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## Searchers Fail to Get Trace of the Missing Point Traverse Fishermen

### HON. MR. ROBB'S EXPLANATION REGARDING THE INCOME TAX

#### The Taxpayers May Estimate Their Incomes Under the Old Law or the New—Refunds Will Be Granted in Cases Where Over Payments Have Been Made.

Ottawa, April 17.—In reply to inquiries as to the effect of the income tax proposals, Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Finance, has issued the following statement: "The changes in the Income Tax Act, announced in the budget, will apply to incomes of 1925 and thereafter, but cannot be acted upon until after an act has been passed by both Houses of Parliament and royal assent been given. "Taxpayers may, however, on their own responsibility, estimate their own tax liability under the existing law on budget proposals of April 15th, 1926, and pay accordingly on or before the 30th of this month, but no assessments will be levied until after the bill becomes law, when approved refunds will be granted in cases where over payments have been made."

### MOTOR PLANTS WILL CONTINUE TEMPORARILY

#### Director Says Many Factories Will Begin Transferring Operations From Canada.

Toronto, April 17.—Motor factories, in general, will continue their operations temporarily, but "many of them will find it imperative to begin transferring important parts of their operations from Canada, and increase their imports, both of motor cars and materials, from the United States." This statement was made by A. Russell, president of the Canadian Automobile Industries' Association, following the meeting here yesterday of motor car manufacturers held to consider the situation following reductions in duties on motor cars, announced in the budget speech Thursday. "A check up of the manufacturer's position shows him with the largest inventories and commitments, that are accumulated at any time of year," Mr. Russell said. "These have to be disposed of and the factories will continue their operations until such stock and commitments are liquidated, but many of them find that it will be imperative to begin transferring important parts of their operations from Canada, and increase their imports, both of motor cars and materials, from the United States."

### Snowdrifts Are Five Feet High in Vermont

New York, April 16.—Maine, Northern Vermont and Northern New York today were digging from under a snow blanket left by a blizzard that established a new record for tenacity of winter in this section. The storm came as climax of several days of near zero weather, and in some places in Vermont drifts are piled five feet deep.

### BEARDED LADY IS DEAD.

She Directed That Her Body Should Be Cremated. New York, April 17.—The shy, which Krao, ultra-feminine bearded lady of side shows, overcame for thirty years, to turn misfortune into prosperity, holds sway with her death. Krao known in the circus as the "missing link," died yesterday of influenza, leaving instructions that her hairy body be cremated so that her peculiarities could no longer be exhibited. Despite her appearance she was exceedingly feminine according to her friends in the circus. Thick hair on Krao's arm grew upward, monkey-like. She had no cartilage in her nose. There were pouches in her cheeks and her fingers would bend backward as far as forward. But she spoke four languages.

### IN THE COMMONS.

Old Age Pensions Bill Given Second Reading. Ottawa, April 17.—The bill to provide for old age pensions was given second reading in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon. In committee on the bill George Black (conservative, Yukon) stated that the wording would not permit the Yukon Territory to come under the proposed pension scheme. Other Conservative members supported Mr. Black, and Hon. J. H. King, minister of public works, agreed with his view. The soldiers land settlement regulation bill was reported from committee and now stands for third reading.

### British Premier Summoned to Explain The Coal Situation to His Majesty

London, April 17.—Premier Baldwin and Mrs. Baldwin were guests of King George at Windsor Castle. The Premier was especially summoned to explain to the King the present status of the coal problem. It is generally presumed that Mr. Baldwin will outline the policy the Government proposes to adopt, which is almost certain to include some further allocation of public money to tide the industry over the few months needed to place it on a staple basis in accordance with the report of the coal commission.

### No Trace Found Of Missing Men

Lake Too Rough to Continue Search for Claude Dulmage and Slim Hyett. No trace has yet been found of the two Point Traverse fishermen, Claude Dulmage and Slim Hyett, who have been missing since last Wednesday. Three boats have been out in search of the missing men, during the past few days. On Saturday morning, The Whig was in touch with Claude Cole, Cape Vincent, N.Y., and learned that there was still no word of the missing fishermen. Mr. Cole stated that he learned on Friday evening that all day Wednesday three motor boats had been out on the lake in the hope of finding the men or their motor boat, but they had returned without any result. It was thought that the fishermen, on account of the storm, might have taken shelter at the Main Ducks or the Galloway Islands, but, as these places have been visited by the searchers and no trace whatever was secured, it is thought that the two men must have perished. On Saturday morning at ten o'clock, The Whig was in telephone communication with people living near Point Traverse and found that there was no word of the two fishermen. Mr. Thompson, who lives near the Point, stated that no person had seen the men since they left on Wednesday afternoon. He said that the men had gone out on Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of setting their nets, and not lifting them as was first stated. When the men did not return on Wednesday evening their friends became very anxious and started out in search. On Thursday the Main Ducks and other points, which it was thought might have been a place of shelter, had been visited, but with no result. It had been planned that the search would be continued on Friday, but the sea was so heavy that the fishermen were forced to remain on land; and on Saturday morning it did not look as though they would be able to go out, as the sea was still rolling. All the fishermen along the Prince Edward shore have formed themselves into a search party, and when the wind drops they will go out on the lake again. Mr. Fred Bongard, when speaking to The Whig over the telephone, stated that the place where the men went to set their nets was about three miles from the main Prince Edward shore in the direction of the Main Ducks. Both the missing men were experienced fishermen and were very popular with all engaged in the business.

### MOTOR CAR MAKERS TO MEET WEDNESDAY

#### For Further Discussion of the Situation Created by the Tariff.

Toronto, April 17.—Announcement was made here last night that automobile manufacturers and representatives of commercial and industrial concerns, whose business is affected by the tariff changes, announced by Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Finance, in his budget, would meet here on Wednesday, April 21, to discuss the situation. It was estimated at the offices of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association that 1,000 Canadian industries were affected by the Federal Government's action in lowering the tariff that has protected the automobile manufacturing industry. It was also stressed by C.M.A. officials that a demand for a combined conference of all Canadian manufacturers affected by the tariff changes had come from manufacturers themselves.

### IN EFFECT NOW.

Ottawa, April 17.—While the budget has still to pass the Canadian Parliament, the reduced tariff on American-made cars went into effect yesterday. This is the usual course here in regard to tariff changes. If, however, changes are made in the budget proposals by parliament, before they formally became law, readjustments are made with the importer.

### TWO COMPANIES SUSPENDED.

Toronto, April 17.—Dodge Motor Car Company of Canada suspended operations at its Toronto plant today and more than four hundred employees were rendered unemployed for an indefinite period. At the same time the Durant Motor Company of Canada also closed temporarily, affecting about six hundred men. Both suspensions were made in order that the companies might decide on future operations, following the lowering of duties on imported motor cars.

### NEW LIQUOR TREATY.

Between Great Britain and U. S. Is Discussed. London, April 17.—Officials here are disinclined to discuss the news that federal officials of the United States are considering proposing a new liquor treaty with Great Britain. Political observers, however, profess to see considerable embarrassment for the British government if such suggestion is advanced formally. Experts here say the liquor interests here are so powerful that any government would encounter formidable opposition in attempting to sign a formal pact precluding the exportation of alcoholic beverages in any direction.

### KILLED BY A FALL FROM HOTEL BALCONY

Lindsay, April 17.—A fatal accident occurred at Rockland house, Bobaygeon, yesterday, when Mrs. Brandon, a widow, who has been employed in the hotel for the past two years, fell to her death from the balcony, breaking her neck. Cyrus J. Stark, 61, former world champion plowman, is dead in Wheatland, Ill. Zoo at Washington has recently received two rare lizards from New Zealand.

### W. P. HUGHES IS ON ATHLETIC COMMISSION

#### Has Been Appointed Organizer and Instructor for This District.

Announcement has been made that W. P. Hughes, athletic director at Queen's University, has been appointed organizer and instructor of the Ontario Athletic Commission, for this district, for the remainder of the ensuing season. The schoolboys meet will be held here on September 25th, in Ottawa, and Cobourg on September 18th and the finals in Toronto on October 1st and 2nd.

