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WEATHER
Moderate winds, partly cloudy and mild today and Saturday.

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Ontario to Extend The Powers of Its Municipal Board

**Bill Likely To Be Introduced in the Legislature
During the Present Session—Would Prevent
Defaults—Commission May Be Appointed To
Supervise Municipal Control.**

TORONTO, March 2—The Financial Post, in this week's issue, says:

Measures to tighten provincial control of municipal finance are expected to be introduced into the Ontario legislature this session.

Pleas have been made to Premier George S. Henry for wider and more effective powers for the Ontario Municipal Board. In view of Mr. Henry's knowledge of municipal affairs, his indication of sympathy with the work of the board as now organized, and the present difficult state of municipal affairs in Ontario, "he may reasonably be expected to do something at the present session" to improve the administration of municipal finances, it is stated.

Some of the iron-handed powers of the Quebec Municipal Commission may be given to the Ontario Municipal Board, it is indicated.

Mr. Henry has recently been requested to provide the following:

Appointment of an all-powerful commission to supervise municipal control.

Machinery to ensure bondholder obtaining authentic reports on the affairs of all Ontario municipalities within 30 days of the end of the calendar year.

Authority to scrutinize reports of all municipalities for signs of financial weakness.

SPUD PRICES HAVE TAKEN AN UPWARD TREND

**Price of \$1.60 a Barrel is
Now Being Paid to the
Growers in Carleton Co.**

WOOSTOCK, N. B., March 1—The potato market was brisk here today. Fine, mild weather enabled hauling to be resumed, and the first loads in almost a week began to find their way into town this afternoon. Reports from upper river shippers indicated that hauling was fairly general all along the line. Demand continued strong from Quebec and fair from Ontario, with wire enquiries coming in from a wide area. The price advanced again, and today \$1.60 a barrel was being paid to the farmers here.

Track storage in the main consuming centres continued moderate, with 23 on track and nine rolling reported for Montreal, and nine on track and one on the way for Toronto. Track movement here was normal, the C.P.R. reporting two cars billed out from the Woodstock area today, one for Outremont and the other for Ottawa.

The Maine market was also reported strong, at \$3, although some dealers were finding it difficult to dispose of their stock profitably at this figure, and were offering only \$2.76. The price is expected to remain firm here for a few days at least.

Hartland, N.B., March 1—Today's potato market was firm and active, with heavy wire enquiry and demand from Upper Canada, where supplies are light. Nine cars on track at Toronto and 23 at Montreal. Cars en route are also light. On the local market offerings and haulings were moderate today. Prices were mostly \$1.50 a barrel for Canada Grade 1 Green Mountains, a few loads bringing better prices.

FOREIGN NEWS AT A GLANCE

PARIS—A vast military and economic rehabilitation scheme, involving reorganization of France's air, sea and land forces, will be proposed to the Doumergue cabinet soon.

ARICA, Chile—Bautista Saavedra, former President of Bolivia and present leader of the Republican Socialist party, is here, an exile.

GENEVA—Unofficial reports of a move for peace in the Gran Chaco warfare between Paraguay and Bolivia say representatives of the United States, France and Italy would join with Argentina, Brazil and Chile in urging the warring nations to accept new proposals.

BERLIN—A ban on offensive propaganda between Poland and Germany is in effect today in a pact by which press and radio may no longer serve as media for attacks, nor may the screen in either land portray pictures likely to give offence to, or arouse public animosity toward the other.

LONDON—A British admiralty report cites the United States as leading world powers today in the number of cruisers planned or building. The figures are: United States, 11 cruisers under construction, six projected; Britain, seven building, three definitely planned; France and Italy six each under construction; Japan, two building and two projected.

DEPRESSION OVER
A liquor conviction was obtained by the Mounties against Foster Green of Saint John. When brought up before Police Magistrate Palmer the accused pleaded guilty and was given the option of a \$200 fine or two months in jail. He paid the fine.

T.B. DEATH RATE REACHES A NEW LOW LEVEL

**Interesting Statistics on
Health Conditions of
N. B. Given Out in An-
nual Report of Dept.**

Substantial decreases both in the numbers of cases and in the deaths resulting from notifiable diseases are noted in the Sixteenth Annual Report of the New Brunswick Department of Health tabled in the Legislature yesterday by Hon. H. I. Taylor, Minister of Health and Labor.

