

FORECAST:
EASTERLY WINDS
SHOWERY.

59TH YEAR. NO. 23481

LONDON, ONTARIO, TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 31, 1922.

TODAY:
MEET THE GUMPS
ON PAGE FIVE.

PRICE. THREE CENTS

CARS AND BUSES BATTLE FOR SUPREMACY

DEFENDS RIGHTS OF CITIZENS ON STREET CAR BUY

Ex-Ald. Wenige Points Out
How Company Has Violated
Agreement.

BYLAW 916 IMPOSSIBLE

Asserts City Has Fulfilled
More Than Terms of
Contract.

The London Street Railway Company has violated its agreement with the city of London and bylaw No. 916 can be legitimately torn to shreds, contends ex-Ald. George Wenige, acknowledged mayoralty candidate at the approaching municipal election.

No Axe To Grind.
"I quite agree with those who have said that the city should adhere to its contract," the former councillor asserted Tuesday. "But at the same time, it is not only the square thing that the company should stay by their word."

"We have no axe to grind, but I still maintain that the company has violated clauses of their agreement, and can be made tomorrow to fulfill its obligations or else remove their tracks and other equipment from the streets."

Ex-Ald. Wenige cites portions of sections 10 and 56 of bylaw 916, an "act respecting the city of London and the London Street Railway Company."

Dealing with Paving.
Dealing with the question of the paving or repaving of that portion of a street, known as the "track allowance" by the company, at the direction of the city engineer, section 10 provides that "The company shall be responsible for and make good to the corporation of London, all damage, loss, costs, charges, and expenses, which may be incurred by reason of any failure of the company to conform with the provisions prescribed in the act in question."

Applies of the same situation. Mr. Wenige points to a portion of section 11, as follows: "In the case of the failure of the company to pay the costs for the period of two months after the recovery of a judgment for any amount, all agreements entered into by the company shall cease to be in effect."

That the company "by reason of its failure to pave the intersections of certain streets" is at this moment violating the agreement, is the further contention of ex-Ald. Wenige, citing the corner of Tecumseh avenue and Edward streets; the corner of Waterloo street and Central avenue, as well as Oxford and Cheapside streets, and others scattered throughout the city.

INCREASE COAL OUTPUT FROM CANADIAN MINES

Ottawa, Oct. 31.—The output of coal from Canadian mines during the month of July increased approximately 47,000 tons, or 6 per cent above the production for the preceding month, and amounted in all to 338,000 tons, but in spite of this increase the output fell short of the average record for the same month in the three preceding years by 293,000 tons, or 19 per cent.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.
Today—Moderate north and east winds; fair.
Wednesday—Northeast and east winds, increasing in force; becoming showery.

The high pressure area has remained stationary over Northern Ontario, and there is a marked depression off the Cape Breton coast, and depressions also situated in Texas and Alberta. Showers have occurred in the Maritime Provinces, and a few light falls of rain or snow in the Prairie Provinces.

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

	High	Low
Victoria	45	44
Calgary	40	30
Winnipeg	45	38
P. Sault	46	40
P. Sault	45	38
Toronto	46	39
Kingston	46	32
Ottawa	48	32
Montreal	48	38
Quebec	50	38
P. Point	40	32
St. John	46	40
Halifax	46	40

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 53; lowest, 33. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 40; lowest, 27. Barometric Readings.
Thursday—8 p.m., 29.46.
Today—8 a.m., 29.49.

Still On Fence With Regard to Coming Election



DR. CAMERON WILSON.

THE mayor smiled Tuesday as he said, "An element of uncertainty adds zest to the campaign."

WINS ACQUITTAL ON TECHNICALITY

Court Finds Woman and Man
Not Guilty On O. T. A.
Charge.

Both Mrs. Ida Church and Fred Vandusen, who were arrested on Oct. 25 at the Church home, 322 Clarence street, on charges of having liquor in a place other than a private dwelling, were dismissed following trials in police court this morning.

Inspector Thomas Lucas, Sergt. William McCullough and Constable William Snell, visited the Church home and found a bottle of liquor which had been purchased at the dispensary. They seized the bottle and arrested Mrs. Church for violating the O. T. A. law, having their charge on the fact that a conviction had been registered against the house in April and that the house was not a private dwelling within the meaning of the act.

Vandusen was arrested as he was standing at Mrs. Church's door. He also had a bottle obtained on a prescription. He claimed he had just dropped in to Mrs. Church's to borrow a magazine. Although the police had a suspicion that the Church home, rather than his own on Hill street, was his destination, his evidence, when he was placed in the box by Howard Chiff, won his freedom.

ACTORS PREVENT PANIC IN THEATRE

Ottawa, Oct. 31.—Cooler heads amongst the large audience which packed Loew's Theatre here last night, and the fact that Inez and Carle, a vaudeville team, continued their act as if nothing was wrong, quelled a mild panic after a number of timid patrons had made a dash for the exits when a thin wisp of smoke caused by a small blaze in a back stage storeroom floated out into the auditorium. The blaze was extinguished before any damage was done.

SEEK TO AMALGAMATE COMMUNISTS OF WORLD

Petrograd, Oct. 31.—The important topic of unifying the program of the Communist parties throughout the world will come before the Third International for the first time, when that organization opens its convention in Petrograd, the Red congress will shift its discussions to Moscow, where the convention will probably require a week to transact.

New Orleans Express Takes Heavy Toll

THREE DIE WHEN CIRCUS SPECIAL WRECK OCCURS

Sells-Floto Performers Killed
When Sunset Express
Hits Special.

Engine Plows Through Sleeping
Cars Near New
Orleans.

New Orleans, Oct. 31.—Three persons dead, four seriously injured and two slightly hurt, was the toll of the rear-end collision early today of the fast Sunset express, New Orleans-San Francisco-Southern Pacific passenger train and a Sells-Floto circus special en route from New Orleans to New Iberia, La.

The conductor and brakeman of the circus train were reported missing. The dead and injured were circus performers. The wreck occurred near Adelaine, La. The locomotive of the passenger train plowed through two of the sleeping cars before it was brought to a standstill, and according to stories told by the injured, the sleeping performers were hurled from their berths by the impact.

FORMER LONDONER DIES IN ENGLAND

Charles Bennett, One-Time
City Manufacturer, Dies
at Shoreham, Aged 87.

Older residents of London will remember Charles Bennett, whose death occurred recently at Shoreham, England. Mr. Bennett was an alderman of this city thirty-five years ago.

On the site of the present Dominion Savings Building, Mr. Bennett had a shop, in which he manufactured and sold hand-made furniture.

Mr. Bennett came to this country as a young boy, and served his apprenticeship in the city prior to starting out for himself. He served as a captain in the Fenian Raid, and in 1857 returned to England, where he carried on an extensive business in all descriptions of church wood-working and decorations.

Mr. Bennett, who lived in Shoreham, England, is survived by two sons and a daughter, and was in his 87th year.

QUEBEC LEGISLATURE ASKS EDITOR'S ARREST

Premier Moves That Publisher of the
"Axe" Be Brought Before
House.

Quebec, Oct. 31.—Rising to a question of privilege just as the afternoon session of the provincial house opened here yesterday, Premier Taschereau moved, seconded by Hon. J. E. Caron, minister of agriculture, that John H. Roberts, editor of a Montreal weekly publication, The Axe, be arrested and brought before the bar of the legislature on Thursday on charges of "violating the honor of the legislature."

The motion was in answer to an article published last Thursday in The Axe, a part of which was read by the speaker. The article dealt with the murder of Blanche Gagneau, a young Quebec girl, found dead about two years ago in a public park here. In the course of the article the words "names of two members of the legislature" were used.

DEFENDS POLICY OF LLOYD GEORGE

Toronto, Oct. 31.—Philip Kerr, who was Lloyd George's secretary from the beginning of his premiership at the end of 1916, and who has been holidaying in the United States and Canada for the last six months, is in Toronto to speak to the Canadian Club Thursday on a subject which, he says, is something like "stray thoughts on the universe," for his given title is "North American and International Relations."

SFORZA QUILTS AS ITALIAN AMBASSADOR TO PARIS

Paris, Oct. 31.—Count Sforza has telegraphed his resignation as Italian ambassador at Paris to Premier Mussolini. He explains that in his view the new government should have in such posts men in thorough accord with its policy.

"DOES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PAY?" ASKS SPEAKER

M. RUSSELL VISITS CITY.

"DOES the Chamber of Commerce pay? Look at the payrolls of any of the new industries your organization has been instrumental in bringing to your city. Your city is richer in dollars and more men, and more families are provided for. Ideals pay cash dividends every time, and the Chamber of Commerce is built on the highest of ideals." With these forceful words did Mr. Russell, representative of the American City Bureau, pay tribute to the work of the London Chamber of Commerce at their luncheon in the Tecumseh House at noon today.

Mr. Russell thought that E. S. Little was too modest in pointing to the accomplishments of the organization during the past year. He had reviewed the work of the past year, and thought that it was a year of fine constructive work, and that results would be seen that would many times pay for the cost.

"Real constructive work is what the Chamber of Commerce needs," said Mr. Russell. "You are striving for the attainment of an ideal. Idealism always pays cash dividends. The cost is slight. I don't know whether you know what it costs to operate the Chamber of Commerce. You will be surprised to know that while Reno, Nevada, chamber costs \$2.25 per capita, the London chamber only costs 30 cents per capita."

Mr. Russell has been engaged for the past four years in visiting the various chambers in the United States and Canada, furnishing advice on the matter of membership and other problems. One of the biggest problems the Chamber of Commerce had to correct was the loss of men to other countries.

"This loss of men is vital. One city was losing men at the rate of 30 each month. Think of the drainage. How much would it be worth if the C. of C. provided the incentive to stay? It is up to you to increase the opportunities for these men, so that economic reasons will not force them out of the country."

The speaker said that Detroit had the right sort of foresight and vision, that had ultimately made it the foremost automobile center in the world. Detroit's Chamber of Commerce had recently increased its membership from 3,500 to over 7,000. These members were all pledged for three years.

Mr. Russell urged the London members to get behind the membership drive in this city and to push the idea of the Chamber of Commerce with 100 per cent conviction. Efforts would be well repaid in dividends in the early future.

President Speaks.
E. S. Little, president of the local Chamber of Commerce, in a brief talk to the members, touched on the program for the past year, and introduced the subject of the drive for new members.

A list of eligible London businesses—
Turn to Page 3, Column 3.

FIND HUSBAND AND WIFE SHOT DEAD

Minnesota Police Hold Son of
Woman by Former
Marriage.

Virginia, Minn., Oct. 31.—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wirtanen are dead, victims of a double murder yesterday, and Tolbo Aho, 22, son of Mrs. Wirtanen by a former marriage, is held by the police without a charge.

Answering a call, police entered the house and stumbled over the dead bodies of the couple, who were married Sept. 16 last. The body of Wirtanen was lying across that of his wife.

When questioned by the police, Aho stated that a man, who ran away immediately after firing the fatal shots, committed the double shooting. Police refused to believe this explanation, and Aho was taken to police headquarters. Further questioning failed to shake Aho from his first story. Mrs. Wirtanen, when found, was grasping a .32-calibre automatic. Police scout the theory that Mrs. Wirtanen killed herself, as the body of her husband was lying across hers. Both were shot through the heart.

Enmity against his mother and her husband was advanced by the police as the reason for the holding of Aho. He is the oldest in a family of six children, and disappeared from the marriage to Wirtanen. He made several threats against the couple, with the result that one of his sisters several days ago complained to the police, authorities said.

TO PRESENT ULSTER CLAIMS.

Belfast, Oct. 31.—A delegation of 200 were on their way from Belfast to England today to put the claims of Ulster before the British electors.

RELIEF WORKER SLAIN.
New York, Oct. 31.—The murder by bandits near Aleppo, Syria, of James Lester Wright of Waukeasha, Wis., a Near East relief worker, was reported yesterday. Wright was in charge of a group of 1,900 Armenian orphans being taken from Harpoot, Turkey, to Aleppo.

OPPOSE CHURCH UNION.

Edmonton, Alta., Oct. 31.—A big anti-church union rally was held last night by local Presbyterians, at which the speakers declared that the life of the denomination must be preserved at all costs.

COAL SHORTAGE NOT ALARMING

H. E. Whittenberger Declares
No Cause to Worry
Over Situation.

Believes Rail Workers Situation
in Canada Will Be
Satisfactorily Settled.

There is absolutely no shortage of coal for domestic use. This was the opinion of H. E. Whittenberger, general manager of the western lines of the G. T. R., who passed through London this morning.

Mr. Whittenberger said that coal was arriving in Detroit and other cities on the international border faster than it could be unloaded or re-routed. There was plenty of it, and the railroad was doing its best in distributing it to all districts.

There is no cause for worry. People may be supplied a ton at a time, as the case may necessitate, but it is safe to say that everyone will be well supplied.

"The big difficulty," said Mr. Whittenberger, when asked whether a coal shortage was responsible for the slow process of distribution to this district, "is that everyone neglected to order until two or three months later than in other years, and now they all want coal at once. There is no shortage of coal cars, and we are endeavoring to make the distribution as evenly as possible."

With regard to the strike ballot which was sent to Montreal Monday, Mr. Whittenberger would make no comment, as the question is not connected with his division. However, he intimated that the trouble would not be ended in a manner satisfactory to both the men and the railroad. In a similar trouble in the United States recently, he said, a satisfactory agreement was reached, and there was every likelihood that a similar condition would prevail in Canada in the course of a few days.

FATHER VAUGHAN DIES IN ENGLAND

Noted Jesuit Priest, Well
Known in America, Goes
to His Reward.

London, Oct. 31.—Father Bernard Vaughan, one of the most prominent Jesuit priests in the world, and a brother of the late Cardinal Vaughan, died here today. Several years ago, he toured through parts of Canada, Alaska and the United States, and later lectured in Japan, where he addressed the House of Commons.

Father Vaughan first came into prominence in the latter part of the nineteenth century, by taking a conspicuous part in the civic, as well as religious, life of Manchester. In 1901 he went to London and became an active worker among the poor at Westminster and in the East End slums.

As a preacher it was his fortune to attract to his sermons and addresses in various parts of Europe all sorts of men, including King Edward VII. He was cathedral preacher at the Eucharistic Congress held at Montreal in 1910. The next year he lectured in various parts of the United States and Canada, later crossing the Pacific to speak before Wasada and imperial universities of Tokio. In the war his fervid utterances brought down upon him the attacks of his brother Jesuits in Germany. It was his contention that the Germans "did not play the game" in fighting the world war.

When the Irish hunger strikers came into prominence he contended that they were deliberately committing suicide. Father Vaughan was born in 1847, at Courtfield, Herefordshire, the son of Col. Vaughan. He has eight brothers, six became priests. All of his sisters took the veil of nuns. Father Vaughan was ordained in 1876. He was the author of several books.

Last summer Father Vaughan was attacked by influenza and later paralysis gripped him.

WILHELM TO GIVE DIADEM TO BRIDE

Berlin, Oct. 31.—The former German emperor's wedding present to his bride of next Saturday, the Princess Hermine of Reuss, will be a diadem set with 700 brilliants, and a pair of earrings, the two gifts costing 800,000,000 marks, according to the newspaper Vorwaerts.

APPOINTED MANAGER OF CITY TELEGRAPH OFFICE

Ottawa, Oct. 31.—L. D. Winder, office manager of the Canadian National Telegraphs here, has been promoted to the position of manager at the London, Ont., office, the appointment to be effective Nov. 15. Mr. Winder has been in Ottawa about five years.

Behind Bonar Law



STANLEY BALDWIN.

LONDON, Oct. 31.—The chancellor of the exchequer, Stanley Baldwin, who is Bonar Law's chief lieutenant, is thought to have been somewhat tactless, from an electioneering standpoint when he declared there would be no immediate reduction in taxation.

LITTLE GIRL DIES AS CLOTHES BURN

Ada, Daughter of Oscar Norton,
of Westminster,
Meets Tragic Death.

When her clothing caught fire from matches with which she was playing, Ada, the 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Norton of 34, Congession St., Westminster Township, was burned so badly Monday afternoon that she died that evening.

Accompanied by her sister, a little younger than herself, she went upstairs to play. Mrs. Norton, who was sitting downstairs, did not notice their absence until she heard screams and Ada came downstairs with her clothes in flames.

When the little girl reached the ground floor she ran out into the yard, where the wind whipped the flames into renewed vigor, and before they were checked they spread to her face and head.

Mrs. Norton put the fire out as quickly as possible and then called Dr. Colling of Lambeth, who did everything in his power to help the stricken child, but to no avail, for she passed away Monday night at 9 o'clock, leaving her mother and father and six brothers and sisters, Ruby, Gladys, Russell, Wilfred, Roy and Elmer to mourn her loss.

The funeral will be held on Wednesday 3 p.m. at her late home, the Woodland Cemetery, and Rev. Mr. Jepson of Lambeth will conduct the services.

REVENUE AT TORONTO PORT SHOWS MILLION INCREASE

Returns for October Greatly in Excess of Figures in 1921.

Toronto, Oct. 31.—The total revenue for the month of October from customs and excise of the port of Toronto is estimated at \$4,850,000 by Collector of Customs J. H. Bertram. This figure is accurate except for today's receipts and may be out by \$25,000, but not likely more. The total revenue for October, 1921, was \$3,722,913, which is over a million less than this month's receipts.

Mr. Bertram said that 50 per cent increase in the sales tax imposed at the last session of parliament, together with the new stamp taxes, were responsible for almost the entire gain.

EXPECT SUPPORT OF LLOYD GEORGE

Cambridge, Oct. 31.—The announcement yesterday that the local Conservatives had decided not to oppose Mr. Lloyd George in the elections "upon receiving assurance that he will loyally serve under Mr. Bonar Law in resisting the communist attack," was slightly qualified today. One of the Conservative leaders said Mr. Lloyd George has not given them the specific assurance, but that they had interrupted one of his speeches in that manner.

SULTAN IS TEMPORARILY SAFE ON TURKISH THRONE

Constantinople, Oct. 31.—Abdication of the sultan is temporarily out of the question. A truce has been arranged with the Nationalists whereby his status will be held in abeyance until after the conclusion of peace in the Near East. This information was given to the Associated Press by the chief of staff representing Rafet Pasha, Turkish Nationalist military governor of Thrace, who for four hours yesterday was closeted with the sultan in his palace.

RIVAL SYSTEMS PLAN DRIVE FOR CITY BUSINESS

Each Prepare to Strike For
Control of Passenger
Traffic.

INVOLVES CHEAPER FARES

Ashton Claims One Million
Dollars Cheap for Street
Railway.

Passing events indicate a fight to the last ditch between the London Street Railway Company and the several motor bus operators who ply their cars through the city streets.

Coupled with the information obtainable Tuesday that the majority of the bus owners have expressed willingness to consider a scheme whereby the general public can be offered a cheaper means of transportation—7 tickets for 25 cents—comes the report in civic circles that the street railway corporation is preparing to battle in the courts for the sole right-of-way on London streets.

As a matter of fact, it is recorded that the company is moving to better its service, and street railway representatives drew attention Tuesday as an instance, that a car had been added to the Normal line to better compete with the Normal buses. That service will be extended on other lines throughout the city was the further report at the city hall.

City Stands Aside.
In the meanwhile the city will stand aside, and "give the contestants room" as it were, to fight it out.

"They can't get us mad," Mayor Cameron Wilson declared Tuesday morning. "I say, let them just go ahead and between the two of them we may in time get a splendid service. No, I wouldn't favor interfering with any cut-rate war or the like."

While the bus operators have not as yet definitely set their new service, representative employers are quite frank in their declaration that the proposal has been seriously considered, and that it would only be a matter of a day or two before the reduction would be noted.

It was explained, however, that once the "seven-for-a-quarter" scheme was placed in effect, the tickets would not be interchangeable only with those operators who may enter into the agreement.

Two-Thirds Wiling.
It is reported, however, that at least two-thirds of the bus owners have to date signified their willingness to lend their further efforts in this fight with the city.

Upon the other hand, all reports are correct, the corporation is also unwilling to allow the challenge to pass unnoticed, and it is pointed out that they have, contrary to popular supposition, several more cars that they can use in this fight.

In the meanwhile the proposed purchase of the street railway continues to occupy the center of the stage in municipal affairs, and members of the city council are lining up on either side ready for a battle royal at the next session of the council, when Bunnell's report will be submitted, according to Mayor Wilson.

START GRADING OF HOGS IN WEST

Winnipeg, Oct. 31.—A beginning was made in official hog grading at the Union Stockyards yesterday. The run of hogs was about 400, and there was considerable confusion as some dealers and shippers had understood that the grading was to be optional, while it proved to be compulsory. It will be possible to decide whether or not the plan is workable and will have the effect of raising the price to give the farmers a better return for strictly first-class bacon hogs.

CALGARY WOMEN GET LOW WAGES

Calgary, Oct. 31.—Wages paid to working girls in Calgary are so small in some cases that they hardly pay for the necessities of life, including board, lodging and barely enough to cover the cost of the minimum wage board in Calgary. One firm in Calgary, in its efforts to satisfy its employees in their wage demands without raising their wages, gives them shares in the company instead, it was stated. Only one woman worker, living in Calgary, has been discovered by the minimum wage board in its investigation throughout Alberta, who has taken out an insurance policy.