

# HALIFAX BOARD OF TRADE SAYS THERE SHOULD BE NO OPPOSITION TO RY. BRIDGE

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## Daylight Raid of Madrid Causes Several Deaths, Many Injured

Surprise Attack With Terrific Explosions Mangles Bodies and Kills

Principal Square City Stricken

Business Rush Drowns Out Noise of Swooping Planes

The Spanish Government today continued its three-day counter attack and much success is claimed, although the insurgent lines were not broken.

An insurgent destroyer was reported bombed near the border land and it was reported as not having attempted to land.

MADRID, Oct. 31—Women and children were among the citizens of Madrid who were killed yesterday by rebel bombing of the Capital. Insurgent planes killed 59 persons and wounded at least 130 in daylight raids on Madrid and the suburb of Getafe.

The insurgent planes dropped at least ten bombs within Madrid itself in the first serious bombardment of a European capital since the Great War. The dead in Madrid numbered 41, while unconfirmed reports from Getafe said an additional 70 children there had been blown and mangled to death besides the 18 already known killed. Most of the 130 wounded were women and children.

The city was tense tonight. Accounts of the tragic deaths spread quickly and the streets were almost deserted except for a few pedestrians who hugged the walls of buildings, and kept their heads down as if they expected more bombs to fall.

The surprise attack, which the government described as an "inhuman incursion," was made as the planes flew at great height. Afternoon shoppers rushed in panic for shelter as terrific explosions shook the city.

Most of the women killed or wounded were struck by shrapnel as they waited in queues for food and milk in districts just outside the centre of Madrid.

The bombs fell in Arenal, Carretas and Precados streets, just off the Puerto del Sol—Madrid's principal square—and in Esgrima Street, Dr. Cortez street and Espada street, near the Calderon Theatre.

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E. J. CORMIER  
Comptroller-General New Brunswick

## N. B. Fiscal Year Closed Today

The New Brunswick fiscal year closed today. The department has been busy during the past two months making adjustments of sinking funds and collecting revenues. In many cases the officials worked far into the night. This is the first year which E. J. Cormier has been Comptroller General, although he had been familiar with the work for several years.

All adjustments have been made and the revenues, which are usually collected promptly throughout the year are nearly up to date. Any revenue.

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## The Church and Canadian Life

THAT we are today living in a period of grave unrest none can deny or ignore. Because the outward and material life presses most closely upon us it is there that our troubles are most obvious. The world of trade and commerce, industry and business is full of problems crying for solution. A plague of fear and uncertainty lies over the international scene. Questions of production and distribution, employment, indebtedness, standards of living, markets, international trade are being earnestly studied by governments, schools of research, and a host of the best minds of our generation. Answers to these questions will be found. The skill and science that have filled our modern lives with marvels will not be balked when they are freely applied to these problems of the day. Prof. Julian Huxley, if memory serves correctly, said solutions of our material problems, but that all the scientists' in his address in this city that science stood ready to supply the efforts were hampered and almost nullified by political bias, human stupidity, and selfish interests. That just means that beneath all conflicting forces that play upon the surface of human life, there is a deeper level where the permanent issues are met and decided. That is the level of human nature itself. ALL THE PROBLEMS OF NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LIFE WHICH VEX AND TANTALIZE US ARE REALLY MORAL AND SPIRITUAL PROBLEMS. A PEACEFUL AND SATISFACTORY NATIONAL EXISTENCE DEPENDS ON THE KIND OF PEOPLE WE AND OUR NEIGHBORS ARE.

IT IS THIS THAT MAKES THE WORK OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCHES SO VITAL A FACTOR. They recognize that it is their particular task to build up a sound character in the nation. They are profoundly convinced that the code of life entrusted to them to preach, and incarnated for all men in the life of their Divine Master, contains the secret of a contented, profitable and harmonious life for all the world. They maintain that if this code is honestly accepted and acted upon, men will rapidly find a way out of the complicated evils in which they are involved.

THERE ARE MANY AND FORMIDABLE ANTI-CHRISTIAN FORCES AT WORK TODAY. THEY PROVIDE THE WORKING PHILOSOPHY FOR SOME OF THE POLITICAL AND SOCIAL MOVEMENTS OF THE HOUR. They have a subtle and widespread influence on the minds of multitudes of people. The Jerusalem Conference of 1928 summed it up thus: Throughout the world there is a sense of insecurity and instability, ancient religions are undergoing modification; institutions regarded with age-long veneration are being discarded; well established standards of moral conduct are brought under criticism; on all sides doubt is expressed whether there is any absolute truth or goodness. At the Lambeth Conference in 1930 the following finding was adopted: We are aware of the extent to which every thought of God seems to be passing away from the minds and hearts of many, even in nominally Christian nations, in view of the enlarged knowledge gained in modern times of God's ordering of the world.

In face of the gravity of the issues of our times, the Christian forces feel that there is no cause for panic or despair. They do feel on the other hand that THERE IS AN IMPERATIVE CALL FOR A UNITED WITNESS ON THE PART OF ALL CHRISTIAN MEN AND WOMEN TO THE CAUSE WHICH THEY BELIEVE CAN SAVE THE WORLD. Accordingly a committee on the Evangelization of Canadian Life has been formed and a Canada-wide mission planned for the closing months of this year. The committee is an inter-denominational body, appointed officially by the churches co-operating. The Church of England, the Salvation Army, the Society of Friends, the Y.M.C.A., and the Baptist, Evangelical, Presbyterian, and United Churches are co-operating in this effort. They have issued a call to genuine repentance, to public and private prayer, to fresh study of the message of the Christian church and to a planned effort to bring about the evangelization of the individual, of the community, and of the nation, in every department of human life and activity. Such an effort, enthusiastically carried on, will be a demonstration to the nation of the essential unity of the churches' aims, and of the fact that the Christian church has an essential part to play in the life of the world. In Roman Catholic circles, church leaders not only in New Brunswick and Canada, but throughout the world, have for some time been taking a similar stand.

So far as this city is concerned each religious body will endeavor to reach its own constituency in its own way. The Ministerial Association is taking the lead in a co-operative effort on Sunday and Monday, Nov. 8th and 9th. They have arranged to have a team of gifted speakers from Ontario, Dr. Crossley Hunter, son of the famous evangelist, and Dr. Bingham, of Walmer Road Baptist Church, Toronto. These missionaries will be heard in five of the city churches at the morning and evening services on Sunday, the 8th. A conference will be held on Monday afternoon for ministers and leaders, followed by a supper meeting. A mass meeting in the evening will give everyone another opportunity of hear the visiting speakers. It is hoped to follow this conference with a visitation of as many neighboring communities as possible by teams from the larger centres. Each of the larger centres of the province is carrying out a somewhat similar programme.

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## DIVORCE COURT ORDERED 13 DECREES HERE

October Sitting Completed Yesterday-- Court Adjourned Until November 5 -- 18 of 20 Cases Completed.

The New Brunswick Court of Divorce and Matrimonial Cases, Mr. Justice W. C. H. Grimmer presiding, concluded its October sitting here yesterday and adjournment was made until November 5, at 10.30 o'clock. Eighteen of the 20 cases on the docket were considered. A total of 13 decrees of divorce were ordered to issue and in the first, that of the custody of a child, an order for custody was issued to the applicant. One case was set over to the next session, pending re-drafting of the petition and affidavits.

The case of Murray Eugene Fairweather, of Saint John vs. Cynthia Allyn Fairweather, of New Rochelle, a remanet, was heard by the court yesterday afternoon. The petitioner was the only witness yesterday. Evidence heard on commission before Francis G. Fedder of Michigan City Ind., was read into the court record.

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## French Communists Insist Gov't Break Non-Intervention

(Special to The Daily Mail)  
PARIS, Oct. 31—The French Communists today insist on trying to persuade the Government to break with the non-intervention committee in regard to the Spanish situation. The Communists claim that the French Government should help the Spanish Government and also that the intervention law should be put into effect and should stop the blockade of arms to the Government.

## Former Apprentice Boy Becomes Holder of Huge Task For Canadian National Railways

### CANADIAN FUR TRADER BECOMES MUSKRAT KING

OTTAWA, Oct. 31—Tommy Lamb of Moose Lake, Man., enjoys the distinction of being the muskrat king of Canada.

During the recent provincial election campaign in Manitoba he became the unwilling figure about which a political controversy raged and it was as a result of this controversy that the story of his activities in the fur industry has become generally known. The merits of the political argument.

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S. J. HUNGERFORD  
Chairman C.N.R. Board, and President of the Railways

## Treaty Revision Held Essential to Empire Welfare

Examples Set By Great Britain Are Outlined in King Edward's Speech

Address Read to Parliament

Formal Speech Will Be Given From Throne Tuesday

### 19 HOURS FROM NEW YORK TO LONDON, ENG.

### Mollison Breaks Atlantic Air Speed Record

The actual flying time of Capt. Jas. A. Mollison for the 3,200 miles from New York to London was 19 hours and 58 minutes. He flew 1,700 miles over open ocean to the west coast of Ireland and then another 420 miles to reach Croydon.

Mollison said his plane had "behaved splendidly" and that he flew from the Newfoundland coast to Ireland in 10 hours, despite the fact that he waited an hour in mid-Atlantic circling around trying to dissolve ice which had formed on his wings.

Before going to bed to catch up on much-needed sleep, the haggard pilot said he awaited only favorable weather before taking off for Cape Town.

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LONDON, Oct. 31—King Edward, in his first formal address to his Parliament yesterday—an address studied thickly with "It's instead of the traditional "we"—issued a clearly implied invitation for Central European nations to seek peaceful revision of Great War treaties.

He covered the world and domestic situations on topics ranging from the Spanish civil war to the new Anglo-egyptian treaty, using plain "I," "me," and "my," where his royal forbears used the kindly "we," "us," and "our."

The King did not appear in person. His speech was read in the House of Lords by the Earl of Onslow, chairman of the committees of the House of Lords.

King Edward was at Buckingham Palace, a busy day ahead of him, when the speech was read. He is to appear in person—and in his Royal robes—at the State opening of Parliament next Tuesday and speak from the Throne.

But for the moment, attention centered on this, the first formal address of the King to his Parliament, and the outstanding statement in it:

Successful Outcome Seen As Example  
"A conference was held at Mont-

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## HOUDINI PREPARED TO FACE HELL IN ORDER TO COMMUNICATE WITH WIFE

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 31—The last conscious effort by Mrs. Harry Houdini to communicate with the spirit of her husband, Houdini, the great necromancer, will be made Saturday night—the tenth anniversary of his death.

"If there is no contact then," she said last night, "I will be forced to one of two conclusions—either that personal survival after death is a falsehood or that there is no hope for any of us to reach those who have gone on."

The Hallowe'en seance will be held on the roof of a Hollywood hotel.

At corresponding hours in 16 cities of the United States, and in London, Eng., Melbourne, Australia, and Victoria, B. C., other groups will gather to assist her, she said. They will be composed of spiritualists, scientists and close friends of the great magician.

"It's just a coincidence that this attempt to reach him falls on Hallowe'en, the night when spooks are supposed to be out," Mrs. Houdini

laughed. "But our agreement was to last exactly 10 years following his death."

It involved a code message—which has never been delivered—and other mechanical manifestations of his spirit presence.

"Beatrice, I'll come to you somehow, even if I have to go through hell," she said he told her on his death-bed.

## Contract for New Barrage Awarded, 2½ Million Pounds

(Special to The Daily Mail)

CATRO, Egypt, Oct. 31—A contract to the amount of two and one-half million pounds has been awarded for the construction of a new barrage for the supply of water. The contract has been awarded to an English firm. The old barrage will remain in place and will be fixed up as a memorial.

## French Government Announces Increased Defence Measures

(Special to The Daily Mail)  
PARIS, Oct. 31—The French Air Minister stated today that the air force of France will be doubled. The amount of fifty million pounds sterling will be spent on defences. Several ships, including one large one, will be built, and many new improvements, will be brought about in the land forces.

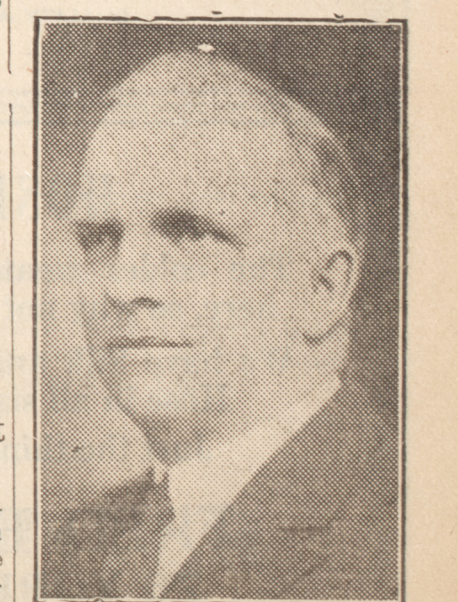
## Greek Government Announces Irrigation, Land Improvement

(Special to The Daily Mail)  
ATHENS, Oct. 31—The Greek Government has announced a two million pounds public works expenditure. The money will be spent mostly in irrigation and land improvements and will extend over a period of from five to ten years.

## MOLLISON OFF TOMORROW FOR CAPE TOWN

(Special to The Daily Mail)  
LONDON, Oct. 31—Captain James A. Mollison will leave London tomorrow for Cape Town in an attempt to break the record held by his wife. He will make two stops and it is estimated that he will make the trip in forty hours, although Mollison himself claims that he will do it in less time.

Newspapers own or control 143 radio stations.



HON. C. D. HOWE  
Minister of Transport