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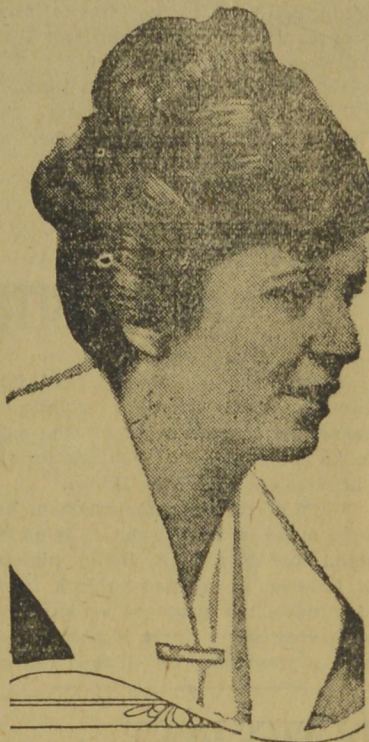
## Mrs. McPherson's Radio Man Arrested at Harrisburg, Pa.

The Much Hunted Kenneth G. Ormiston Captured at Last—Is Now on His Way Back to California Where He is Classed as a Fugitive From Justice—Identity of Miss X Who Occupied a Bungalow With Him Has Not Been Disclosed.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 9—Kenneth G. Ormiston, the long-hunted radio operator in the Aimee Semple McPherson kidnaping case, was found here during the night, arrested, and today started back to California where he is wanted as a fugitive from justice.

It came out in evidence at the preliminary examination of Mrs. McPherson, a Los Angeles evangelist, that Ormiston and a woman styled as Miss X, occupied a California bungalow in May last during the time that Mrs. McPherson was supposed to be in the custody of kidnapers in Mexico. It will be recalled that Mrs. McPherson disappeared from a nearby bathing beach and at first it was thought that she had been drowned. The identity of the mysterious Miss X has never been disclosed, but with Ormiston now in custody the authorities hope to be able to prove that she was in reality Mrs. McPherson and that the kidnaping story was all a hoax. Mrs. McPherson's case is set down for trial in January.



AIMEE SEMPLE MCPHERSON

## LOTS OF PEOPLE WOULD LIKE IT DIVIDED UP

Every Person in the U. S. Would Then Have \$42.62 and Two Quarts of Booze.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 9—Every person in the United States would have \$42.62 in his pocket for Christmas and nearly two quarts of genuine pre-war liquor on his hip (assuming the hip was big enough) if all the money and bonded liquor in the country were distributed equally. Total money now in circulation, as announced by the treasury is \$4,949,247,261. The total liquor in bond was announced by the internal revenue bureau is 57,000,000 gallons. The population is estimated by the census bureau at 116,114,300.

## J. C. DOUGLASS HAS FILED A CROSS PETITION

Halifax, Dec. 8—Hon. J. C. Douglas, former Attorney-General for Nova Scotia and present member-elect for Antigonish-Guysboro in the House of Commons, whose election in that constituency by a small majority has been challenged by Colin F. McIsaac, the defeated Liberal candidate, in the form of a petition charging improper practices in conducting his campaign, appeared before the Supreme Court this afternoon and signed a petition of counter-charges against his opponent.

According to the law governing such counter procedure, the member-elect concerned must appear in person within a time limit to sign the petition of charges. The time limit expired at 4 o'clock this afternoon and Hon. Mr. Douglas appeared at the court house just one minute to four.

The charges contained in the petition are almost identical with those brought against Mr. Douglas by Mr. McIsaac some weeks ago and include conveying and finding meat and drink for voters; using undue influence to persuade those qualified to vote not to do so and persuading those not qualified to vote to do so, bribery, promises of employment and treating and threats.

Twenty more or less prominent persons are named in the petition, including Hon. E. M. MacDonald, former minister of national defence; Hon. William Chisholm, leader of the opposition in the Nova Scotia Legislative Assembly; Hon. A. D. MacMillan, Halifax, and Dr. John L. McIsaac, Antigonish. In addition to the 20 named, the petition refers to "divers others."

## THE U. S. AND RUSSIA WILL BE INVITED

An Economic Conference to be Held at Geneva.

DATE FIXED FOR MAY 4TH

Will Further the Work of Post War Rehabilitation.

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)

Geneva, Dec. 9—The League of Nations Council today decided to invite the United States and Soviet Russia to participate in an International Economic Conference to convene in Geneva on May 4.

The purpose of the conference would be to further the work of post war economic rehabilitation.

## MR. F. B. ELLIS PASSED AWAY AT ST. JOHN

Was a Former Editor of the Globe and Was Well Known and Highly Respected.