### HON. H. S. BELAND RESIGNS.

Ottawa, April 17.—Hon. H. S. Beland has resigned the portfolio of Minister of Health and Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment and Hon. J. C. Elliott, Minister of Labor, has been sworn in as Minister of these two departments. Official announcement to this effect was made last night. Mr. Elliott will now administer three departments, those of Labor, Health and Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment. There is no intention, it is stated to absorb either the Department of Health or Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment in the Department of Labor. Hon. Dr. Beland's resignation from the King Government, it is pointed out, is for the purpose of reducing the size of the Cabinet. Senator Beland will, however, retain his seat in the Senate.

### U. S. PROHIBITIONISTS CALL HON. W. E. RANEY

#### To Combat Testimony of Other Canadians Put on Stand by "Wets."

Washington, April 17.—The "dry" in drawing up a battery of witnesses to carry forward a bombardment against the modification measures at Senate prohibition hearings, had today listed the aid of Hon. W. E. Raney, one-time attorney-general for Ontario. The prohibitionists believed the former provincial minister could be placed in a position to combat the testimony of other Canadians put on the stand by the "wets" last week.

### PREPARE FOR CRISIS.

In the Textile Strike at Passaic, N.J., on Wednesday. Passaic, April 17.—This mill town prepared today for a crisis in the textile strike, which is expected Monday when the mills will throw open their gates under the protection of the sheriff and his armed force of 150 deputies. Sheriff Morgan, of Paterson, who is to be in charge, will also have at his call 200 regular and special policemen. The strikers committee has announced that picketing will be resumed Monday at every mill in the strike area.

### Missing Flyers Are Located In Desert

Cairo, April 17.—Both Captain Steves, leader of the Spanish Manila fliers, and his mechanic, Calvo, have been found. Messages received here say they are in "fairly good condition," despite their wanderings in the desert since last Sunday when their aeroplane was forced down about 100 miles from Aman, Palestine.

### FIRE IN MOTOR PLANT

Of Dodge Brothers at Toronto—Damage of \$25,000. Toronto, April 17.—Damage amounting to \$25,000 was caused by a fire that broke out in the Toronto plant of Dodge Brothers Motor Car Co. of Canada today. The blaze was confined mainly to the roof. The executives of the Company had announced that the plant would suspend operations indefinitely from noon today as the result of changes in the tariff by which duties on imported cars are lowered. Six hundred men will be affected by the suspension.

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### TAX INCREASE ON SOME OF BIG INCOMES

#### Opinion on Tax Changes Given by Hon. W. F. Nickle.

### VIEW ON RAILWAYS

#### Hon. J. S. Martin Disappointed That More Was Not Done for Agriculture.

Toronto, April 17.—"It will certainly increase the burden on some of the larger incomes," Hon. W. F. Nickle, attorney-general of Ontario, yesterday said in reference to the income tax changes announced by Hon. J. A. Robb in his budget speech. The income exemption on smaller incomes is a relief to the salaried man, the attorney-general said, but the reductions were more than taken up in increased taxation on dividends. Two taxes on the same money will be made, Mr. Nickle said, because in the case of joint stock companies in which most of the shares are held by members of a family, dividends accumulated by the company will be taxed ten per cent. before they are paid out, and when they reach the recipient they are taxed again as personal income. Hon. Mr. Nickle also was of the opinion that the deficit on railway operation would "more than wipe out" the stated surplus, so that there would be a net deficit, including railways, of from thirty to forty million dollars, instead of the surplus announced. Commenting on tariff changes Hon. John S. Martin, Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, expressed himself as greatly disappointed to see that "nothing was done for agriculture."

### MILITARY PLANES CAUGHT IN STORM

#### On the Arabian Desert—One Wrecked and the Occupants Killed.

Bagdad, April 17.—Three military planes, flying across the Arabian desert from Shaibah to Abud Ghar, were caught in an exceptionally severe sandstorm today. Two of the planes fought their way back to Shaibah but the third was wrecked in the desert near Jalilba, 100 miles north of Basra. The occupants of this plane, T. E. Jones and P. E. Leatherdale, were killed.

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### TAXPAYER NOW ON PAR WITH CITIZEN OF U.S.

#### Comparison Is Given Between New Income Tax and Levy in States.

New York, April 17.—The reduction in income taxes announced in the Canadian budget will bring the taxpayer of moderate means in the Dominion to about the same position as his fellow across the border. Heads of families in Canada, however, will still have to pay on \$500 more than will pater-families in the United States. The figures show comparative exemptions as: Exemption for single person in Canada, \$1,500; in United States, \$1,500. For married person in Canada, \$3,000; in United States, \$3,500. The exemption on children and dependents in the United States is \$400. The rate on incomes up to \$10,000 is two per cent., minus 25 per cent. for "earned income," this to be considered as the first \$5,000 net income.

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### THERE WAS LAXITY IN SCHOONER'S RELEASE

#### Deputy Minister Admits Department at Fault But Political Influence Is Denied.

Ottawa, April 17.—A grueling examination of C. P. Blair, general executive assistant in the Customs Department, regarding the release of the seized schooner W. C. Kennedy and its cargo, occupied all yesterday morning's session of the Stevens Committee on the administration of the Customs Department. The burden of the examination, by Hon. R. B. Bennett, Hon. H. H. Stevens, A. E. Doucet and C. W. Bell, was, "Why did you recommend the release?" and "Why were no prosecutions made?" No admission could be drawn from the witness of the suggestions by the committee members mentioned, that political pressure was the reason for the release and the non-prosecution. R. R. Farrow, Deputy Minister of Customs, testifying at the close of the session, declared that in his opinion, there had been laxity in the W. C. Kennedy case, but that it was too late to remedy this before it came to his hands.

### AUTO STOCKS SELL HEAVILY IN NEW YORK

#### Ford Shares Lost 31 Points on Friday Sales.

### AMERICAN FACTORIES

#### Not Likely to Stop Assembling in Canada Owing to the Tariff Cut.

New York, April 17.—Heavy selling of automobile shares on the New York Stock Exchange and curb markets resulted yesterday from the proposal of the Canadian Government to reduce the tariff on automobile imports, which has been in force for several years for the purpose of protecting the Canadian manufacturers. As a result of this tariff many of the American companies have established assembling plants in Canada, and it was assumed in stock market circles that the operations of these plants will be affected by the proposed tariff revision. The selling of stocks also was influenced by the advices received from Canada that some of the American plants have been shut down. Ford Motor of Canada, which has been weak for several days dropped to a new low record for the year. The stock which sold at 655 earlier in the year dropped to 470 yesterday. The net loss was 31 points, following a 69 point drop on Thursday. The stocks of the various American companies, with assembling plants in Canada, listed on the New York Stock Exchange also were heavy as a result of selling influenced by the Canadian tariff programme. General Motors, which was firm during the early trading, dropped to 115 7/8, and closed with a net loss of 1 3/4 at 116. Hudson Motors also was weak, declining from an early high of 66 7/8 to 62 and closing with a net loss of a point at 62 1/2. Studebaker was down 3/4 of a point net, and other automobile stocks also closed lower. The Ford Motor Company of Canada, according to Detroit advices, has not as yet taken any action. This company employs approximately 6,000 men. F. W. Grandjean, secretary of the company, is quoted as saying: "We have not analyzed the report. It was a sudden blow and we cannot form any opinion until we have considered further the government's proposals." In conservative quarters, where Canadian industrial developments are closely watched, the opinion was expressed that the proposed reduction in the Canadian automobile tariff, if adopted by parliament, will not necessarily mean the end of the manufacture and assembling of American automobiles in Canada. The only direct result of such a change, according to the opinion, will be reduced profits for the American companies operating in Canada. Stocks of the Ford Company of Canada continued their toboggan on the New York curb exchange this morning. A recession of 25 point was registered at the opening. Since Thursday, Ford stock has receded 160 points, from 610.

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G. A. MAGRATH, Chairman of the Hydro-Electric Commission, which has closed a deal for Ottawa River power which will supply Eastern Ontario, including Kingston.