

MILLIONS OF POUNDS OF SUGAR HELD IN STORAGE WHILE PRICE WAS HIGH OWING TO "SHORTAGE"

Huge Quantity Held by New York Brokers Lies in Halifax Warehouse—Deterioration Is Setting In As a Result of Warm Weather—Slump in Price Likely To Mean a Big Loss To Owners.

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 2.—While Nova Scotia was saving 25 cents a pound for sugar most of the summer (one of the reasons given for the high price being an alleged scarcity), millions of pounds owned by New York speculators were stored right in Halifax, in the Dominion Government warehouse at the ocean terminals. Having been stored there for nearly four months in the hottest season of the year, part of the sugar which still remains is deteriorating in value. If the hot weather continued much longer, a large part would cause a big loss to the New York owners, who will probably welcome the coming of cooler weather.

Early in May 12,000 bags of sugar were sold by a refinery to some New York brokers, and the whole was stored

OLDEST CHORISTER IN THE WORLD

Approaching his 87th year, Richard Stapells, 54 Spruce street, Toronto, can lay claim to being the oldest chorister in the world. Entering a church choir in his home town of Rochester, Eng., about the year 1832 he has been a member of church choirs ever since. A period of 68 years, and as far as can be ascertained, he is the oldest living member of a church choir in the world.

Previous to coming to Canada about half a century ago, Mr. Stapells had a record of about 20 years' singing service in the choirs of his native land, having been connected with St. Margaret's Church, Rochester; Rochester Cathedral, and St. Mary's, Stroud, born in London, Eng., he spent his boyhood days in Rochester, and was a very close friend of Charles Dickens, the famous novelist.

Richard Stapells is the organist of the Church of the Messiah, and his grandson, Richard Stapells, is a prominent Toronto manufacturer and an ex-president of the Empire Club, Toronto.

INCOME TAX AMENDMENT MAY PRACTICALLY DOUBLE THE AMOUNT AT PRESENT RECEIVED—SEPARATE DEPARTMENT MAY BE ESTABLISHED TO HANDLE ITS COLLECTION.

That London's revenue by taxation can be increased enormously under the new income taxation amendment adopted July 15, following passage of same by the Legislature is admitted by those in touch with the situation. The amendment recedes that portion of the statute exempting dividends derived from shares in the stock of a corporation carrying on a mercantile or manufacturing business, and makes these dividends liable to taxation.

By this means the revenue derived through income taxation by the various municipalities throughout Ontario could be practically doubled, and in London the subject and other civic officials would not venture a statement as to the probable amount of increased revenue the city would derive under the amendment. However, it is known that the present municipal revenue obtained via income tax would be doubled, and although involving a tremendous task, would yield thousands of dollars.

City Assessor Stephen J. Budeney, in attending the convention of the Ontario Municipalities Association in Toronto today and could not be interviewed on the subject and other civic officials would not venture a statement as to the probable amount of increased revenue the city would derive under the amendment. However, it is known that the present municipal revenue obtained via income tax would be doubled, and although involving a tremendous task, would yield thousands of dollars.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT WILL DISREGARD ANY PLEAS FOR LIBERATION OF MACSWINEY

Sir Hamar Greenwood Declares There Will Be No Deviation From Present Course—Lawlessness in Ireland Is the Work of a Small Body of Anarchists—Sinn Feiners Who Now Invoke Mercy For MacSwiney Showed No Such Spirit Towards the Eighty Loyal British Policemen Murdered by Irish Reds.

Aberdeen and Tamar, former vicar of Ireland, in a letter to a weekly paper, strongly advocated a reversal of the Government's policy of coercion in Ireland, and the release of Lord Mayor MacSwiney. The master makes a strong appeal for Lord Mayor MacSwiney, who, he says, if allowed to succumb to starvation will undoubtedly be regarded by millions of people as a hero and a martyr.

London, Sept. 2.—Appeals on behalf of Lord Mayor MacSwiney of Cork, who is in a critically ill condition in Brixton Prison, this city, as a result of a hunger strike as a protest against his arrest, will not be received by the British Government, Sir Hamar Greenwood, chief secretary for Ireland, strongly intimated in an interview with the correspondent of the London Times at Lucerne today. Sir Hamar also indicated the Government would unwaveringly adhere to its Irish policy.

