

SCOTT SENTENCED TO THE GALLOWS

Loses Fight For Life As Chicago Judge Overrules Appeal.

WILL RENEW BATTLE

Associated Press Despatch.
Chicago, Feb. 15.—Russell T. Scott, formerly a London and Toronto, Ontario, broker, who in his early twenties was the head of a \$10,000,000 Canadian corporation organized to build a \$30,000,000 international bridge between Detroit, Mich., and Windsor, Ont., was sentenced Saturday to be hanged April 17, for the murder of Joseph Maurer, a 17-year-old drug clerk, during a hold-up in April, 1924.

Judge Thomas J. Lynch, who sentenced the erstwhile financier, now reduced to penury, overruled a motion for a new trial. Scott's attorneys, however, said an appeal would be taken to the supreme court.

Scott Remains Calm.
Scott himself remained calm as sentence was pronounced, but his aged father, who had come from Canada to aid his son, collapsed. Just before the death sentence was passed, Scott dramatically faced the court and denied that he had killed Maurer, also accused of the crime and a fugitive from justice.

Scott said they had gone to the drug store to buy whiskey and that his brother, very drunk, had gone upstairs while he remained in the drug store basement. He said he heard sounds of a scuffle and then a shot was fired.

Running upstairs he saw his brother leaving the store, a pistol in his hand. He declared there had been no attempt at a hold-up, and the shooting was the result of a quarrel between the clerk and his brother.

Scott maintained that the drug store proprietor and others had testified falsely because he had related the whiskey deal.

Up to two years ago Scott had been concerned in large financial ventures. He has written several volumes on business problems and commercial ethics. In the last two years, since the failure in his business, Scott had been rapid in succession a salesman, actor, bootlegger and finally a hold-up man, according to his history as traced at the trial.

Flees From Canada.

After disagreement over his business methods among his associates in the bridge venture, he is said to have parted with a personal fortune of upwards of \$2,000,000, and to have fled Canada when faced with a breach of promise verdict for \$100,000, although he is married and the father of three children.

When first arraigned, Scott pleaded guilty to the murder charge, but

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WILLIAM Y. FITZGERALD, who represented Watford high school in the W. O. S. S. A. district oratorical contest at Sarnia on Friday evening.

tearful pleas of his attorneys prevailed upon a judge, preparing to sentence him to death, to allow Scott to change his plea. His aged father has worked incessantly for Scott, and was aided in raising money by two young women of border cities, Miss Maude M. Gauthier, Sandwich, Ont., and Miss Agnes L. Harmon of Windsor, who had arranged dances to help finance an appeal.

MEN ARE LOSING LIFE'S BEST GIFTS

Residents of City Tempted by Many Things, Declares Pastor.

Many things tempt the average man in the city to crowd out the best in life and fill it with lesser things, was brought out by the Rev. Charles S. Miller, M.A., B.D., of Wawanawa, Manitoba, who preached at First Congregational church yesterday morning.

Taking for his subject, "The Sufficiency of Christ," the minister based his theme on the words found in John 6, verses 6-8. "Lord To Whom Shall I Go?"

In that there was all the paths Christ felt in being alone, but there was no faltering in Peter's reply, "To Whom Shall We Go?"

The minister asked if people were giving the Christ spirit the place it should occupy in their hearts, their homes, lives and governments.

"I affirm that we are not," said Mr. Miller, with no uncertain emphasis. "I do not hold that mournful half-hearted spirit, honest. I am not preaching tradition today. I am alive to the social inclination of the heart of our people today, but you can not clean up the jungle of the heart of man by manhandling the claws of the tiger."

"We must go down into the heart of things," continued the speaker. "This implies that there are other persons and things, other gods, to whom we may go. Force is one god to whom nations have bowed the knee. There is a limit to material power."

"Education and knowledge must go with religion in these days. When so much power is vested in the war lords, it is our duty to see that they do not prove too zealous in their realm. People must be educated to prevent the lust for power by shaking the world and tottering it to its doom. We must bring our scientists and military leaders under the power and control of Christ."

In conclusion, Mr. Miller said that in giving themselves to God, Christians had the consciousness that they would find Christ, who is all sufficient, and with whose hold each one could live his life.

MRS. SNOWDEN PRAISES CANADIAN WHEAT POOL

Declares, On Return To England, Farmers Aided Without Hurting Public.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Eng. Feb. 15.—Mrs. Philip Snowden said today on her arrival from Canada that she was going to devote herself to the work of the commission investigating the price of food in Britain and she intended to get her teeth into the food question.

