

OUR MERCHANTS
Patronize our local merchants
and leave your money in your
city with the men who are try-
ing to make it go.

The Daily Mail

WEATHER
Strong Northwest winds fair
and cold today and on Satur-
day.

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Montreal Will Get Sales Tax Liquor Sales In That City

**Drink of Masses Given
Exemption — Premier
Taschereau asks Relief
for Ale and Soft Drinks
—No Levy on Mail
Orders.**

QUEBEC, March 8—As a contribu-
tion to Montreal's difficulties and
without compromising the Provincial
Government's legal rights, the Quebec
Liquor Commission will voluntarily
collect a two per cent sales tax on all
sales made by the Liquor Commission
in Montreal and turn it over to the
City of Montreal each year, Premier
Taschereau announced this morning.

In return he asked that the city ex-
empt the "poor man's drink, that is,
beer and soft drinks."

Paragraph 3 of clause 10 (sales tax)
of Montreal's emergency bill of pro-
posed new taxes occupied practically
all of this morning's session.

The proper phrasing of a provision
to exempt mail order business from
sales tax took up a large part of the
hearing, and debate was featured by
a suggestion of the Premier that the Mu-
nicipal Commission should decide on
future applications for exemption un-
der this head. Mayor Houde's request
that the City Council be left the right
to grant or refuse such exemptions
aroused the Premier's fear that patron-
age might creep into such decisions if
done by the Council. There was also
an invitation to Dupuis Freres to take
their mail order house up to Joliette
and escape the tax.

The 1933-34 report of the Q. L. C.
shows that the total sales were \$11-
370,800, and, according to the Customs
and Excise statement four-fifths of this
liquor was handled in Montreal district,
which would give about \$9,000,000.

If half of this were sold in the City
of Montreal that would be \$4,500,000,
so that Premier Taschereau's conces-
sion might represent a gift of some-
where around \$90,000 or \$100,000 a
year.

Mail Business Exemptions Discussed

When the committee reopened this
morning the problem under discussion
last night was taken up again, as to
exempting mail order firms from the
tax, so as not to put them at a dis-
advantage in competition with To-
ronto mail order houses. The difficul-
ty was to give this exemption without
leaving any loophole for firms to evade
the tax on regular sales by stimulat-
ing a mail order business.

Mail Business Gets Exemption

Mr. Dupuis Freres stated that this would
not be necessary.

Rosario Messier wanted sales tax
exemption to be granted on every sale
where mail order competition from To-
ronto or elsewhere had to be met.

Ald. Dave Rochon urged that this
be left to the Montreal City Council.

"Dupuis Freres are in my ward. If
they trust me in the City Council I
will see they are duly protected. We
are haggling and arguing about this
thing all morning and getting now-
where. Have the generosity to leave
us these details to settle ourselves,"
he asked.

The mail order exemption was adopt-
ed with the provision that an amend-
ment to clarify the points under de-
bate will be brought in later.

Rosario Messier tried to have all
fuel exempted, but the suggestion was
not well received.

At the request of Hon. Adélard God-
bout an exemption was adopted for the
sales and purchases of a farmer.

When the question of taxing soft
and hard drinks came up, Premier
Taschereau asked that this be dropped
and offered a concession by the Que-
bec Government.

MOSCOW, March 8—The army par-
achute jumper Kaitanoff claimed a
world record jump, 22,100 feet today,
for leaps without an oxygen device.

The Minto Road

A prominent resident of Minto who was in the city today, states
that the merchants of Fredericton have lost thousands of dollars
this winter by not having the road from this city to Minto kept
open. It is stated that a good tractor would only have had to make
the trip three or four times during the winter to keep the road in
shape for traffic. If this were done it would be possible to keep
the road open for automobiles. The distance by the main road is
forty-two miles. A route via the cut-off from Albright's Corner was
suggested as a much shorter one, and R. L. Phillips, chairman of
the transportation committee of the Board of Trade and other mem-
bers have been working on that proposition. Officials of the Public
Works Department are of the opinion, however, that this route
would not be a practical one for winter traffic.

