High Infant Mortality Rate In Montreal Due To Slums

[Special to The Advertiser.]

MONTREAL, Sept. 29.—The distinctly unfavorable position of Montreal with regard to infant mortality in comparison with other cities of the Dominion was pointed out today by the Rev. Peter Bryce, secretary for Child Welfare work on the Social Service Council of Ontario, who is attending the convention of the Canadian National Council on Child Welfare, now in session at the Windsor Hotel.

The infant mortality rate in Montreal in 1920 was 192 per 1,000, according to Mr. Bryce, who compared this figure with that for the same year of Toronto, 154; Ottawa, 162; Winnipeg, 101, and Calgary, 69. Mr. Bryce did not have complete figures for the Dominion, but he showed that the province of Quebec in 1919 had an infant mortality rate of 141 per 1,000, while the Ontario rate last year was 103. Nova Scotia had a rate of 116, and British Columbia's was 61.

New Zealand Rate Low.

While these figures showed a reduction over infant mortality figures of a decade ago, they were not in a class with those of New Zealand, which enjoyed the distinction of having the lowest infant mortality rate in the world, with only 40 per 1,000, this figure having been reduced from 80 per 1,000 in the course of a very few years.

New Zealand's low rate was attributed to its equable climate, the absence of large cities and tenement dwellings, and to an official local Child Welfare Society. Montreal's high rate, on the other hand, was no doubt largely due to the congested slum dwellings in the cosmopolitan centre of the city, combined with a severe climate.

The possibility of reducing infant mortality even in slum areas was pointed out by Mr. Bryce, who said that England, with its big slum population, had reduced its rate from 155 in 1900 to 80 at the present time.

Mr. Bryce has just returned from two international Child Welfare conferences, at London and Brussels, which he attended as representative of the Ontario Government, and he was greatly impressed with the active interest now manifested in this important work.

WILL SET PRICE FOR SUGAR BEETS

Company Formed To Build $250,000 Theatre in Chatham

[Special to The Advertiser.]

CHATHAM, Sept. 29.—A. F. Falls of this city has been appointed as a special auditor of the Dominion Sugar Company to compile from the books of the company the price to be paid for the 1921 beet crop. The appointment was made bp a committee, consisting of F. Biette, manager of the Standard Bank, and James Simon, manager of the Bank of Commerce, in accordance with the terms of the 1921 contract with the growers.

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Fifteen miles of concrete pavements will be completed in Kent County this fall, said Road Superintendent L. A. Pardo today. This will include work on the Raleigh-Harwich Town line, Paincourt road, Wallaceburg-Dresden road, and Thamesville-Dresden road.

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Nine provisional directors were named for a Chatham company, which was formed in the city today for the purpose of erecting a theatre to cost $250,000. Messrs. McKay, Mowatt and Slater, the promoters, held a conference, and an application for a charter was later sent to the Federal Government.

BROTHERHOODS CLAIM ROADS VIOLATED LAW

Company Representatives Cite Willingness of Men To Accept Increases.

ONTARIO OFFICIAL HEARD

Hearing To Be Continued by Board At Montreal Friday.

MONTREAL, Sept. 29.—Both sides to the dispute as to the acceptance of the 12 per cent wage reduction enforced by the Canadian railways in July were heard today before the conciliation board, headed by Judge MacLennan as chairman, with Isaac Pitblado, Winnipeg, representing the companies and David Campbell of Regina the brotherhoods.

The crux of the case for the railways was that the brotherhoods had been glad to accept all the increases ordered by the United States Railway Board from the original order from Washington to the McAdoo schedule and the Chicago award, which all meant big increases in wage bills for the railways and were accepted by the Canadian roads.

But the railway representatives argued that as soon as the other side of the question came in evidence and the United States Railway Board ordered reductions, owing to the decreases in the cost of living, which was the basis on which increases had been granted, the Canadian brotherhoods objected and were as unwilling to accept reductions as they had been glad to take increases.

Claims Wages Are Low.

Representatives of the various brotherhoods took the ground that wages before the increases had been much too low; that the cost of living was higher than in the United States, that the application of the increases had been much later than in the United States and that the reduction in the cost of living in Canada was not such as to justify the reduction put in effect in July by the railroads following the decision of the United States Railway Board.

