

TORONTO BANK ROBBED OF \$17,841 BANDITS FORCE STAFF INTO VAULT

Carillon Development Plans Not Approved by Government—Ontario and Quebec Agree on Rouyn Extension—Floods in Western Canada.

WEEKLY SUMMARY OF WORLD'S NEWS.

Toronto.—In the second largest bank robbery in the history of Toronto, three iron-nerved gunmen, with revolvers drawn, walked into the Bank of Toronto branch at the northeast corner of King and Bathurst streets about 12:20 noon, herded the manager and four members of his staff into the vault, stole \$17,841 in cash, and fled.

While the building is equipped with a burglar alarm, the members of the staff were taken unawares, and found themselves confronted with long-barrelled, black revolvers before they had time to sound any warning.

After placing all five into the vault and closing the door on them, the trio with the money in a white bag, left the bank and escaped in a motor car they had left parked on the east side of Bathurst street, some fifty feet above King street.

No member of the staff was able to get to the button to ring the burglar alarm until the robbers had left.

The whole affair took place so quickly and quietly that no one on the street was aware of anything happening. No shots were fired, and even when the burglar alarm did sound persons near by thought it was a sprinkler system alarm and paid no attention to it. The bank victims, freed themselves from the vault, telephoned to the police.

Except for a workman seeing what apparently were the robbers flee away in the motor car, no trace of the bandits has been found.

A careful survey had been made by the robbers of the time when the fewest number of persons would be in the bank. A constable had just "pulled the box," thereby reporting to headquarters at King and Bathurst five minutes before the bank was entered. Several members of the office staff were at lunch in a room above the bank.

France Will Unite With Powers in Hankow Affair

Paris.—The French Government is quite decided to make common cause with the other powers in any measures agreed upon in regard to the Cantonese Government in Hankow, it is announced here.

During these Chinese negotiations France is also requesting Great Britain to use her influence to settle differences between Italy and Jugoslavia, it is understood. Active exchange of views are already taking place at Paris, London and Berlin and the British Ambassador is understood to have had a long conversation on the subject with Premier Mussolini.

"Sound of a Face" Sent Across the Atlantic

London.—The latest accomplishment in the progress of science toward making all the world a mirror by means of television is just announced. The "sound of a face," it was declared, had been transmitted across the Atlantic. J. L. Baird, inventor of the television, was the subject of the test. He sat before the television in London and the sound produced by his image was recorded in New York. The receiver reported that receipt of the face flash "sounded like a scratch" and that was all there was to it.

Windsor Investigation Reveals Many Liquor Irregularities

Windsor.—The Royal Commission on Customs was given some inkling to-day of why the Port of Windsor is the greatest liquor exporting point to the United States in Canada. From two members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, who patrol the border, and have been doing so since the summer of 1926, the commissioner received some arresting information. Boats from the United States coming into outports under the jurisdiction of Windsor without supervision or examination; vessels loading liquor "after hours"; clearances of liquor-laden vessels issued before the boats were actually loaded; vessels loaded liquor on Sunday; boats cleared without sworn declarations by their captains; all these entered into the testimony of the mounted policemen and other witnesses examined.

One Typhoid-Carrier in Dairy Cause of Montreal Epidemic

Montreal.—A man who had typhoid fever 20 years ago and remained a carrier, is the only source uncovered to account for the typhoid fever epidemic which started in Montreal on March 4 and carried on for more than a month before being brought under control. Some 2,417 cases developed and over 190 victims died. This man unsuspectingly applied for and got work in a local dairy. He was dis-

missed as soon as it was learned that he was a carrier.

Rome Celebrates 2,681st Birthday and Labor Day

Rome.—The 2,681st birthday of Rome was celebrated throughout Italy on Thursday as a national holiday, in conjunction with the Fascist Labor Day, which was featured by parades of black-shirted workmen belonging to the Fascist syndicates.

Princess Elizabeth Honored on Her First Birthday

London.—The little Princess Elizabeth, daughter of the Duke and Duchess of York, was an important person in the British Empire on April 21. On the other side of the world warships of the Australian naval squadron which are escorting to Melbourne the battle cruiser Renown with the Duke and Duchess aboard fired a salute of 21 guns in honor of Princess Elizabeth's first birthday.

