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MURDER BOMB IN WHITE HOUSE IS STORY FROM WASHINGTON

Rumored That an Attempt Was Made to Assassinate the United States President by Means of an Infernal Machine—Officials Say Story Is Unfounded.

[Canadian Press.]

Washington, July 18.—A circumstantial story of an attempt on the life of President Taft is being denied vigorously early today by White House officials and Chief Wilkie, of the secret service.

It was said that a bomb, wrapped in a package, was received late yesterday at the executive offices and placed upon the desk of Sherman Allen, one of the White House assistant secretaries, who has just been appointed assistant secretary to the treasury. The package was, of course, intended for the president, but packages and letters never reach him without first passing through the hands of a secretary, and Mr. Allen opened it.

The report was that as Mr. Allen unwrapped the package he found an infernal machine, said to have been charged with dynamite, and with fuses sputtering, which he quickly extinguished with his hands.

Mr. Allen emphatically denies the story, as do all the other White House officials. Chief Wilkie, of the secret service, also denies it. It has always been the policy of secret service and White House officers to deny publicity to any incident which savors of an attempt at violence upon the President.

Though the story as published is very circumstantial it is pronounced wholly unfounded.

STREET RAILWAY AND THE CITY ARE FIGHTING FOR TEAMSTERS

City Engineer Says He Is Having Great Difficulty in Work on Embankment.

The city council held a special meeting this morning at 11 o'clock. The matter of the market house repairs was sent to No. 1 committee to learn if the city has sufficient money on hand to make the changes desired by No. 3 committee. In the meantime the rents remain as they have been in the past.

Ald. Spittal wanted to know the cause of the delay in the repairs to the West London embankment. Mayor Graham explained that the city engineer has had much difficulty in securing teams. No sooner does he hire a team than the street railway men come around and take it away. Then the city hires it back for a day, and again the team goes to the street railway. In short, there is so much work in London that the teamsters have to be coaxed with milk and honey persuasion, or they will not consent to work.

No Fees.

The reception committee recommended that the city collect no license fees from shows, booths or privileges during the convention of the Moose here in August. The matter was sent to No. 1 committee to make the necessary arrangements, so far as the council has power.

On motion of Ald. Spittal, the matting used at the Normal School when the Duke and Duchess of Connaught were here, was given to the ladies of the Y. W. C. A.

Ald. Wright reported that Sunday street watering in London would cost price and a half—that is $114.50 per Sunday, against about $85 on week days. The matter was filed for reference.

A large number of local improvements were authorized, and several bylaws were passed.

JACK BENNETT IS STILL AT LARGE

Woods Being Scoured For the Suspect in the Brantford Murder Case.

WITNESSES OUT ON BAIL

Axon and Armour and Susan Frohman Were in House When Crime Was Committed.

[Canadian Press.]

Brantford, Ont., July 18.—Examination by the police up until an early hour this morning of Joe Axon, County Constable Armour and Susan Frohman, sister of Emily Antone, who was murdered early Tuesday morning in the village of Middleport, revealed the information that both Axon and Armour, as well as Susan Frohman, were in the house at the time the crime was committed. The three witnesses have been allowed out on sureties of $500 each. From their story, Jack Bennett, the alleged slayer, who is now a fugitive in the woods of the Indian reserve, broke into the house and appeared like a man infuriated with drink. The door of the house was smashed in pieces, and Bennett then proceeded, it is alleged, to kick and beat his victim to death. The authorities incline to the belief that both Axon and Armour were stupified with drink, while the Frohman woman was powerless to render any assistance.

The post-mortem examination last night revealed a clot of blood on the brain as the cause of death, and the doctors say that the woman died a couple of hours after Bennett fled. When the crime was first discovered she had been dead for some hours. Both Axon and Armour were given a severe gruelling by the police here last night.

The chase for Bennett was resumed early this morning with redoubled energy, motor cars being brought into service by Detective Chapman and County Constable Kerr. A number of Indians will also be secured, and the woods will be thoroughly searched. Bennett's capture means a matter of days, similar to that of his brother a few years ago, whose crime resulted finally in bringing him to the gallows.

ST. MARYS INVITES THE LONDON COUNCIL

Ald. Murphy Worked in a Free "Ad." For the Irish Picnic.

Mayor Sanderson, of St. Marys, has invited the mayor and council of London to attend the Convention of Volunteer Firemen of Ontario in that town on Aug. 7.

When the communication was read, Ald. Murphy arose at the council meeting today.

"I would like to point out," he said to the mayor, "that while this convention is important on Aug. 8, there will be one more important for the council of London to attend."

"What is it?" asked Mayor Graham.

"The Irish Benevolent Society's picnic at Port Stanley," Ald. Murphy replied.

The other aldermen giggled and accused Ald. Murphy of sparring for a free "ad." for the picnic.

"Do you invite us all to go?" his worship inquired.

Ald. Murphy intimated that invitations will be sent to all the civic daddies.

WOULD-BE SUICIDE FOILED BY CHANCE

Throws Herself Before Express Train and Escapes All Injury.

[Canadian Press.]

Hamilton, Ont., July 18. — Mrs. J. Jeffries, Barton street east, a woman 50 years of age, hurled herself in front of the Buffalo express at the Lottride street crossing of the Grand Trunk this morning in full view of a number of people. She fell clear of the tracks and the train passed over her without injuring her. The police arrested her on a charge of attempting to take her life.

AUSTRALIA TO FIGHT ANY BEEF COMBINE

Premier Fisher Says It Will Not Be Permitted in the Commonwealth.

[Canadian Press.]

Melbourne, Australia, July 18.—Answering a question in the House of Representatives with reference to the report that the American beef combine was establishing a big meat packing works in Australia, Premier Fisher said:

"The Government will spare no efforts and no expense, and will use all the means in its power, to protect Australia from the combine."

Brisbane, Queensland, July 18.—Regarding the report that American meat packers are setting up a big meat packing works here, a report of the company concerned denies that it is a branch of the American beef combine. It declares that it is a Queensland company, and that it would be registered here.

GREAT BRITAIN'S PROTEST PRESENTED TO U. S. GOVT.

Taft Will Likely Send It to Congress With a Special Message.

[Canadian Press.]

Washington, July 18.—Great Britain's formal protest against the Panama Canal bill, now in the senate, was presented to Secretary of State Knox today by A. Mitchell Innes, charge of the British embassy. Secretary Knox will send it at once to President Taft, who will probably transfer it to Congress with a special message.

Mr. Innes met a British mail steamer in New York yesterday and brought the note in person to Washington. The communication, it is understood, is an elaboration, supported by arguments, of objections to the free toll provisions of the canal legislation outlined in the note of Mr. Innes to the state department on July 9.

Australia Objects.

Melbourne, Australia, July 18.—The House of Representatives today unanimously adopted a motion setting forth that "In the opinion of this House any system providing for a bonus or a rebate of canal dues to American shipping using the Panama Canal, would be detrimental to the interests of Australia."

The Australian Premier, Andrew Fisher, said he hoped that the matter would be amicably settled by the Governments of Great Britain and the United States.

4 Breaks in Two Years

Russell Sipple, of 453 Central avenue, who some time ago established a record for misfortune by breaking his arm three times in two summers, added to his distinction at the Public Library yesterday, when he again cracked the member.

The boy was engaged in taking books from one of the upper shelves, when he lost his balance and fell on the arm which was last broken only a few weeks ago. The fracture was reduced by Dr. J. B. Campbell.

DROPPED DEAD AT G. T. R. DEPOT

Mr. William Grasby Expires Suddenly From Attack of Heart Disease.

LONG RESIDENT HERE

Was On His Way to Port Stanley For Outing When Overtaken By Death.

Mr. William A. Grasby, aged 74, who has lived in this city since coming to Canada in the early seventies, and who was formerly well known as carpenter at the old Grand Trunk roundhouse, dropped dead of heart disease on the platform of the Grand Trunk depot this morning as he was about to board a train for Port Stanley, where he intended to spend the day fishing.

Coroner Dr. Ferguson viewed the remains, but decided that death was due purely to natural causes, and that no inquest was necessary. The body was later removed to the undertaking parlors of Smith, Son & Clarke.

Mr. Grasby, who was an unusually active old gentleman, arose as usual this morning, and worked, as had been his custom, in his neatly-kept garden. For some time cherry-picking occupied his attention, and this exertion is thought to have superinduced an attack of heart failure.

He had not complained, however, and left home in a happy frame of mind with the prospect of an enjoyable day at the lakeside. However, as he passed the check room on the eastern end of the platform, he suddenly toppled over on his face, and died within a few minutes. He was carried into the baggage-room, but life was extinct.

Mr. Grasby was born in England 74 years ago, and came to Canada in the early seventies. For many years he worked in the Grand Trunk roundhouse as carpenter, but retired from that occupation twelve years ago. Since then he has lived retired for the greater part of the time.

Mr. Grasby is survived by his wife, two sons, William, of Winnipeg, and George, at home, and three daughters, Mary, a trained nurse, now residing in Saskatoon, Sask.; Mrs. William Hayden, of this city, and Miss Charlotte, at home.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been completed, but interment will probably be made at Woodland Cemetery.

OTTAWA STREET CAR RAMS HOSE WAGON

Two Firemen and a Son of Fire Chief Graham Injured in Collision.

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, July 18. — Two firemen of No. 3 fire station, Arthur Lee and John Rossignal, and Wm. Graham, the 16-year-old son of Fire Chief Graham, were injured in a collision between a street car and the hose wagon on which they were riding in response to an alarm. Young Graham, who was standing talking to his father at the station, ran for the hose wagon and rode on the side-board to the fire, while his father shot away in his motor car. At the corner of Rideau and Nelson streets, a car, which was coming at a high rate of speed, caught the hose wagon and hurled it on one side. Young Graham was caught between the wagon and the car and sustained serious injuries to his legs, head and body. He was picked up unconscious, and lies at his home in a serious condition. Fireman Lee was thrown through the window of the car vestibule, knocking down the motorman, but escaped with slight injuries. Fireman Rossignal had a miraculous escape, being thrown in front of the car, the flanges on the wheels pressing against his leg just as the car was brought to a stop.

One of the horses on the hose wagon will have to be destroyed.

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

New York, July 18.—Arrived: Aragonia, from Hamburg; Stephano, from St. Johns, Nfld.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COOLER.

Forecasts.

Toronto, July 18—8 a.m.

Today—Winds, becoming north and northwest; fair.

Friday—Northwest winds; fair and cooler.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
LONDON	85.5	54	Fine
Calgary	66	42	Cloudy
Winnipeg	64	44	Fair
Port Arthur	74	42	Cloudy
Parry Sound	78	58	Fair
Toronto	76	56	Clear
Ottawa	74	56	Fair
Montreal	74	58	Fair
Quebec	72	52	Cloudy
Father Point	58	44	Cloudy

Weather Notes.

An area of high pressure now over the Northwestern States is likely to spread eastward, following a very shallow low area which covers Ontario and Quebec.

The weather is fine throughout the Dominion.

SAVORS OF A WAR

London, July 18.—The Times says: "For some reason, which the underwriters are quite unable to explain, several independent inquiries were yesterday made for terms for war insurance.

"To cover the risk of an outbreak of war between this country and Germany within the next twelve months six guineas ($30) per cent is quoted.

"This risk had not been seen in the market for a considerable time past. Very likely it may not be seen again for some weeks. It is assumed that some of the inquiries were connected with stock exchange dealings."

IS LONDON TO HAVE CAMPAIGN TO "SWAT THE FLY" FOR PRIZES

Sum of $25 Offered the Board of Health to Begin the Good Work—Greatest Swattists Will Win Cash When They Produce the Swatted.

Is London to have a "Swat the Fly" campaign? The Advertiser is informed that the sum of $25 was offered the board of health yesterday by a leading member of the local Council of Women to commence a campaign in London against the pest. If the board of health lends its co-operation, it will mean the destruction of thousands of flies in this city.

The plan is to award prizes varying from $1 to $10 to the persons submitting the largest number of dead flies within a given time.

In Ottawa recently the scheme was carried out very successfully by the board of health and the Ottawa Council of Women, exactly 458,300 flies meeting their death. There were 17 contestants, five of whom were girls. The local Council of Women are always in the lead of "forward movements" of every description, and now await an answer from the board of health.

EALING RATEPAYERS WILL HOLD MEETING TO TALK ANNEXATION

A Session Has Been Called For Next Monday Night in Hamilton Road Schoolhouse—Feeling Is Said To Be Favorable to Coming Into the City.

The agitation among the residents of the districts east of the city limits for annexation with London is apparently growing stronger daily, and as a result a meeting of the ratepayers of Ealing has been called for Monday evening at the Hamilton road school house to discuss the question.

Ald. Johnston, of the city council, has been invited to attend and will explain to those in attendance the advantages of entering into some arrangement for a union.

There is said to be a very strong sentiment in favor of annexation as the inducements offered such as thoroughly efficient fire and police protection, pure water supply, electric light service, roadways and sidewalks, appeal to the people of the district.

The larger question of a Sunday car service in which the people of the suburbs are greatly interested, together with citizens of London, is also being taken into consideration. While there is not the slightest doubt that London has a population far ahead of the 50,000 required for Sunday cars when the suburbs, which are only divided from the city by an imaginary boundary, are taken into consideration, this technicality would be eliminated by the amalgamation.

ONE KILLED, SEVERAL INJURED IN TORONTO AUTO SMASH

R. A. Smith, Prominent Financier Killed—Victor H. Ross Seriously Hurt.

Toronto, July 18.—Victor H. Ross, of the Globe; J. Lorne Campbell, broker, and Herbert McKenna, chauffeur, injured in the automobile accident at Richmond Hill last night, in which R. A. Smith, the prominent Toronto financier, was killed, were reported to be doing as wel las could be expected today. The injuries of Mr. Ross are reported to be the most serious.

ASSESSMENT WILL BE BASED ON RECENT SALES ON PROPERTY

Township of London's Appeal Goes to Judge Macbeth For Settlement.

The municipality of London Township has raised objection to the action of the county council, which at its June sessions adopted the report of the equalization committee, thereby ratifying the assessment made two years ago, and as a result County Judge Macbeth has been appealed to to investigate the township grievances.

A meeting of the equalization committee was held in Judge Macbeth's chambers this morning, and a resolution was passed giving the county judge power to rearrange the assessment if he finds that such a step is advisable.

The judge has decided to base his equalization upon the records taken from the registry office of the sales of property during the last six months of 1911 and the first six months of 1912.

At the last session of the county council the municipalities of London Township and Westminster Township were the only ones to object to ratification of the present assessment, and it would not be a surprise if Westminster Township would now appeal. If the judge finds that the Township of London has a grievance, the costs will be borne by the county, but if not the township will have to pay all costs.

OH, WOE! WOE! ICE CREAM SODAS DOUBLED IN PRIGE

Evil News For the Fair Sex of London—Cream Goes Up Given as Cause.

The price of ice cream sodas went up to 10 cents today as a result of the advance in the price of cream. For the past two years local confectioners have threatened to raise the price of this cooling drink from 5 cents to 10 cents, but as the price of cream was kept at a stationary figure, it was found possible to dispense sodas at the former price.

Last week, however, cream became dearer by 15 cents per gallon, and as this means to some of the dealers from $100 to $150 per month increase, the advance in soda prices followed. In almost every other city and town in Canada sodas sell for 10 cents.

LONDON MAY AGAIN TAKE VOTE ON THE SUNDAY CAR QUESTION

Efforts Are Now Being Made to Have Petitions Circulated.

That another serious effort is to be put forward immediately to have a Sunday car service inaugurated in London was announced today by a number of prominent gentlemen, and plans are now being formulated to have the city council submit the question once more to a vote of the people.

Already the people of London have expressed themselves in favor of Sunday cars on more than one occasion in unmistakable fashion, and while this has had little effect upon the Whitney Government, another campaign is to be waged without delay.

It is complained by those who worked for Sunday cars in other elections that the city suffered seriously when the Premier failed to listen to the majority before, but despite this the vote is again to be asked for. No doubt is entertained but that it would be possible to obtain an overwhelming majority in favor of the service.

A BRITISH PROTEST.

London, July 8.—Great Britain has protested against the establishment of an opium farm in Yun Nan under official auspices, according to the Pekin correspondent of the Daily Mail. The object of the authorities in connection with this farm is the export of opium to French Indo-China.

WEST. ONTARIO BOWLING ENTRY LIST LARGER THAN EVER BEFORE

Entries Will Close This Evening—Draw for the First Round Will Be Published On Friday—Tournament Opens On Monday Next.

The entries for the Western Ontario bowling tournament close this evening at 6 o'clock, and the draw for the first rounds in the different trophy events will be published on Friday. The entry list this year is bigger than ever before and with fine weather the tournament should prove the most successful ever held in this city.

Secretary Dr. Wood received the entry of the famous Rennie brothers' rinks, of Toronto, so that all the old timers will be back again this season. The Rennie rinks have been a little unfortunate in the tournaments they have competed in this year, although they put up a great fight at Niagara. However, they are coming to London with the intention of sweeping all beforre them, and there will be something doing all the time when these fellows get going.

An Explanation.

Although the entries close this evening at 6 o'clock, any received after that hour will likely be included in the draw. In former years, it has been found that many rinks have entered at the last moment, owing to the fact that the bowlers find it hard to decide whether they can get away or not.

The greens at the London Rowing and Bowling Club grounds are in splendid shape, and there can be no complaint of rough ground as occurred at Niagara this season. The place is being decorated at present and will present a fine appearance on Monday morning, when the tournament commences.

FARMER'S BANK INQUIRY AGAIN DISCUSSES CHECK

Mr. Calvert Says He Has No Recollection of Introducing Travers and Ryan.

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, July 18.—The Farmers' Bank inquiry was adjourned sine die after a session of about an hour and a half's duration held this morning in the railway committee room of the senate.

Evidence was taken with regard to the statement made by Travers that the $3,000 of the bank's funds, of which no record has been found, was paid over to Peter Ryan, in return for assistance given in the securing of a charter.

The books of the Russell Hotel here were produced to show that Ryan had been in the city on Nov. 28, 1906, when Travers was also here, but there was no evidence of any check or letter having been given to Ryan, or, of any conference between Ryan and Travers. Sir William Meredith and Mr. Frank Hodgins, K. C., agreed on an adjournment with no set date for the next meeting.

Ryan Registered.

Mr. George Mulligan, proprietor of the new Russell, who was first questioned, gave evidence to the effect that Peter Ryan was registered there on Nov. 28, 1906.

The hotel register showing Mr. Ryan's name entered on that date was produced.

There was no room number opposite it, however.

Mr. Hodgins asked wether Mr. Ryan could possibly have secured a room during ap rt of the day without there being any record of it.

"If he had had a rom he would have been charged for it, and there would be an entry," replied the witness.

Mr. Calvert Called.

Mr. Calvert, who was member of Parliament for West Middlesex riding at the time the charter was granted to the Farmers' Bank, was next called, and was asked if he had introduced Mr. Ryan to Travers.

"Whether I did or did not introduce Peter Ryan to Travers I have no recollection," he said.

Mr. Travers had come from Toronto with a letter of introduction from Mr. Urquhart to himself, the witness said.

He had taken Travers up and had introduced him to the Finance Minister, Mr. Fielding.

Travers arrived on the morning train of Nov. 28, and at that time the witness was stopping at the New Russell.

"When was it you introduced Mr. Travers to anyone in the Russell?" asked Mr. Hodgins.

"I have no recollection of introducing him to anyone there."

"Did yo ureceive a note from Travers after the introduction with the Finance Minister?"

"I don't remember, anyway."

"Do you remember seeing any envelope addressed to Peter Ryan?"

"I never saw any. There was never any suggestion made of anything of that kind."

"Of what kind?"

"Of an envelope or a check."

Mr. Jack O'Brien, clerk in the Russell, who was behind the counter at the time of Ryan's visit, was next called. He said Ryan had not had a room while there, and that if he had been assigned a room there would be a record of it in the books.

He has no memory of a letter or communication of any kind having been left at the office for Mr. Ryan, or of Mr. Ryan making any inquiry for one.

The deputy minister of finaace, Mr. T. G. Boville, was next called and questioned regarding the list of subscriptions to the Farmers' Bank submitted by Travers at the time he made application to the department for a charter. His evidence for the most part was a repetition of the statements made by the Hon. Mr. Fielding at the previous hearings of the inquiry. There was, he said, no more reason to suspect the bonafide nature of the subscriptions than those of any other applicants for a bank charter.

Witness said he had no recollection of having had any conversation with Mr. Calvert on the subject about that time.

Mr. Boville, at his own request, was asked if he had received any of the $3,000 which Travers asserts was given

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GRAIN GROWERS OF WEST MAY CONTROL ELEVATORS

Prairie Province Farmers Will Endeavor to Take Over the Manitoba Plants and Those at Fort William and Montreal, so as to Control Distribution.

[Canadian Press.]

Winnipeg, Man., July 18.—The grain growers of Western Canada have decided to take over the Manitoba Government elevators system and secure control of the Fort William terminal elevators, if they can. This was decided late last night, after an animated two-days' debate on the situation. This is the climax of a four-years' campaign on the part of the grain producers of three prairie provinces, and it is expected to be the entering wedge that will place all elevators in the West at the head of the lakes, and at Montreal, under their control. A delegation will wait on the Manitoba and Dominion Governments also. In Manitoba the Government has 104 elevators. They expect to lease them at six per cent interest on their cost a period of five years. It is understood that the Provincial Government of Manitoba is favorable to permitting the farmers to control the storage and distribution of grain. An offer was made to lease the elevators for one year by the Manitoba Cabinet, but the grain men want a five-year lease.

These details are yet to be worked out.

CADETS TO BE WELL FED IN CAMP THE MENU EQUALS BEST HOTEL

Mayor Graham Learns of Food That Will Be Placed Before Lads.

There will be no famine for the cadets when they come to camp in London and on Monday next. This is plainly evident by the bill of fare which has been provided for their benefit, and would make the table of the Prince of Wales look cheap in comparison.

Anxious mothers need have no fear that their little Frank or Tommy will come home a shadow; much rather medical advice will be needed to cure a stern case of dyspepsia. The variety of the menu will be the most pleasing to the cadets, and if the quality is as good as the quantity provided, the boys will undoubtedly have the time of their lives. Here is the rations per day which will be served to each. Mayor Graham went to the trouble to learn just what food will be furnished the lads.

Bread 1¼ lbs., flour 1 oz., meat 12 oz., bacon 2 oz., coffee 1-3 oz., tea ¼ oz., vegetables 5 oz., pepper 1-36 oz., salt ½ oz., sugar 4 oz., potatoes 1 lb., peas lb oz., butter 3 oz., rice or tapioca ½ oz., rolled oats 2 oz., milk 1 pint, fruit, 1 orange or banana, broken biscuit ad libitum

A Splendid Menu.

For breakfast which is to be served at 7 a.m., the boys will survive on fruit, porridge, sugar and milk, bread, butter and coffee, while the meat course will change every day. Sausages, liver and bacon, bacon, fish, will be sufficient for them to build up their muscular limbs.

Monday, dinner at 12:30: Pea soup, roast beef, potatoes, vegetables, rice pudding and jam:: Tuesday: Beef broth, boiled beef, vegetables, potatoes, tapioca pudding. Wednesday, dinner: Vegetable soup, roast beef, potatoes, vegetables, bread pudding. Thursday: Pea soup, brown stew, potatoes, vegetables, rice pudding and jam. Friday: Vegetable soup, roast beef, potatoes, vegetables and tapioca pudding. Saturday: Beef broth, stewed beef, potatoes vegetables, bread pudding.

And Listen to This!

The menu for the 5 o'clock tea is as follows: Cold meat, bread and butter, jam and tea. This applies daily except on Thursday, when hash will be served instead of cold meat.

Supper will be served at 8:30 sharp, and will consist of biscuits, bread and milk.