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Weather: Fair and a little colder.

IMPROVED REVENUES MARK YEAR 1937 MAY RESULT FED. BALANCED BUDGET

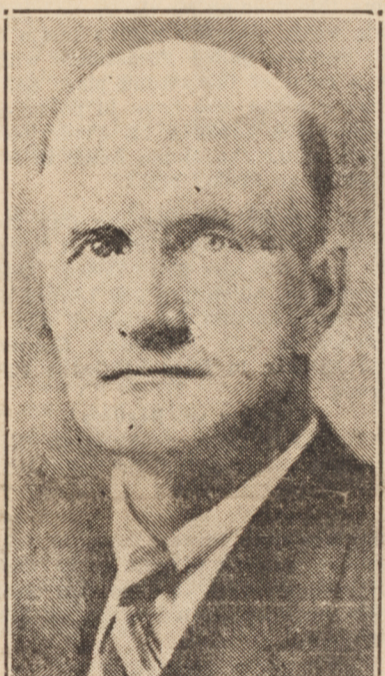
Expressions of Regret At the Death of W.M. Ryan, M.P. of St. John

Premier Dysart, W. G. Clark, M.P., and E. C. Atkinson, Pres. of Board of Trade, Pay Tribute

BRILLIANT CAREER ENDED

Mr. Ryan Aided Us In Our Efforts To Secure the Bridge and "Valley Route to the Sea"

(Special to The Daily Mail) SAINT JOHN, Jan. 5—William M. Ryan, M.A., K.C., M.P., Barrister, former newspaperman and representative of Saint John-Albert in the Dominion House of Commons passed away at 3.45 yesterday afternoon at St. Joseph's Hospital where he had been seriously ill since December 21. Mr. Ryan was fifty years old last month. His death while unexpected during the past several days was heard with sincere regret by all the citizens of Saint John. He had not been in good health for some months but was able to be about his legal and parliamentary business and attended a hockey match on the night previous to his admission to the hospital. A few days ago an operation was performed and a specialist being called from Montreal. During the illness of Mr. Ryan inquiries from all over the Dominion poured in. His death yesterday afternoon brought sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.



G. W. PERRY, M.L.A., who is ill with pneumonia at his home.

The funeral will take place Friday at 9.40 a.m. from his home 186 King Street East to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception for Solemn High Mass of Requiem at ten o'clock. William Michael Ryan was born fifty years ago in Saint John. He was of Irish descent and was the son of the late Patrick and Catherine Cummins Ryan. After graduating from St. Joseph's University and receiving his M.A. degree, he took up the study of law at Kings College, now the U. N.B. Law School. During the time of his studies he engaged in newspaper work and made a name for himself as a news writer for The Telegraph and Globe. In 1912 he went West and joined the staff of the Regina Leader. This experience in newspaper life in the west proved a big asset to him in later life both in his legal practice and in his political career. In 1934 he was appointed Kings Council. Mr. Ryan was a Liberal in politics. Twice, in 1926 and 1930 he contested the constituency on behalf of the Liberal party in the Federal elections but

each time met with defeat. In 1935 he was elected as a Liberal member for Saint John-Albert and immediately upon reaching Ottawa began to take a leading part in the deliberations of the Federal parliament. In the fight which W. G. Clark, M.P. for York-Sunbury made to secure the C. N.R. bridge he had the strong backing of W. M. Ryan. Personally Mr. Ryan was of a lovable character and retained and added to his warm friendships of earlier years. He was a courageous fighter both in politics and in the law courts but had the faculty of retaining the good will and respect of those who were his most bitter political opponents. He numbered amongst his friends those whom he fought the

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ALLEGED "CONFESSION" OF THE PRISONER PRINTED IN PRESS MAY PREJUDICE THE JURY

Witness Refuses to Give Evidence In Cohen Murder Case — Case Adjourned

SAINT JOHN, Jan. 5—The preliminary hearing in the Cohen murder case in which William Robicheau, 24, is charged with the murder of Aaron N. Cohen, was adjourned yesterday to this afternoon to give 23 year old Frances Ward an opportunity to decide whether or not she would give evidence. Testimonies heard yesterday were practically a repetition of evidence heard at the coroner's inquest. Frances Ward stubbornly refused to answer a single question on being questioned by E. J. Henneberry, the Crown attorney, in the preliminary hearing. The Ward girl was stood aside while Detective George Stubbs was called to the stand for questioning on a statement police claim she made. Stubbs said he had taken this on December 23.

