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Weather: Moderate winds, fair and cool tonight and on Wednesday.

ITALIAN CONQUEST LEAVES RUIN AND DESTRUCTION IN ITS PATH OF VICTORY

Albright Corner Route Probable Within Next Year

Premier is Sympathetic But Conditions This Year Do Not Permit

Big Hard Service Programme For This Season

All Counties Will Share — Federal Aid Hoped For by Premier

Last summer The Daily Mail sent a representative out to investigate the Old Richibucto Road and the possibilities of that road being used as a short cut to Minto via Albright's Corner. We felt at the time that this would not only cut off several miles on the Minto route but would be a convenience in the spring when the freshest conditions and the subsequent bad roads through Manguerville and Sheffield interfered with traffic in that direction.

We were informed at the time by parties who were in control of the relief project between here and the Murpee Mill stream, that if the then government were willing to go ahead and do the work that the provincial public works department would only be required to furnish the road machinery and the gas. The labor could be done at a minimum by the men who work at the relief camps. These men demonstrated that they could make a pretty good job of road building as several miles in the vicinity of the camps which had been built by them using hand labor only were in very good condition.

At the late session of the Legislature which closed a few days ago, Major W. C. Lawson, M.C., M.P.P., advocated strongly to the department the building of this road. A few days ago the Board of Trade took the matter up with the present premier, Hon. A. A. Dysart, minister of public works. Hon. Mr. Dysart expressed himself as favorably impressed with the proposition and stated that the matter was not being overlooked. He said, however, that it would not be possible to move very far this year in the matter owing to the fact that heavy expenses would have to be incurred in connection with road building in Sunbury county made necessary by the damages in Manguerville and Sheffield parishes, caused by abnormal flood conditions.

The impression created by Premier Dysart in his communication to the Board of Trade is a sympathetic one as far as the new road goes and the chances are that another year will see something done in regard to this suggestion of The Daily Mail that this road be put through.

New Brunswick will have 420 miles of new hard-surfaced roads this summer. This will include 330 miles of permanent paving and about 90 miles of carpet coating. The paving will be so distributed that it will reach every county in the province. This was the announcement made by Premier Dysart, minister of public works, yesterday afternoon.

"The major undertaking," he added, "will naturally follow the trans-Canada highway project."

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MOOSERIVER FUND NEARS \$66,000

TORONTO, Ont., May 5—Total of the Moose River mine rescuers' fund cials administering the fund. Contributions are still being received with another boost of several hundred dollars expected before Monday was handed to acting Mayor Robbins night.

Why Wait Two Years?

The City Council last evening took up a matter upon which The Daily Mail has been working for more than a year, namely, the removal of the city stone yard and stone crusher, soft coal piles and other dangerous and objectionable matter from where it is located in the center of a residential district on Aberdeen street. A year ago we advocated the removal of this stone yard. We pointed out that it was not only a nuisance to that section of the city by causing noise and dust, but that it was more over a danger to the school children who passed that way. They play around the stone crusher and in other ways run risks. Not only this but it lessens the value of some very nice residential property in that section.

As a result of our editorial The Daily Mail received a letter of thanks signed by all the residents of the street, which we appreciated. These people have not been used fairly and are not being used fairly. There is no reason for waiting two years, as was proposed last night, before doing justice to these people of Aberdeen street. If each alderman carried away a stone a day himself they could have it moved sooner than two years. While the aldermen are putting the clock back two years the people are bearing the inconvenience.

Alderman F. S. Mundle and Alderman David McCaughey, the latter chairman of the roads and streets department, agreed that it was not right to have this stone pile in the middle of the residential section of Aberdeen street. Each alderman, however, thought it would be well to wait and to "get a report and to investigate," and this would take a year and perhaps two years.

Just why it should take two years to "investigate and get a report" is not quite clear. The aldermen know that this nuisance is there. They know that it is an annoyance to the people in that residential section. They also know that there is plenty of room in Fredericton outskirts to place these public works. Fredericton in point of area is one of the largest cities in Canada. It embraces over seventy-two square miles. Why is it necessary with all this land at our disposal to inflict this menace on the good residents of Aberdeen street. The city council did a good thing in bringing this matter up. But why all the red tape and delay. It does not sound active or business-like. Perhaps a little more "pep" in having this change made at once would show better public service.

"SEAL OR SERPENT" IN ST. LAWRENCE

OTTAWA, Ont., May 5—Residents of the St. Lawrence shore at Long Sault Rapids, twelve miles west of here, said yesterday they had seen a seal or "sea-serpent"—they weren't sure which—sunning itself on a rock about 200 feet from the United States' shore of the river.

They said the beast was about seven feet long and covered with greyish hair. Adelard Burrelle, Peter Godard and Jack Dunlop, lockmen on the Cornwall Canal said they had observed the animal through field glasses but were unable to identify it. They said it swam.

MRS POIRIER'S DEATH

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Poirier and son Arthur returned yesterday from Rogersville where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Poirier's mother, Mrs. Marie Poirier, which took place on Saturday at that place. Rev. Father Babineau, parish priest of Rogersville officiated and interment took place in the cemetery near the church. Mrs. Poirier was born at Grand Digue, before her marriage Miss Marie Gallant. She had been residing for the past few years at Baie St. Paul, Quebec, and was 87 years of age. Mr. Poirier left here last Tuesday and reached Quebec on Wednesday a few hours after the passing of his mother. Mr. Poirier accompanied the remains to Rogersville and was met at New castle by Mrs. Poirier and son Arthur who also attended the funeral. Deceased is survived by two daughters, Sister Marie of Lange Gardien, of the Franciscan Order of Sisters of Baie St. Paul; and Mrs. J. F. Dmuont, and one son, F. J. Poirier, of this city. The brothers are Peter Gallant Rogersville; Jacques and Nazaire of Grand Bay and Joachim of Chelsea; and one sister, Mrs. Thomas Chiassor of Rogersville.

SAYS ONTARIO DEFRAUDED OF \$30,000,000

TORONTO, May 5—Of \$30,000,000 in succession duties collected by the Ontario government in April, more than \$2,000,000 was obtained through re-examination of estates which previously had been under-assessed, Premier Hepburn said today.

At the same time the premier declared that a survey made by officials of the succession duties branch disclosed that in the past 10 or 12 years Ontario had been defrauded of between \$30,000,000 and \$50,000,000 as a result of under-valuation of estates.

Honor 'Bike' Inventor

BORDEAUX, May 5—Georges Juzan, credited by the French as being the inventor of the modern bicycle, is being honored by the citizens of Bordeaux, who have named a street for him. Juzan constructed the first bicycle in France, which had two wheels of the same dimensions and which was motivated by a chain from a cogwheel.

NEW LIGHTS MAYOR'S OFFICE

The city fathers debated their May business under conditions more suitable to their eyes last evening. Since the last meeting brand new lights have been installed in the mayor's office of the city hall, and there was general satisfaction expressed last night by the aldermen. However, some improvement can be made yet was Ald. Murray Hagerman's opinion and it is likely that the four hanging lights will be lowered somewhat from the ceiling to allow for more illumination for those aldermen whose eyes aren't "what they used to be."

CHIMNEY FIRE

A slight chimney fire occurred at the home of Frank Vanstone on Charlotte street yesterday afternoon. No damage resulted.

HARRY O'DONNELL HANGED TODAY AT TORONTO

Former Saint John Man Paid Penalty for Murder of Ruth Taylor Just Six Months Ago.

Harry O'Donnell, former Saint John man, was hanged at Toronto jail this morning for the murder of Ruth Taylor, twenty year old stenographer. Previous to the execution he was attended by Rev. Father F. A. McKenna of St. Ann's church, who spent yesterday and last night in the condemned man's cell.

His appeal in Ontario's appellate court dismissed and permission to appeal to the Canadian supreme court denied. O'Donnell's last hope was eliminated when word came from Ottawa that executive clemency was denied.

The 26 year old service station attendant spent much of his last day with relatives. He was visited by his wife, his father, sisters and brothers. Throughout the visit he maintained a calm attitude, but afterwards showed his first signs of emotion. He broke down but recovered quickly. He was visited also on Sunday, his relatives remaining 15 minutes each.

It was reported yesterday applications for executive clemency made by Frank Regan, O'Donnell's counsel, was made on the ground that O'Donnell was of unsound mentality. It was also stated that a mental expert appointed by Ottawa authorities, examined O'Donnell last week.

In a farewell letter to Mr. Regan, O'Donnell thanked him for all he had done and expressed satisfaction that all efforts to save him were made.

Another letter went to the condemned man's wife, who gave birth to their only child a few days before Ruth Taylor was slain. In this letter, said Mr. Regan, O'Donnell expressed his love and affection for his wife and asked her remembrance of him.

Newspapermen were excluded from the hanging under orders of Attorney General Roebuck, who instituted the regulation shortly after he took office. Previously newspapermen were the only unofficial witnesses allowed at hangings. O'Donnell is the first man to be hanged in Toronto since the regulation went into effect. O'Donnell was hanged at eight o'clock.

Last chance to buy community concert ticket.

Italian Troops Ready to Occupy Addis Ababa

Business Section is Looted — Supply of Food and Water Low

State of Anarchy Reigns

Emperor Haile Selassie Now in Palestine — Has Not Abdicated

HUGE ICE FIELD BLAMED FOR LATE, COLD SPRING

BUFFALO, New York, May 5—The great ice field in Lake Erie which is blocking shipping also is being blamed for one of the coldest springs Buffalo has experienced, the Weather Bureau revealed yesterday.

The twenty-one ships still caught in the ice off Port Colborne, Ontario, called Buffalonians' attention to the unusual condition and the Weather Bureau has been busy explaining "the cold spring keeps the ice in the lake; the ice has nothing to do with the cold weather."

Meteorologist James Spencer said the lake water was so cold in the spring that "it does not make much difference whether the prevailing southwest winds flow over ice or water; the winds will be chilly anyway."

The weather has moderated considerably the last few days, and the ice continued to melt yesterday, leading to the belief the ships would break their way out once the fog which has kept them "lying to" lifted.

Fuel as You Go, New Non-Stop-Flight Plan

GOLDFIELDS, Saskatchewan May 5—Pilot Marlow Kennedy planned last night on making something new in non-stop refueling flights. On a flight to Edmonton he will carry a spare drum of gasoline, pumping the fuel into the tanks when the need arises.

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia, May 5—A state of anarchy continued yesterday at the besieged capital of Ethiopia. Native guards at the French Belgian and Turkish legations mutinied. Deserters from the Ethiopian army set up machine guns behind piles of debris in the street. Drunken natives roamed the town firing their guns wildly in the air.

The United States Legation was ordered abandoned. The entire business section was looted and put to the torch. Twenty-seven foreigners have been killed.

Emperor Haile Selassie sailed for Palestine aboard the British cruiser Enterprise.

Italian troops were expected to occupy Addis Ababa yesterday.

A shrieking riot of natives laid siege last night to the French Legation, where 2,000 foreign refugees are sheltered.

Paul Bodard, the French minister, wireless Djibouti that food and water supplies were running low, and there was no telling how long they could hold out.

He appealed for urgently needed help. Djibouti authorities informed him a company of troops was on the way to Addis Ababa by train with a supply of provisions and munitions.

He also was told another force of French colonial troops, garrisoned at Dire Dawa for the last few months, was proceeding to the Ethiopian capital to bring additional aid.

Meanwhile the final collapse of the last remaining vestiges of Ethiopia's regular army was reported here. It was learned Ras Nasibu, commander of the east central forces, and General Wahib Pasha, his chief adviser, has crossed the British Somaliland border and were heading toward Berbera.

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Programme to Minimize Auto Accidents Has Been Developed

Public Works and Attorney General's Departments to Co-operate for Public Safety.

A comprehensive programme to minimize motor car accidents on the highways of the Province has been developed by the Public Works Department, co-operating with the Attorney General's Department, and will become effective immediately, it was announced today by Premier A. A. Dysart.

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police have been instructed to make a concerted drive for the stricter enforcement of the motor vehicle law, and special orders have been issued to officers and men to devote a greater portion of their time to this work than heretofore. As the operations of the R. C. M. P. will not include the duties of Saint John, Moncton, and Fredericton, letters have been written

to the Mayors of these three cities soliciting their co-operation and it is confidently expected, said the Premier, that these cities will lend their support to make the highway safety programme complete.

Each detachment of the R. C. M. P. is to devote a substantial portion of its time to the work of enforcing motor vehicle law and a special force scattered throughout the province is particularly charged with this work. Every infraction of the law is to be reported and to be dealt with in a manner calculated to insure against repetition of the offence.

"It is the intention," added the Premier, "to be firm but reasonable. The members of the R. C. M. P. have been instructed to be considerate and courteous but at the same time to be sufficiently severe to keep thorough control over highway traffic."

A system of endorsement will be introduced. In the case of minor offences by a 1st offender, the license will be endorsed and a report submitted to

the Registrar upon which action may or may not be taken. When an officer makes the third such endorsement the operator will be forced to take his car from the road for a period of at least one month. "In other words," commented the Premier, "three strikes and you're out."

The system of checking motor vehicles will be continuous throughout the year. These checks will include brakes, lights, licenses, license plates, horns and other equipment, and cars that pass inspection will be supplied with a current sticker. Every car seen without the current sticker will be stopped and checked.

Instructions have also been given to guard against the formation of queues. "Every precaution will be taken," Premier A. A. Dysart said, "to enforce the regulations without unduly trying the patience of motorists. There were forty deaths in this province alone last year as a result of motor car accidents. I am firmly

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