

UNITED STATES AND MEXICO
MAY GO TO WAR SHORTLY

Fearing in London and Paris That a Conflict Is Imminent—
President Wilson Has Called a Conference of the Foreign
Relations Committee For Tonight.

[Canadian Press.]
Washington, Aug. 9.—President Wilson will meet the entire foreign relations committee at the White House tonight for a conference on the Mexican situation. The entire membership of ten Democrats and seven Republicans was asked to be present.

FEAR A CONFLICT.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Aug. 9.—All the newspapers this morning display the utmost interest in the situation between the United States and Mexico. Grave fear is expressed of an armed conflict, and universal comment is made on the probability that President Wilson's pacific administration, with Bryan, the world's peace advocate, at the head of the cabinet, will be forced into war.

The general view is President Wilson's obstinate determination to force Lind will cause an anti-American outbreak in Mexico with results which will inflame the American people beyond control and compel war in spite of Wilson's principles.

FRANCE FEARS WAR.

[Canadian Press.]
Paris, Aug. 9.—All the news dispatches from Washington, published in France, describe a rupture between the United States and Mexico as being probably close at hand. Comment on the situation is sparse. It recognizes the difficult responsibilities of the United States, and suggests that the peace policies of President Wilson, and Secretary of State Bryan are likely to disappear in the presence of realities.

GEORGE HEWITT, fatally
crushed by freight ele-
vator at McCormick factory
yesterday.

CHILD MAY BE GIVEN
THE PASTEUR TREATMENT

Mother of Aila Haley Fearful
of Results of Bite From
Dog.

Little Aila Haley, who is believed
to have been bitten by a dog suffering
from rabies in Detroit, may be sent to
the Pasteur Institute at Toronto for
treatment. She is quite well and hap-
py, but her mother is fearful that
there may be a possibility of ill-effects
from the wound, and is contemplating
taking the child to Toronto.

\$50,000 FIRE
AT COBALT

Former Londoner's First Bad
Blaze Since Taking Over
New Position.

FIREMEN'S GOOD WORK

[Canadian Press.]
Cobalt, Aug. 8.—Damage, estimated
at between \$40,000 and \$50,000, was
done this morning by a fire which gut-
ted the old Prospect Hotel in the Cobalt
Square. Claude Morrison, to-
bacconist, lost his entire stock and
the Bank of Ottawa, Willis Abbott,
stock brokers, P. J. Finlan, Northern
Ontario Light and Power Company,
and another broker, lost everything
that was not deposited in their safes.
R. C. Lowrie, tobacconist, saved part
of his stock.
The fire apparently started under-
neath the cigar store, and the big
frame building burned with great
rapidity. It was with extreme diffi-
culty that the Hunter Block, adjoining
was saved, and it was only the good
work of the firemen which prevented
the destruction of the entire square.
Today's was the first fire of any
consequence since Chief Borland, for-
merly of Woodstock, took charge of
the brigade the first of the month.

GRANTED NEW TRIAL

[Canadian Press.]
Prince Albert, Sask., Aug. 9.—Sheriff
Nelson is in receipt of a telegram from
the minister of justice, notifying him
that Jesse Hammond, in the provincial jail,
whose execution was to take place on
Thursday next, has been granted a new
trial. Hammond was convicted at Sas-
katoon of child murder.

Tent Meetings.—Great interest is
being shown in tent meetings now
going on in Chelsea Green. The speak-
ers aim at simplicity and directness in
their personal appeals. It's the old-
style of evangelical preaching, warning
the careless of the "wrath to come"
with the comfort of full salvation to
the penitent.

TITANIC LOOKOUT DEAD.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Aug. 9.—Reginald Lee, one
of the two sailors in the lookout when
the White Star Liner Titanic met in
disastrous collision with an iceberg a
year ago last April, died yesterday at
Southampton.

SERIOUS CHARGE
AGAINST SULZER
TO BE PROBED

Only Way Out Is to Recom-
mend Impeachment, Says
Investigatory Committee.

Governor of New York Was
\$50,000 in Debt in
Wall Street.