Thousands of War Medals Are Awaiting Claimants

Ottawa.—Some 103,000 medals, in addition to decorations, are unclaimed by men and women who served with the Canadian Expeditionary Force in the Great War, according to an order published by the Department of National Defence. These awards are in stock at the headquarters office here, and are made up as follows: 1,915 unclaimed 1914-15 Stars; 67,636 British War Medals, and 40,390 Victory Medals, together with the Distinguished Conduct Medals, Military Medals, Medals of the Order of the British Empire, Meritorious Service Medals and French medals.

Canada to Open Legation Home in Washington

Washington.—An imposing gray stone building in the diplomatic quarter is to be Canada's permanent home in Washington.

It is a five-story 40-room house, at 1746 Massachusetts Avenue, built about 20 years ago as a private residence, but equipped with such modern things as telephone exchange and elevator, so that the business offices of the legation can be opened at once.

No remodelling or refurbishing is necessary to accommodate either the offices or residence quarters, so that Vincent Massey, his family and his secretariat probably will move in within a week or two.

The purchase price of the new legation is understood to have been around \$470,000, including furniture and equipment. The transaction was concluded in New York between representatives of the Canadian Government and the owners.

The area of the lot on which the new Canada house stands is 20,800 square feet. It is rated at a high real estate value, but diplomatic quarters being immune from taxation when owned outright, there will be no bill for taxes.

Tientsin Concession Restored to Chinese by British Consent

London.—Negotiations for the restoration to the Chinese of the British concession at Tientsin have been satisfactorily concluded under the terms referred to the respective Governments for approval, says a Peking despatch to The Westminster Gazette.

The concession will be controlled by a Council made up of five British members and five Chinese members, with the Chinese chairman possessing the deciding vote.

Man and Woman Drown in Thames When Boat Capsized

London, Ont.—Miss Annie Wrightman, aged 18, and Harold Williams, aged 19, were victims of a double drowning in a treacherous stretch of water in the River Thames at Middlemiss, a few miles southwest of here, about 9 o'clock Friday night. The two young people, together with Lorne Lilly, were crossing the river in a rowboat from the farm of Harry Lilly, brother of Lorne and brother-in-law of Miss Wrightman, when the boat capsized, plunging the three occupants into the icy water. Lilly, an expert swimmer, was successful in reaching land.

Car Found Near Ottawa May Have Carried Bank Bandits

Ottawa.—A sedan, which, it is thought, may possibly be the car of the three robbers who on Thursday got away with nearly \$20,000 from a Toronto bank, was discovered on the Prescott highway, abandoned, four miles south of North Gower. The automobile carried no license markers, which leads the police to believe that the automobile was stolen. Efforts to locate the owner of the automobile and to establish the point from which it was stolen were futile, but it is expected that a 1928 license marker found beneath the back seat may lead to the determining of these facts.

U.S. Embargo is Lifted from Ontario Points

Washington, April 24.—Instructions have gone out to remove the embargo against milk and cream from any Ontario points. The embargo was placed a month ago on a radius of 200 miles from Montreal, where a typhoid epidemic existed. The Canadian Legation has been promised that the embargo now will be lifted insofar as it affects Ontario points. All the Province of Quebec affected will remain under the ban meantime, but it is hoped that most of Eastern Quebec will be released also at a very early date.

Guelph Celebrated Centennial of Founding by John Galt

Guelph, Ont., April 24.—Citizens of Guelph honored the memory of John Galt, the founder of the city on Saturday, the 100th anniversary of its inception, when a maple tree was planted in his name in Priory Park, within a few yards of the spot where the intrepid colonizer's axmen, a century ago, felled the first tree on the site of what is now a prosperous city. A bronze tablet was also erected as a memorial to the illustrious founder in the City Hall, which was unveiled by Mr. Samuel McKee, Guelph's oldest resident.

COURSE OF EVENTS IN THE ORIENT

The nations of the world continue to watch anxiously the unfolding of events in China, where armies totaling perhaps a million troops confusedly struggle for the control of a territory one-third again as large as Canada and of one-quarter of the world's population. For close on a century the European powers have been engaged in a game in the Far East, the stakes of which have been the control of Chinese trade. Japan joined the game about half a century ago and for a time counted large winnings. Now China herself is taking a hand in the game. Not that she has been wholly indifferent heretofore. The Chinese are inveterate gamblers and the mandarins of the old empire were consummate masters of the art of playing off one power against another. The leaders of the Nationalist movement, although they have somewhat different ends in view, are quite as ready to adopt the same tactics and have thus far played with better success than did their predecessors of the imperial regime at Peking. The latest achievement of the Nationalists is an agreement with Great Britain concerning the status of British concessions at Hankow and Kiangsi. These concessions, formerly under British rule, are transferred to Chinese jurisdiction and are placed in the hands of a commission half Chinese and half British.

The signing of this agreement is perhaps the most encouraging evidence which has come out of China in recent months that the relations be-



Charles Kelly, principal of Hamilton Memorial School, who was elected president of the Ontario Educational Association at its annual session in Toronto.

Vanity cases and cosmetics have been discovered by the excavators of Ur of the Chaldees, among ruins five thousand years old. The flapper is not so modern as she thinks herself. She is one of the oldest of Eve's daughters.

between China and the powers can be placed upon a new and equitable basis without a complete disruption of trade and intercourse, which has been of the greatest value to all parties concerned. It shows a disposition on the part of the Cantonese leaders to accept a new arrangement which removes the irritation of the old foreign jurisdiction in Chinese territory without subjecting areas which have been developed under the old regime to the tender mercies of inexperienced or acquisitive Chinese officials. The signing of the Hankow agreement has to some extent allayed the fears aroused by the successful advance of the Nationalist armies toward Shanghai. With a score of foreign battleships in the river and some 20,000 foreign troops being sent to the Chinese port there was grave danger of a clash between foreigners and Chinese which would have had the most serious consequences. This danger has not been entirely removed, but if the Cantonese exhibit the same willingness to arrive at an amicable arrangement concerning Shanghai as they did at Hankow, the tension over Shanghai should be relieved—even in the event that the Cantonese are able to drive the Northern forces from the city.

Oak timbers in the roof of a London building are as strong now as when they were put in five centuries ago, according to a recent test.

ARMAMENT LIMITATION PLAN TO BE PRESENTED AT GENEVA

Britain's First Lord of the Admiralty to Submit Series of Proposals to Reduce Size of Capital Ships.

London, April 24.—It is learned that when the Three-Power Naval Conference convenes at Geneva June 12, W. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the British Admiralty, will submit a series of British proposals for the further limitation of naval armaments which will embrace a change of gun power on future warships and reverting to smaller cruisers, and a fixed tonnage for submarines.

The proposals will urge the reduction from 35,000 tons to 20,000 tons for capital ships—meaning a saving of 2,000,000 pounds sterling (about \$10,000,000) in the cost of future battleships—and reverting to smaller cruisers not exceeding 6,000 tons.

With the desire to check the growing competition in destroyers and submarines, it is proposed to fix the maximum, roughly, at 1,000 tons for each craft.

Canada Requests More Wave-Lengths

Washington, April 24.—Consideration of the request of Canada that it be given a larger number of exclusive wave-lengths than now allocated to its use will be resumed by the Federal Radio Commission as soon as it has cleared the air situation on this side of the border incident to the consideration of applications for licenses filed by American broadcasters.

Canada is not content with the six "exclusive" wave-lengths and the twelve others that it "shares" with this country, and its demands in this respect will be pressed at the proper time. The attitude of the Dominion in the matter of broadcast is conciliatory, but the Ottawa Government, according to information just obtained, still feels that it must have more wave-lengths to satisfy the needs of the broadcasters and listeners-in on its side of the boundary.

Shakespears Honored on 363rd Anniversary of Birth

Stratford-on-Avon, Eng., April 24.—Shakespeare's grave was beautifully decorated Saturday morning, when about 1,000 pilgrims visited it in connection with the celebration of his 363rd birthday anniversary. Flags of many countries were unfurled. These included Germany and China, but not Soviet Russia.