It is probably too late in the season to do much in regard to
the matter this year, but another year it would be well for those
interested to get busy early in the winter and arrange to keep this
road open. The route is an important one not only because it
serves the wants of the people of Minto and those who reside along
the way, but it leads to an important trade centre in which the
merchants of Fredericton should be vitally interested. Anything
that can be done to aid our home town merchants should be care-
fully considered and carefully carried out. It would cost compara-
tively little to have a government tractor or one from the Reserve
go over this road when the weather conditions make it necessary
and keep it open for this traffic. The result would pay many times
over. The time will come sooner or later when the question of
winter roads as a whole will have to be dealt with. In fact, the
time is here now! In the meantime, another year—or if not too
late, this year—the Minto road should receive consideration.

The Board of Trade has this and similar propositions in view.
The increased membership in the Board from thirty-five members
to nearly two hundred members is encouraging. It will be even
more encouraging if the members who have joined the organization
will take an active interest in the work and in the problems of the
Board and will get behind a proposition such as this one—the
Minto Road.

ETHIOPIA, COVETED BY MUSSOLINI, RICH, UNDEVELOPED COUNTRY

**Abyssinia Is a Great Treasure House of Natural
Resources.**

LONDON, England, March 8—One of the extent to which they exist
of the richest territorial gems in all Africa is the prize awaiting Italy if
it succeeds in its apparent design to
make the ancient black kingdom of
Ethiopia a part of its colonial empire.

With inestimable amounts of un-
mined gold, silver, and platinum; vir-
gin forests of valuable timber; rich
soil, and temperate climate in its high-
lands, it is one of the few undeveloped
territorial treasures left in the world.
Hostility of its black warriors,
known as the world's fiercest fighters
to foreign encroachment has kept it
virtually untouched by the develop-
ment of modern civilization.

Although the kingdom lies wholly
in the tropics, its nearness to the equa-
tor is counter-balanced by its eleva-
tion. The climate is healthy and tem-
perate, with bracing air. It is dry
from October to mid-June and rainy
from June to September.

Good For Cultivation
Vegetation is dense in the valleys
and luxuriant in the uplands. Tor-
rential rivers, which feed the Nile,
scattered lakes make the soil exceed-
ingly fertile. Most of the agricultural
regions yield two and many three
crops a year, while the land is admir-
ably adapted for stock raising. Natives
get their simple needs from the wilds
with little difficulty.

The table-land is considered to
hold great potentialities for the cul-
tivation of grains and vegetables, while
the low lands hold similar promises
for rubber and cotton plantations. Coffee
already is cultivated by the natives
on a small scale.
Wild game and fruit trees of every
description abound. In the south
there are large forests of valuable vir-
gin timber.
Traces of gold, iron, coal, potash
and other valuable minerals have been
found in promising quantities, but no
thorough survey every has been made

Not An Easy Conquest

Ruled for the last 4,000 years by a
dynasty descended directly from King
Solomon and the Queen of Sheba, Italy,
Belgium and Holland put together.

Its present ruler goes under the
imposing title of "Haile Selassie the
First, Lion of the Tribe of Judah, An-
ointed of God, Emperor of Ethiopia".
Soon, if Rome's modern legions
reach their goal, he may be expected
to be off his throne or just another
of Africa's puppet rulers.

But Abyssinia will not be an easy
conquest.

LOST MARVEN CUP

The Palace Alleys bowling team
lost to the Eastern Bakers, Limited,
team last evening and thereby lost
title to the Marven Cup, emblematic
of bowling supremacy in this part of
the province. The Palace Alleys team
has been fortunate in retaining this
cup against numerous invaders, in-
cluding Saint John and Moncton
teams. One time the locals defended
the trophy sixteen successive times
before conceding it to Saint John.
Since then it has been returned to
this city.

HICKSON BACK

Earl Hickson, local flier, returned
here yesterday in his Fairchild 'plane,
spent the night here and flew back to
Matane, Quebec this morning. It is
understood that the Fredericton avia-
tor conveyed several passengers into
the Tobique area by 'plane.

LIBERAL SMOKER WAS LARGELY ATTENDED

Hon. A. A. Dysart, J. B.
McNair, Ald. Gunter,
H. F. G. Bridges Speak-
ers--Opposition Leader
Outlines Platform: over
300 Present.