[Canadian Press.]
New York, Aug. 9.—While Governor
Wm. Sulzer, of New York, remains
silent regarding the charges made yester-
day that he was nearly \$50,000 in
debt as a result of stock market specu-
lation at the time of his nomination,
and used contributions to his campaign
fund to make additional purchases of
stock while this debt was hanging over
him.

Members of the joint legislative
committee, which concluded its hear-
ings here yesterday, began today
drafting a report, which it will submit
to the legislature on Monday with
reference to testimony adduced, but
which he failed to include in his sworn
statement as required by law.

In the opinion of Chairman Frawley,
of the committee, and of Eugene Lamb,
Richards' counsel, no other course than
to recommend impeachment proceed-
ings is open to the investigators.

Whether the committee will subse-
quently return to New York to inquire
further into the governor's Wall Street
dealings will be discussed by the com-
mittee at a meeting to be held in Albany
on Monday prior to the convening of
the Legislature Monday night. In the
words of Chairman Frawley as ex-
pressed yesterday: "We've got enough
already."

Never in the history of this state has
a governor been impeached. Should
such a fate await Mr. Sulzer he would
be put on trial before the Senate and
the state court of appeals, sitting joint-
ly.

The court is now in recess, and
will not convene until Sept. 29.

WATER COMMISSIONERS
FACE A SECOND SUIT

Unstated Damages Asked for
Boy Injured by Dangling
Hydro Wires.

The second suit for damages against
the water commissioners arising out
of the accident in St. Peter's school
yard last Easter Sunday, when little
Herman Pocock lost his life, has been
entered by Angelo Famularo, father
of Alfred Famularo, claiming unstated
damages for injuries received by the
boy, who received a severe shock in
an attempt to rescue his companion.
A writ for unstated damages against
the commissioners has been issued by
Messrs. Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons,
claiming negligence on the part of
the defendants.

Killed by Guy Wire.
The accident which cost the life of
the Pocock boy was the result of his
playing with a dangling guy wire in
St. Peter's school yard. The wire be-
came crossed with a high tension hy-
dro wire, and he received about 2,300
volts, death being instantaneous. Al-
fred Famularo, who witnessed the ac-
cident, attempted to pull him away
from the wire, but received a severe
shock himself.

The guy wire was blown down in the
terrible wind storm which swept the
city on Good Friday.

Mr. E. A. Pocock, father of Herman
Pocock, has entered action against the
commissioners for heavy damages for
the death of his son. Both actions will
be heard at the fall assizes.

HORSES KILLED.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Embro, Aug. 9.—Angus Matheson
had three fine horses killed in a field
by lightning during today's heavy
storm. Joseph Hilderley lost four
horses in the same way, and a farmer
near him had five sheep slain. Three
valuable cows of Alex. Murray in
West Zorra were found dead in a field
after the storm.

DISTURBING THE OBSTRUCTION

FOUND SCALE
IN MIDDLESEX

Fruit Expert Reports a Serious
Infection in the Glencoe
District.

URGES MORE SPRAYING

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ivan, Aug. 9.—Mr. Neilson, of the
fruit branch, who has been in this
district for some days interviewing
fruit growers, reports a number of
cases of San Jose scale in various parts
of Middlesex.

He found none in this vicinity, but
several serious cases were noticed in
the western part of the county around
Glencoe, Melbourne and in Mosa. Two
bad cases were found near Byron. Mr.
Neilson found that wherever orchards
had been properly sprayed they were
entirely free of the scale, even though
they might be quite close to infected
orchards.

The Ilderton Fruit Growers' Associa-
tion plans to make it compulsory for
all its members to spray their or-
chards.

TOO BUSY TO
BE ABUSIVE

And Anyway She Is Actively
Interested in Work of the
Church.

CALLS TENANT "SASSY"

Mrs. Maria Elizabeth Scott could
not possibly have called Mrs. Bessie
Morningstar a bad name the other day.
Mrs. Scott was far too busy papering
and housecleaning, and she was not
outside of the house all day. Besides,
she does not call bad names, she said,
but is very particular about the lan-
guage she uses. According to the evi-
dence which she gave in court this
morning she is very actively interest-
ed in church work and she enumer-
ated more than half a dozen prominent
pastors in a certain Presbyterian
Church in the city, whose sermons she
had regularly listened to every Sun-
day.

A "Sassy" Crowd.
"You're the sassiest crowd," she
said to the complainant, who happens
to be one of her tenants. She alleged
that the Morningstars rented their
cottage under false pretences, claim-
ing that they only had one baby, but
that they moved in with a whole fam-
ily, a cow, a calf and other farm
stock. Besides, she alleged her ten-
ants tried to break the handle of the
pump.

"Did she kiss the book?" Mrs. Scott
inquired, when Mrs. Morningstar was
about to give her evidence. Mrs.
Morningstar's little boy corroborated
his mother's evidence, all of which
Mrs. Scott denied.

"Magistrate Judd is not here," said
Mrs. Scott, taking Mrs. Morningstar
aside. "That is apparent, is it not?" asked
Mr. Graydon.

By way of explanation, Mrs. Scott
said that Mr. Judd knew the story of
the case, when some similar trouble
between her and her tenants was
aired in court before.

"It was a very quiet afternoon," she
said. "I never spoke to Mrs. Morning-
star. My heart is pure. My mouth is
pure. I never call anybody such
names."

Accordingly Magistrate Graydon
dismissed the case. But they are to
meet out," said Mrs. Scott. "I have
raised their rent to \$6 a month, and
gave them notice twice to get out."

"I have nothing to do with that,"
said Magistrate Graydon.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—COOL AND SHOWERY.
Toronto, Aug. 9.—8 a.m.
Moderate to fresh variable winds; fair
this afternoon and tonight.
Sunday—Mostly fair, but some local
showers or thunderstorms.
Temperatures.
The following were the highest and
lowest temperatures during the 24 hours
previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	76	62	Clear
Calgary	82	60	Rain
Winnipeg	74	54	Cloudy
Port Arthur	80	58	Cloudy
Toronto	83	66	Rain
Ottawa	86	68	Cloudy
Montreal	84	68	Cloudy
Quebec	86	66	Cloudy
Father Point	88	64	Cloudy

NO CLEARANCE
FOR SAIL BOATS

Members of Rowing Club Complain That New Bridge
Will Not Permit Passage of Large Craft Unless
Centre Piers Are Raised Several Feet.

Now that the contracts for the ce-
ment piers of the new West London
bridge have been let, comes the com-
plaint from members of the London
Rowing Club and others interested in
boating on the Thames, that the
bridge will not have clearance enough
to allow for the passage of sailboats
or river steamers, should any be added
to the existing river craft. It is claim-
ed that the clearance of the new bridge
will be fully five feet lower than that

of the Grand Trunk bridge at the
cove.

Could Raise Piers.
The two centre piers of the new
bridge could be raised another five feet
at an additional expense of about \$500,
and it is thought by many that for
this comparatively trifling difference
the city could afford to have the piers
raised so that if in the future the
river is made navigable for larger
steamers than at present, the diffi-
culty of passing beneath the bridge
will be obviated.

Govt. Seeking a Camp Site.

The Toronto Globe this morning has the following in regard to the
Government purchase of ground in Elgin County for military training
purposes, as announced in Friday night's Advertiser:

"The Militia Department is negotiating for a large area in Western
Ontario as a camp site and training ground for the militia to replace
the present restricted camps at Niagara-on-the-Lake and London. It
is the intention of the minister to secure an area of several square
miles where tactical operations and field manoeuvres can be adequately
carried on with large bodies of troops. Similar areas have already been
secured near Fredericton, in New Brunswick, for the Maritime Pro-
vinces' militia, at Sorel, in Manitoba, for the troops of the prairie
provinces, and at Sydney, Vancouver Island, for the British Columbia
militia. In addition there is also the big training ground at Petawawa."

It is understood that the site in view for the new Western Ontario
camp is in the vicinity of Union, in Yarmouth Township, Elgin
County, a few miles south of St. Thomas. The negotiations are, of
course, being kept very quiet so as not to cause a jump in price before
all the necessary options have been secured. Other sites are also in
view."

SIXTH BATTERY TO
SUPPLY ARTILLERY
FOR MANOEUVRES

Force Will Leave City on 25th,
and Bivouac Wherever
Night Finds Them.

Twenty-Five Gunners, Ten
Drivers and Thirty Horses
Required for the Work.

All the guns for the manoeuvres
of the troops of the first division,
which are planned to take place in the
vicinity of Chatham about Aug. 25,
will be supplied by the Sixth London
Field Battery, Canadian Field Artil-
lery. At least one gun and ammuni-
tion wagon will accompany both red
and blue forces, and in addition there
will be a farmer's wagon with each gun
to carry the forage, rations and blan-
kets of each detachment.

Horses and Drivers Needed.
Major Woodman Leonard announces
that he will require about ten drivers,
twenty-five gunners and thirty horses,
of which twenty would be draught
and the balance riding. The greatest
rivalry exists among the men of the
battery as to what men will be chosen.

The battery is having a parade for
drill each Tuesday and Thursday
until Aug. 26, and all who desire
to join the manoeuvres must
attend these drills. Uniform and equip-
ment will be issued and the guns will
be fitted up in marching order, with
complete equipment, just as on active
service.

BURNED TO DEATH.
[Canadian Press.]
Brookville, Aug. 8.—Margaret Sul-
livan, a patient at the Eastern Hospi-
tal for the Insane, was burned to
death last night in a fire, believed to
have been started by her, which de-
stroyed the barns on the Stagg farm,
north of Brookville, purchased by the
Government.

NO FURTHER DANGER OF
RABIES IN FOUR CHILDREN

Detroit Little Ones Bitten by
Mad Dog Will Escape
Hydrophobia.

Detroit, Aug. 9.—Now that the Pas-
teur treatment has been commenced,
I think there is practically no danger
of the appearance of hydrophobia. In
the cases of the four children who were
bitten by the fox terrier that caused

the death of 5-year-old Perry Fuller,
said Dr. W. H. Price, health officer,
last night. "We discovered yesterday
two more cases where there was dan-
ger of infection, and immediately sent
the children to Ann Arbor for treat-
ment. One of them, Isadore Dressier,
4 years old, 128 Elizabeth street east,
was bitten by the 'feller' boy him-
self about a week ago, and the other
Marie Berberun, aged 6, was attacked
by the dog. The treatment takes about
a month, and of course they won't be
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FIREBUG BUSY LAST NIGHT;
CASE SIMILAR TO TORONTO'S

Scores of Stables at Queen City Were Set Ablaze
By Pyromaniacs in Manner Similar to
Method Used Here.

Whether London is to experience a
similar epidemic of pyro mania to the
one that has infested Toronto with in-
cendiary fires during the past few weeks
is a question that was brought promi-
nently to the fore last night by the in-
cendiary fire in the stables of George Mc-
Cartney, Talbot street, last night. It
was during the blaze in the Walpole House
stables, adjoining the McCartney stable,
that fire was discovered in the McCar-
tney barn. That it was deliberately set
on fire is undoubted. Fire Chief John
Attkin, in his report on the blaze, pegs
it as incendiary, and declared that the
hay and straw in the loft was set on
fire through a hole in the ceiling.

Work of Fire Bug.
This evidence would point to the first
of a series of incendiary blazes in
stables, if London is to have a similar
"fire bug" epidemic to the Toronto one.
The fact that last night's fire was an
incendiary one, that it was in a stable,
and that it was started while the mem-
bers of the fire department were busy

at another blaze are identical with the
circumstances of the Toronto series of
incendiary stable fires, and might be
taken as the forerunner of a London
series, if there is anything in precedent.
Fire Marshal Needed.

Apparently the pyro mania has
shifted their field a little, or possibly
have only widened their sphere of ac-
tivities. Incendiary fires of all kinds
simultaneously strengthen the arguments of
the fire chief for the appointment of a fire
marshal, either provincial, or city, or
district, in order that a thorough inves-
tigation of all conflagrations that bear
the taint of incendiarism can be thor-
oughly investigated.

Across the line the state fire marshals'
departments are among the most im-
portant of the various branches of state
administration. The work that the state
and city fire marshals have accom-
plished in stamping out incendiarism
and reducing the fire loss through close
inspection is one of the greatest argu-
ments in favor of the adoption of similar
departments in Ontario and in Onta-
rio cities.

HEAVILY FINED
FOR PUTTING GIRL
IN SNAKES' DEN

London Men Must Pay \$60
Each or Go To Jail For
Six Months.

Pretty Little Girl and Three
Other Children To Be
Taken Away.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
St. Thomas, Aug. 9.—James Ford
and Charles Cox, of London, who were
recently found guilty of exhibiting
Ford's 8-year-old daughter, Hazel, as
Mamie Ha Ha, in a den of snakes at
Aylmer recently, were each fined \$60
by Magistrate Hunt today, with the
option of six months in jail.

The court gave the men one of the
severest lectures ever handed out in
a local court, and in his remarks also
included the child's mother, who was
in court.

Inhuman Conduct.
"I can't imagine," he said, "how any
parents can be so inhuman to a little
child as to put her in such a place as
that in which she was found. It was
one of the most inhuman things I ever
heard of. To make things worse, ap-
parently, three other little ones, aged
3, 6 and 7, were being trained with a
view to showing them all over the
country. I have heard of people main-
taining their children deliberately so as
to make money out of them, and this
seems to me almost as bad. I hope
what has happened to people all
over Canada will be a warning to people
everywhere that if they ever contem-
plate using their children in this way."

A Pathetic Scene.
Cox's aged mother and young wife
were sitting throughout the pro-
ceedings. Ford's wife and brothers
were present and paid the money re-
quired for his release. Aged Mrs. Cox
and Cox's wife left for London to try
and raise the sum required for his re-
lease.

The little girl has been taken charge
of by the Children's Aid Society and
the three children in London will likely
be taken by the society there.

MANY BARN WERE BURNED
DURING ELECTRICAL STORM

Farmer Near Exeter Who Had Just Finished Threshing Yester-
day Loses Two Fine Buildings With All Season's Crops.

London Man Loses in Fire in Missouri.

The heaviest electrical storm of the
season last night caused damage in this
district which will total fully \$10,000,
and may run into much higher figures.
At times the lightning was terrific, and
was followed by drenching rain and
high winds, which wrought havoc
among the uncut oats and barley.

Farmers who had their grain cut and
ready for threshing will be set back
however, was badly needed, as in most
districts the crops were beginning to
suffer, and in not a few places the
water supply was running short and
farmers were having to draw water
long distances for their cattle.

Telephone systems all through the
district are out of commission as a
result of the storm.

BARN WAS STRUCK.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Exeter, Aug. 9.—During the big storm
here last evening the two fine barns of
Adolphus Hooper in Hay Township,
two miles out of Lucan, were struck,
and both were completely destroyed.
Mr. Hooper had just finished up his
threshing yesterday afternoon and had
harvested one of the finest crops in
years. His entire crop of wheat, barley,
pigs, calves and implements were
burned. Mr. Gould just started farming
this spring, and the loss is a heavy
one for him. He has a small insur-
ance. At Golspie, A. McDonald had
several fine horses struck by lightning
and killed, and farmers around Brooks-
dale had several cattle killed in the
field.

FIRE NEAR THORNDALE.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Thornedale, Aug. 9.—The fine barn of
Cy Webb, in Nissouri, was burned with
part of the season's crops during the
electrical storm last evening. So fierce
did the place burn that there was no
time to save anything. Mr. Weston,
a farmer residing near here, had a val-
uable horse, which was out in a field,
killed by a bolt, and another horse was
struck and killed.

BEGINNER'S HARD LUCK.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Woodstock, Aug. 9.—Shortly after
5 o'clock today when the storm was
at its height, lightning struck the
barn of S. Gould on the seventh con-
cession of East Oxford. His entire sea-
son's crops, together with his horses,
pigs, calves and implements were
burned. Mr. Gould just started farming
this spring, and the loss is a heavy
one for him. He has a small insur-
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dale had several cattle killed in the
field.

LONDONER LOSES.
[Special to The Advertiser.]