For the calendar year 1932 the last for which accurate figures are at present available, "the tuberculosis death rate for New Brunswick reached a new low level, being 79 per 100,000 of population or four lower than in 1931. Tentative figures for 193 indicate that this year's rate will be approximately the same as for 1932. While our tuberculosis death rate has not yet reached the low level of Canada as a whole, we may find some consolation in the fact that the only provinces with a lower rate than ours are Ontario and the three Prairie Provinces".

In enumerating the factors contributing toward a decreased tuberculosis death rate, Dr. Warwick says: "The is no doubt that this province has become 'Tuberculosis Conscious' with the result that we now have slightly over 400 beds available for treatment of that disease in our three sanatoriums".

Substantial Reduction

In his report to the Minister, Dr. William Warwick, Chief Medical Officer states in connection with notifiable diseases that "There were 221 fewer cases and 54 fewer deaths than in 1932, while the death rate per 100,000 shows a reduction from 103.4 to 93.4."

Regarding smallpox, Dr. Warwick states: "Once more it is gratifying to report that the province has been free from this disease. No case of smallpox has occurred in New Brunswick for four years, a record which, I believe, cannot be equalled by any other province".

In diphtheria "there was an increase in the number of cases reported from 114 in 1932 to 144 in 1933 but the number of deaths was much lower there being but 18 this past year while in 1932 there were 31.

"Since so much of the saving indicated has been due to the avoidance of deaths from really preventable causes, it would seem imperative that we should in no way lessen our public health activities which are playing such an important part in this reduction.

"There were in the year, 248 deaths classified as due to violence, and of these 28 were suicides, 3 were homicides, 42 were accidental drownings and 107 were ascribed to accidental injuries resulting from falling and crushing, etc. In 1932 there were 49 deaths due to automobile and motorcycle accidents, of which 14 were children under fifteen years of age. The preliminary figures for 1933 show a very considerable reduction in deaths from automobile accidents, there being but 20 such, of which 7 were children.

"In last year's report mention was made of the fact that for 1931 a new low record of 87.4 infant deaths per 1,000 live births was reached. The rate for 1932 (The latest figures available) sets a new low record of 71.6. This is a reduction of 18 per cent from last year. The number of in-

MAY CUT DIRECT TAX ON SUGAR BY ONE CENT

**Assistance to the Beet
Sugar Growers May
Be Given**

IN MODEST FORM

**The Tariff on Empire
Sugar is \$1.09 Per
100 Pounds**

Ottawa, Ont., March 2—While representatives of the beet sugar growers in Canada received no encouragement from the Dominion Government in requesting large tariff increases or subsidies, it is considered probable that they will be given assistance in a modest form in the forthcoming budget.

The beet sugar growers now hold slightly more than 14 per cent of the domestic market.

They asked for tariffs or bonuses as the government might decide, to give them, with five years, 75 per cent of Canada's sugar market of \$50,000,000 lbs. per year.

Premier R. B. Bennett refused this request pointing blank.

While they got no encouragement from the government other than the suggestion that they formulate a "practical" policy, there is good reason to believe that Hon. E. N. Rhodes will cut the direct tax of two cents per lb., on all sugar, to one cent per lb., if it is beet sugar produced in Canada.

The tariff, including dump duties, on foreign refined sugar, therefore, is \$4.19 per 100 lbs. The tariff on Empire refined sugar is \$1.09 per 100 lbs. Cane refineries can ship in their raw sugar from the British Indies at 28 cents.

CRUISING ON A VISIT TO SPAIN

Bangkok, Siam, March 2—Siamese dancing girls in their curious pagoda-like headgear and stiffly bejewelled clothes, entertained world cruising tourists from the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Britain yesterday, with performances which were incidental to a day of sightseeing enjoyed by the Canadian and American visitors, who arrived yesterday morning by special electric train from Paknam, port of Bangkok and left last night for Java after a full day and evening spent here.

A MIRAMICHI MAN

Vallejo, Calif., Feb. 28—Thomas Longworth Perry, 104-year-old Civil War veteran, died today. Perry was born at Miramichi, N. B., July 11, 1829, and was related to Oliver Hazard Perry, hero of the Battle of Lake Erie. He married Mary Ann Carr at Hattimore, Feb. 22 1865, and came to California in 1868. Mrs. Perry lives here.

ENTERTAINED AT DINNER

Chief Justice and Mrs. J. H. Barry entertained at their home on Brunswick Street last evening at a dinner in honor of His Honor Lieutenant-Governor H. H. McLean. The drawing room was prettily decorated. Pink roses and carnations, and pink and green candles formed the decorations of the dining table. Covers were laid for twelve, the guests being His Honor Lt. Governor McLean and Mrs. H. M. Stetson; Premier and Mrs. Tilley; the Countess of Ashburnham, and Hon. A. A. Dysart; Mr. Justice and Mrs. C. D. Richards; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. F. Winslow.