"Is that her statement?" asked Mr. Henneberry, showing him some notes. The detective replied that it was, and that she had signed it. When she was called to return to the witness box she sat motionless, as though he had not heard. A policeman took her arm and escorted her back. Mr. Henneberry asked whether she would swear she had not stated to Detective Stubbs that she had known the accused about five weeks, that she met him at Fred Moore's and that she "first saw Bill with a revolver about two weeks ago." After the adjournment last night, Robicheau's mother who had been sitting among the spectators, crossed over and kissed him as he sat in the prisoner's dock. Frances ward, about to be led downstairs and back to the

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Make the Highways Safe

THE TIME for pussyfooting with reckless driving of motor cars is certainly not now. There never was a time when reckless driving was in order. But just at present it is more dangerous than ordinarily.

It is more difficult to control a car on winter's hard and slippery roads than on the clear roads of the summer time. What is more, many a car is not in as workable condition in winter as it is in summer. Furthermore many drivers operate their cars with windows closed and in some cases with clothing covering the ears. Wind-shields are very often covered with frost or snow.

View winter driving as you will there is more hazard in driving a car in winter than in summer.

There are however some people who disregard these facts. They drive as if they were the only ones on the highway. Along they go lickety-split regardless of consequences.

Such people should not be allowed behind the wheel of a car. A great deal has been said in recent weeks about the drunken driver. We have no brief for such a driver. We believe he should be off the road completely. But in emphasizing the menace of the drunken driver we should not lose sight of the other dangerous drivers. It must be remembered that there are those who will not show care in driving a car and there are those who never were intended to be car drivers and consequently never will be able to properly drive a car. Some people cannot drive a car just as some people cannot drive a nail.

The drunken and the wilfully careless driver should be taken off the road and punished as the law provides. While the one who has the will but not the ability to drive properly should be refused a license to drive.

The need of greater safety on the highway is engaging the attention of best minds the world over. The menace is not peculiar to any one province or locality. It is universal. But of course it is a problem that has to be treated with in each locality.

As far as this province and this city is concerned, we would urge, and urge with all the emphasis at our command, that the law be applied, rigidly, to the drunken and careless operator, and that the person who has the will and is unable to properly operate a car be refused a license.

There will be no safety on the highway as long as there is an improper handling of the car. And as far as accidents go it makes no difference to the one who is killed or maimed whether he was hit by a drunken, a reckless or an inefficient driver.

Make a general cleanup and let it start now at the time when driving hazards are greatest. Rid the highways and the city streets of all those who will not or cannot drive properly. Use the jails, cancel the licenses or do whatever is necessary, but get rid of the dangerous driver!

Our police department has been lax in the past few years in connection with the drunken drivers. There should be no sympathy for the drunken driver no matter who he may be.



Gordon Drillon, Moncton boy of the Toronto Maple Leafs, who will be honored by home city on January 8.

Fed. Revenues Show Steady Gain For Dominion Treasury

Finance Minister Expects To Be Able To Present Balanced Budget

DECIDEDLY HEALTHY POSITION

Plans Surplus For Coming Year Tax Reductions

NEW ISSUE C. N. R. BONDS ANNOUNCED, TO OPEN MONDAY

OTTAWA, Jan. 5—Finance Minister Dunning announced late today subscriptions would open next Monday for a new issue of \$50,000,000 in Canadian National Railways Dominion-guaranteed bonds.

The issue would be used to reimburse the Government for advances made since 1932 for redemption of debt and for capital expenditures by the road, the finance minister said.

The issue will be made in two maturities consisting of four-year, two per cent bonds dated Jan. 15, 1935, and 13-year, three per cent bonds dated Dec. 15, 1937.

The four-year bonds will be non-callable, but the 13-year bonds will be callable at the option of the railway company as a whole only on or after Dec. 15, 1945.

The price of the four-year bonds is 99.25 to yield approximately 2.20 per cent, and the 13-year bonds are priced at 97, to yield approximately 3.29 per cent.

Are Guaranteed The bonds will be guaranteed unconditionally as to both principal and interest by the Canadian government. Books will open Monday morning and will be closed as to either issue or both at the discretion of the Minister of Finance.

On behalf of the Canadian National Railways Company the issue will be offered through the Bank of Canada on authority of the Finance Minister.

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OTTAWA, Jan. 5—Contrary to the suggestion in his annual financial review published Saturday that he would be unable to balance the budget this year, sources close to the Government state that Finance Minister Dunning is likely to present a "surprise budget" showing a balance of income over expenditure.

The improved revenues which have marked this year as an exceedingly bright one are expected to be maintained during the last months of the fiscal year and will likely offset the drought relief outlay for Western Canada, which Mr. Dunning said was the only obstacle in the path of balancing the budget.

As far as all relief expenditures are concerned, including drought relief, the Government is well within its estimates. At the most, the drought relief will run to \$18,000,000, and the Government is hopeful that it may reach only \$15,000,000.

As Mr. Dunning admitted, the Treasury's position at the moment is decidedly healthy. At the end of last month there was a surplus of some \$38,000,000. A factor which will materially help in maintaining this position, which Mr. Dunning did not point out, is the soaring of imports, which, of course, will mean greatly increased revenues from customs.

With other revenues equally high, there seems no doubt that the Finance Minister will be able to present a balanced statement to the House, instead of the estimated \$35,000,000 deficit.

Although with no immediate plans in mind, it is known also that the Government is toying with the idea of an election. Already there has been intimation from official sources that there will be no tax reductions this year, but it is likely they will



W. M. RYAN, M.A., K.C., M.P. Representative for St. John-Albert who passed away at Saint John yesterday afternoon

MANY HOCKEY FANS TO ATTEND GAME IN TORONTO JAN. 8

Excursion Rates From All Points In The Maritimes

(Special to The Daily Mail)

MONCTON, Jan. 5 — With Gordon Drillon, Moncton boy of the Toronto Maple Leafs, still in top place in N.H.L. scoring, "Drillon Night" at the Maple Leaf Gardens at Toronto on January 8, is taking on increasing enthusiasm. It is the intention to present the Maritimes' outstanding hockey player on this night with a suitable moment of appreciation on the part of Moncton hockey fans.

A representative committee will go to Toronto to make the presentation to Drillon, which will be broadcast on the national network during the game between New York Rangers and the Leafs on this night. Subscriptions are being collected in Moncton towards the presentation and there has been a ready response.

Efforts are being made to have His Worship Mayor McMonagle of Moncton speak from Moncton during the presentation. Bargain-fare coach excursions are to be operated by the C. N. Railways from stations in the Maritimes to Toronto on Friday, Jan. 7, which will put hockey fans into Toronto in sufficient time to see the game and witness the presentation. The excursion from stations in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island will also include in the destinations Montreal, Ottawa, North Bay, Quebec City and Three Rivers, Que. Return limit from Toronto and North Bay is Wednesday, Jan. 12, and other destinations Tuesday, Jan. 11.

come a year from now. If the Government balances its budget this year and maintains taxes at existing levels it will be able to bring down another good budget next year, likely with a large surplus.

A balanced budget for two years running would give the Government a strong case in an appeal to the electors.

Indignation Aroused by The Latest Jap War Order

Japanese Emissary Arrives In Canada With Four Million Dollars To Buy Munitions

TORONTO, Jan. 5—An emissary of the Japanese militarists who are ravaging China with provoked bloody warfare, deeply shocked and thoroughly outraged the Canadian public last week when he brazenly announced that he was in Canada with \$4,000,000 in search of war materials with which to further crucify the men, women and children of China. Nubuhiko Iwasaki, spokesman for Sumitomo Honsha Ltd., one of the largest combines in the world, made the announcement in Montreal and shortly afterwards protest spread as the news travelled.

Trade unions reported they would lodge immediate protests with Ottawa. Prominent church leaders, many of whom have publicly denounced Japanese aggression, voiced their indignation. Peace movements and their affiliated organizations made strong remonstrances.

Prime Minister King, already the recipient of hundreds of protests demanding an embargo on Canadian shipments to Japan, received a tele-

FOREIGN FIRMS IN JAPAN PAY EMPLOYEES AT FRONT

Practice of Home Companies Followed For Good Will

TOKIO, Jan. 5—Scores of American business houses in Japan are still paying all or part of the salaries of former Japanese employees who have been summoned to the colors in Japan's undeclared war with China. It is not a law, nor in any sense compulsory. But Japanese etiquette prescribes the formula, Japanese com-

gram from A. A. MacLeod, National Chairman of the League for Democracy which told him that Christmas-time, with its spirit of "Peace, good-will to men" was a good time to stop the murderous traffic in war materials for Japan and to cease countenancing Canada being a basis of supply for the forces which are spreading death and rapine in China.

Mr. MacLeod called for the enforcement of the amendment to the Cus-

panies follow it, and so foreign firms have adhered to it as a matter of "good-will in business."

Thus when a Japanese clerk, translator or office boy employed by an American company is ordered to the front, his salary continues. It is sent to his family. The amounts vary. Some firms are paying the full wage for the first month and proportions of it thereafter. Some make a distinction between married and single men.

What they all fear is that a former employee will be killed in action. In that case, etiquette would call for payment of 5,000 yen (about \$1,500) to the bereaved family. The sum would represent more than four years' salary for, say, a clerk who had been earning 100 yen a month. So far as is known, no foreign companies have been confronted with this problem.

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