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Germany Asks Canada, U.S. To Return Seized Property

rell and Norton Received

at Police Station Here.

Affair and Jail-Breaking

Seen in Many Places.

### TIMBER IS PLACED ON C.N. TRACK

George Plumb, Charged With Attempting To Ditch Train, Bailed in \$2,000.

OFFENCE IS SERIOUS

Londoner Said To Have Declared Intention To Return and Move Timber.

George Plumb, 36 years old, an employee of the C. N. R. was arraigned in police court this morning on a criminal charge of attempting to wreck a train by placing an obstruction on the main line of the C. N. R. out of Stratford on the night

the C. N. R. to C. P. R. came along, and two hours before a passenger

train was due. Bail Is Granted. Bail is Granted.

Few details of the case were given in court this morning. Plumb made no election nor plea. Upon the request of Crown Attorney Albert M. Judd adjournment of the case for one week was granted by Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon: Plumb was allowed his freedom on \$2,000 bail.

Magistrate Graydon was reluctant to permit bail being taken at all. He declared that Plumb was liable to a long term of imprisonment, stating that under the criminal code the prisoner was charged with a very serious oftense.

Plumb was arrested yesterday by Sergeant of Detectives Harry Down and Detectives George E. Waish on a warrant sworn out by C. N. R. Constable John Hughes. The information is laid under a section of the criminal cade where it is not necessary to prove cade, where it is not necessary to prov-intent to wreck the train, but only tha the tracks were purposely obstructed.

Seen in the Act.

Police claim that Plumb was seen he act of placing a piece of timb across the railway tracks, and that h The court was persuaded to permit bail after learning of Plumb's good reputation and standing in the city. He had been a faithful employee of the C N. R. for more than five years, Mr. Grayden was told. Plumb has been a resident of London for some time, reresident of London for some times to siding at 1045 Mabel street.
Fellow-employees of the C. N. R. gave sureties of \$1,000 each for the bail. Plumb gained his freedom an hour after his appearance before the magistrate, bail being granted after adjournment of the court.

#### COTTON RESEARCH DEPOT IS

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Aug. 13.—The British empire cotton growing corporation has decided to establish a central cotton research station in Trinidad. It is intended to investigate there the ton research station in Trinidad. It is intended to investigate there the cotton plant in all phases of its growth and under rigorously consequently conditions.

bombs had been hurled, a score of klansmen and anti-Klansmen had been hurled, a score of the surface. At thirty feet below the surface. At thirty feet below the surface he halts on the ladder for the surface had a surface he halts on the ladder for the surface had a surface he halts on the ladder for the surface had a surface he halts on the ladder for the surface had a surface he halts on the ladder for the surface had a surface he had been fired and the surface had a surface had a surface had a surface he had been fired and the surface had a surface

#### The Weather

FORECASTS. Today - Light winds, clearing Friday-North-west winds; fair and moderately The shallow de-NAMER TO pression which was over the western covers the

great lakes and northern states. Show ers have occurred in southern Ontario, and the first likht rain for many weeks is reported from British Columbia. The weather is fine in the western provinces Temperatures.

The highest and lowest temperatures previous to 8 a.m. today were: Stations. High Low Victoria Port Arthur Parry Sound ...... Kingston Father Point

Halifax TEMPERATURES. The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were Highest, 73; lowest, 53.

official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were. Highest, 64; lowest, 60. rises at 5:19 a.m. and sets at 7:25

p.m. (star.dard time). Temperatures.



Plumb is alleged to have placed a piece of timber across the main line tracks some forty minutes believe the merchandise transfer from fore the merchandise transfer from the C. N. E. to C. P. R. came along other abilities of the control of the co WEE TOTS WORK FOR SICK CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.

### **DIVERS BATTLE FOR LIFE** IN SHARK INFESTED AREA

#### Eskimos Give Radio Concert

Chicago, Aug. 13.—Eskimos in Etah, Greenland, last night gave a musical program by radio which was heard in Chicago.

The Eskimo program was broadcast on a forty metre wave length from station WAP aboard the SS Peary ship of the Mar-SS Peary, ship of the Mac-

# U. S. TROOPS BREAK

Used in Riot at Reading, Mass.

ing over roads from four different in all are required to make the 200barracks a strong force of state certain to suffer terribly from the ESTABLISHED IN TRINIDAD barracks a strong force of state certain to suffer terribly from the troops mobilized here today and dreaded "bends" or caisson disease, has raised in connection with the stamped out a K. K. disorder as soon as they reach the surface.

which threatended to end in blood-

bombs had been hurled, a score of period of from five to fifteen minutes shots had been fired and two alleged a final thirty minutes of "decompres-Klansmen were arrested.