Infants under one year who died in 1932 was 774 whereas, had the infant death-rate of 1920 prevailed in 1932, there would have been 684 more deaths. This tremendous saving of lives should be a source of gratification, for it is a well known fact that after one year the chances of survival of the young child are very much greater.

Russian Treaty With U.S. May Hurt Trade of Canada

Although Official Assurance Has Been Given

That It Will Not, There is a Feeling of Uneasiness—Furs, Lumber and Pulpwood To Be Supplied by Russians.

WASHINGTON, March 2—Despite direct official assurances that the United States drive for trade with Soviet Russia will not be allowed to imperil exchange of goods with Canada, there remains a definite feeling in certain circles here that such will be an inescapable result of establishment of new export-import bank of Washington, with \$11,000,000 Government capital to finance Russian deals.

If that happens it will be contrary to the word of no less an authority than George N. Peek, who has just accepted presidency of the new bank. Asked for a frank statement on the influence that Russian trade might have on U. S. purchases from Canada, Mr. Peek told a correspondent:

"Canada is one of our very best customers and we will let nothing interfere there."

Yet, just a moment before, Mr. Peek had replied to a question as to what the U. S. expects to import from Russia by naming three commodities which are now purchased largely from Canada—furs, lumber, and wood-pulp.

ACTION AGAINST HON. G. B. JONES THROWN OUT

**Toronto Judge Dismissed
Action In Which
\$20,000 Damages Was
Claimed.**

Toronto, Ont., March 1—William G. Paton's \$20,000 action against Hon. George B. Jones, New Brunswick member in the House of Commons, failed today when Mr. Justice Jeffrey of the Ontario Supreme Court dismissed the suit. Paton, a Toronto resident, alleged Jones was a member of a firm that had contracts with the government while at the same time he was sitting in the Commons.

Paton charged that while Jones was a member of the House of Commons in 1931 he also was a partner of Jones Brothers, of Apohaqui, N. B. The action charged the firm held contracts with the government and supplied the government with goods and that Jones, therefore, was disqualified from sitting in the House.

Plaintiff further claimed the defendant continued to sit as a member for 100 days, thereby incurring a penalty of \$200 a day, or a total of \$20,000.

Denies Allegation

Jones denied he was a member of the firm of Jones Brothers, or benefited from it. He also denied Jones Bros., had a contract with the Dominion government in 1931. He also declared in the alternative, that the penalties claimed already had been recovered against him in an action in the Province of New Brunswick, April 19, 1932, in which Herbert S. Jones, plaintiff was awarded \$22,000.

Harry J. MacDonald, counsel for Paton, asked the court for an adjournment when the case opened today, but Mr. Justice Jeffrey refused and plaintiff declared he, therefore, could not continue with the result court dismissed the action.

In seeking the adjournment Mr. MacDonald declared the evidence of Herbert S. Jones, who defendant claimed had obtained judgment against him was necessary. "He is a

DAVID HUTTON GETS DIVORCE FROM AIMEE

Los Angeles, March 1—David Hutton was granted a divorce today from Aimee Semple McPherson Hutton, evangelist. The decree was awarded by default on grounds of mental cruelty.

Hutton testified "the people in the Temple", referring to Angelus Temple of which Mrs. Hutton is pastor, had criticized him and complained of his clothes.

He said also that managership of the temple had been promised him by the evangelist, but that she failed to live up to the promise, causing him embarrassment and humiliation.

BITTEN BY A WOUNDED COYOTE

Pittsburgh, Pa., March 1—In adjoining Washington county a hundred farmers have been hunting—without much success—a half dozen coyotes said to have killed several hundred sheep during the last several weeks.

Not interested in coyotes, Peter Reiter walked into his garage in suburban Carrick yesterday, and there was confronted by a snarling but injured coyote. Reiter called help and managed to lasso the animal after it had bitten him. He turned the coyote over to the zoo.

DIED LAST NIGHT

James Bailey, aged 55 years, passed away at the Victoria Public Hospital last night. He is survived by his wife; two sons, Donald and Edward; one daughter, Jean; one brother, and two sisters. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon, leaving the home at 2:15 o'clock. Solemn service will be held at St. Dunstan's Church at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Very Rev. Monsignor Carney. Interment will be made at the Hermitage.

brother of the defendant and we claim there was collusion and it was not a proper action".