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## MACSWENEY CASE TIES UP BRITISH VESSELS IN NEW YORK

### IF McEVROY KNOWS ABOUT ANY SCANDAL HE MUST TELL IT

Premier Drury Says Former Crown Counsel Will Be Put on Stand.

#### "AN ABSOLUTE LIE"

The withdrawal of J. McEvoy from the investigation into crown timber lands, as previously stated in The World, is due largely to a difference of opinion between that gentleman and T. B. Harding, the government's principal counsel. The silence of both lawyers on the matter has given rise to all sorts of accusations, and to put an end to them Premier Drury yesterday announced that Mr. McEvoy would be summoned as a witness and forced to tell everything he knows.

"The statement that Mr. McEvoy was dropped because of any information which he, to the knowledge of the government possessed, is an absolute lie," said Premier Drury. "But in view of the insinuations that have been made, the government will have him called to the stand. If he has any information, other than that brought out by the government is most anxious to get it."

"We have no objection to Mr. McEvoy going to the stand and telling what he knows, if he knows anything he has not told to the commission it must be brought out."

Mr. McEvoy is intended to be asked to make a statement in the witness box. "I intend to speak to the attorney-general about the matter," added Mr. Harding. "The world is entitled to know what Mr. McEvoy has to say, and that gentleman declined to say anything."

Wants Big Limit. Negotiations have been going on (Continued on Page 8, Column 5).

### EXONERATE DRIVER IN AUTO FATALITY

Jury in Drowning Case Recommends Additions to Life-Saving Apparatus.

That Mrs. Neil Munn, who was fatally injured when she was struck by an auto driven by John McLean on Aug. 21 on the Gerrard street bridge, met an accidental death, was the verdict returned by Coroner Dr. G. B. Smith's jury at the morgue last night. Evidence as to the speed the auto was traveling when it struck Mrs. Munn was contradictory, as was also the distance the auto traveled after striking the woman. F. H. Snyder represented the crown.

Accidental death was the verdict returned by Coroner Dr. H. W. Burgess' jury at the morgue last night, at the inquest into the death of Annie Phillips, who was drowned on Aug. 13 at the Simcoe Park Beach, otherwise known as Pleasant's Island. As it was shown in the evidence that the nearest life-saving apparatus was about two miles away from the beach, and that it was used in a haphazard manner, a rider was added, recommending that life-saving apparatus stands be placed at various intervals along the beach, and that a signal system be instituted, similar to that used by the police and fire departments, also that the life-saving crew be so divided as to keep a constant patrol along this beach.

### A Field Day at the Canadian Club

Sir Auckland Geddes looks rather a hard-headed business man than a diplomat. He believes that Europe can be saved only by shipments of food and raw material from all America. He told the Canadian Club yesterday that Europe need not seeking charity, part of his business at Washington may rather be to arrange credits.

Sir Auckland talks like an Englishman, the Scotch; but not the broad English of the late Sir Howard Vincent; rather the English of Earl Grey. He paid generous tribute to the great work of Canada in the war and rather bluntly told his audience the cold truth that no British nation had made the sacrifices or borne the burden of "England and Scotland." Even in referring to the winning of peace he spoke not of Britain or the British Isles, but of England and Scotland. "Where was Wales?"

The Canadian Club, however, should not run a double-header. The presence of Sir Thomas Lipton created an embarrassment at the head table. The crowd knew more about sports than diplomacy, were kinder of sex than anatomy. They cheered Sir Thomas; president had to adjourn the meeting sans the national anthem. No wild cheering, however, was heard for Premier Drury or Attorney-General Raney. Both statesmen were present, and, unlike Sir Thomas Lipton, would have spontaneously risen to the crowd had they yielded for a legitimate

### BRITAIN TO RETAIN CONTROL OF EGYPT'S FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Otherwise Independence Will Be Granted—When General Plan is Approved Treaty Will Be Negotiated.

Washington, Aug. 27.—The proposed new relationship between Great Britain and Egypt, growing out of conferences in London between Lord Milner's mission and Egyptian representatives, was described here today as relatively the same as that existing between the United States and Cuba. Should the plan be accepted and made effective by treaty, as proposed, it would saddle Great Britain with control of Egyptian foreign affairs and guarantees would be required for protection of the Suez Canal; but otherwise the Egyptians would be independent.

A statement issued today at the British embassy said that "certain heads of agreement" had been reached during the London conferences and were awaiting approval both by the British government and the Egyptian people. When the general plan is approved, it added, the next step will be the negotiation of a treaty.

### POLES STILL ADVANCE ON PRUSSIAN BORDER

Bolsheviks, Driven Back on Line of Augustowo-Grodno, Are in Good Defensive Position—Cannot Be Formed for a Mass Manoeuvre.

