory, were made known today in a joint announcement.

The joint statement issued here, same coincident with the announcement that the U. S. federal alcohol control administration would admit an additional 23,000,000 gallons of Canadian whiskies into the United States.

new distributing company will be organized under the laws of the state of New York, controlled jointly by National Distillers and Canadian Industrial Alcohol, but managed by National Distillers.

While the statement said that 7,000,000 gallons of the Canadian company's stocks would be disposed of under this agreement, it made no mention of the prices, nor did it specify the distribution of profits from the new company to be formed. It did state, however, that arrangements have been made to place the whiskies on the American market as rapidly as possible.

NOW SEATTLE COUNCIL KNOWS ABOUT SALOONS

Seattle, Washington, Jan. 2—"What is a saloon?" asked City Councilman Avid Levine.

"A saloon," replied Corporation Counsel A. C. Van Soelen today, after searching his mind and all the legal volumes in his office for several days, "is what is commonly understood by the term."

He explained there is no statutory definition of the word.

CUBA NEELECTION

Havana, Cuba, Jan. 3—President San Martin has fixed April 22nd as the date for the election of a constitutional assembly in Cuba.

TWO MEN SHOT IN A HOLD-UP AT LYNN, MASS.

Lynn, Mass., Jan. 2—One man was slain and another seriously wounded today as three bandits robbed the Paramount Theatre of \$200.

Fred Sumner, a bill poster, who failed to respond promptly to an order of the robbers to throw up his hands, was shot through the head and killed.

Harry Condon, a cleaner, who tried to escape as the thugs were holding employees into the theatre office, was shot through one shoulder and carried into the office where other attaches of the theater were also held prisoner.

The bandits forced Leo Donahue, janitor, to telephone Assistant Manager Stephen Bresnahan and compelled him at gunpoint to tell Bresnahan state inspectors had arrived at the theatre and he should come there at once.

When Bresnahan arrived, they ordered him to open the safe, from which they removed \$200 in silver.

As the bandits were about to leave, a newspaper advertising representative arrived at the theatre and was robbed of \$15 and his watch.

The robbers escaped in an automobile.

THINGS IN ENG. GOING FROM BAD TO MUCH VERSE

London, Jan. 3—In offering each year a gold and a silver medal for the best verse turned out by home and empire grown poets, King George is expected greatly to increase the printing of rejection slips. Even without the incentive of royal medals the lyre is being twanged hereabouts as never before, by dukes as well as dustmen.

THE LAST TRIBUTE

Toronto, Jan. 3—The funeral of the late Dr. P. E. Doherty, took place yesterday, many prominent citizens paying tribute to his memory. The service was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Sedgewick. Dr. Doherty was the inventor of the coaster brake.

YOUTH SLAIN BY CRAZY MAN AT HALIFAX

Inmate of the City Home Charged With Murdering a 17-Year-Old Boy.

Halifax, Jan. 2—Maintaining a stoic silence established 18 months ago, Alfred John Oliver Millard, violent inmate of the City Home, stood in city court today and heard Magistrate J. L. Barnhill formally charge him with the murder of a 17-year-old fellow patient.

Staring glassily at the magistrate, Millard made no response as he listened to the reading of the charge, accusing him of beating to death Arthur Singer, asleep in the ward for feeble-minded patients. Home authorities said the man broke loose from his cell by wrenching an iron grill door from its hinges and with a piece of the frame piping, attacked the sleeping boy.

He was remanded to Jan. 8 for preliminary hearing and details of the case were forwarded to the attorney-general's department.

The accused ignored all police questions and authorities said the only apparent motive for the slaying was a strange hallucination of the man who previously had become annoyed when the boy stared at him. They believed this theory was substantiated by the fact that the victim was beaten over the eyes and his skull badly lacerated and fractured.

Fellow inmates said the boy had been in the habit of sitting on the end of his bed and staring at Millard, confined to a little cubicle opposite the dormitory where the victim and four others slept in cots.

After breaking from his cell, authorities said, the assailant laid a section of the door on a table, wrenched the piping from the end and then walked past the first four men to Singer's bed. He struck the youth several times but made no resistance when guards raced to the scene and unarmed him.