The meeting, which began early last night in a field on North Main street, was well advertised, police said. The white robed Klansmen were not in session more than the content of the most of the mos

Both sides accuse the other of intro-ducing this form of weapon into Klan warfare.

MOB KILLS NEGRO.

Associated Press Desnatch,
Skobey, Miss., Aug. 13.—Sidney
Townes, negro who was being held in
connection with the deaths of Jacob
McMullen, 65, farmer, and Mrs. Mary Long, 70, was taken from Sheriff and after a fierce struggle they hauled the big fish up to the surface. Five of approximately 75 men and shot to men went over the side in the launch

Fraught With Dangers

of All Kinds. GUARD OFF "BENDS"

Terrific Air Pressure Makes It Necessary To Ascend Gradually.

BY BRADLEY KELLY. American Newspaper Alliance.

Aboard Salvage Steamer Spray, off Norfolk, Va., Aug. 13.-A series of battles with hungry sharks has fea-which comes before the council on Monday night, that the city take out tured the past week's operations of UP KLAN DISORDER tured the past week's operations of the divers who are attempting to salvage the \$4.000,000 treasure of the sunken steamship Merida.

The divers, coming up from the Tear Bombs, Stones and Clubs

The divers, coming up from tioned, although he has no personal tioned, a to make long stops on the upward climb in order to rid their bodies gradually of the effects of the ter-Associated Press Despatch.

Reading, Miss., Aug. 13.—After rac-dured on the ocean floor. Three hours foot ascent; otherwise the men are lation

> that the sharks have been annoying The diver must pause for a fixed 61,000

sion." The plundering sharks await

were not in session more than half an hour when the outsiders gathered and jeered them. The from the diver by the use of decoys. gathered and jeered them. The from the diversity that with choice verbal barrage was followed by one Great hooks are baited with choice of rocks.

According to anti Klansmen the gas liberations came after pistol shots were fired into their midst.

Both sides accuse the other of intro-Several small sharks have been

caught in this manner, but the climax of the fishing season was reached this week, when Worthington Davis, the Harvard athlete, who is in command of the expedition, found a sixteen footer soundly hooked to his bait. Capture Sixteen Footer.

Seven men came to assist Davis and after a fierce struggle they hauled

#### Race Plunger Wins \$40,000 And Spends \$200 For 'Crock

This is the motto of a heavy winner at the Windsor race track who arrived last night at Glencoe from the border city in many greenbacks showing large numerals in the corners. taxicab weighted down with umerals in the corners.
"I gotta have a drink" he aned to villagers who gathered round the taxi at a gas filling station. "I'll give \$200 to the man

who first brings me a bottle of whiskey.

There was an immediate scampering of the crowd and three minutes later a youth, breathing heavily, pulled up at the running clutching a big black

The race track plunger tossed The race track plunger tossed over two \$100 bills, waved the driver on, and left the village in a swirl of dust for Toronto and Montreal. He told bystanders that he had won \$40,000 on long shots and was imbibing even a longer shot as the car disap-

#### Agnes First HUNT FOR On the Floor

Miss MacPhail Trips Light Fantastic With Conservative Opponent.

Canadian Press Despatch. Owen Sound, Aug. 13 .- When the orchestra started up for the first dance of the evening at the Women's Catholic League garden party at Chatsworth last night, among the dancers on the floor for the initial number of the evening were Miss Agnes MacPhail Progressive M. P. for Southeast Grey and Dr. L. Campbell, recently nominated Conservative candidate for the same constituency.
They spoke on the same platform earlier in the evening but direct

#### **FAVORS BRIDGE** AS PROTECTION

Dr. J. T. Bowman Points Out Indemnity Will Not Prevent Accidents.

