

CAPITOL NOW SHOWING MRS. WALLY REID in "BROKEN LAWS"

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## LET ALL LIBERALS ATTEND RALLY IN MEMORIAL HALL TONIGHT

Hon. George P. Graham, Minister of Railways and Canals, and Hon. Duncan Marshall Will Deliver Addresses

### DAM BURSTS SCORES FLEE

Over 5,000 Acres Are Under Water Near Detroit, Michigan.

### INHABITANTS WARNED

By State Troopers—Millions of Gallons of Water Released—By the Ford Dam.

Detroit, Mich., April 14.—Scores of families in the valley of the Huron river between Flat Rock and Lake Erie were driven from their homes early today when the dam of the power plant of the Ford Motor Company at Flat Rock burst and released millions of gallons of water into the valley. More than 5,000 acres are reported under water, which is 12 feet deep in places. Inhabitants of the valley were warned of the flood by troopers of the Michigan state police, who started along the river to arouse persons living nearby, as soon as guards at the dam had telephoned troop station of the disaster. So rapidly did the water rise that the officers were soon compelled to take to boats, going thus from house to house with their warning. No lives have been lost so far. Many houses, however, are under water.

### MOON IS COMMITTED TO STAND HIS TRIAL

For the Slaying of Clayton McWilliams and John McGie at Belleville.

Belleville, April 14.—David Arthur Moon, bank messenger, held on the double charge of slaying Clayton McWilliams and John McGie, who were killed in Lattimer's Drug store a week ago, faced his preliminary hearing in the police court this morning. Magistrate Stewart Mason was on the bench.

Miss Isabel Morris, who was a customer in the ice cream parlor in the store on the night of the murder and who testified at the inquest last night, was the first witness called by the Crown. Miss Eva Cousins, who was on duty at the soda fountain, also told of the shooting.

Counsel for the defense announced that he was not calling evidence.

Magistrate Mason: "Then upon the evidence I commit you Arthur Moon to the county jail to stand your trial at the first competent court of criminal jurisdiction. It being admitted that the evidence in the McGie case is identical with McWilliams case and the prisoner and his counsel both consent that the evidence given in the investigation of McWilliams be taken and read in the McGie charge. I commit Moon to stand his trial on the charge of slaying McGie."

The magistrate: "Does the prisoner himself consent?"

"Yes, sir," spoke up Moon in a clear voice, the only time he spoke to court during the hearing.

### CATTLE SHOT HIGH IN AIR

Engineer Just Out Before Cow Lands in Cab—Engineer Hurt.

Winnipeg, April 14.—Engineer William Hulme sustained a severely strained back and some cattle were killed when a special Canadian-Pacific Railway stock train was derailed near Elkhorn Saturday. The engineer and fireman crawled out of the skylight of the engine cab just before a cow, hurried through the air, landed in the cab. One car containing fifty cattle was shot high into the air and landed on top of the others.

### ULSTER PARLIAMENT MEETS IN BELFAST

Belfast, April 14.—The newly-elected Ulster parliament met today and organized with the re-election of R. W. Humas-O'Neill as speaker. The Nationalists and Republicans did not attend.

### A Great Audience Is Expected To Be Present At Liberal Rally in Memorial Hall To-night

To-night's the night. All roads will lead to Memorial Hall for the big rally, to be held under the auspices of the Kingston Liberal Association.

It is expected that there will be a bumper crowd at this gathering. Hon. George P. Graham, minister of railways and canals, and Hon. Duncan Marshall, former minister of agriculture in the Alberta Government and J. A. Campbell of Kingston, will be among the speakers.

### North Augusta Swept By Fire

Bank of Nova Scotia, Bakery, Shop and Several Residences Are Destroyed.

Brockville, April 14.—The village of North Augusta, situated sixteen miles from here, suffered a serious fire loss at 5 o'clock this morning when a blaze, originating in the bakery of T. W. Ralph, destroyed that building as well as the adjoining residence of Fred Colborne, the premises of the Bank of Nova Scotia, the harness shop and outbuildings of Mr. Colborne, and the residence of M. T. Karl, and W. S. Ralph. All buildings destroyed were of frame construction and it was only by a great effort that the volunteer fire brigade prevented the fire from crossing to the opposite side of the street. The blaze was brought under control. The fire is believed to have started in the flue of the bakery. Help summoned from Brockville, Spencerville and Smith's Falls, was not available. The contents of most of the buildings were also lost.

Progress is reported towards settling the Nova Scotia coal miners' strike.

### LAUNCH OVERTURNS FIVE ARE DROWNED

London, April 14.—A despatch from Chatham says that an officer and five men were drowned when a launch belonging to the Bacobus, an auxiliary vessel of the British fleet, collided with a barge last night and overturned.