FAIR MARKET DESPITE COLD. SNOW DRIFTS

Good Supply of Poultry—Few Vegetables — Weather Below Zero — Few Shoppers.

Several farmers dared ten below zero weather and deep snow drifts this morning to hold their mid-week market here. Sleds had to plough through a lot of snow before reaching Phoenix Square. A good supply of poultry, including chickens, fowl, turkeys, ducks and geese, was offered. Very few vegetables were brought in because of the cold. Several loads of woods were for sale at \$4 to \$6 a load.

The very cold weather kept buyers home and purchasing was slow generally.

Prices remained about stationary. The list was:

Turkeys 30 to 35 cts a lb.
Geese 20 to 25 cts, a lb.
Duck 20 to 25 cts, lb.
Chicken 20 to 23 cts lb.
Fowl, 13 cts lb.
Beef, 5 to 8 cts a lb.
Pork, 8 to 12 cts a lb.
Apples \$1 to \$4 a bbl.
Bees Honey, 25 cts a jar.
Butter 25 cts a lb.
Eggs 30 cts doz.
Smelts, 15 to 18 cts lb.
Cabbages 45 cts a doz.
Wood \$4 to \$4 a load.
Oysters, 45 cts, a pint.

DEATH TOLL AT LOS ANGELES IS MOUNTING UP

Believed Now That It Will Cross the One Hundred Mark

RED CROSS BUSY

The Damage May Run Up To Huge Total of \$9,000,000

Los Angeles, Calif., Jan. 2—Knee deep in tons of mud, silt and debris an army of relief and rehabilitation workers moved today into stricken areas where at least 40 persons died and 73 others were reported missing in Sunday night's disastrous floods.

Thousands of men and women, Red Cross nurses, American Legionnaires, sheriff's deputies, police and volunteers, sought other bodies in the wreckage of nearly 300 structures and attempted to effect order in the storm swept districts.

County authorities estimated the damage would exceed \$5,000,000. The rehabilitation work was most intense in the Montrose and La Crescenta communities, which, stripped of watershed protection by a disastrous fire six weeks ago, fell prey to the deluge.

Great Tragedy

A story of tragedy was told at Montrose by Arthur McLean, 27, whose mother, Mrs. Ella McLean, was among the dead. They were trapped in their small frame dwelling when a torrent surged from the hills Sunday night.

"For hours," he said, "rocks and timbers crashed against our home. Finally the water swept into the house, hissing and roaring. I called to mother, but I could not reach her. I was washed out of the house and carried more than ten yards. Finally I was hurled against a tree. I climbed to the top of it and leaped to a roof-top where I waited, shivering and quivering with fear, until dawn." All of Monday, McLean searched vainly for his mother. Today with a squad of rescue workers he found her body in the ruins of their home, beneath tons of debris.

HAD REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Fredericton Parent-Teachers Association was held last night and considerable routine business was transacted. The major feature of the evening was a resolution of regret passed concerning those roads and streets that have not been completely ploughed out since the heavy snowfall. It was hoped that the diagonal path through Wilnot Park from Woodstock Road to Charlotte Street could be cleared of snow soon for this shortens the distance that over fifty school children have to walk to get to the various schools as well as helping several adults. It was decided that entertainment for the next meeting be a debate on the subject of corporal punishment in public schools. The Reverend Fr. A. Wightman was named chairman of a committee to make arrangements for this.

LATE MRS. F. W. PORTER

The funeral of the late Mrs. Marguerite Christie Porter, wife of Dr. Donald F. W. Porter, Saint John, was held at the home of Arthur C. Porter, Waterloo Row, yesterday at 2:30 p.m. with many being in attendance. Service was conducted by Rev. G. W. Guion, and hymns were sung by a mixed quartet from the choir of the Brunswick Street Baptist church. Interment was made in the family lot in the Rural cemetery. The pallbearers were Dr. A. W. G. Good, G. Alva Good, Gordon Boyd, Dr. B. R. Ross, Horace Webb, and Gerald Phillips. The chief mourners were as follows: Dr. Porter, Clowes Christie, A. C. Porter, Harold Porter, Robert Porter, Theodore Porter, Allen Porter, A. Good.