APPROVES INSURANCE

Taking out liability insurance to protect the city in the event of the Ridout street bridge collapsing with possible loss of life to citizens, while commendable enough in its way, should not bull the city council into custody proved fruitless. Norton and Murrell have been respected in almost every part of the center of the Chicago sition in the center of the center of the Chicago sition in the center of t should not lull the city council into a sense of security over the matter, ported in almost every part of the in the opinion of Dr. J. T. Bowman, globe. Search For \$4,000,000 Treasure in the opinion of Dr J. T. Bowman, a prominent resident of South Lon

"Should the bridge collapse and cost the life of even one or two children, all the accident insurance in the world would not compensate us for allowing such a thing to happen.
I think the liability insurance is a good idea, but let us not lose sight of the fact that the best way to protect ourselves against accidents at this pridge is to either build a new one or put the old one in good

Special to The Advertiser and North

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The well-known adage of the ounce. of prevention being worth'a pound of cure, characterizes much comment heard today on the proposal Monday night, that the city take out a policy indemnifying it against loss his 84th year. Mr. DePotie was said Miss Blanchard, "when I heard a by claims arising out of accidents in which the city might be held liable. One prominent insurance man, who preferred that his name be not mentioned, although he has no not mentioned. tioned, although he has no personal cities carry such insurance. A great many of the smaller cities and many of the smaller cities and towns do, but few of the larger cities, because the rates are based on popu-lation, which would makt the premium too high in proportion to the lation afforded. This is exactly

> He claims that, judging by the experiences of the past, a premium of 5 per cent based on a population of 61,000 is more than the city would likely be called upon to pay in ment will be made in of the Ridout street bridge, he thinks
> they would be wiser to spend the
> amount of the premium in repairs to
> the bridge. He pointed out an inadvertency in the story published in The Advertiser yesterday regarding rate offered the city by one o the insurance companies. This was stated to be \$3.85 per thousand of pulation, where it should have read population, where it should have 3.85 per cent of the total population

the point which Ald. Edwin Smith

## DEFENCE ARRANGED

Ottawa, Aug. 13-Eugene Moyneur, arrested in Detroit on an alien smuggling charge, is the son of Mr. in the number of children attending the Wesleyan Methodist Sunday the Wesleyan Methodist Sunday schools however and the pastoral city. He was married last year. His letter expresses uneasiness because parents state that their son found it of this. difficult to get enough work in Ottawa to support his family, and EIGHT KILLED AS GUARDS when the baby was born he left for Detroit to see if he could obtain work there. When Mrs. Moyneur was apprise

When Mrs. Moyneur was apprised of her son's arrest, she was horrified. She exclaimed that her boy had alwave been well behaved and law-abiding, and he could not possibly be guilty of any wrong intent. "He has been victimized," she said. "by persons older than himself."

Mrs. Moyneur is getting in touch with a lawyer to represent Moyneur at his coming trial.

Associated Press Despatch. Tienstin, China, Aug. 13.—Eight persons were killed and about fifty injured in the firing yesterday by Chinese guards into a crowd which had gathered at the scene of the previous day's rioting by striking mill workers.

It is believed that several persons were drowned when they jumped into the Kaiho river to escape the bullets of the police.

#### Heroine of Hotel Hold-Up, ASKRETURN Resting at Home In London, Tells of Defying Gunmen

STILLON Vera Blanchard of 34 Stanley
Street Suffers From Bruises Received in Hotel Raid.

THREE ARE KILLED New Circulars Describing Mur-Alarm Given by London Girl

Brings Police to Hold-Up Scene. WORLD IS SEARCHED Heroine of the Drake hotel holdup

Men Wanted For Melbourne in Chicago, Miss Vera Blanchard is now resting at the home of her parents, 34 Stanley street. The ordeal through which the London girl went Provincial police have not given up when she grappled with the Chicago their continent-wide search for Wil- gangsters has left her suffering from ijam Murrell and George E. Norton, shock and bruises.

wanted for the Melbourne bank rob- The part played by Miss Blanchard bery and murder of four years ago. in the holdup and the wild shooting in the holdup and the wild shooting the circulars bearing minute descriptions affray that terrorized the hotel staff affray that terrorized the hotel staff affray that the greatest of the two men are being continu- and guests called for ously sent to police departments presence of mind and almost superously sent to police departments throughout the world.

Several were received at the local police department last week. They contained pictures of the two bandits and the fingerprint identification of only Murrell. Every possible source where Norton's fingerprints might be obtained has been depleted, and the circulars bear only his portrait and description.

Trespond to police departments throughout the world.