Britain Will Await Chiang's Threat

London, April 24.—The British Government is now content to await the issue of General Chiang Kia

Shek's quarrel with his former Radical associates in China and to postpone all question of sanctions for the Nanking riots.

Chiang's declaration that he will clear Soviet influence out of China and march on Hankow headquarters of the Cantonese Government, has secured him the good wishes of the British.

Hong Kong advises through the same agency say "Communists" at Samsul, a British border station 30 miles from Hong Kong, drove off two railway engines, presumably toward Canton, thus severing communications with Hong King.

Mrs. Slichter, Wife of Murdered Missionary, Reported Wounded

Toronto, April 25.—Information which reached the Department of External Affairs at Ottawa yesterday stated that Mrs. Morris Slichter, wife of the Toronto missionary killed in China, was at Shihlung, wounded. Miss Mary Craig, the Philadelphia nurse who had been with the Slichter family, was declared to be still missing and her whereabouts not to have been traced. No reference was made to the six-year-old Slichter boy, but a previous cable received at the Department of External Affairs had stated that he was with his mother.

Markets

TORONTO.
Man wheat—No. 1 North, \$1.51 1/4; No. 2 North, \$1.47 1/4; No. 3 North, \$1.38 1/4.
Man. oats, No. 2 CW, nominal; No. 3, not quoted; No. 1 feed, 57 1/2c; No. 2 feed, nominal; western grain quotations in c.i.f. ports.
Am. corn, Toronto freights—No. 2 yellow, kiln dried, 86c; No. 3 yellow, kiln dried, 83c.
Millfeed—Del. Montreal freights, bags included: Bran, per ton, \$32.25; shorts, per ton, \$34.25; middlings, \$40.25.
Ont. oats, 50c f.o.b. shipping points. Ont. good milling wheat—\$1.23 to \$1.24, f.o.b. shipping points, according to freights.
Barley—Malting, 68c.
Buckwheat—70c, nominal.
Rye—No. 2, 98c.
Man. flour—First pat., \$8.00, Toronto; do, second pat., \$7.50.
Ont. flour—Toronto, 90 per cent, patent, per barrel, in carlots, Toronto, \$5.25; reaboard, in bulk, \$5.30.
Cheese—New, large, 18 1/2c; twins, 18 1/2 to 19c; triplets, 18 1/2 to 19c; Stiltons, 21 to 22c. Old, large, 21 to 22c; twins, 21 1/2 to 22c. Old Stiltons, 23 to 24c.
Butter—Finest creamery prints, 44c; No. 2, 42 to 43c. Dairy prints, 35 to 37c.
Eggs—Fresh extra, in cartons, 35 to 36c; fresh extras, loose, 34c; fresh firsts, 32c; fresh seconds, 28c.
Poultry, dressed—Spring chickens, 60c; chickens, 5 lbs. up, 40c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 38c; do, 3 to 4 lbs., 35c; do, 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 c, 34c; broilers, 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 lbs., 38c; hens, over 5 lbs., 32c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 30c; do, 3 to 4 lbs., 28c; roosters, 25c; turkeys, 46 to 47c; ducklings, 5 lbs. and up, 35 to 38c.
Beans—Can. hand-picked, \$3.60 to \$3.90 bushel; primes, \$3.45 to \$3.60.
Maple products—Syrup, per imp. gal., \$2.25 to \$2.30; per 5 gal., \$2.15 to \$2.25 per gal.; maple sugar, lb., 25 to 26c.
Honey—60-lb. tins, 13 to 13 1/2c; 10-lb. tins, 13 1/2 to 13 3/4c; 5-lb. tins, 14 to 14 1/2c; 2 1/2-lb. tins, 16c.
Comb honey—\$4 to \$5 per dozen.
Smoked meats—Hams, med., 30 to 32c; cooked hams, 43c; smoked rolls, 25c; breakfast bacon, 28 to 33c; backs, boneless, 32 to 42c.
Cured meats—Long clear bacon, 50 to 70 lbs., \$21; 70 to 90 lbs., \$19; 90 to 100 lbs., and up, \$18; light-weight rolls, in barrels, \$11.50; heavy-weight rolls, \$38.50 per bbl.
Lard—Pure tierces, 14 to 14 1/2c; tubs, 15 to 15 1/2c; pails, 15 1/2 to 16c; prints, 16 1/2 to 17c; shortening tierces, 13 1/2c; tubs, 13 1/2c; pails, 14 1/2c; blocks and tins, 16 1/2c.
Heavy export steers, \$8.25 to \$8.75; do, fair, \$7.50 to \$8; butcher steers, choice, \$8.25 to \$8.75; do, fair to good, \$7.50 to \$8; butcher heifers, choice, \$8.25 to \$8.50; do, com., \$6.75 to \$7.25; butcher cows, good to choice, \$6 to \$6.75; do, fair to good, \$5.25 to \$5.60; do, com. to med., \$4.50 to \$5; do, canners and cutters, \$2.50 to \$4; butcher bulls, good to choice, \$5 to \$6.50; do, med., \$5.25 to \$5.75; do, bolognas, \$4.50 to \$5; baby beef, \$3.50 to \$7.50; do, fair, \$6.25 to \$6.75; stockers, choice, \$6.50 to \$7; do, fair to med., \$5 1/2 to \$6; springers, \$80 to \$100; milk cows, \$75 to \$100; plain to med. cows, \$45 to \$65; calves, choice, \$11 to \$13; do, med., \$8.50 to \$10; do, com., \$4 to \$7; lambs, choice, \$13.50 to \$14; bucks, \$10 to \$11.25; sheep, choice, \$8 to \$9; do, heavies, \$6 to \$7.50; do, culls, \$4 to \$5; hogs, thick smooths, fed and watered, \$10.25; do, f.o.b., \$9.75; do, country points, \$9.50; do, off cars, \$10.65; select premium, per hog, \$22.
MONTREAL.
Oats, CW, No. 2; 75 1/2c; do, No. 3, 66 1/2c. Flour—Man. spring, wheat, 66 1/2c; frsts., \$3; do, seconds, \$7.50; strong bakers', \$7.30; winter patents, \$6.90 to \$6. Rolloed oats, bag 90 lbs., \$3.30 to \$3.40. Bran, \$32.25; shorts, \$34.25; middlings, \$40.25. Hay, No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$14.50.
Cheese, finest wests., 16 1/2 to 17c. Butter, No. 1, pasteurized, 35c. Eggs, fresh extras, 35c; fresh firsts, 32c. Com. quality dairy ty. bulls, \$4.50 to \$4.85; cows, med., \$5; better quality calves, \$7; do, poorer, \$6; hogs, \$11.50.