York Municipal Council Had a Busy Forenoon

Many Important Matters For Consideration Outlined by Secretary-Treasurer Scott — John B. McNair Accepts the Solicitorship at a Salary of Three Hundred Dollars.

The York Municipal Council had a busy session this morning, it being 12.30 o'clock when an adjournment was made for luncheon. John B. McNair, who was yesterday appointed county solicitor by vote of the Council, conferred with a committee this morning and agreed to accept the position at a salary of \$300 a year, or \$100 less than was paid to the last incumbent. He agreed to take the minutes of Council meetings and act as legal advisor to the Council and parish officers. Court cases and services in connection with special investigations were not included. The committee reported, through the chairman, Coun. Ebbett, and the Council adopted the report. The new solicitor at once entered upon his duties.

Secretary-Treasurer John S. Scott appeared before the Council and discussed a number of matters of importance, including unemployment relief, Victoria Public Hospital and T. B. Hospital charges, coroner's fees, and other matters. He read a letter from the Clerk of the Executive Council inviting the Council to be represented at a conference on unemployment relief with members of the provincial government at ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

Routine Business

The council met at ten o'clock with Warden Morrison in the chair. Coun. Gaynor read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved. Roll call showed all the members present.

Accounts Approved

Coun. Barry presented the report of the committee on the secretary-treasurer's accounts, which were found correct, the report was adopted.

On motion of Coun. Fisher, leave of absence was granted to Coun. Sanford Pond, of Marysville on account of illness.

County Solicitor

Coun. Nason brought up the matter of the appointment of J. B. McNair, as county solicitor and on his motion the warden appointed a committee composed of Couns. Ebbett, Young and Wright to interview Mr. McNair, regarding his salary and duties. The committee retired to confer with Mr. McNair.

Coun. Gaynor called attention to the fact that the tax collections for the Parish of McAdam since the close of the fiscal year were \$3,252.72. He regarded it as a pretty good showing.

Coun. Ebbett for the committee appointed to confer with J. B. McNair recommended that he be employed at a salary of \$300. This would cover all duties except court work, investigations, and other special work. The solicitor will take the minutes of council meetings and act as legal advisor to the council. The report was unanimously adopted and the solicitor entered upon his duties.

The warden read a communication from the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. It stated that 274 blind people were registered in New Brunswick and that the receipts from all sources in the province totalled \$4,350. Sixteen blind people are registered in the county of York. A request was made that the county's grant of \$150 be continued.

The following committee on administration of justice was named by the warden: Couns. Ebbett, Coburn, Graham, Malone, Robertson and Grant. Committee on bylaws: Couns. Graham, Doherty, Everett, Gould, White.

head, Grant, Fisher, Manuel, and Estey.

Municipal Home

On motion of Coun. Saunders, Coun. Graham was appointed Municipal Home Commissioner for Prince William.

Other appointments to the board were as follows:

Dumfries—Coun. Manuel; Stanley—Coun. Malone; McAdam—Coun. Gaynor; New Maryland—Coun. Nason; North Lake—Coun. Gould; St. Marys—Coun. Young; Queensbury—Coun. Whitehead; Manners-Sutton—Coun. Coburn; Southampton—Coun. Briggs; Canterbury—Coun. Everett Gould; Douglas—Coun. Dunphy; Bright—Coun. Estey.

Coun. Manuel replying to Coun. Gaynor, said that the secretary of the Municipal Home was away at the present time, but a meeting would be arranged on his return.

Coun. Coburn said that the secretary-treasurer had some matters to bring before the council and moved that he be heard, which motion was adopted.

Secretary-treasurer Scott, then addressed the council, reading correspondence and outlining important matters to engage attention during the present session.

At 12:30 p.m. an adjournment was made for luncheon.

TEXAN HAS TRAINED FOX

Odessa, Tex., Jan. 2—Sheriff Reeder Webb prides himself with the achievement of what generally was termed the impossible—training a fox.

The sheriff captured a fox and taught it to search for chewing gum and chew it. He named the fox "Jojo."

BODY DISCOVERED

Hamilton, Jan. 3—It was reported that the body of a man was seen floating in Burlington Bay yesterday, but could not be reached on account of ice. It is thought that the body may have been that of Nichols or Ashley, missing Toronto airmen.