



SCENE AT OFFICIAL OPENING OF NIAGARA PEACE BRIDGE. This bridge was officially dedicated and opened on August 7. Among the outstanding speakers were Hon. Stanley Baldwin, Premier of Great Britain and Frank B. Kellogg, representing the Government of the United States. Photo courtesy of Buffalo Courier-Express.

WILL GIVE NO QUARTER TO RECKLESS AUTOISTS

Government Determined to Eliminate or Reduce Menace.—Force of Motor Vehicle Officers Will Be Doubled.

Drastic measures are being taken by the Ontario Government in their determination to eliminate or reduce to a minimum the menace to life and property created by the speed fiend and the careless driver, according to the Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, Prime Minister. The department of Highways is doubling its force of motor vehicle officers, and instructions are being given every police constable and motorcycle officer to rigidly enforce the provisions of the Highway Traffic Act.

"The Government has endeavored," the Prime Minister declared Monday, "to make the highways of the province reasonably safe for the public by enjoining all people to use proper precaution, and by an effort to restrain and punish those who disregard the right of the general public to travel upon the roads. Notwithstanding these efforts the appalling toll of death and damage continues."

Premier Ferguson emphasized that the law provides an officer appointed to carry out the provisions of the Highway Traffic Act, with power to arrest without a warrant any person who on reasonable and probable grounds believes to have committed any of the following offences, whether such offence has actually been committed or not and whether such person is actually guilty or not. Such offences are: Reckless or negligent driving; racing; failure to remain at the scene of accident and render all possible assistance; operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated; making false statement on application for permit or license; failure to notify department of change of address; operating motor vehicle without number plate for current year; improper position of number plates; removal of speed notices from bridge and a number of other offences in connection with number plates.

Drastic Measures Necessary
"It is with regret," Premier Ferguson declared, "that the Government finds it necessary to resort to drastic measures, but it seems obvious that a large number of people who drive cars give no consideration to the lives or safety of others, and it is felt that they are not entitled themselves to any consideration at the hands of the law."
The Premier drew attention to the fact that where an officer makes an arrest without warrant he may impound the motor vehicle with which the offence was committed until the

final disposition of the case, also mentioning that a person arrested for an offence under the Highway Traffic Act, may if the facts warrant, also be prosecuted under the Criminal Code.

Penalties Provided by Code

The Criminal Code provides (section 285) that everyone is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to two years' imprisonment who, having charge of any carriage, motor vehicle, automobile or other vehicle, by wanton or furious driving or racing or for wilful misconduct, or by wilful neglect, does or causes to be done any bodily harm to any person.

The code also provides a fine of \$50 or imprisonment for 30 days where an accident has occurred on a highway owing to the presence of a motor car thereon, and the person in charge fails to stop his car to render assistance or give his name and address.

The code further provides that any person who, while intoxicated drives any motor vehicle is liable, for a first offence, to a term of from seven to thirty days, and for a second offence from one to three months, and for a subsequent offence may be sent to jail for one year.

The Highway Traffic Act authorizes the Minister to cancel or suspend a permit or license for any misconduct or violation of the Highway Traffic Act or Public Vehicle Act, or any regulation passed thereunder, or for any reason which he deems sufficient, and also for such misconduct, violation or reason, prohibit any such person from driving a motor vehicle for any period not exceeding two years.

A magistrate may also, for a first offence, suspend the license or permit for reckless or negligent driving; racing; neglect to remain at

scene of accident. The motor vehicle, in the event of a third or subsequent conviction for any of the following offences, shall be seized and impounded for a period of three months; operating without a chauffeur license; reckless or negligent driving; racing; neglect to remain at scene of accident; operating or permitting a motor vehicle to be operated by a person under 16 years of age; intoxicated while driving.

A youngster on being taken to a music hall for the first time was much more interested in the orchestra than in any of the "turns". Judging his father, he indicated the trombone player and asked anxiously, "Isn't there a catch about that, dad? He's not really swallowing it, is he?"

Closed!
Wife: "I've talked to you till I'm worn out."
Hubby: "Well, why not shut up for repairs?"

ANNUAL FISH STORY CROP PROMISES WELL

Anglers in Canadian Waters Are Coming Home With Stories of the Unusual Happenings on Their Trips.

Just as each season brings to light a new crop of fishermen, so also each season brings to light an entirely new crop of fish stories—and of course all fish stories are true ones, only some are more truthful than others. But the following have been brought in by fishing parties who have visited famous lake and river spots along the lines of the Canadian National Railways during the present season, can all be vouched for.

The first of them comes from down in the Maritime provinces where the big silver salmon are found. On St. Mary's River, in Guysboro County of Nova Scotia there are many famous salmon pools, where this year splendid catches of salmon were being made. On the day when the following incidents occurred, the salmon were biting well in certain pools which are known as the Stillwater section, and among the anglers who were busily engaged in casting flies on these pools was a Post Office Inspector from Halifax—out on his first salmon fishing trip. Beginning Luck, proverbial among fishermen, was with him, and while the other members of the party were casting injured glances in his direction, this gentleman hooked a fine salmon. His casting was being done from one of the flat-bottomed boats which are used on the St. Mary's River, with a guide doing the poling for him. When the angler struck and hooked a twenty-pound salmon the guide began to pole his boat towards an easy landing place and in doing so has to cross a rapid at the foot of the pool. He was poling across and at the same time instructing the novice fisherman how to bring in his prize, when there was a sudden lightening of the stern of the boat. The guide turned around in amazement, to find his angler up to his chin in water, but valiantly lancing on to the rod. In the excitement of landing his fish, the angler slipped on the smooth stones on the river bed and in doing so succeeded in tangling the line around his wrist. The guide hurried to his rescue and succeeded in hand-lifting the fish to the bank where it was gaffed. The net result for the angler was a thorough soaking, the excitement of landing a twenty-pound salmon on his first fishing trip and a lot of experience of what not to do in playing a fish.

Another story, supported by plenty of evidence, comes from the Lake Claire section, near Lake St. John in Northern Quebec, where V. B. Gray, a noted Cleveland angler, was accompanied by two Montrealers on a trout fishing expedition. In the course of their journey into this territory, which is traversed by practically virgin trout streams and lakes, Gray and his companions discovered Indian River, a small stream connecting two lakes and commenced fly fishing for trout. The trout were coming fast and the sport was good. It is not unusual to hear of a fly fisherman landing two trout at a single fly when he is using a "dropper" on his line, and this the members of the party were doing quite frequently.

Then Gray sprung a new one. He was using a single fly on his leader and hooked a fair-sized trout at once. As he reeled in, a second and larger trout made a mad rush for the small trout which was hooked and succeeded in about half swallowing him. Then a third and still larger one made a rush after the two which were on Gray's fly. Gray's guide, Louis Perron, stood beside him in the ruffles with a landing net. The third trout followed right up to Gray's feet, the guide reached down with the landing net and bagged him while Gray

landed the other two which were already on the hook. Which is not so bad fishing as most anglers will agree.

Another and similar story, though it concerns larger fish, is brought back by a party of Montrealers who returned from a fishing trip in the Pickering River—Georgian Bay section of Ontario. There they had enjoyed some splendid bass fishing, landing small-mouth black bass up to 4½ pounds and on one occasion, a lady member of the party was bait casting and hooked a fair sized walleye or pike perch. As she drew him in toward the boat, the guide noticed a huge muskellunge following the hooked fish. While the lady reeled in the walleye the musky followed to within a few feet of the boat when the guide turned round for his gaff to try and land the larger one. When he turned back the musky had seen the boat and the musky followed to within a few feet of the bottom, but in his place was a ten-pound Northern Pike, rushing for the hooked fish as fast as he could. The guide waited until the pike came within reach of the gaff, then with a deft lunge, landed him in the boat. Again that was not bad fishing and the story is fully vouched for.

Perhaps the surprise catch of the season, however, was made by two Montreal fishermen, who were throwing a line into the waters of the St. Lawrence River, within half a mile of the harbor shoals. Suddenly they saw a strange form in the rapids and rowing over to investigate they found it to be a seal which had strayed in from the Gulf. Securing a rope they lassoed it and after a hard fight succeeded in landing it, over a mile away from where they had made their catch. With the aid of a truck driver, their prize, which weighed over three hundred pounds, was carried home in triumph.

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Imagine the scene if you can—A room, carpet, maid and a man. The man on his knees. And, without any please, Says: "Pass me the tacks, Mary Ann!"

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The Motor Vehicle Operator's Licenses are a measure of protection of yourself and all others on the road. Identification of drivers will lead to the weeding out of the incompetent and reckless.

THE HIGHWAYS MUST BE KEPT SAFE

"The Government is determined, through the Highways Department, to put a stop to reckless driving and to secure for the average citizen the maximum of safety when travelling on the roads"—The Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, Prime Minister, in the Toronto Globe, August 19, 1927.

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