She spoke with enthusiasm of her tour of Canada, and said that there was a small and noisy communist element in the Dominion, as there was in every country. The communists went to her meetings on two or three occasions and made a lot of noise. That was about the only impression they gave her. At any rate they did not get the best of it.

What impressed Mrs. Snowden most in Canada was the organization of the farmers and particularly the wheat pool. She thought this would have a good effect in stabilizing prices as the pool would give the farmers a fair return for their work without exploiting the public.

PREACHER SPEAKS ON FINGERPRINTS

Large Crowds Greet Will H. Houghton at Wortley Road Church.

Large crowds greeted Will H. Houghton, preacher, soloist and song leader, who spoke at three meetings in Wortley road Baptist church yesterday.

The subject of the morning service was "Finger Prints." The speaker said that finger prints often proved a man. In police courts the finger print had a distinct meaning. It showed whether a man were innocent or guilty.

The world demanded that a Christian show his marks of identity. There were several of these. Self-effacement was one. Gentleness was a mark of the Christian. There was no place in life for cutting remarks or unkind actions.

These things were marks or finger prints. They were not new. They came from the time of Christ, when in John xx, 25 it was written, "And except I shall see in his hand the print of the nails I will not believe." A novel title was given to the evening subject. It was "When the mule ran away."

Mr. Houghton took his theme from Absalom riding on the mule. He likened present-day people to the Biblical figure. One man who rode on a mule was he who belonged to the church, and though he did not attend, felt secure.

Other riders were those who thought that as long as they were sincere it was enough. Another was the man who thought because he led a moral life he did not need Christ. These people, the speaker said, were only going part way to finding the fullness of true Christianity.

COMPANIES DENY COMBINE CHARGE

Steamship Lines in Statement Declare Much Good Results From Joint Action.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Montreal, Feb. 15.—That the North Atlantic Steamship Conference is not in any sense a combine, and only exists to promote and protect the interests of the public as well as those of the steamship companies forming its membership, is claimed in a statement issued today by the following lines: Anchor-Donaldson, Canadian Pacific, Cunard, Inter-Continental Transports, Limited (associated with Canada Steamship Lines, Limited), Scandinavian-American, White Star-Dominion Line, Furness, Withy & Company, Limited, Thompson-McLean, Kennedy.

Charges made by W. T. R. Preston in his report to the minister of trade and commerce at Ottawa.

The statement cites various advantages which are said to result directly from taking of joint action by the companies in respect to freight rates. Among these are fixed dates of sailing at regular intervals, enabling shippers to work with smaller stocks than they could otherwise without the necessity to engage cargo space considerably in advance, thus enabling merchants to make forward contracts for delivery of goods at a definite date; a better distribution of sailings and greater security for capital invested in the steamship business, which enables shipowners to supply an adequate number of vessels of a higher class and great speed than the ordinary tramp, and also brings about the delivery of cargo in better order, with greater dispatch and regularity, as well as the reduction of insurance premiums owing to the better class of vessels employed.

The conference between the lines is also claimed to bring about stability of rates over long periods of time, which removes the inconvenience which would exist if merchants and shippers were obliged to quote difference prices on nearly every commitment; to reduce complaints from buyers abroad and to enable shippers and merchants to calculate laid-down costs and sell goods for future delivery. It is claimed that it secures uniform freight rates to all lines, thereby protecting the small against the large shippers and to reduce the cost of service to the public by eliminating wasteful competition among the lines.

OTTAWA DENIES PLANS FOR SELLING VESSELS

Hon. George P. Graham Declares Government Not Considering Offer.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—The government is not considering an offer for the vessels of the Canadian government merchant marine. This was stated positively by Hon. George P. Graham, minister of railways and canals this morning.

Mr. Graham was referred to cable reports of an offer for the government ships.

At the Laura Secord Shop at 159 Dundas street, near Richmond street, you will see delicious Bonbons and Malaga Gropes dipped by an expert in the art of bonbon making.—Adv.

BARBER APPRENTICESHIP ASKED BY JOURNEYMEN

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Feb. 15.—Representative master and journeymen barbers, Hamilton, St. Catharines, Peterborough, Ottawa and Sarnia met here today and adopted a resolution asking the Ontario government to force sanitary conditions upon the trade and determine a period of apprenticeship for a barber.

CROSS WORD PUZZLE NO. 107

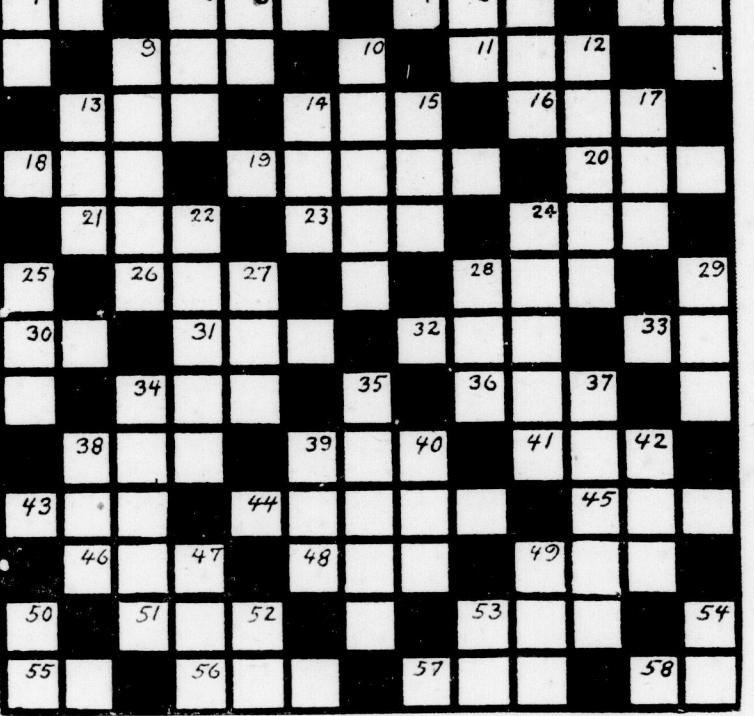
A neater example of cross-word construction one doesn't come across often in pursuit of the horizontal and vertical. There will be no need to worry about the unkeyed letters—the design and words more than make up for them. And there is not one difficult one in the set.

Each word reads from left to right (horizontal) or downward (vertical) according to position. Lettered in correctly, words that cross will interlock. Each number in the white squares also refers to a definition in the accompanying table.

Each definition suggests a word possessing the exact number of letters to fit the white spaces allotted to it.

Each white space is to receive one letter only. Words start only in numbered squares.

THE ADVERTISER'S DAILY CROSS WORD PUZZLE.



HORIZONTAL.

- 1 A conjunction
- 2 Used to propel a boat
- 4 A bone
- 7 Forty (Roman numerals)
- 9 A human being
- 11 Juice of tree
- 12 A floor cover
- 13 An evergreen tree
- 15 An unwelcome animal
- 19 A builder of stone
- 20 A conjunction
- 21 Tear or rend
- 22 Humor
- 23 Canadian National Exhibition
- 24 Canning
- 25 Company (abbr.)
- 31 At the same time
- 32 Fasten
- 33 A degree
- 34 A small serpent
- 36 To strike gently
- 38 Bashful
- 41 Juice of tree
- 42 Part of a flower
- 43 To allow
- 45 Light brown
- 48 A month of the year
- 49 East (French)
- 51 A river in Russia
- 52 Twisted
- 53 A man's nickname
- 54 A short sea
- 57 A golf term
- 58 A degree

VERTICAL.

- 1 Preposition
- 2 A grain
- 3 An indefinite article
- 5 Part of the verb "to be"
- 6 Water surround
- 8 Forty-five (Roman numerals)
- 9 Morning (abbr.)
- 10 Harmony
- 11 A coin
- 12 To deface
- 13 Used in cutting wood
- 15 A negative expression
- 17 Sorrow
- 22 A flower
- 24 Not obscure
- 25 A unit
- 27 A summer drink
- 28 Rest
- 29 A poem
- 34 The opposite to "to be"
- 35 Mephisto
- 37 A serious affliction
- 38 Placed
- 39 A precious stone
- 40 To speak
- 41 A snare
- 47 Head (telang)
- 48 Before
- 50 Steamship
- 52 A word expressing denial
- 53 A pronoun
- 54 A southern state (abbr.)

SOLUTION TO NO. 106.

CABIN ABATE
AH ORANGES MA
CLEAN I R MUMMA
HOURS SLEEP PAR
INK SISTERS SIG
REJECT O ONE AT
P BAA UNIT ART S
HAMMER MARFAR
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EXETER HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT HELD

Medals and Certificates Are Presented To Large Class.

Special To The Advertiser.

Exeter, Feb. 15.—The high school commencement held in the open house on Friday night was a marked success. Each item on the program was well rendered, and received merited applause. R. N. Orsbeck acted as chairman, and in his opening remarks spoke of the good work done in the school. The program was of both vocal and instrumental numbers and reflected great praise on the director, Roy Goulding.

The second part of the program was the presentation of certificates, diplomas and scholarships and medals.

Principal G. S. Howard of the public school presented the certificates to the entrance class and Principal E. J. Wethey of the high school presented the diplomas to the graduates of the higher forms.

J. G. Stanbury made the presentation of the scholarships and medals to the successful students who were as follows:

Entrance, Exeter public school—Muriel Howard. Exeter H. S. district—Muriel Howard.

General Honorary, Form I—Maybell Strang, Eugene Howey, Marvyn Howey. Form II—Ella Morlock, Wilfred Allan, Gordon Fowler and Marie Willis. Form III—Furle school—Newell Geiger, Lilla Snell. Form IV, upper school—1923 gold medal, Edgar Thomson; 1924 gold medal, Carl Morlock; scholarship, Lulu Morlock.

The valedictory was given by Carl Morlock.

Friends of the students were present from Hensall, Dashwood, Zurich, Crediton and other points. The opera was crowded to the doors.

FRED LONDON TO DISCUSS THAMES VALLEY HISTORY

A paper on the early history of the Thames valley will be delivered by Fred London of the University of Western Ontario at the meeting of the London and Middlesex historical society tomorrow night in the public library.

The meeting is open to the public, and a cordial invitation to all is extended by the society.

BOTHWELL WOMAN HURT BY FALL ON SIDEWALK

Special To The Advertiser.

Bothwell, Feb. 15.—Mrs. S. A. Johnston had the misfortune to slip and fall on the sidewalk on Friday and fracture her leg between the ankle and knee. A light fall of snow covered the ice, making walking dangerous.

Mrs. Johnston was leaving Bothwell this week for her new home in Independence, Missouri, when the accident happened.

Fashion Begins At Home Dressing Your Windows For Spring

A room sparkles when its draperies are new and fashionable. Are your windows dressed as you like them? At this season many take advantage of the opportunity to prepare the new window draperies and have them ready to hang when the spring cleaning is completed.

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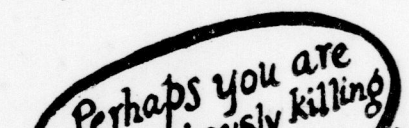
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Increase in Traffic Makes Expansion Necessary, Declares Harvie.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, Feb. 15.—Because of Montreal harbor's strategic position astride the great waterway that taps the richest section of the North American continent, continued expansion is inevitable, and further development of the port will have to be carried out at an early date to keep pace with its needs, T. W. Harvie, general manager of the port of Montreal, declared in an address to the Westmont Women's club at the Webster Memorial hall.

Available statistics some years ago showed Montreal as ranking sixth or seventh among the great ports of the world, Mr. Harvie said, but there was no doubt whatever from recent statistics that the position had now been advanced several places in relative importance.

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SEAFORTH PRESBYTERIANS HAVE VALENTINE SUPPER

Seaforth, Feb. 15.—A most successful and enjoyable valentine supper was served in the school room of the Presbyterian church on Friday evening. The tables, at which over 150 Sunday school scholars, along with the members of the staff sat down, were prettily decorated with hearts and cupid. After a tempting repast had been enjoyed the superintendent, James Cowan, presided while a short but interesting program was provided, consisting of games and folk songs by the primary class, recitations by Mrs. McClay and Miss Govenlock, a reading by Miss H. I. Graham of one of her child poems, a chorus by Mrs. J. Keer's class, and a violin solo by Miss McDougall. The meeting was brought to a close by the singing of the national anthem.

INGERSOLL MEN'S CLUB SHOWS STEADY GROWTH

Ingersoll, Feb. 15.—A very gratifying interest is being manifested in the men's club of the Methodist church, which was organized about three months ago. The club has a membership of nearly 80, and a material increase is expected at the next meeting. On Friday night over 70 members of the club were guests of the club of Central Methodist church, Woodstock. It is expected that the Woodstock club will pay a return visit at an early date, and provide the program.

EDITOR HONORED.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Feb. 14.—John R. Robinson, editor of the Evening Telegram, who leaves shortly for a trip to England, was presented with a gold pen and pencil and a pair of binoculars by the mechanical staff of the newspaper at noon today.