"None of the mercy which some seek to invoke for the lord mayor," said the chief secretary, "was shown to the eighty policemen who have lost their lives in Ireland."

GERMANY THINKS IT UNWISE TO ADD BOLSHEVSKI

Dr. Simons Said Urgings of Russian Reds Were Ignored. HAD SOUND REASONS Support of Soviet Government Would Have Been Disastrous, He Says.

Berlin, Sept. 1.—Dr. Walter Simons, the foreign minister, addressing the Reichstag foreign affairs committee, today declared he had been urged to collaborate with the Russian Bolsheviks against the western powers as a means of breaking the bonds imposed by the treaty of Versailles, but that after mature consideration he had rejected this course.

"If we had followed these exhortations," said the foreign minister, "Germany would immediately have become a theatre of war. Furthermore, the disastrous consequences which Bolshevikism might be expected to bring with it would have fallen with double force upon Germany."

LONDON GIRL WINS PRIZE FOR ESSAY

Louise Watt Awarded First Place in Ontario Safety League Competition.

Principal E. Wyatt of St. George's School, Toronto, was today announcing the results of the Ontario Safety League essay competition. Louise Watt, daughter of Principal W. R. Wyatt of Wootton Bassett school, has been awarded first prize for her essay on "How to Prevent Motor Accidents," in the competition held by the Ontario Safety League. Miss Wyatt won a cash prize of \$15, first prize in Class A for children 12 years and under. Another prize also came from London in connection with the competition, as fifth prize, was awarded to Howard Obeay of Toronto. Miss Wyatt is making a record for prize winning essays, having last year won first prize in the contest held by the Ontario Safety League, and second in the Victory Loan contest.

SOVIET ARMY AT LEMBERG ANNHILEATED

Bolshevik Force Under General Budeney Is Wiped Out. OUTFLANKED BY POLES Large Number of Reds Are Lost in Battle With Polish Forces.

Warsaw, Sept. 2.—The Bolshevik army of Gen. Budeney, noted cavalry leader, was annihilated during the operations in the Lemberg region, which began August 28 and ended September 1, says the Polish official statement on military operations issued today.

Isolated detachments of the Budeney forces have escaped and are now in disorderly retreat.

Gen. Budeney's mounted men had been endeavoring to break through the Polish lines and march upon Lublin. They had virtually completed an encircling movement against Zamosc, midway between Lublin and Lemberg, but were outflanked by the Poles and attacked from the east, the communists were engaged in the fighting, and the Russians were compelled to retreat in disorder, with the Poles in close pursuit.

CONSIDERS IT IS OF NO CONCERN TO UNITED STATES

Boston, Sept. 2.—The Local Coalition, of which Demarest Lloyd is president, today sent to Secretary of State Colby a telegraphic protest against intervention in the case of Terence MacSwiney, the prisoner of Cork, who is on a hunger strike in Brixton prison in London.

"The starvation from which he is suffering is self-inflicted. The case is not in any sense a proper concern of the Government of the United States," the protest said.

STOLE TO BUY FLORIDA WATER

Sarah Robinson's Craving For Drink Results in Severe Sentence.

Sarah Robinson's craving for liquor of the result of her being sent down for not less than six months and not more than two years, when she was found guilty of stealing a pair of trousers from a man, but was allowed to go on suspended sentence.

One theft was committed in the house of Charles Smith, 1228 Trafalgar street.

"Did you steal the clothes?" required Crown Attorney McKillop.

"No," replied the prisoner. "I took them to pawn them and make some money to buy Florida water."

"But to take them without permission is that not stealing?" asked the crown attorney.

"Smith gave me permission to go into his house, and I saw the clothes and took them," stated the prisoner.

"You are guilty of theft," stated the crown attorney.

"Yes," replied the prisoner. "I was a dispirited life. For some time it was as if I was living with John Purcutt, who was a thief. At different times she has come to the city and lived with colored people, a few days ago, and was up to the time arrested living with a colored man."

She has had two children. One, a girl, is at present in the Mercer Reformatory, having been sentenced some time ago by Magistrate Graydon. The other, a boy nine years of age, is being taken care of by the Children's Aid Society.

"Sentence her so as to get her away from the awful life she is living," requested Crown Attorney McKillop.

"Your case is a very sad one indeed," said the court. "Your life could not be worse, and I am not imposing this sentence upon you for punishment, but to get you away from these people."

