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The Toronto World

TORONTO WOMAN BRUTALLY BEATEN IN RIVERDALE PARK BY FOUR MEN WHO ESCAPED BY SWIMMING RIVER

Mrs. E. Ford Was Set Upon by Thugs, Who Kicked and Beat Her Into Unconsciousness, Then Swam the Don and Got Away Thru the Bush—Worst Assault Case Toronto Police Have Had For Years.

Riverdale Park was the scene of a brutal assault last evening, when Mrs. E. Ford of Dawes road, a woman about 50 years of age, was set upon by four men, who beat her into unconsciousness and submission by kicks and blows from their fists. When police assistance finally reached her, the thugs escaped by leaping into the Don and swimming across to the shelter of the bush on the other side.

Mrs. Ford had spent the latter part of the afternoon in the park, and had crossed the river to climb the grassy slope to the car line. It was growing dusk and the woman evidently was hurrying to reach the car before dark.

As far as the police could learn last evening, the men leaped on her from behind a bush. She had but time to utter one scream, when one of them dealt her a blow on the side of the head which partly stunned her.

Heard Her Scream. Her one cry, however, proved sufficient, for it was heard by attendants in the Swiss Cottage hospital. The police were informed of the hearing of a woman's cries somewhere behind the hospital, and two mounted men and three constables were immediately dispatched to the scene.

In Serious Condition. Mrs. Ford afterwards stated that she had been kicked and punched by her assailants; she said that they took a purse containing \$2.75 from her before the hospital attendants scared them off. The police ambulance conveyed the woman to the hospital, where she is yet in a serious condition from shock.

ChOOSE MAYOR HENRY TO CONTEST EAST KENT TO CONTEST EAST KENT. Mayor of Ridgeway to Run as Conservative Candidate Against Ferguson.

Special to The Toronto World. RIDGETOWN, May 18.—At a convention of the Conservatives of East Kent here today, P. J. Henry, mayor of Ridgeway, was chosen as Conservative candidate for the legislature, to oppose W. R. Ferguson, the present opposition member.

MORE WHEAT SOWN IN WEST BUT FLAX GREATLY DECREASED

Canadian Press Despatch. WINNIPEG, May 18.—Following is a summary of conditions from 135 points in the west reported by The Free Press: The condition of the ground at seeding was almost universally good. The reports indicate that there is little, if any, increase in the acreage. If there is any increase, it will not exceed 5 per cent.

PEOPLE WILL SHARE PROFITS AS WELL AS LOSSES OF C. N. R. STRONG ARGUMENT OF WHITE

Finance Minister Contrasted Partnership Terms With Railway Bargains Made by Former Government—Pardee Urged Government to Take Over System at Once.

OTTAWA, May 18.—The government defence of the Canadian Northern Railway agreement was ably presented to the house today by Finance Minister White. Mr. White demonstrated that the business interests of the country required that the Canadian Northern be not allowed to go into liquidation.

QUEBEC VILLAGE SUFFERS FROM COSTLY FIRE

Practically Whole Business Section Wiped Out, Many Residences Burned and Loss of Hundred Thousand Dollars Sustained in Conflagration Lasting Two Hours.

OTTAWA, May 18.—Practically the whole of the business section and part of the residential area of the Village of Fortage du Port, Que., which is about 50 miles from Ottawa, on the Ottawa River, and has a population of nearly 500, was destroyed by fire this afternoon.

SCARBORO BEACH PERFORMER INJURED WHEN POLE SNAPPED

High Wire Artist Fell Twenty Feet While Crowd Looked On—Taken to Private Hospital in Serious Condition.

CHIEF FIGURES IN THE McMULLEN TRIAL



H. H. Dewart, K.C., attorney for the defence; R. T. Harding, counsel, and Former County Constable McMullen. Anthony Latchewitz, handwriting expert for the defence, and Miss Poyner, one of the witnesses.

MAY ARBITRATE PANAMA ISSUE

Sentiment Grows in U.S. Senate in Favor of Appeal to International Tribunal.

AMBASSADOR GIVES THANKS FOR WELCOME

Brazilian Mediator Sends Message to Duke of Connaught.

GUN-RUNNING AGAIN DISCUSSED

Lloyd George and Birrell Called Upon to Answer Queries of Unionists.

REID KILLED IN SCAFFOLD'S FALL

Former Toronto Policeman Who Aided Krafchenko's Escape, Victim With Fellow Prisoner.

DEMAND CANDIDATES OF TEMPERANCE VIEWS

Total Abstainers of South Huron Strive to Dominate Situation.

ALDERMEN OF OTTAWA TO RAID THE TREASURY

Voted Themselves Annual Salary Tho Funds Are Not Proved.

TO JOIN HANDS WITH FARMERS

Labor Men and Agriculturists May Unite on Election Candidates in Semi-Rural Constituencies.

DECREASE REPORTED IN INLAND REVENUE

Returns for April This Year Less Than for April Last Year.

AN ITALIAN CONQUEST

The soft felt hats made by Borsalino of Alessandria, Italy, have conquered the whole of society's world.

FORMER ALLIES ARE TRAITORS TO BECKER

Plitt Testified That Ex-Police Lieutenant Warned Him to Keep Away From Times Square on Night of Rosenthal Murder—Defence Will Open Case Today.

Canadian Press Despatch. NEW YORK, May 18.—District Attorney Whitman today completed his case against Charles Becker by placing on the witness stand two men whom he considered his star witnesses—Charles B. Plitt, Jr., the former policeman's friend, companion and press agent, and James Marshall, a negro youth who said he saw Becker and Jack Rose talking at the "Harlem Conference," which was declared by the court of appeals to have been the "heart of the conspiracy to murder Herman Rosenthal." The gambler's widow and several other persons also testified before the prosecutor declared his case ended.

Plitt swore that Becker had asked him while on board a train on the way from New York to the deathhouse at Sing Sing prison following his conviction, to kill Jack Rose. Plitt also said Becker had made him carry messages to Jack Rose, both before Rosenthal's murder and after Rose was locked up in the Tombs charged with having taken part in the crime.

Becker's "Stool Pigeon." Marshall went fully into the details of his alleged operations as a "stool pigeon" for Becker. He was placed on the stand as the "disinterested witness" to the "Harlem Conference," which the court of appeals said was essential to legally convict Becker as the instigator of the plot that resulted in the killing of the gambler.

Becker warned Plitt before the murder to keep away from Times Square the night it occurred and also to establish an alibi for both himself and Plitt according to Plitt. Up to two months ago, Plitt had been considered by Becker's counsel to be one of Becker's best friends and in fact he made several affidavits calculated to help the former policeman's case. His testimony today was a complete surprise to the defence.

Mrs. Becker to Testify. The defence will open its case tomorrow morning. Becker will not be the first witness. His attorneys, after a conference tonight, refused to say later, although it is known that Becker has demanded that he be given an opportunity to speak for himself. Mrs. Becker will positively go on the stand and try to save her husband from the electric chair. She is expected to contradict much of the testimony given by Rosenthal for the state who swore that Rose and her husband were very friendly. It is understood that she will also attack Plitt.