### Last Convention Under Presbyterian Auspices Took Place at Queen's on Monday Evening

Four Young Men Licensed and Ordained to Preach the Gospel—The Occasion Was a Memorable One.

At Convocation Hall on Monday evening, the final convocation of Queen's Theological College under Presbyterian auspices was solemnly conducted, and testaments, degrees and prizes were granted to the graduating class and four men ordained to the ministry.

The Rev. C. L. Cowan of Picton conducted the opening exercises, after which Prof. W. Morgan presented the candidates for the degree of bachelor of divinity and Mr. A. M. Russell, B.A., of Wolfe Island, and Mr. N. R. Wright, B.A., of Ottawa, received the degree at the hands of Vice-Chancellor R. Bruce Taylor.

Candidates for the testatur were then called upon and the vice-chancellor conferred this degree upon Messrs. D. MacInnes, Berwick; J. M. Miller, B.A., Forrester's Falls; R. Megaw, B.A., Ottawa; A. M. Russell, B.A., and N. R. Wright, B.A.

The scholarships and prizes were then distributed by Prof. Morgan.

At this point, the university authorities turned the proceedings over to the Kingston presbytery, represented by the moderator, the Rev. J. W. Stephen, together with the Rev. C. L. Cowan, W. G. Jordan, T. J. S. Ferguson, G. A. Brown, Jr. Kanna-wia of Hamilton, R. J. Craig, D. C. Ramsay of Belleville, and Fraser of Melrose.

Laborers Are Few. "The harvest indeed is plentiful but the laborers are few." Solemnly and fittingly the moderator

### LOOKING AROUND

Now that a dog biscuit factory is to be established in Napanee it is to be hoped that Kingston's surplus "perp" population will betake itself to the furniture town to the west to get in on the eats.

The Ferguson Government has more than the "dry" in arms against it. The tax it has placed on the children's glass of pop has all the "kids" of the province good and mad.

There is no doubt about it that the awfully short skirts this spring are making the men look longer. The short skirt is blamed for many stooped male shoulders.

Cheese made at Lansdowne the past month brought twenty-two cents a pound in Toronto, a good early spring figure. There will be a drop in the price this week. Last year the average price paid for cheese was about sixteen cents a pound and this season it is expected that it may be a little more.

On all sides one hears that as the result of the visit of the Ontario legislature committee to the Portsmouth penitentiary, suspicion over bond deals before the Drury Government came into power has only been increased through the refusal of the Ferguson Government members of the committee to permit the former deputy treasurer of the province to answer a certain question. The opinion is that W. E. N. Sinclair, the Liberal leader, would have exposed something had he been allowed to try and get the information he was after.

A young mother, at whose home there is a radio, took her three-year-old daughter to an uptown church Sunday morning. When the sermon was in progress she was startled to hear her offspring say out loud: "Oh mommy, let us go home, I don't want to listen in on this."

Canadians are not the only people who can yell a welcome at the Prince of Wales. Those colored folks in West Africa, a British possession, have also gone daft over the heir to the throne. No doubt H. R. H. will dance with some of the dusky maidens and perhaps ten years hence when he revisits the Gold Coast his keen memory will stand him in good stead and he will be able to recall some of his dancing partners of 1925.

We thought that all the bad boys had disappeared when we grew to manhood, but it appears not. There are still bad boys in Kingston, who are despoiling cottages hereabouts and running the danger of having the police call at their homes.

Rev. Dr. S. W. Dyde, the principal of Queen's theological college, which will no longer be Presbyterian after the 10th of June, is a man of wide culture. But he did not get it all from books. He made a first-hand study of men. Dr. Dyde's students may not know that their principal has hobnobbed with men in mining camps and sailed on the old-time log rafts down the St. Lawrence with French-Canadian raftsmen.

It is noted that theology and science at Queen's are getting closer together, for on Sunday afternoon the graduates of both faculties united in old Convocation hall for the baccalaureate sermon.

Hon. George P. Graham, M.P., is billed to speak in the city's memorial hall to-night at the Liberal rally. It is twenty-nine years ago since Mr. Graham was first heard in Kingston and in the same hall as he will speak to-night. The great Liberal chief, the Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, had delivered an address in 1896, the year the Liberals swept the Tupper Government out of power, and the resolution of appreciation to the coming premier on that memorable occasion was moved by the late Edward J. B. Fense and seconded by George P. Graham.

Both these leading Eastern Ontario newspaper proprietors made snappy addresses. Mr. Graham had not the platform ease he has to-day, but he had punch and humor in his speech. To-day he is among the best political speakers at Ottawa.

### Money to Stop the Breach of Promise Suit Of Film Actress Against Colonel Dennistoun

New York, April 14.—A large money settlement has healed the broken heart and injured feelings of Lois Meredith, the film star, and she has withdrawn her breach of promise suit against Lieut. Col. Dennistoun, her attorney, Dudley Field Malone, announced in Paris yesterday. And, to spare storm-driven English society from shocks similar to those it suffered during the trial of the first Mrs. Dennistoun's suit in which Dennistoun's present wife, the Dowager Countess Carnarvon figured prominently, all negotiations in Miss Meredith's action are being conducted in Paris.

Then, with the papers lacking only her signature, Malone will leave for New York next Wednesday to submit the documents for the movie actress' approval.

One of the conditions of the pact it was stated, was that the original letters written by Dennistoun, about a hundred, are to be returned by Miss Meredith, and all copies in Malone's possession are to be consigned to the flames in the presence of the writer's lawyer.

Thus, very appropriately, the evidence of Dennistoun's affection for the American actress, kindled between the time of his divorce from Mrs. Dorothy Dennistoun and his subsequent marriage to the widow of the famous Egyptologist, will be destroyed by fire.

### A WAVE OF SELLING DEPRESSED WHEAT

Grain for May Delivery Declined Seven Cents to \$1.59 at Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, April 14.—A wave of selling shortly before the close of yesterday's wheat market sent prices crashing, the May delivery declining seven cents before the stampede was checked. Closing quotations showed May at \$1.59, July \$1.56, 6% cents lower, and October, \$1.28 1/2, 5 cents below Saturday's final figures.

Lack of demand generally, coupled with reports of liberal rainfall throughout the United States wheat belt, precipitated the weakness. The coarse grain markets followed the bearish trend of wheat, rye dropping 5 1/2 cents, flax 4 1/2 cents, barley 2 1/2 cents and oats 1/4 cent.

### Decline at Chicago

Chicago, April 14.—Wheat underwent a notable fall in value yesterday largely offsetting the recent sensational rise due to the big reduction in the government estimate of the 1925 probable yield of winter wheat. Yesterday's decline amounted to 5 1/2 cents a bushel in some cases and carried May wheat prices down to \$1.56 1/2.

Reports of the possibility of a general strike of mill hands in Great Britain were expected to depress the Liverpool wheat market to-day, and had much to do with the weakness which developed here. Besides, rains in various parts of the winter wheat belt in this country were taken to imply a betterment of the crop outlook.

### Salvation Army to Try And Convert Bootleggers

New York, April 14.—The Salvation Army training school in New York announced that it had found a new and fruitful field for missionary work—the conversion of bootleggers.

In attempting to reform members of this group, officers of the school said, Salvation Army cadets were being given a stiff missionary work-out, encountering more difficult problems than had ever been experienced in the conversion of other types of so-called "bad men."

Ramsay MacDonald, after being hotly criticized, receives congratulations on the achievements of his British Labor ministry.

Coroner's jury holds Arthur Moon responsible for the death of John McGie and Clayton McWilliams at Belleville.

Hope is expressed that the conference in Halifax today will end the coal strike.

France is making final tests of pilotless planes for use in war or commerce.

### New York Becoming Huge Sample Room

New York, April 14.—Despite New York city's position as the "Market place for all America," congestion in the business districts of Manhattan is steadily driving important wholesale markets into New Jersey and neighboring suburban cities, says a report issued by the regional plan of New York and its environs.

Traffic conditions are tending to make New York a huge sample room where goods may be displayed and prices set, the report says, while the manufacturing, warehousing and transportation of goods are drifting to a network of smaller cities surrounding Manhattan.

### THE COMMONS MEETS AGAIN

Division on the Budget Not Possible For a Week.

### MUCH WORK IS AHEAD

Discussion on National Railways, Freight Rates And Shipping Subsidy Will Take Time.

Ottawa, April 14.—This afternoon the House of Commons begins its second and last lap of the session. How long the lap will be, and the outcome, no one knows. There has been a great deal of guessing as to what will probably happen, but the situation is such that to predict with any degree of certainty as to the outcome is out of the question.

The House will have to move faster than it has done, if it is to get through the mass of legislation that the public is expecting. With about forty more to speak on the budget, according to all reports, a division on this before a week is improbable. After that will come the annual statement on the Canadian National Railways from Hon. G. P. Graham. Judging by the plain speaking that has been done during the budget debate on the subject of railway finance, the discussion on Canadian National affairs this session will be more than a perfunctory nature. The most significant feature is the attitude taken by the Progressives and Independents, who says that economies must be effected.

