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## FORMER FEDERAL MINISTER PASSES AWAY

### BUSINESS OF CANADIAN NATIONAL LINES IN 1923 SHOWED LARGE INCREASES

### Hon. Louis P. Brodeur, Canadian Statesman of Long Standing, is Dead

QUEBEC, Jan. 2.—After being in office as lieutenant-governor of the province for but one month, Hon. Louis Philippe Brodeur died this morning. He was taken ill last Friday on his return from Montreal after having been ailing for several years from stomach trouble.

Hon. Mr. Brodeur was born at Beloeil, Quebec, in 1862. In 1884 he was called to the Bar and was created a K.C. in 1899. In 1891 he was elected to the House of Commons for Rouville, being re-elected for four terms following until 1908.

### BARING-GOULD EXPIRED TODAY

Famous English Theologian  
Wrote Many Well Known  
Hymns and Novels

LEWIS TRENCHESTER, Eng., Jan. 2.—Rev. Sabine Baring-Gould, English novelist and theologian, died this morning, aged 87 years. Deceased was the writer of the hymns, "Onward Christian Soldiers," "Now the Day is Over," and "Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow," and author of the novels, "John Herring," "Court Royal" and "Mehalah."

### MORE MARRIED AND MORE BORN

All Vital Statistics For Prince  
Rupert Were Higher in 1923.

Births and marriages in Prince Rupert and district last year show an increase over the previous year.

In 1922 there were 140 births and during the past year 151 were registered, an increase of 11.

There were 52 marriages in 1922 and 57 during the year 1923, an increase of five.

Deaths increased during the past year by 11. In 1922 there were 66 deaths registered and in 1923 the deaths numbered 77.

### QUEBEC BANKS TO AMALGAMATE

Bank of Hochelaga and Banque  
Nationale Are Merging

MONTREAL, Jan. 2.—The Bank of Hochelaga and the Banque Nationale will merge and will be known as La Banque Nationale. The amalgamation will mean the elimination of 32 branches.

### NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

OTTAWA, Jan. 2.—King George sent, through Baron Byng of Vimy, Governor General cordial New Year greetings to the Canadian people.

### NOTICE.

All Fishing Vessel Owners are requested to attend a general meeting of the Canadian Fishing Vessel Owners' Association at City Hall at 8 p.m. tonight Wednesday.

### PATTULLO IS GOING EAST

Minister of Lands Off to Ottawa  
to Attend Dominion Forestry  
Conference

VICTORIA, JAN. 2.—To take part in the drawing up of a comprehensive co-operative scheme which will have for its aim the conservation and fire protection of all forest areas in Canada, together with a reforestation scheme, Hon. T. D. Pattullo, minister of lands, with the chief forester of the province will leave for Ottawa today.

The conference, which will be attended by a minister from each province, together with his head forestry official, will meet on Jan. 7. Officers of the Canadian Air Board are also expected to be in attendance and the matter of keeping air patrols over all forest areas in Canada will be taken up.

"Big developments can be expected from this conference, which will be the first of its kind that has been held in Canada," said Hon. Mr. Pattullo Thursday night. "A greater measure of co-operation and discussion of the most approved and up-to-date conservation and fire protection measures will take up a large part of the time."

According to Hon. Mr. Pattullo the campaign for more care in the woods last summer and the increased efforts of forest and fire rangers resulted in British Columbia's fire losses being cut considerably and still further improvement is looked for next year.

The British Columbia forestry officials are enthusiastic over the use of aircraft for fire and forest protection purposes. In addition to being used to rush crews and equipment to danger spots in record time, the huge seaplanes from the Jericho air station have been used for blister-rust and other inspections, and have proved invaluable to the department on more than one occasion. Hon. Mr. Pattullo will make strong recommendations to the department at Ottawa to have the Canadian Air Board services retained especially in British Columbia.