The Liberals held a most enjoyable
smoker and rally in the I. O. O. F.
hall last evening at which close to
three hundred and fifty were present.
Ald. Moses Mitchell acted as chair-
man and the speakers during the eve-
ning were Hon. A. A. Dysart, leader
of the opposition; J. B. McNair, pre-
sident of the New Brunswick Liberal
Association in the province; Ald. H.
Ralph Gunter, one of the York county
candidates in the coming election and
H. F. G. Bridges of Campbellton.

The speakers placed emphasis on
organization for the approaching elec-
tion, and of "boosting" the party, the
leaders, and the politics which they
stand for.

During the evening an orchestra
played several splendid selections, and
the Marysville Young Men's Quartet
sang selections which were received
with considerable applause, the young
men having a brand-new interpreta-
tion of popular songs. After the ad-
dresses, which were delivered in the
main hall of the building, refresh-
ments were served upstairs. The
smoker was one of the most success-
ful held here for sometime and there
was great enthusiasm display by the
large throng.

Pleasing Address

In a pleasing address Hon. Mr.
Dysart outlined the planks in his plat-
form which were for an improved
Electoral Act, the intention to have
road patrol and road work done by the
men of this country; formation of a
federal affairs department; revision of
the stumpage system; lowering of
auto licenses; bringing in of Old Age
Pensions.

With respect to control of the tim-
ber trade Hon. Mr. Dysart pointed out
the necessity of bringing it to the
market, and said that there is dis-
parity existing at the present time in
stumpage rates. It is the intention
of the Liberal party, he said, to make a
survey of the province, and to see
that rates are adjusted to the cost of
production.

The Opposition leader, and his as-
sociate speakers criticized the Liquor
Control Board and the R. C. M. P.
J. B. MacNair, in a forceful address in
which he criticised many of the gov-
ernment policies, praised the leader
of the party asked the supporters to
"be boosters of their leaders, organ-
ization, and party". Ald. H. Ralph
Gunter spoke also referring to the ne-
cessity of balancing the budget and
pointing out that it was desirous that
everyone get behind the plow and
work in the cause of the party. He
had an idea that Prime Minister R. B.
Bennett was planning on pouring
wealth into New Brunswick this year
for the purpose of aiding the Conser-
vative party in this province in scor-
ing a victory. It would be, he said,
an effort to "turn the tide of Liberal-
ism".

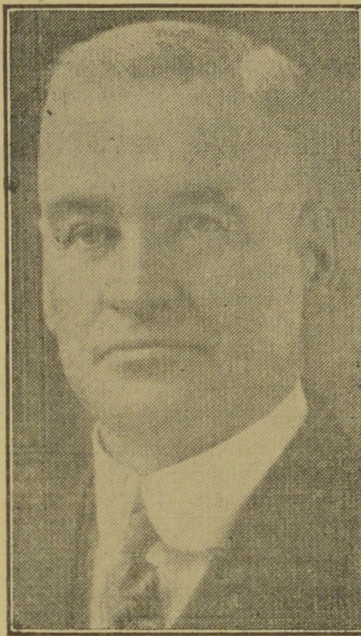
Criticizing the R. C. M. P. Hon. Mr.
Dysart posed the question: "Is the
police organization the arm of the
government or is it a political ma-
chine?" He called the efforts of the
government in connection with the
White Commission "stage play" and
lacking "sincerity".

H. F. G. Bridges, of Campbellton,
who had been a Restigouche county
candidate at the last provincial elec-
tion, spoke briefly on invitation of the
chairman, Ald. Moses Mitchell. He
urged organization and hard work by
the party supporters.

PEIPING, March 8—Japanese oppo-
sition will prevent an immediate inter-
national loan to China, it was believed
in authoritative foreign and Sino-Ja-
panese circles here today.

Campbell Went Over 281 Miles Per Hour

SPEAKS TODAY



HON. E. A. REILLY, Chairman of
the N. B. Electric Power Commis-
sion and Government member from
Moncton City, who is speaking on
the budget debate in the Legisla-
ture this afternoon.

LIBERALS TO DEMAND WHEAT DEALINGS DATA

**Government Board Plan
Favored in Principle**

OTTAWA, March 7—While the Lib-
eral party will not oppose establish-
ment of a wheat board, it is under-
stood it will insist on complete dis-
closure of the Government's wheat op-
erations. The party caucus yesterday
is said to have canvassed the situa-
tion widely.