Then there is the much-vaunted question of freight rates, which has been sidetracked both by the budget and the Petersen shipping subsidy. Incidentally, if the ocean rates committee can wade through the mass of documents that Mr. Symington, the government's counsel, has asked for, and make a report within six weeks, it will be surprising.

The Grain Act, which is due for a thorough overhauling, is another subject on which much will be said, for the recent erratic movements of the grain market have given the western members much food for thought. They say that the farmers have not made the money that many have thought, and some of them contend that speculating in grain should be restrained. Then there is the Australian trade treaty.

### APPEALING FOR STAY OF DEATH SENTENCE

Former Toronto Promoter's Lawyers Also Ask Governor of State for Reprieve.

Chicago, April 14.—Only two days separated Russell Scott, former Toronto promoter, from the scaffold as state and defence battled to-day for and against the hanging penalty set by Superior Judge Lindsay for April 17th.

While Scott's attorneys are in Springfield seeking a reprieve from Governor Len Small, and preparing to ask the Supreme Court for a supersedeas writ to stop the hanging, State's Attorney Crowe named one of his assistants to combat the latest defence moves.

Charles P. R. MacAulay, counsel for Scott in his appeal, announced last week that he would ask a reprieve to allow time in which to sue out a writ of error and supersedeas before the Supreme Court. The defence seeks to point out errors in the trial which they contend should entitle Scott to a new trial.

Scott was found guilty of the murder of Joseph Maurer, a drug clerk, in what the State contended was a hold-up. Scott contends that he and his brother, Robert, who disappeared and never was apprehended, went to the City Hall drug store to buy liquor and that Maurer was killed in a quarrel with which Russell Scott had nothing to do and that he did not witness the shooting.

### WESTERN FARMERS ARE SEEDING MORE

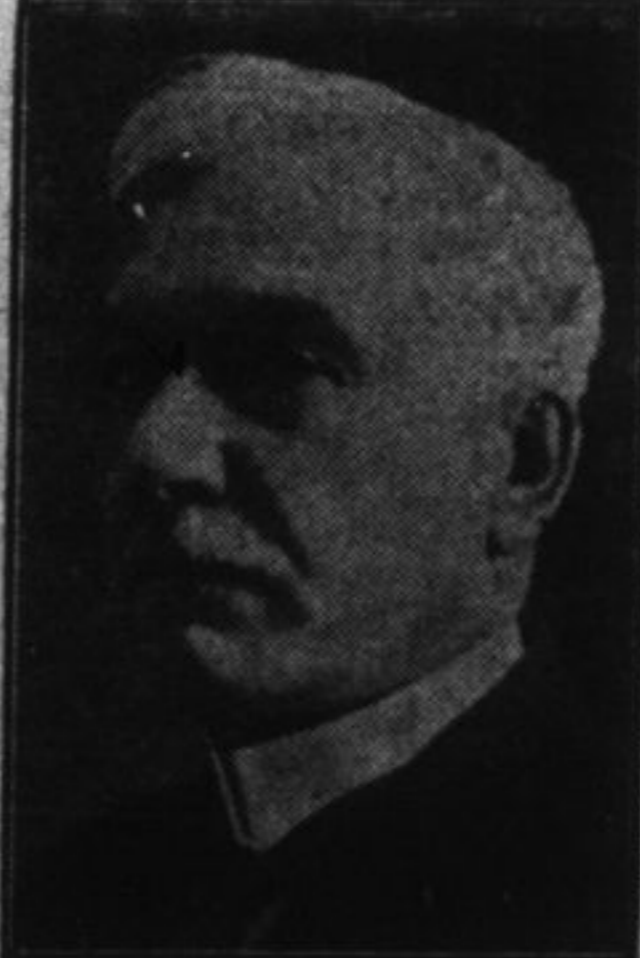
The Moisture Conditions Are Encouraging Them to Increase Acreage.

Winnipeg, April 14.—Moisture conditions throughout the Prairie Provinces are such as to encourage the western farmer and induce the seeding of an increased acreage of land, according to the first 1926 report of the Canadian National Railway Agricultural Department, issued to-day.

At many points seeding is reported to be well under way and is expected to be general by the end of the week.

Manitoba has been favored with excellent weather, with drying winds. Ploughing on the high land is well advanced and seeding already has started in many sections.

Farmers in Saskatchewan also have made good progress, ploughing, harrowing and seeding operations being well ahead of last year. Reports from Alberta are less favorable, although in scattered districts work has commenced.



HON. GEORGE P. GRAHAM, M.P., Minister of Railways and Canals, who is to address Liberal rally in Memorial Hall to-night.