Several were received at the local police department last week. They did the thugs and brought aid, but not before one hotel clerk had been the police in an effort to make their escape. In the midst of the firtheir escape. In the midst of the firtheir escape. In the midst of the police in an effort to make the police

The Drake occupies a striking po-sition in the center of the Chicago Gold Coast neighborhood, bounded on the north by the Lake Shore drive, and on the other three sides by fashionable apartment hotels. Throngs are continually passing by yet it was this hotel that was chosen for a hold-up, at the busiest time, 3:30 in the The bandits came in at the main entrance. Three stayed on afternoon. the main floor, while two proceeded to the mezzanine floor, where the executive offices are located. The clerks in the office were lined up, and their

jewelry taken from them.

tion in a telegram from Ottawa to the effect that there will be no federal election this fall. The Windsor rumors also mentioned James Malecking M.P. for North Prices for Veteran East Londoner Con-A Fatal Mistake. Somehow the bandits overlooked the office of Mr. Vallett, controller of the ounce pound of of the proposal proming at the residence of his son.

In one of the proposal proming at the residence of his son. morning at the residence of his son, alone in this office. It was from here E. C. DePotie, 434 Egerton street in she ran to summon aid. "I was sitting alone in the office

commotion on the balcony. Then 1 heard someone yell: business in that section for forty years until a few years ago. He came to this city from St. Catharines fifty "I realize "'Hands up: stick them up now "I realized something was wrong. to this city from St. Catharing to the grocery years ago and started in the grocery Then I heard shots. I ran into the business at 442 Egerton street. In his corridor. There I saw the office staff business at 442 Egerton street. In his with their hands up, while two burly bandits had them covered with their

REBELLIOUS TRIBESMEN

erecting a hotel?"

Questions For Decision

By London Voters Sept. 5

SITE EXCHANGE.

Federal square site (formerly the McCormick property), having a

frontage of 198 feet more or less on Dundas street and a frontage

of 165 feet more or less on Wellington street, for the property known as the Lloyd George hotel site, having a frontage of 124

feet more or less on Richmond street and a frontage of 200 feet

more or less on Queen's avenue and Fullarton street, provided the Corporation of the City of London receives, in addition to the

exchange, the sum of \$25,000.00, and the property exchanged by

the Corporation of the City of London is used for the purpose of

FIXED ASSESSMENT.

"Are you in favor of the bylaw which enacts that the assess

ment of the real and chattel property of the Benson Hines Hotel

Company of London, Ontario, Limited, or their successors or

assigns, and used by them in the business of hotelkeepers, which

it is proposed to carry on, or may hereafter carry on, in the said

assessed at any greater sum than \$200,000.00 (excepting taxation

for school purposes and for local improvements) in any one year

taxation payable in the year commencing the first day of January,

for the term of ten years commencing with the assessment for

of London, upon the said Federal square site shall not be

"Are you in favor of the exchange of property known as the

business at 442 Egerton street. In his
younger days he was a well known
horesman and sportsman.
Four sons survive him, they are,
Joseph Reid DePotie, Edwin Clayton
DePotie both of this city: Herbert
Wesley DePotie of Toronto, and
Ernest Albert DePotie of Buffalo.
One brother Porter DePotle of
Niagara Falls and one sister, Mrs.
Haskett of St. Catharines also sur-Defies Gunman. It was here that Texas Court, Continued on Page 23, Column 7. Haskett of St. Catharines also sur

vive him.

The funeral services will be held of on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock city with the funeral at 3 o'clock. Inter-

#### cemetery. MANY MEMBERS MAY PROVE DETRIMENTAL

ducted Grocery Store For

Wesleyan Methodist Conference Issues Pastoral Pointing Out Church Dangers.

Associated Press Despatch London, Aug. 13.-That large increases in the membership of a church may be a source of danger to the church is pointed out in a pastoral letter just issued by the Wesleyan Methodist conference. Ottawa Youth Believed To
Have Been Victimized by
Border Crooks.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Aug. 13—Eugene Moyneur,

Wesleyan Methodist conference, which notes that in the past year there has been a substantial increase in the Wesleyan church membership in the United Kingdom. The letter contains a warning to the members to guard against the church's deterioration through its growth in the number of its members. number of its members.

There has been a startling decrease

#### OPEN FIRE INTO CROWD

Associated Press Desnatch.
Tienstin, China, Aug. 13.—Eight persons were killed and about fifty injured in the firing yesterday by Chinese guards into a crowd which

JAMES MALCOLM, M.P.

eral approval throughout

Ontario, leading Liberals claim.