Presence of Mind Saved Life of British Airman

London.—A sensational escape from the epidemic of Royal Air Force accidents occurred at Kenley, when Flight-Lieutenant David Greig of the Central Flying School made a thrilling life leap during secret tests over the Surrey Hills. Not losing his presence of mind when he lost control of his machine, the flier parachuted 8,000 feet, and escaped without a scratch, while his plane crashed to earth at a speed of 150 miles an hour, bursting into flames, and was totally destroyed.

Good for Her.
The lady politician was being heckled, but she was holding her own, and the motley crowd of loafers to whom she was talking were spurred to further efforts.
"Hi, missus," shouted a tough, "you look cold! Why don't you turn your collar up, like me?"
"Well, you see," she answered sweetly, "I've got a clean neck!"



BANDITS SLAY MISSIONARY AND DAUGHTER

The upheaval in China was brought home to Toronto with the news of the murder in the distant province of Yunnan of Rev. Morris Slichter and his little daughter by bandits. His wife and young son, John, are reported to be held captive. Above group shows Rev. and Mrs. Slichter and their children. At left is Miss Mary T. Craig, a Philadelphia nurse, who, with others believed to be in the Slichter party, endeavoring to make their escape by rail southward, is also reported a prisoner. The map below shows the location of Yunnanfu, in the province of Yunnan, near where Rev. Morris Slichter and his little daughter were murdered by Chinese bandits. Efforts are now under way to obtain the release of the captives.