ARMY CODE AND CIPHER STOLEN BY SINN FENERS

Valuable Documents Taken During Raid On Royal Air Force Headquarters.

London, Sept. 2.—A Sinn Fein raiding party invaded the Royal Air Force headquarters at Baldry, near Dublin, Saturday night, and carried off a large number of secret military documents, including the army code and cipher used at the present time, according to the Daily Mail. It is declared the coup was the most daring and important that has been attempted in Ireland since the present unrest in that country began.

Among the papers stolen, it is said, were orders relating to the formation of the army, navy and air force, and the Royal Irish Constabulary; the scheme of Irish defence plans, the details for lighting airbases for night flying, and proposals for new developments of the royal corps in Ireland. Revolvers, ammunition and field glasses were also taken.

BUY SEVEN ACRES FOR NEW FACTORY

Local Firm Has Been Incorporated With Capital of \$3,000,000.

Incorporation has already been granted for the new Ruggles Motor Truck Company, Limited, of London, according to an announcement made by George H. Reid, president of the London Chamber of Commerce, today. The company is incorporated with an authorized capital of \$3,000,000. The property on which the new factory is to be erected has been purchased from the London Chamber of Commerce, and the company has been granted a license to use the property for the purpose of erecting the factory.

APPEALS MADE TO COMMUTE SENTENCE OF QUEBEC WOMAN ON BUSINESS BASIS

Department of Justice Considering Mrs. Gagnon's Case.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Sept. 2.—The department of justice at the present time is wrestling with evidence in the case of Mrs. Gagnon, a Quebec woman, sentenced to October for the murder of her son, a girl of about 16. The evidence in the case was of a most exclusive and revolting nature. The victim was subjected to a process of lacerating torture and starvation, and finally succumbed to emaciation and bodily injuries inflicted in some cases, by red-hot poker or a whip. The father of the girl was held partly responsible for the crime, and sentenced to life imprisonment.

While there is strong feeling in the community in favor of the death penalty, the department of justice is being urged to commute the sentence on the basis of the girl's mental condition.

Prominent among the petitioners is the Anti-Hanging Society, of which George P. Graham and Robert Bickelike, this society is opposed to the death penalty, and has been active in the present case in the department of justice.

The girl, who was born in Canada, was Cordelia Vian, who suffered the extreme penalty at St. Schastique in 1914, for the murder of her husband. A decision by the justice department in the present case will be a landmark in the history of the death penalty in Canada.

STRIKE NOTICES TO BE SENT TO MINERS

Walkout Is Called For in Great Britain On September 25.

London, Sept. 2.—Strike notices calling for a walkout of members of the British Miners' Federation on September 25, will be sent out today, according to a decision reached at a meeting of the district delegates of the federation here this morning. The executive committee of the "Transport Workers' Union and of the railwaymen, have been holding joint sessions here for the past two weeks, and have shown a disposition to support the miners, but nothing definite was known this morning of the decision relative to any sympathetic strike.

The former organization must take a vote of its members before calling for a strike, and the railwaymen need refer the matter only to a conference of delegates.

Belief has been expressed here, even if the strike notices should be sent out, a stoppage of work may be averted, as the actual walkout may be suspended from day to day under the rules of the federation.

LESS DISCOUNT ON CANADIAN DOLLAR

Marked Improvement on Canadian Exchange in New York.

New York, Sept. 2.—A marked improvement was shown in Canadian exchange this morning. The discount rate on Canadian dollars went down to 8 1/2 per cent. Officials at local agencies of the American banks said they could not ascribe any reason for the drop. They refused to discuss reports published here that a large amount of gold is being shipped from Ottawa to New York. Sterling exchange was heavy. Demand 355. Cables 355 1/2.

FRANCE AND HUNGARY SIGN TRADE TREATY

Paris, Sept. 2.—Signature of a treaty between France and Hungary relative to commerce between the two countries is announced here by the Matin. This convention, it is declared, will stipulate that in case of military necessity, the two countries will accord protection to Danube navigation. The Matin adds that the treaty is in no way prejudicial to the agreement between France and Yugoslavia-Slovakia.

EMPLOYERS DELIVER ULTIMATUM TO THE BRITISH PRINTERS

London, Sept. 2.—Canadian Associated Press.—The printing trade employers have sent an ultimatum to the Typographical Association, which states that unless all the Manchester and Liverpool members return to work in two weeks, the association outside of London. The strikers tacitly admit that they withdrew their labor not because the masters failed to keep faith, but because their own executive failed to convey the masters' offer to them.