### CHICOUTIMI CONVENT DESTROYED BY FIRE

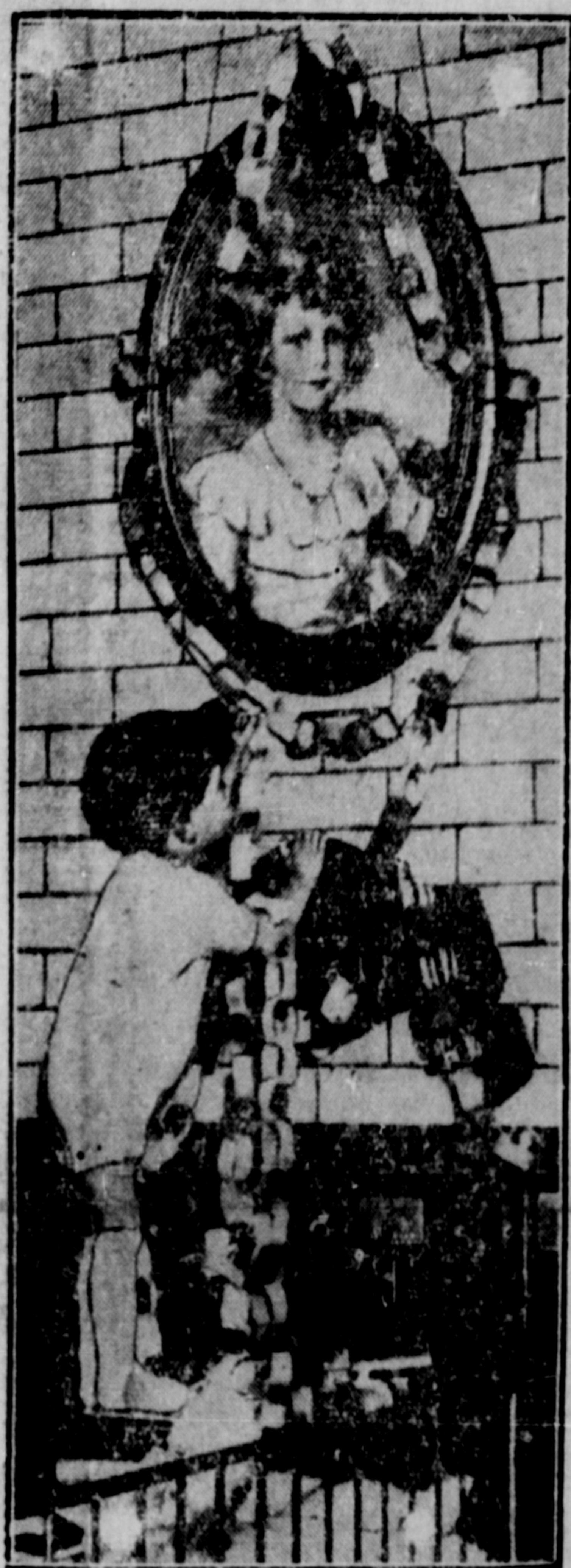
Twelve Nuns Had Difficulty in  
Escaping When Catholic In-  
stitution Burned Yester-  
day

CHICOUTIMI, Jan. 2.—The Good Shepherd convent here was completely destroyed by fire yesterday and twelve nuns had difficulty in escaping. The loss is estimated at \$100,000, partially covered by insurance.

### NEW YEAR'S RECEPTION

Six Hundred People Bid Lieu-  
tenant Governor Bon Voyage—  
Leaving For Europe

VICTORIA, Jan. 2.—More than six hundred prominent citizens attended the New Year's reception at Government House and bid Lieutenant Governor W. G. Nichol bon voyage on the eve of his departure for Europe. He leaves this afternoon for New York enroute to Gibraltar and a cruise of the Mediterranean Sea.



Princess Mary was once a nurse in the children's hospital in Great Ormond Street, London, and she afterwards endowed a cot over which was hung her picture. Each Christmas a tiny inmate decorates the portrait.

### DRY DOCK MAY GET BIG JOB

Good Bid Put in on 290 Foot Log  
Carrying Barge For Hecate  
Straits Towing Co.

### GENERAL ACTIVITY

Work on Prince George Starts;  
Prospector Coming; Cruisers  
Soon Finished

The building of a 290 foot steel log carrying barge is being planned by the Hecate Straits Towing Co. (Capt. Barney Johnson). Tenders for the job closed last week and it is understood that the Canadian National shipyard here put in a figure that will probably bring the work to the local plant if it is finally decided to build the craft. It would be the largest single job handled by Prince Rupert yard since the two C.G.M.M. freighters, Canadian Scottish and Canadian Britisher, were built three years ago.

C.G.M.M. steamer Canadian Prospector is expected here from the Orient about the middle of the month to undergo overhaul. The job will be more extensive than the cleaning and painting of the Canadian Highlander just finished.

### FOOTBALL TEAM IS INVITED TO MAKE BIG TRIP

New Zealand Wants Canadian  
Soccerists to Visit There  
This Winter

WINNIPEG, Jan. 2.—A Canadian soccer team is invited to visit New Zealand according to San Davidson, secretary of the Dominion Football Association, who has been asked for the names of high class players who wish to make the trip this winter.

### HILTZ IS NEW MAYOR TORONTO

Former Controller Receives More  
Votes Than Church and Cur-  
rie Combined

### DAYLIGHT SAVING ADOPTED

TORONTO, Jan. 2.—W. W. Hiltz, former city controller, was elected mayor of Toronto yesterday by a decisive margin over the combined votes for Ex-Mayor T. L. Church, M.P., and Col. John A. Currie, M.P.P. The vote stood: Hiltz, 41,089; Church, 33,973; Currie, 1,370.

