

LORD CHIEF JUSTICE CASTIGATES THE PRESS

Lord Hewart of Bury Says
Press is "Monster Work-
ing Mischief"

PREMIER REPLYS

Toronto.—At a luncheon held in honor of the visitors to the Canadian Bar Association, Lord Hewart, with scathing wit and knife-keen irony, accused the Press of nearly everything that was reprehensible.

MONSTER WORKING MISCHIEF.
He pictured the printing machine as a monster working mischief not only in the realm of domestic relations, but also in international affairs. Most of his Lordship's discourse was directed against the alleged deficiencies of the press—its tendency to standardize thought and eliminate human individuality. He admitted that he hoped to return to Canada and on his return he said, with a subtlety that evoked roars of laughter from his hearers, he would say something on the good side of newspapers and in the meantime would endeavor to find out what that "good side" was.

SEES DANGEROUS POWER.
A brilliant piece of imagery was achieved by his Lordship in visualizing the mechanical perfection in the production of a modern newspaper. He referred to the spotless white rolls of newspaper that went into the printing presses and came out "like snow-flakes soiled with fog." He referred to the fact that any person, no matter what his natural capabilities, could acquire a printing press and give his prejudices and caprices wide effect. Such a newspaper proprietor, he said, could not only devastate private lives by means of his instrument, but could work untold mischief in the field of international affairs.

PREMIER MAKES DEFENCE.
In response, Premier Ferguson said that while endorsing the vote of thanks, proposed by Col. Alex. Fraser to his Lordship, he ventured to inform the Lord Chief Justice that in this country journalism had not gone entirely to the "bow-wow," as it had—judging from his Lordship's remarks—in the Old Country. Premier Ferguson said, borrowing from his Lordship's expression: "Our newspaper press, with one conspicuous exception, had, in his experience as a public man, conducted itself admirably." It was true, he said, that some represen-



Lord Hewart
Chief Justice of England, who is visit-
ing Canada to attend the Bar As-
sociation meetings.

tatives of the press had written his own obituary as a public figure, prematurely. But this had been an exception. Some newspapers hereabouts, he added, were given to "antemortem" obituaries of public men. But the intelligent portion of the population paid little attention to them. Of the Lord Chief Justice's castigation of the press, Premier Ferguson said: "Never have I heard a greater masterpiece of serious humor."

Imperial Preference

Quebec Evening (Cons.)—Britain is our second client, and we ourselves buy much less from her than we do from the United States. This is a result of the geographical situation, of the influx of American capital into Canada and the weakness of the commercial ties which bind Canada to the mother country. When the Canadian nation acquires a more practical sense of what is best for it, it will protect its competitors better against American competition. And when Britain understands more fully what are its Empire interests, it will offer more substantial advantages to the trade of its associations overseas. The commercial imperialism of Chamberlain, which Baldwin discreetly forecasts, must win out if London wishes its influence to remain paramount in the world.

Now the frost is on the pumpkin—in Argentina.

Canada's Press Visitors



Some of the members of the British Newspaper Society who have just completed a tour of Canada. Mr. J. S. King, president of the society, is seen in the centre wearing the badge.

New Election For Ireland

Cosgrave Makes "Surprise
Attack" on Political
Situation

EXPLOITS VICTORY

The Cosgrave Government has followed foremost military tactics by calling for a general election immediately following his victories in a close vote house and the winning of the Dublin County bye-elections.

As soon as the results of the elections, upon which the Government had staked its existence, were known, the Executive Council met and decided to take full advantage of the present favorable situation for the Government, and advised Governor-General Healy to proclaim dissolution of the present Dail Eireann.

TREMENDOUS SURPRISE.
This course, which caused tremendous surprise in political circles, it is felt, will prevent a Republican rally from the weak position shown by polling figures in the two bye-elections in Dublin County. There had been some doubts about the legality of the Government's course, since it was generally believed that the Government would require the assent of the Dail to justify dissolution, but it is assumed that the Ministers have taken legal advice on their constitutional position.

The results of the bye-elections to fill the vacancies caused by the deaths of Vice-President Kevin O'Higgins and the Countess Markievicz showed that an overwhelming defeat had been inflicted upon the Republican party. Gerald O'Sullivan, running to fill the vacancy caused by the assassination of Vice-President O'Higgins, captured the seat for the Government party by a plurality of more than 22,

000, polling 31,966 votes to 16,126 for Robert Brennan, de Valera candidate, and 1,332 for Dr. Kathleen Lynn, Sinn Fein candidate.

With this popular feeling existing, Cosgrave should be returned with a safe working majority.

Naval Manoeuvres Have Fatal Ending

Japanese Destroyers Collide
With a Loss of 129 of
the Crew

Tokio.—On Thursday night, while a destroyer attack was being practiced under battle conditions 20 miles northeast of Miyoshi, the second-class destroyers Warabi and Ashi, of 850 tons displacement each, crashed at full speed into the cruisers Jintsu and Naka, of 6,000 tons each. The Warabi was hopelessly damaged and sank in 15 minutes. Twelve officers, including the Captain, and ninety men were drowned. The Ashi's injuries were slighter and she remained afloat, though with a great gash in her bow, and 27 of her men were drowned.

The Jintsu was seriously damaged by the Warabi's impact and listed forward, but she kept afloat and was towed by the Kongi to the Maizuru dockyard. The Ashi's stem was cut by the crash, but she could also be towed to dock. A salvage ship was immediately despatched from Kure naval base, but the Warabi lies in 60 fathoms and there is little hope of raising her.

The accident occurred while the combined fleet under Admiral Kwanji Kato was proceeding to Maizuru after completing the prescribed manoeuvres in the Bungo Channel. On the journey a night destroyer attack was ordered under war rules. The night was moonless, all lights were extin-

The Pacific Tragedy



Miss Mildred Doran and Companions
The Pacific holds the secret of the fateful end of Miss Doran "Auggy" Pedlar, her pilot and Lt. Knope, her navigator. Wide search of the route of the recent Dole Flight to Honolulu has failed to find a trace of the victims of aviation pioneering.

guished and the fleet steamed at full speed, while the defenders threw out a smoke screen, and in these perilous circumstances the accident occurred. Announcing the news to the press, the Naval Vice-Minister pointed out that the conditions were as dangerous as those of actual war.

British Poloists Have Chosen Team

Lighter Than Americans But
Are Booked To Win

Great Britain has selected the men to ride against America and the decks are cleared for action for the first game of the international polo series at Meadow Brook on Sept. 5. There is something of a surprise in the announcement of the British player who is to be in the No. 1 position. The rest of the players named are the ones figured as the favorites for the posts they have won.

Colonel-Commandant H. A. Tomkinson, D.S.O., the manager of the team and veteran of 1914 and 1921 British International play against America, announced the team as follows:

No. 1. Capt. Claude E. Pert.
No. 2. Maj. Austin H. Williams.
No. 3. Capt. C. T. I. Roark.
Back. Maj. Eric G. Atkinson.

The American polo team has every advantage over the British so far as personal statistics are concerned. The average age is a year less, the height an inch and a half more and the weight about eighteen pounds greater. Moreover, the American aggregate handicap is a point higher. But those who know think the Britons will win. It is hoped Their Highnesses will attend on their way home.

The comparison of the two teams are as follows:

British.				
Name	Pos.	Age.	Ht.	Wt.H ^p
Pert 1	29	5.11	151 7
Williams 2	37	5.11	163 8
Roark 3	32	6.00	157 9
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American.				
Name	Pos.	Age.	Ht.	Wt.
Guest 1	21	6.04	178
Hitchcock	.. 2	27	5.11	178
Cowdin 3	39	5.11	160

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Manitoba Plans Old Age Pensions

Legislation May be Brought
Down at Next
Session

Winnipeg.—Payments of old age pensions on the general basis of the legislation passed by the Dominion Parliament last year is planned by the Manitoba Government.

The legislation would provide for pensions of \$20 a month to residents of the province 70 years old and over. It may be brought down at the next regular session of the Legislature, but it is thought more likely that it will wait over until the following session.

NOVA SCOTIA LASHED BY TERRIFIC GALE

Eight Lives Known to be Lost
But Full Toll Expected
to be Many More

DAMAGE HEAVY

Works of Man on Both Land
and Sea Yield to
Storm's Fury

Wednesday saw our Maritime sister province, Nova Scotia, in the throes of a gigantic gale. So severe was the storm that several lines of communication were disorganized so that full reports are not yet forthcoming. Enough is known to be sure that the storm was general and that fishing towns along the coast, over a wide area have suffered. Several small boats were wrecked and the life toll to date is known to be eight, though grave fears are entertained that a complete check-up would increase this number materially.

More than a score of small boats are known to have sunk off Cape Breton. Sixteen fishing vessels went down in Louisbourg harbor, while five others either sank or went ashore at North Sydney. The schooner Ella Deveaux was sunk at its wharf in Sydney harbor, and several yachts foundered or went aground at Baddeck.

The coast along Digby County also was a scene of havoc. All the fishing boats sailing out of Tiverton were forced to abandon their gear, and one yacht owned by James Merkel of Digby drifted ashore and became a total wreck.

Halifax city and harbor received the full force of the tempest. The schooners J. C. Weston of Calais, Maine, and Clementia, of Halifax, piled up on the shore, and the four-masted vessel Veronica dragged her anchor and crashed into the schooner W. H. Eastwood. Fourteen or more motorboats were smashed into matchwood.

Uprooted trees, broken windows and



Thomas Willes Chitty
The King's Remembrancer, who is visiting Canada.

debris throughout the city bore testimony this morning to the strength of the wind. A traveling circus which was parked on the commons was wrecked, but the most serious result of the storm here, aside from the damage sustained by shipping, was the collapse of the huge steel crane at Pier 9. Fortunately no one was in its path when the massive structure tumbled over.

Train service over both the Canadian National Railway and Dominion Atlantic Railway systems was in most cases greatly impeded and in many wholly paralyzed, due to numerous washouts.

Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island were cut off from communication with Halifax until around noon and Cape Breton remained isolated from Halifax until shortly before three o'clock.

GALE GENERAL

Reports from Charlottetown claim heavy damage in the "Island of the Gulf," while as far south as Boston despatches talk of waves "40 feet high." It will be days before a full report is possible.

Canada's Best



OUR THREE POSSIBLE OLYMPIC REPRESENTATIVES

From left to right, Miss Fanny "Bobby" Rosenfeld, the best all-round girl athlete in Canada; Miss Catherine Wood, certainly the best high jumper in Canada and probably the best in the world, and Mrs. Bern O'Neil—Rosa Gross—who was last year the best girl sprinter in America, and who is still looked upon as a sure winner of the Women Olympic sprint championship next year, if she goes over on the Canadian team. Miss Catherine leaped 5 feet 1 1/4 inches recently and the critics say she will surely break the world's record at the C.N.E. meet.

England and France Disagree on Rhine Troops

London.—An exchange of notes between Great Britain and France has indicated that the British and French Governments as yet do not see eye to eye in the question of removing German complaints concerning occupation troops numbers in the Rhineland.

Great Britain, it is stated, is anxious to carry out the promise of the Ambassadors' Conference of 1925, which would involve a reduction of the forces of occupation to 5,000. The latest note from France in the Anglo-French diplomatic exchanges, which have continued for nearly a month, suggests that the French troops be reduced by 5,000, with the expectation that the same number of Anglo-Belgian troops be withdrawn.

Great Britain considers these figures disproportionate and at the same time inadequate to remove German complaints.

The money which is actually saved is not nearly so valuable as the psychological effort which it produces. Saving, like mercy, is twice blessed.—Sir Ernest Benn.

Electricity never used to be popular on the farm, as lightning rod agents of the past can testify, but nowadays the modern farmer presses a button to do many of the things his father used to do by hard labor; then there is, of course, the radio. So runs the current of progress.

Russia Will Not Send Delegates

No Soviet Representatives to
Attend Geneva
Conference

Geneva.—Russia has again changed her mind and will not be represented at the League of Nations communications and transit conference. Foreign Minister Tchitcherine withdrew his original acceptance because he found non-members of the League would not have the same voting power as members.

The League expressing regret at "being obliged to go back on the decision," and asking for all information bearing on the conference. Acceptance of the League invitation by the United States is believed to have caused M. Tchitcherine to change his mind.

"To be slim and remain so is the aim of every modern woman," says a female scribbler. "Slim" means sly, as well as slender," adds a cynic.

Co-operation between the city and the country is much to be desired. Business owes much to the country, and the debt should be freely acknowledged. Unfortunately, the initiative in co-operative movements of this kind must most often be taken by the bold business man. Let us not be bashful.



Frederick Palmer
The British engineer who, after a trip to Hudson Bay, recommended the use of Fort Churchill as harbor terminal of the railway.