Western Canada Liberals were ad-
vocates of a wheat board years ago
and it was said, continue to be so still.
Before any organization could oper-
ate, however, it would require to know
just what J. I. McFarland had been
doing and what, if any, liabilities had
been incurred.

At the same time the Western Lib-
erals voiced themselves strongly
against any suggestion the Govern-
ment's bill might contain seeking to
reduce wheat acreage in the West.

R. B. BENNETT ANSWERS PLEA FOR SKATES

HARRIS, Saskatchewan, March 8—
Because she took seriously the joking
remark of a chum that she "write to
Mr. Bennett" for a new pair of skates
when she found that her own were too
small and she had no hope of getting
a new pair, little Thelma Anderson is
a happy girl.

A few days ago she received a ra-
gistered letter from Premier R. B.
Bennett in Ottawa containing a
cheque for \$5. Her letter had been
written and posted secretly.

Four Divorce Bills Passed In Senate

OTTAWA, March 8—Four divorce
bills yesterday were given final read-
ing in the Senate. The measures will
be passed to the House of Commons
for approval of that chamber.

A bill implementing an agreement
extending for one year the arrange-
ment under which the Dominion Gov-
ernment is paying \$100,000 yearly to
the City of Ottawa in lieu of taxes,
received first reading.

**Sets New Record With
His Bluebird of 276,816
M.P.H. as Average For
Both Runs at Daytona;
Again Near Death In
Record Run.**

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., March 8—
Sir Malcolm Campbell hitched his
thunder wagon to a streak of lightning
today and roared down Daytona's gold-
en sands to a new world automobile
speed record—276,816 miles an hour.

It was far short of the 300-mile goal
he has set for himself and the seven-
ton Bluebird, but it was 4,708 miles
an hour swifter than the 272,108 mile
average he travelled establishing the
old mark here two years ago.

In all he broke four world speed re-
cords yesterday. In addition to the one
mile, he set a record average of 276,160
for one kilometre, 268,474 for five kilo-
metres and 251,396 for five miles. His
top speed was 281,030 miles an hour
on the return run.

It was an unexpected sortie, result
of a last minute decision to wait no
longer for the sands to smooth to the
perfection needed for 300 miles an
hour. The result left him happy, but
slightly shaken from one narrow es-
cape he had shortly after thundering
through the measured mile on the re-
turn trip.

Nearly Loses Control
A bump there almost tore the steer-
ing wheel from his hands, sent the
car careening high on the beach until
the tires were just skimming the edge
of the deadly soft sands. With a ter-
rific effort the 50-year-old Englishman
wrenched the wheel back, skidded to
the safety of the hard sands, and was
away to the end of the run and the
new record.

"I haven't decided yet whether to
stay and try to lift the record higher,"
Sir Malcolm said as he rode back
down the beach in the 2,500 horsepower
monster while 50,000 lining the one
and one-half mile course cheered the
length of the way. "I won't decide
that until I have a chance to think
things over."

Equally Dangerous
The run today, though only slightly
above his old record, was as dangerous
as any he has made here—and every
time he has taken Bluebird to the
beach during his venture something
has happened.

First his cowl broke loose and
carbon monoxide fumes nearly gassed
him as exhaust flames flicked at his
legs. Then he was nearly thrown
from the car on a test run in which
he hit a one-way speed of 270. Today
it was one gigantic swerve, and his
tires.

He stood and stared in amazement
at the racing cords on old Bluebird
as he looked the car over in front of
the timing tower when it was all over.
The smooth rubber surface of all six
tires—two in front, four on back—was
literally burned away. The casings
hung in shreds, like strips of torn bur-
lap. There were parts of the tires
that were within a couple of ply of be-
ing torn away straight down to the
inner tubes. Bluebird otherwise was
undamaged.

Ferguson's Powers Remain Unchanged

OTTAWA, March 8—No change has
been made to the powers of Hon. G.
Howard Ferguson, Canadian High
Commissioner to the United Kingdom
since 1930, Sir George Perley yester-
day told a questioner in the House of
Commons.

The statute creating the office set
forth that all the official activities of
the various agencies of the Canadian
Government in the United Kingdom
should be placed under the High
Commissioner's supervision. That has
not been added to.