Saint John, Dec. 9—Frank B. Ellis, former editor and chief proprietor of the Saint John Globe, and one of Saint John's most outstanding citizens, died at his home, 20 Queen Square, here, at 1.45 this morning.

Mr. Ellis, who had recently sold his interests in the Saint John Globe, had planned an extensive tour during the winter, when serious illness compelled him to cancel his plans for his journey. He failed to recover from that illness which resulted in his death early today.

The late Mr. Ellis was highly respected and esteemed by all classes of the community, and only recently on account of ill health was obliged to sever his connection with the Saint John Globe. Mr. Ellis was a valued member of the Canadian Press Association, and held the position of vice-president of that organization until recently. It was a compliment to him for the position he held in society at large that powerful influences were once at work to induce him to become a candidate for parliamentary honors in the Dominion elections in 1921, but he declined the honor, being more interested in his newspaper and welfare work.

As a member of the Fourth Estate, Mr. Ellis was an outstanding figure. As a thinker he was alert, as a reasoner logical, and he knew well the needs and requirements of his native city and country at large.

Mr. Ellis was the son of the late Hon. John V. Ellis, who was editor and chief proprietor of the Saint John Globe for fifty-two years, and despite his newspaper activities, found time to serve his country in the Provincial Legislature, House of Commons and Dominion Senate.

Besides his wife and one son, Shirley B., of the editorial staff, of the Saint John Globe, and residing at 71 Orange street the late Mr. Ellis leaves four brothers, Dr. W. Leonard Ellis, 152 Prince street, West Saint John; George D. Ellis, Manager of Ogilvie Flour Mills, of this city; Joseph Ellis, barrister in Vancouver, B. C., and John Ellis, of the editorial staff of a paper at Yakima, Wash. Mrs. Edward R. Taylor, 228 Guilford street, West Saint John, and Mrs. Margaret Lawrence, 71 Orange street, are sisters. Mr. D. Lee Babbitt of Fredericton is an uncle of the deceased and Mr. Harold Babbitt a cousin. Mrs. Ellis was a daughter of the late Mr. Alex. Baird, barrister.

Moncton Transcript: Leslie Nason of Fredericton, is taking up his residence in the Shediac Road where he and Mrs. Nason and family will reside.

Charlie Chaplin probably didn't feel any different than any other man who couldn't sleep with the radio squawking.

## Woolworth Stores Will Distribute a 50 P. C. Stock Dividend

Juicy Melon to be Handed Out to Stockholders as a Christmas Present—Earnings of the Company During the Past Year Have Been Unprecedented—\$30,000,000 to be Dispersed.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 9—Dimes and nickels that fall into the cash registers of the F. W. Woolworth Stores have played the role of Santa Clause for stockholders of that company.

Shareholders were notified on Wednesday that they will receive a Christmas present in the form of a fifty per cent stock dividend, approximately \$30,000,000. The company's earnings in the last year from their numerous chain stores in Canada and the United States have been without precedent.

## GOVERNMENT MEETS HERE ABOUT 15TH.

Conference of the Motor Bus People and Hon. D. A. Stewart to Come After That.

The Provincial Government which has not met here in session for some time is to meet in regular December session here next week. The date will be on or about the 15th.

Hon. D. A. Stewart, Minister of Public Works, arrived here this morning via Saint John, and is attending to departmental affairs at his office.

The conference which he and the Provincial License Inspector, G. L. Ingram, will have with representatives of those interested in the motor bus business, will take place after the meeting of the cabinet.

## MAINE IS ON THE ALERT FOR RUM RUNNERS

South West Harbor, Me., Dec. 8—Several coast guard patrol boats have arrived from Rockland to make their headquarters here for the present, acting as a base for both land and water operations against liquor smugglers, who may try to bring in liquor for the Christmas trade from Canadian points.

The Maine roads between the border line at Calais and Bangor will be patrolled by squads in fast government cars and the coast line will be watched. The highways leading to the border are at present in fairly good condition for automobile traffic.

## GUEST LISTS WILL NO LONGER BE PUBLISHED

Ottawa, Dec. 9—A new rule for large social functions at Government House has been established under the regime of Viscount and Viscountess Willingdon. Under previous Governors General it was customary to issue lists of those invited to balls and other outstanding events at Rideau Hall, these lists sometimes running into hundreds of names, and constituting more or less a directory of the Capital's "four hundred." Social reporters now attend Rideau Hall functions on the distinct understanding that they will not compile lists of guests. In consequence of this new rule no list of those attending the ball in honor of H. R. H. Prince George on Saturday night was prepared.

Hon. D. A. Stewart of Campbellton is a guest at the Queen.

## SPECIAL TRAIN SERVICE ON C. P. R. CHRISTMAS

Otis Trains Will Run as Last Year—C. N. R. Trains Satisfactory as They are.

R. L. Phillips, former mayor, chairman of the Transportation Committee of the Board of Health, has communicated with the railways serving Fredericton and the country surrounding, relative to special train service for the Christmas season.

The C. P. R. has announced practically the same arrangements on the Gibson Branch as last year. The C. N. R. service is considered satisfactory as it is. The Fredericton & Grand Lake Railway will be asked to make some arrangements and probably will do so.

On the Gibson Branch of the C. P. R. on Thursday December 23rd train No. 193 will be held at Fredericton until 4 p. m. Atlantic time. On Friday the 24th a special train will leave Otis at 7.30 a. m. arriving at Fredericton at 11.30, leaving Fredericton at 4 p. m. and arriving at Otis at 7.30 p. m.

The C. N. R. replied that the service would be as at present which is satisfactory.

## DEFIES THE HOODOO OF THE U. S. SENATE

(Special to the DAILY MAIL by the British United Press)

Washington, Dec. 9—Senator Lawrence C. Phipps of Colorado has defied the senate hoodoo that hangs over the first seat of the front row on the Republican side of the aisle. LaFollette occupied it for years. When he died Cummins of Iowa took it. He died within a year. Now Phipps has taken it, after several senators refused it.

## NEW ZEALAND BIRTH RATE HAS SLUMP

London, Dec. 9—Babies continue to become scarcer in New Zealand. In the third quarter of 1926 the birth rate was 174,902 or 6,933 below the same period last year. The proportion of boy babies also is smaller, being only thirty-nine more to the thousand than girls, whereas in the preceding ten third quarters there were fifty boys than girls to the thousand. The birth rate of 17.8 to the thousand is the lowest recorded, except in war years.

## U. S. SENATE WILL PROBE GOULD CASE

Washington, Dec. 8—Investigation of stories of a payment of \$100,000 by Senator Gould, Republican, Maine, to New Brunswick officials in connection with a railroad contract will be conducted by a sub-committee of the Senate elections committee headed by Senator Goff, Republican, West Virginia.

The investigation was ordered by the Senate yesterday on motion of Senator Walsh, Democrat, Montana. Other members of the sub-committee appointed are Senators Shortridge, California; Denneen, Illinois, Republicans, and King, Utah, and George, Georgia, Democrats.

The first meeting of the sub-committee has been called for next Monday morning, and at that time, Senator Gould and Senator Walsh will be invited to appear and designate the witnesses they wish summoned.

## STRONG MEN ARE USUALLY GREAT TALKERS

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)

London, Dec. 9—One stock character of novelist short story and movie sub title writer has been destroyed by David Lloyd George who has an unequivocal opinion regarding "strong silent men".

"I never have met the strong, silent man", said the former premier, "and I have met a good many strong men. My experience has been that most strong men are great talkers."

## BURGLAR PUT A PATIENT TO FLIGHT

(Special to the Daily Mail by British United Press)

Washington, Dec. 9—Dr. Milton Francis, needs a burglar proof office. He had a young man patient partly undressed on his operating table when a burglar burst in with a drawn gun. The patient grabbed his clothes and dived through the door while the doctor was knocking the burglar down.

## LEMIEUX FOR THE SPEAKERSHIP OF THE COMMONS

Ottawa, Dec. 9—The members elected to serve in Canada's sixteenth Parliament this afternoon met in the House of Commons Chamber and unanimously elected Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux to the Speakership. Nearly all of the members have arrived for the session. Sir Henry Drayton, financial critic of the opposition will be absent in Europe during the session.

Sir Excellency Lord Willingdon will formally open the session at three o'clock tomorrow afternoon. It is said that the speech from the Throne will forecast legislation to aid the manufacture of coke in Canada and also further tax reductions. The Duncan report on Maritime grievances will be tabled early in the session.

## WET WARDS IN GLASGOW REMAIN WET

Glasgow, Dec. 8—The vote taken on local option in 16 of Glasgow's 37 wards yesterday leaves things much as they were formerly.

Park ward a high class residential district, voted for the repeal of the limitation of liquor licenses. This partial "wet" victory, however, is discounted by the result of the polling in Pollock Shaws, a large industrial area, which voted for a reduction of one-fourth of the number of licenses.

The net result of the voting in the 16 wards is that the "wet" wards have shown a decided preference for remaining wet while some of the wards which have had a limited number of licenses have maintained this policy by only the narrowest majorities.

## U. S. DRY LAW COMES HIGH

Washington, Dec. 8—More than \$27,000,000 will be required for the enforcement of the prohibition law in the United States, according to the annual supply bill for the Department of the Treasury reported to the House by its appropriation committee today. The fiscal year begins next July 1.