Controllers Gibbons and Foster and Ald. Backer and Cameron were the board of control seats.

The electors approved the daylight saving bill for another three years.

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### Vast Improvement in Earnings of Government Road is Shown in Comparing Years 1923 and 1922

WINNIPEG, Jan. 2.—With increased freight and passenger business reported over the entire system and a record movement of grain and other commodities over the western region, the Canadian National Railways have found 1923 a year of vastly increased business, according to officials of the system here. Operating figures from the first of the year to the end of September, the latest available at the time of writing, show that in the nine months the Canadian National system earned a net operating revenue of \$6,857,815, compared with \$527,313 for the corresponding period of 1922.

And with this must be considered the fact that very little of the western grain crop had moved this year before the end of September, the movement of grain from the prairies to the lakes being almost three weeks later than last year, with a consequent effect upon earnings.

**Tourist Traffic Increased**  
Tourist and general passenger traffic over the Western Region showed a considerable increase during 1923 as compared with 1922. In the year just closed tourist traffic on the western lines was the heaviest since the operation of the system and from the period of May 15, when summer tourist fares became operative, until September 30, when these tickets were withdrawn from sale, mountain resorts and the Pacific coast, as well as the holiday centres further east, each drew their quota of tourists. During this period the peak of the travel season was reached July 4 to 31; the first increase being especially noticeable immediately the schools closed, when a great many families leave on vacation and teachers are released from their duties. Many special trains were operated and special parties were carried over western lines during the past year.

**Summer Hotels and Lodges**  
The summer hotels and lodges operated by the Canadian National Railways at Jasper Park Lodge, Jasper National Park; Grand Beach and Victoria Beach, Minaki Inn, Minaki, Ont., and other points, were patronized to a much larger extent than in any previous year. The new Lodge at Jasper Park was practically filled to capacity during the entire season, and has been the means of attracting tourists, not alone from Canada and the United States, but from nearly all other countries which provide tourist travel, many coming from the Orient, Australia, all parts of Europe, West Indies and South America, as well as from the larger centres in the United States and Canada. The same might be said, on a smaller scale, of the resorts at Minaki and Grand Beach, which were increasingly popular last year as indicated by the largely increased patronage; Grand Beach alone attracting over 100,000 people.

**Improvements Carried Out**  
Improvement of existing lines and further steps toward co-ordination of services was a feature of the construction work carried out during the year by the Canadian National on the Western Region. No grading was undertaken during the year on lines under construction, the work being confined to improvement on operated lines, a continuance of the program commenced in 1922, such as line revisions, reduction of existing grades, and the construction of second track.

### MORE TROUBLE AT HOLLYWOOD

Mabel Normand's Chauffeur Ar-  
rested For Shooting — She  
and Edna Purviance  
Held

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.—R. G. Greer, Mabel Normand's chauffeur, has been arrested after admitting that he shot three times at C. S. Dines, wealthy oil promoter, at the latter's apartment. Greer claims as an excuse that Dines had molested Miss Normand and, when he (Greer) suggested to Miss Normand and Edna Purviance that they leave the apartment, Dines attacked him with an empty bottle. The two movie stars are also held by the police as material witnesses.

Infatuation of the chauffeur for his film actress employer and jealousy of her wealthy Denver acquaintance, according to police officials, were the motives which prompted Kelly alias Greer to shoot Dines.

### LOCAL HALIBUT BOAT STRANDED

Sumner, Capt. Soriano, Mt. Rocks  
25 Miles From Ketchikan

The American halibut schooner Sumner, Capt. A. Soriano, struck a rock off Spear Island about 25 miles from Ketchikan at high tide early on Tuesday morning and the vessel is stranded but not in serious difficulties according to Capt. John Christiansen of the American schooner Wireless which arrived in port early this morning. The Wireless passed the stranded schooner yesterday on her way in to Prince Rupert and at that time the Sumner had two dories in the water and a launch, en route to Ketchikan, was standing by to render any necessary aid. The receding tide has left the Sumner perched on the rocks but the boat is on an even keel with the crew still aboard. Capt. Christiansen was unable to ascertain the exact nature of the damage.

### KING GEORGE IS HOPEFUL

British People Will Overcome  
Difficulties, He Declares, in  
New Year Message

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Replying to a congratulatory telegram from the Lord Mayor of London, King George said: "I am confident that, with God's help, the British people, true to tradition, will overcome the difficulties that are still facing us at the close of a decade which were anticipated during the fall months, the Canadian National's glorious achievement, has been beset with trials and suffering."