W. J. Babe of St. Thomas, Ont., vice-president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, who appeared in the absence of Vice-President James Murdock, also claimed that the railways had taken an illegal course in forcing the 12 per cent reductions before they had been passed upon by a conciliation board.

Mr. Babe consequently objected to the whole of the present proceedings, urging that according to the statute the reductions were not legally made, and he left it to the board to decide as to the legal point raised by him.

Owing to the lengthy nature of the statements presented by the brotherhoods and railway representatives it was impossible to conclude the hearing this afternoon, and the board adjourned until tomorrow.

The railways were represented by George Hodge, assistant to the vice-president of the Canadian Pacific Railway; C. F. Needham, assistant to the superintendent of rolling stock of the Grand Trunk Railway System, and A. J. Hills, assistant to the president of the Canadian National Railways.

Brantford Man Slain in West

John G. Coward, Miner, Found Lifeless in His Auto by Searching Wife.

TORONTO, Sept. 29.—A special to the Star from Calgary says: "John George Coward, formerly of Brantford, Ont., was murdered some time during the night at Carbon, Alberta, 64 miles southwest of Calgary, where he moved several weeks ago to take charge of a mine in which he was interested, along with W. G. Brown, Toronto, Bert Stringer, a brother of Arthur Stringer, and several others."

Robbery was not the motive, as the clothing had not been disturbed, nor were any contents missing from his pockets. The bullet passed through his head, and death was instantaneous. The body was found lying in Coward's car by his wife, who went in search of him about 3 o'clock this morning.

The only theory is that a miner with whom he may have had some disagreement committed the crime.

He leaves a widow and five children, the eldest 10 years old.

WILL CONTEST ALL YORK.

TORONTO, Sept. 29.—The Toronto Liberal forces held an executive meeting tonight, and decided to enter candidates in all the ten federal ridings in Toronto and York.

ENDS LIFE AFTER HE SLAYS WIFE IN HOME

New York Horseman Principal in Grim Domestic Tragedy.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—George H. Brennan, described by the police as an owner of racing stables, who once amassed a fortune on the track, today shot and killed his wife in her apartment on Central Park West and then committed suicide

Brennan, 63 years old, and his wife, 48, had not been living together for several years. When he called unexpectedly this afternoon, Miss Mildred Gordon, who had been visiting Mrs. Brennan, ushered him into the living-room and then called her hostess from the kitchen, merely saying: "A gentleman is waiting to see you."

A few minutes later Miss Gordon heard Mrs. Brennan say: "Oh, stop, don't do that."

Then came the sounds of two shots, followed shortly by a third. Running into the dining-room, Miss Gordon found Mrs. Brennan shot through the arm and breast, and her husband through the temple. In Brennan's hand was clutched a revolver.

Rail Brotherhood To Report On Strike Ballot Next Week

CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—Fifty-seven general chairmen of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, will leave Chicago tonight, carrying instructions from President W. G. Lee to call their grievance committees immediately, obtaining their sanction or disapproval of the strike vote of the organization and report back to the president here next week.

Counting of the strike vote of the 186,000 members of the Brotherhoid will be completed this afternoon, it was announced by President Lee. In the event of the committees approving a strike, and the general chairman expect that they will, President Lee, it is understood, will authorize the men to walk out whenever one or more of the other unions quit work.

The shop crafts already have voted 325,000 to 48,000 to strike, but have set no date, while officers of the Brotherhoods of engineers, conductors, enginemen and firemen, and the Switchmen's Union of North America will meet here Monday to count their 259,000 strike ballots.

While the sentiment of the men in all crafts is reported overwhelmingly in favor of a walkout, the feeling is unofficial circles today continued to be that there would be no strike. The shop crafts have made their walkout incident to support from the other organizations and Mr. Lee is understood to be planning the same step.

CONFERENCE OF THE IRISH RACE

DUBLIN, Sept. 29.—What they term "a world conference of the Irish race" will be held in Paris on January 22, 1922, the anniversary of the first session of the Dail Eireann, it was announced by the Sinn Fein organization here today.

Fourteen countries will be represented in the conference it was said.

A secretariat already has been opened in Paris.

RAILWAY PAY ROLLS SHOW 24.5 P. C. INCREASE

OTTAWA, Sept. 29.—(By Canadian Press).—The total pay roll on Canadian steam railways for the calendar year 1920 increased 24.5 per cent over that of 1919. A report issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics gives the pay roll for 1920 as $290,510,517, as against $233,323,074 for the previous year. The average number of employees increased from 173,728 to 185,177, or 6.6 per cent. The average hourly compensation of all employees increased from 52.3 cents in 1919 to 62.4 cents in 1920.

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30,000 WORKERS OUT AT TRIESTE

LONDON, Sept. 29.—A general strike involving 30,000 workers, was called at Trieste today, according to a Milan dispatch to the London Times. The strike was brought about by the owners of the shipyards declaring a lockout because the Government had rescinded a subsidy for the construction of 24 vessels granted by former Minister of Commerce Alessio.

SAILING DATES.

MONTREAL, Sept. 29.—Polygowan, for Bremen; Alchiba, for Rotterdam; Raymore Head, for Rotterdam; Canadian Sealer, for St. John, Nfld.; General Currie, for Cuba; Lord Strathcona, for Rotterdam; Ernemore, for Hamburg; Gadera, for Antwerp.

ROGERS TO ENTER RACE IN RIDING OF LISGAR

WINNIPEG, Sept. 30.—Hon. Robert Rogers will contest Lisgar federal constituency, it was officially announced at his office today. Mr. Rogers stated that a delegation with a petition signed by electors from all parts of the constituency had waited on him Wednesday night, requesting him to be a candidate.

He declined to announce which party or policy he would support, but said that he would announce this in his first campaign speech.

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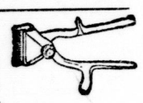

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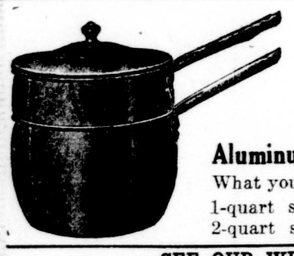

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SEVEN NON-JURY CASES ARE ENTERED

Stratford County Court Opens Tuesday, October 4.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

STRATFORD, Sept. 29.—The non-jury sittings of the county court open Tuesday, October 4, with seven cases on the docket as follows:

Fred L. Howey, Stratford, vs. C. McTavish, St. John, N. B., claiming $757 in salary commission. Roy Walker, Mornington, vs. W. Appel, Milverton, for price of flax sold. Steven Lemek, St. Marys, vs. J. Butman, St. Marys, to recover $104.50 leaned. W. Bailey, Elma, vs. M. M. Crowley, Sebringville, an action over hay. Canadian Cereal and Flour Mills Company vs. J. A. McLandress, London, damages for alleged breach of contract. Frank Herboth, Fullarton, vs. A. W. Lorch, Elmira, action over cow. Chas. Dungey, Mitchell, vs. Leo Longeway, Logan, action over a promissory note.

Fine Races At St. Marys Fair

Largest Crowd in Many Years Visited Fair Grounds.

ST. MARYS, Sept. 29.—Today's annual fall fair at Lakeside under the auspices of the East Nissouri Agricultural Society proved a magnificent success. The weather was ideal, and the crowd was the largest seen in many years on the fair grounds. All the exhibits were of a very high class, and drew very favorable comment.

The principal winners in the horse ring were S. Hutchison, Lakeside; W. Kent, Emboro; E. Dinsmore, Stratford; J. McKay, Harrington; D. P. Meadows, Embro; C. Jones, Thorndale; P. Kingston, Forest; N. McLeod, Lakeside, while Alex Smith, auctioneer, and a prominent farmer in the community made a fine showing of horses in nearly every class and won a large number of firsts. Wm. Freshney of St. Marys captured first with his fine team in the span of carriage horses class.

The best lady driver class showed up well, Mrs. H. Boucher, winning first; Miss S. McCorquadale, a local lady, second; Mrs. Schoedore, third.

The horse races were the feature of the afternoon, and results were as follows:

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