31,000 MEXICAN MILL WORKERS ON STRIKE

Fears Entertained That the Movement Will Spread.

Mexico City, Sept. 2.—Thirty-one thousand workers unexpectedly went out on strike here yesterday. They were mostly mill hands, but it is feared the strike will spread.

POLES OCCUPY SEVNY

Paris, Sept. 2.—The Poles have occupied Sevny, in Lithuania, east of Suwalki, for strategic reasons, the foreign office announced today. The Poles also are advancing beyond Suwalki for the same reason, it was added.

CHICAGO MAYOR SAYS ILLINOIS GOVERNOR IS A CROOK AND A LIAR

Chicago, Sept. 2.—Mayor William Hale Thompson, addressing two political meetings last night in the Illinois Republican primary campaign, declared that Governor Frank O. Lowden was a "crook and a liar."

Mayor Thompson said "he helped to elect Lowden four years ago," and added, "but we won a hollow victory, for we elected a crook for governor, and his word is no good."

At another meeting he said: "Frank O. Lowden is a liar. I apologize for supporting him."

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—FINE AND COOL. Toronto, Sept. 2.—8 a.m. Forecasts. Fresh northerly winds; fine and cool today and on Friday.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 3 a.m. today.

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	74	52	Clear
Vancouver	74	48	Clear
Port Arthur	64	42	Clear
Park Sound	64	42	Clear
St. John's	64	42	Clear
Buffalo	70	52	Clear
Toronto	74	48	Clear
Kitchener	74	48	Clear
Ottawa	68	48	Fair
Montreal	68	50	Fair
Quebec	68	50	Fair
Thunder Bay	68	50	Fair
Winnipeg	68	50	Fair
Saskatoon	68	50	Fair
Regina	68	50	Fair
Calgary	68	50	Fair
Edmonton	68	50	Fair
Winnipeg	68	50	Fair
Saskatoon	68	50	Fair
Regina	68	50	Fair
Calgary	68	50	Fair
Edmonton	68	50	Fair

APPEALS TO UNIONIZED LABOR TO CHECK DRIFT FROM FARMS

Sherbrooke, Que., Sept. 2.—Speaking at the Eastern Townships Exhibition yesterday, Hon. J. A. Caron, provincial minister of agriculture, warned the inhabitants of this province against abandoning the farm for the city. He advocated the adoption by unionized labor of measures to insure that inexperienced help would not be allowed to compete with urban labor, but that the unions should demand a certificate of apprenticeship from all entering their ranks. Thereby the influx of farmers to the city would be stopped to a great extent, as the temptation now is to get the high wages paid for industrial labor and enjoy the advantage of short hours, amusements and easier work.

SENATE COMMITTEE IS AWAITING DOCUMENTS

Chicago, Sept. 2.—Members of the Senate committee investigating campaign expenditures are waiting today expected to receive the data on which Governor Cox based his charges against the Republican campaign committee. The committee is raising a \$15,000,000 campaign fund. E. H. Moore of Youngstown, Ohio, Cox's pre-convention manager at San Francisco, en route here with documents furnished by Governor Cox, according to word received by the committee.

NO HARM DONE TO FRUITS OR VEGETABLES, SAY THE FARMERS.

Although the thermometer at the local observatory only gives the temperature this morning at 33, those who were out early saw the first frost of the season. It was light, and there was no harm done to the fruit or vegetables. There was a distinct fall touch in the air today, and many citizens were reminded that the frost will be long before cold shovelling will be necessary. Farmers stated that no harm was done to fruits or vegetables.

WATERMELONS AT TWO CENTS A PIECE

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 2.—Watermelons are being sold here at 2c each. The pier is crowded with boats of every description, loaded to capacity with melons that cannot be sold. More than 150,000 have been placed on the market here in the last two days. The price has ranged from \$2 to \$10 per hundred.

What's Doing Tonight? Lewis-Mary Miles Minter, in "Jenny and the Doctor," at the "When Bear Cat Went Dey," and vaude. Grand—"The P. B. I." Allen-Madge Kennedy, in "The Girl with the Hat," at the "When Bear Cat Went Dey," and vaude. St. George's, 42, A. F. and A. M. meets tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Modellers meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock.