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## Laborers in New York to Be Sold on Auction Block

**Mr. Zero Has Novel Plan for Easing the Unemployment Situation—Feeds Hundreds of Idle Men Daily—The "Slaves" are Indexed Before Being Sold—Unemployment Situation Worse Than it was Seven Years Ago.**

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

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 5—Men will be offered for sale on the auction block here Wednesday to ease the unemployment problem. Urban Ledoux, better known as "Mr. Zero" will sell laborers to the highest bidder at the "Tub" a free meal restaurant where he feeds hundreds of idle men daily. The buyer will get a "Slave" no matter how low the highest may be.

"Mr. Zero" leapt into prominence in 1921 when he started his campaign to find jobs for everybody. With hundreds of idle men thronging the Bowery he insists the unemployment situation is worse than it was seven years ago.

Ledoux indexes his men before "selling" them. Trade, skill, age, physical development and general utility determining the wages the men will receive.

## DOMINION GETS BIG REVENUE FROM LIQUOR

(Calgary Herald.)

The Dominion government, after having materially helped the provinces in two important departments of public activity—good roads and technical education—is now talking of withdrawing this assistance.

When the desirability of continuing it was presented to the Minister of Finance in this city he answered by the question: "But where is the money to come from for all these works?"

We would point to the Dominion government's income from the liquor business in Canada as one new source of revenue by which the Minister of Finance is greatly benefitting.

From the Province of Alberta alone, the Dominion treasury last year received \$2,454,000. What Hon. Robb paid out in Alberta both for roads and technical education was small compared with that sum.

When we bring to mind the fact that almost all the provinces are now engaged in the liquor trade and that the Dominion government receives from this trade a larger return in cash than do the provinces it would seem not unreasonable to ask Ottawa to continue the grants for the useful purposes of standard highway construction and technical education.

## N. Y. TELEPHONE COMPANY HAS BIG EARNINGS

(Special to the Daily Mail by British United Press)

New York, March 5—With a net income in 1927 of \$28,312,787, the New York Telephone Company reports the highest earnings in its history.

A new mark also was set for operating revenue with the total at \$186,495,378, as compared with \$153,855,467 in 1926. The gain in the number of telephones was 142,003, bringing the total number in operation at the end of the year to 2,312,295.

B. C. MINISTER PASSES AWAY.

Victoria, B. C., March 3—Hon. Wm. Sloan, Minister of Mines for British Columbia died in St. Joseph's Hospital this morning. Mr. Sloan was stricken with a hemorrhage while attending a theatre and was removed to the hospital.

## LOTS OF SNOW IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., March 4—A south shore passenger train en route from Duluth, Minn., to Sault Ste. Marie, is snowbound, in a blizzard near Stronge, six miles west of here, and a Soo Line passenger train from Chicago to Minneapolis is in a similar predicament at Rexton, 50 miles west of here, according to reports received tonight. The trains have been trapped in drifts since morning, according to reports.

The reports were received at the local offices of the railroads. All railroad, traction and automobile traffic in this section of the Upper Michigan Peninsula district is paralyzed as the result of the storm. Winds reaching the velocity of a gale have been blowing for 24 hours, piling up huge drifts in travel lanes.

Both trains are stalled about a mile from the respective stations, at Stronge and Rexton. Tonight footpaths were cleared to them and fuel and provisions put aboard.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCILLOR PASSES AWAY

Bridgewater, N. S., March 4—Hon. William Hopkins Owens, aged 85, the oldest member of the Legislative Council of Nova Scotia, and for nearly half a century a practising barrister and active worker in the Conservative party, died at his home here early tonight. He attended to his legislative duties until early last week when he came home ill and soon after that was forced to take his bed.

Hartt Sextet Takes First.

In the opening game Saturday night of the two-game playoff for the championship of the Commercial League the Hartt Boot and Shoe sextet decisively defeated the Canadian National Railway entry by the score of 3 to 1. The result was rather unexpected as the C. N. R. team were the favorites for the playoff series. Jerry Myhrall secured two markers and Wade topped the other. Chestnut Canoe Company defeated the John Palmer team by the score of 4 to 0 in an exhibition feature for the second game.

## HON. MR. BENNETT IS A SPEAKER AT MONTREAL

Montreal, March 4—"It is true that Canada is prosperous, but it is only prosperous because it is selling its estate" announced Hon. R. B. Bennett, leader of the Conservative party in the course of an address before a meeting of the Women's Conservative party in the course of an address before a meeting of the Women's Conservative Club here Saturday. Mr. Bennett said that the leaders of the Liberal party at Ottawa were sincere but some of their policies were wrong. The real policy for the country should be to keep its estate and develop it.

Mr. Bennett said that imports of finished goods were increasing year by year and being paid for by the proceeds of the sales of Canada's raw materials. That was not the way to ultimate prosperity.

One result of the Liberal policies was that during the past few years 750,000 people had left Canada and of those replacing them half came from central Europe. While those would make good citizens in the end they would grow up unconscious of great Canadian traditions said the speaker. He reminded his audience of the fate of ancient Rome in the hands of the Gauls, who were brought into the Empire and who gradually came to control the original inhabitants.

Mr. Bennett concluded his address with an admonition to the women of the Conservative party to work and study the political problems of the day, so that they would be qualified to deal with questions of public policy when next they were called upon to do so.

## MAIL PLANE MAKES FLIGHT TO HALIFAX

Halifax, March 4—Taking off from Montreal at 7:35 o'clock this morning in a Fairchild monoplane, Major J. H. Tudhope, accompanied by A. S. Parker, formerly of the air station at Dartmouth, N. S., and Corporal Diller, of Ottawa, arrived here early this afternoon, making the trip in slightly over five hours. A stop was made at Magentic. The landing here was on the Dartmouth Lakes, the plane being equipped with ski landing gear for winter use.

Major Tudhope, who made the trip in connection with the proposed government all mail service between Halifax and Montreal, plans to return to Montreal on Wednesday, flying by way of Moncton and Saint John.

Home From Florida.

Mr. W. W. O. Fenety, proprietor of the Gaiety Theatre and Mrs. Fenety returned on Saturday evening from a trip to Florida. They reached St. John several days ago and have been with their three year old son who was the victim of a distressing accident which resulted in the loss of an eye. The mishap to the boy brought Mr. and Mrs. Fenety back from Florida several weeks earlier than they had planned.

Toronto, March 4—New companies to the number of 135 with an authorized capital of \$67,773,800 were reported in Canada to the Monetary Times during the week ended Feb. 25 last compared with 124 with a total capitalization of \$32,621,700 in the corresponding week of 1927.

## MORE BOMBS ARE HURLED IN CHICAGO

**An Investigation Has Has Been Started by the Authorities**

**SIGN SHOP DAMAGED**

**Business Agent of Sign Hangers Union Hurl- ed From Bed**

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

Chicago, March 5—Another bombing investigation started after two explosions had occurred here, one of which damaged a sign shop that had been printing most of the posters for the Crowe-Garrett republican organization.

The other bomb was thrown at the home of Malcomb Purves, business agent for the "sign-hangers' union." He and his wife were hurled from their beds.

## CHICAGO'S FIRE DEPARTMENT IN ACTION

**Tells How Streets Are Cleared When Alarm of Fire is Sounded in the Business Section.**

A Fredericton boy now attending school in Chicago in the course of a letter to The Mail says:

As everyone knows, a large city abounds with sights and spectacles of great interest, especially to a person accustomed to the tranquility of a smaller town.

Although I have viewed with wonder the magnificent drives and boulevards of Chicago, the parks and forty-six storied sky-scrapers, there is one thing which incites my utmost attention, namely, the immense factors of the city fire department in action. This mentionable scene is especially stirring when staged in the "hoop", the business section of Chicago. Sirens shriek, bells clang and, in fact, everything and everyone appears, for the time, in riotous tumult.

What appealed to me most is the remarkable system employed in clearing the traffic to enable the monstrous fire trucks to gain complete monopoly of the street. At the first sound of the siren all surface cars halt in an appropriate spot and it is indeed amazing to note the infallible success of auto-ists in scampering for a safe parking-place.

Thus, what is one moment a street crowded with fast-moving vehicles of all sorts, is, the next moment, one bereft of traffic, save for the shrieking, clanging, fire engines and the advance cars of the patrol.

## THE MUSQUASH PLANT SHOWS A SURPLUS

(Moncton Times.)

The Chairman of the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission, Hon. E. Albert Reilly, in an interview, states that at the end of January, 1928, for a period of three months, Musquash shows a net surplus of \$2,737.59 this year as against a net deficit last year in a similar period of \$1,875.14, being a net gain of \$4,612.73. This is after providing an additional amount over last year for future purchases of auxiliary power of \$6,625.02, being a total gain of \$11,237.75.

For the period of November, December and January last, the Shediac electrical district showed a profit of \$310.77 as compared with \$13.88 in the same months last year.

The Moncton district showed a profit of \$5,297.40 as compared with \$2,395.44 in last year.

## Denies That Ancient Colony is Anxious to Enter Confederation

**Premier Monroe Denies That the Matter Has Been Considered by His Government—No Truth in Report That Delegation Will Go to Ottawa.**

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

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., March 5—Reports reaching here that the ancient colony was contemplating entering Confederation and that an official delegation would leave shortly for Ottawa to discuss the matter with Canadian officials were denied today by Premier Monroe, who said "The in- question of Confederation has never come before the government in any way and there has been no negotiations with Canada, in connection with either Confederation or the sale of Labrador." As to the reported delegation to Ottawa I can only say that if any Newfoundlanders are going they will be acting entirely in a private capacity, this is the first I have heard that any such movement was contemplated.

## THE BUDGET TO BE BROUGHT DOWN TUESDAY

**House to Resume Tomorrow After Week-end Adjournment— Debate May End by Friday of This Week.**

The Legislature will resume work tomorrow after the week-end adjournment and the indications are that it will have a very busy week. Tomorrow afternoon the Provincial Secretary Treasurer, Hon. A. J. Leger, will bring down his third budget and judging by the showing made last year when the first genuine surplus was announced, his statement on provincial finances should be quite a rosy one. For the first time in the history of the province the estimated receipts are likely to cross the five million dollar mark.

It was stated some days ago that the Minister of Public Works was considering a slight increase in the tax of gasoline but there will be no statement given out in regard to the matter until the budget is brought down. As intimated by the Premier there will likely be night sittings of the House this week in order to facilitate the debate on the budget. While a number of speakers will want to take a hand in debate but it is possible that the House will be able to resolve itself into committee of supply by Friday. Hon. J. E. Michaud, chief financial critic of the opposition will likely follow the Provincial Secretary Treasurer.

The House has three full weeks yet in March and if nothing unexpected happens the business should be pretty well advanced by the end of the month. In any case it is certain that prorogation will take place before the Easter holidays.

Ma Jong Party

Mrs. Gordon Coy entertained at a very delightful ma jong party on Saturday evening, in honor of Mrs. Gilmore, a visitor to the city. A pleasant time was spent and at the conclusion of the play, refreshments were served.

Death of Child

The death occurred on March 4th, of Althea R. Pond, aged two years and five months. Deceased was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Pond, of Durham.

## GREAT INDIAN STATESMAN PASSES AWAY

**Lord Sinha Was Created a Peer for His Work During the Great War**

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

Calcutta, March 5—Lord Sinha, great Indian statesman who was made a British peer for his world war work, died today, aged 62. Lord Sinha, first Baron of Raipur, was the first native member of the executive council of the viceroy of India and was the first Indian to be granted a British Peerage. He was graduated from the Presidency College, at Calcutta, and went to England. There he studied to be a lawyer. He was called to the bar in 1886, and eventually became a King's counsellor.

## PEASANTS MUST GROW MORE GRAIN

Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)  
Moscow, Mar. 5—Provincial representatives of the agricultural department must persuade peasants to grow more grain or they will be dismissed from office, the government announced today in connection with extensive plans to prevent a grain shortage. The government decided also to appeal directly to the peasants to increase grain sowings and to distribute immense quantities of seeds.

## FIVE KILLED IN NOSE DIVE BY AIRPLANE

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)  
San Diego, March 5—Five men were killed yesterday when an airplane which the air corps had had barred as unfitted, stalled at an altitude of 300 feet and went nose dive.

Confined to Home

Mr. Fred Barnes is confined to his home on Charlotte street today as the result of a fall recently, in which he sustained a severe sprain to his wrist. It will probably be a few days before Mr. Barnes will be able to resume his duties again.