Paris, Aug. 27.—The Poles continue to advance along the East Prussian frontier. Notwithstanding all their efforts, the Red command has failed to install in the Bolsheviki troops enough courage or energy to resist the Poles, who, after a few hours of almost desultory fighting, took possession of the Osowolitz forts, opened a passage across the Bobr marshes, and reached Augustowo lakes, east of the East Prussian frontier, thus getting command of the whole of the southern side of that frontier as far as Augustowo.

The Reds, driven back on the line of Augustowo-Grodno, are in a good defensive position on account of the forests and marshes which cover it. Consequently, it is difficult for the Poles to attack frontally owing to the nature of the ground and the fact that the flank of the enemy rests on the west on the German frontier and on the east on the Niemen River. The Soviet forces are concentrating in this region with the object of stopping the Poles from extending their line eastward. For this purpose the Augustowo-Grodno line constitutes a flank position so highly extolled by the late Karl Von Clausewitz, the German master of theoretical warfare.

This flank is not considered a serious one in military circles where it is said that to be of any use a flank position must serve as a base for an offensive. The military observers assert that it is hard to see what success the Soviets could be formed for a mass manoeuvre. They say that the Bolsheviki at present have available from thirty to forty thousand men who escaped from the battle of Warsaw, but that little can be expected from the interior of Russia, where the troops ordered to the front. In addition they say that the Augustowo-Grodno position depends for its

### WANNIPEG RESORT MENACED BY FIRES

Matlock Beach Seriously Threatened—Forty Families Leave.

Winnipeg, Aug. 27.—Fanned by a 17-mile southeast wind, four bush fires north of Nettley have been steadily driven toward Matlock Beach, on Lake Winnipeg, until today, at noon, one was reported to be 200 yards from the nearest cottage. There are two fires on each side of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Efforts of over 40 men to control the fires have proved unavailing, and unless the wind changes, the danger to Matlock Beach is held to be very serious. Winnipeg families living at the southern extremity of the beach, commenced to move into the city last night and it was reported that over 40 families had deserted the resort, nervous of the possible consequences of the fire.

### NOTE OF SOVIET NOT SATISFACTORY

Tone of Communication Considered to Verge on Studied Impertinence.

London, Aug. 27.—The following despatch from Lucerne was received by The London Times: "Premier Lloyd George has received the soviet note, and the impression created by it is not a satisfactory one. The tone of the communication is considered to verge on studied impertinence. The note will be the subject of an exchange of views between London, Paris and Rome. "It is expected that Premier Lloyd George will remain here another week."

### INDIAN OFFICIAL KILLED BY FANATIC

Simla, British India, Aug. 27.—Deputy Commissioner Willoughby has been assassinated in his residence at Kheri, province of Oudh, by a Mussulman fanatic. The assassin, who was aided by accomplices, entered the residence of the commissioner when all the servants were absent.

### TODAY'S PROGRAM FOR EXHIBITION

V.C. AND VETERANS' DAY.

- A.M.
- 8.00—Gates open.
- 9.00—Buildings open.
- 9.30—Midway opens.
- 10.00—War Memorials Paintings, Fine Arts Gallery.
- P.M.
- 1.00—Directors' Luncheon.
- 2.00—Opening ceremonies, main band stand, address by Sir Auckland Geddes.
- 2.15—Welcome to V.C.'s, main band stand.
- 2.30—Creators' Band, main band stand.
- 3.00—Automobile Races, grand stand.
- 3.30—Yacht Races, off Exhibition seawall.
- 4.00—Decorations of war heroes by Lieutenant-Governor, main band stand.
- 6.00—Flying Exhibition, by Col. Bishop, Barker and associates.
- 7.30—Creators' Band, main band stand.
- 7.30—Grand stand performance for and by the Veterans.

### RELEASE OF MAYOR WOULD OPEN GATES TO RECONCILIATION

Tenor of Appeals for Clemency to MacSweney Pouring in on Lloyd George.

### CONDITION UNCHANGED

London, Aug. 27.—Premier Lloyd George at Lucerne is being bombarded with appeals in behalf of Terence MacSweney, lord mayor of Cork, who is on a hunger strike in prison here. The general tenor of the appeals is that a show of clemency in this case will open the gate for reconciliation with Ireland, while a refusal would have the opposite effect. A strongly worded letter from James O'Grady, member of the house of commons, also has been received.

"The test of your sincerity in desiring a reconciliation is unconditional," says Mr. O'Grady's letter. "Release MacSweney. If you refuse this, then be damned to you and your government."

Timothy M. Healy, former member of parliament in a letter to the Dublin Press, angrily accuses Premier Lloyd George of over-riding the King's desire to show clemency in the MacSweney case. He declares that the premier "by closing the gates of mercy with a clang has made a more perverse, ignorant and lawless invasion of the authority of the crown in Ireland than any man in arms against it."

Mayor MacSweney's condition was unchanged tonight. He was very weak and one of his relatives remained almost constantly at his bedside.

Washington, Aug. 27.—A number of women who have been active in connection with the Irish freedom movement here failed today in their effort to lay before Secretary of State Coby a protest against the continued imprisonment of Terence MacSweney.

### THEY LOOK AS "THICK AS THIEVES"

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### DOCK WORKERS TIE UP ALL BRITISH SHIPPING IN NEW YORK HARBOR

Demand the Release of Lord Mayor of Cork and Permission for Mannix to Land in Ireland—All Nationalities Participated—Many Unaware of Why They Were Striking—Women Pickets Started It.

New York, Aug. 27.—Elated by their news of virtually every British ship in New York, the 2,000 or more longshoremen who suddenly quit work today, expect to spread their walkout to every port in the United States in the hope of forcing Great Britain to release from jail Terence MacSweney, the lord mayor of Cork, and permit Archbishop Mannix to land on Irish soil. The women pickets who inspired the unexpected walkout of longshoremen, and the marine firemen, water carriers and others who joined them, feel the same way about it. They are not going back to work on British ships, they said, until Great Britain meets their wishes.

Irish sympathizers working on United States, French and Belgian steamships, also quit work during the whirlwind campaign the strikers waged along the North River, this afternoon. Although not a mass longshoremen of various nationalities rushed the holds of vessels at the command of their Irish comrades. More than 250 negroes who were unloading the cargo of a Cunard liner rushed the pier and received a big ovation from the other strikers.

Women Inspired the Strikers. A little band of women pickets inspired the strike during the noon lunch hours. They stationed themselves outside the White Star Line pier in the morning to await the arrival of the Baltic, from which Archbishop Mannix was removed by a British naval vessel on that ship's last voyage to Ireland and England. The archbishop was not permitted to land in Ireland, but was taken to England, and longshoremen said they resented this.

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### WANTS ONTARIO TO OPERATE GAS FIELD

Western Municipalities Request Public Utility Plan as Remedy.

Chatham, Ont., Aug. 27.—The Ontario government will be asked to take over the gas fields and operate them as a public utility, it was decided at a meeting of representatives of western Ontario municipalities held in this city today.

After the passing of a resolution unanimously to this effect, it was decided to form a gas consumers' association whose first duty it will be to protect the interests of the people with regard to the gas supply. The officers of the association were: President, Mayor Briscoe, Chatham; vice-president, Mayor Wintley, Windsor; secretary-treasurer, H. H. Hallett, Tilbury.

### NEW PAPER COMPANY.

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—(Canadian Press.)—The Port William Paper Company, with a capitalization of fifteen million dollars, and headquarters at Toronto, heads the list of incorporations by the department of state this week. The provisional directors are all Toronto people, and include Thomas Gibson and J. C. Gibson, barristers. The company proposes to engage in every kind of manufacture of paper and pulp.

### LOOK OUT FOR SUGAR STRIKE.

The refiners, the dealers, the speculators have made so much out of sugar that it won't hurt them if they have to take a big drop quick, especially if they thereby break off a sugar strike of the women of Canada. Even the banks are telling the profiteers to lighten the cargo suddenly.

### GOOD DEMAND FOR ONTARIO WHEAT.

The Canadian grain market has taken on a better tone. The export demand, largely from Britain, is quicker and better than anticipated a few weeks ago. The fact that the British pound is worth \$4 in Canada as against \$3.55 in the States is a factor that firms buying into the Canadian market. Ontario wheat is in good demand by the smaller mills thru the province for flouring purposes, with only a limited amount of this year's wheat coming to market. It was stated at the Toronto board of trade yesterday that one dealer in the Essex district had just sold to New York brokers about 20,000 bushels of Ontario wheat, presumably for export at over \$2.40 a bushel.

### MUCH LOSS OF CANADIAN WHEAT TO ENGLAND THRU COAL STRIKE.

London, Aug. 27.—(Canadian Associated Press.)—Sir Thomas Fisher, of the Canadian Pacific Railway, fears the effect of the coal strike would be the loss to England of much Canadian wheat thru inability from shipping difficulties to lift cargoes before the Great Lakes freeze up.

### KIRBY, NOTED ENGINEER, SAYS SCORES OF HUGE BOATS NOW BEING BUILT.

Windsor, Aug. 27.—Frank E. Kirby, noted marine engineer and designer of practically all of the Detroit passenger boats, declares the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence tidewater development is bound to come regardless of opposition from eastern seaports. "During the last two weeks I have discussed St. Lawrence River deepening projects with prominent commercial interests of Chicago and other mid-western cities," he declared to the inland waterways committee of the board of commerce, Detroit.

Five-thousand-ton boats. "These cities are preparing for the advent of ocean commerce being brought to their doors."

Mr. Kirby states that scores of boats are now being built for ocean traffic and so designed that they could make use of the proposed Great Lakes outlet to the sea, as most of them, are of the five-thousand-ton type.

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