NO FALL ELECTION,

James Malcolm, M. P. For

North Bruce, Mentioned as

Cabinet Possibility.

Canadian Press Despatch

Toronto, Aug. 13.-The Toronto

Telegram today, in a despatch from

Windsor, Ont., says that Zetique

tario legislature for Sturgeon Falls,

olm, M.P. for North Bruce,

FOREIGN MINISTER BRIAND

London, Aug. 13.—Foreign minister

Briand of France, who has been in London since Monday night engaging

in conference with the British foreign Rt. Hon. Austen Chamber

secretary. Rt. Hon. Austen Chamber lain, on the security and guarantees lain, on the security and france this

questions, returned to France

delighted with the results of

BUFFALO POLICE LAUNCH

Germans Submit Formal Applia cation to Ottawa and Washington.

DELAY IS EXPECTED

Berlin Memorandum Points Reasons Why Settlement Expected.

Canadian Press Despatch. Ottawa, Aug. 13 .- Formal request for the return of German property sequestrated in Canada during and subsequent, to the great war, has for North Bruce, who is mentioned for a post in the King cabinet. His appointment would meet with gen-appointment would meet with gen-tion is under consideration, but it is med man consul-general at Montreal, it very unlikely that any decision will be made by the government for several months at least.

#### U. S. GETS REQUEST.

Washington, Aug. 13 .- A formal ommunication pressing for the return of German property seized by the United States during the war was presented to Secretary. Kellogg by the German ambassador yester-

No comment was available at the. state department. The text has not been made public but the memo-randum is understood to point out that, in view of the status of the operations of the Dawes reparations plan and the benefit to be derived Mageau, Liberal member of the On- from those payments by the United States, the time appears appropriat while in Windsor recently received to take unofficial but authoritative informafor settlement to take up for settlement the question of German properties still held by the Washington government

# HAS RETURNED TO PARIS

Worcester, Mass., Police Officials Instructed to Shoot Without Hesitation.

Associated Press Despatch Worcester, Mass., Aug. 13.-Three armed bandits who threatened to shoot their victims at the slightest French minister to the station where he took his train. Laughing and jokup. I was too frightened to do so. so I kept on running past the bandit." he took his train. Laughing and him cester early today, and in two hours farewell. M. Briand appeared to be left a trail of holdups and threats of violence that brought every available state patrolman and Worcester policeman into a man hunt, in which orders were to shoot without hesi-

DRIVE TO FIND BANDITS tation.
At least eleven persons are known Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 13.—The police to have been held up and robbed by the desperadoes, described by all the Associated Press Descatch.
Bengazi, Italian North Africa, Aug.
13.—Captain Marcellon Emma, commanding the twenty-first mixed battalion of the Italian colonial troops and two Ascari troopers were killed by rebellious tribesmen, Aug.
10, on the road near Merj, on the Mediterranean coast, about 60 miles northeast of Bengazi.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 13.—The police here today launched a wholesale here today launched here today launched here launched here today launched here today launched here today launched her

## WOUNDS 3 CHILDREN

northeast of Bengazi.

Bengazi is the principal city of the Italian territory of Cyrenaica, North Africa.

Ward J. Field, General condition to-plant, was in a critical condition to-day. One bullet fired by a bandit penetrated his abdomen and a second struck him in the arm. Insane Woman Responsible for Tragedy in Boston Home.

Associated Press Despatch. Boston, Mass., Aug. 13.—George H. Curtis, of the West Roxbury district The following are the questions which will come before the ratepayers and his wife Mary are dead and two at a special vote on Sept. 5. On the outcome depends the building of a million-dollar hotel on the Federal square. The wording is official: daughter, Dorothy, the only member of the family who escaped injury told police her mother shot the others early today in a fit of depression and committed suicide.

George H. Curtis, Jun., 20 years old, and Marjory, 7 years old, were shot while they slept, their sister said. Dorothy reported that she escaped because she slept on an upper floor and spent some time in dressing after her mother called her shortly after 6 o'clock this morn-

Early today, Dorothy reported, he Early today, Dorothy reported, her mother called to her to come downstairs. She proceeded to dress buselone she had finished she heard four shots. When she reached the lower floor she found both hyparents dead and her brother sister wounded.

It is believed that Mrs. Common the common shape of the common

was insane.