

# ASSAULT BY HOODED MEN MAY RESULT IN TEST CASE

### Five Dresden Men Arrested on Charges Made by Robert Tiffin—Police Will Carry Out Vigorous Prosecution, High Constable Declares—Bail Is Sought.

Special to The Advertiser.  
Chatham, Dec. 10.—Efforts were being made today to secure the release on bail of the five Dresden young men who are alleged to have been included in the party of eight, garbed in Ku Klux Klan hoods and gowns, who attacked Robert Tiffin in his apartment.

At the present time the five are on remand at the county jail, with charges of assault preferred against them. The accused are Reginald Ayres, Clarence Davidson, Thomas Warner, William F. Shaw, and Missbrook. J. C. C. Shaw of this city has been retained to act in their interests. Owing to the fact that county officials are engaged in local business, a date for the trial of the five men has not yet been decided.

# Spectators Crane Necks When Prisoner Is Woman

### Unfortunates Always Receive Utmost Courtesy From the Police Officials, and Curious Onlookers Have Feeling of Pity When Case Is Called.

The curious crane their necks. From their position in Maristate Graydon's crowded courtroom they want to see the woman, just an ordinary woman, one who would not attract attention on the streets. The curious twist in their seats and watch her interestedly as she follows a uniformed constable up the steps which lead from the cells below.

And the woman, ashamed, pulls her coat about her face and diverts her attention from the aggravating crowd to the constable, as if to say, "Where do you want me to go, now?"

Spectators Silent.  
There are many of them who come to court. And in the court a woman facing an intoxication charge is always object of more interest than the most hardened criminal. When she answers her charge there is a strained feeling among the spectators. There is always a hush, hear her excuses. It is a desire to hear scandal and learn of subject for gossip.

Man offers the tragedy.  
The frequency of her appearance makes the case more interesting from the spectators' viewpoint. They strain ears to hear every spoken word and eye the prisoner up and down with shocked look, taking in every article of dress and even commenting upon the curl of her hair, the tidiness or shabbiness of her clothes.

# City Churches

METROPOLITAN C. G. I. T.  
The regular meeting of the C. G. I. T. of Metropolitan United church will be held last night, with the president, Miss Helen Glass, presiding. A splendid talk on "Missions" was given by Mrs. W. G. Young and Miss Jean Crisp read the lesson. Plans were made to send gifts to the Indians at Muncy next week. Next Wednesday the meeting will take the form of a Christmas party and will be the last meeting of this year.

# SCHOOLS OF LONDON CLOSE DECEMBER 22

Children Now Busily Engaged in Preparing For Christmas Concerts.  
London schools will close on Dec. 22, and will not open Jan. 4. Inspector Wheable stated this afternoon.

# ADLAIDE STREET BOYS' CONCERT

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# SENTENCE ON GOLDSTEIN AND BRINDNER FRIDAY

The sittings of the supreme court of Ontario before the Hon. Mr. Justice Howat ended this afternoon, and county court, with Judge Talbot Macbeth on the bench will be resumed tomorrow morning.

# KING STREET MISSION CLUB

The regular meeting of the girls' mission club of King street United church was held on Tuesday evening at the home of the president, Mrs. T. O. Robinson, who presided. The first part of the evening was given to devotions in the home of the president, Mrs. T. O. Robinson, who presided. The first part of the evening was given to devotions in the home of the president, Mrs. T. O. Robinson, who presided.

# WOMAN TO BE SPEAKER AT COMMUNIST MEETING

A public meeting of the Communist party will be held on Sunday evening in the St. George's hall, 211 Dundas street. The chief speaker will be Mrs. Florence Custance of Toronto, who is the secretary of the women's association of the party.

# ELMWOOD AVENUE RECEPTION

In honor of Rev. F. W. Gilmore, Mrs. Gilmore and Miss Gilmore, a delightful reception was held last night at Elmwood avenue. The guests of the evening were the members of the congregation gathered together for a social evening.

# ON HUNGER STRIKE

Havana, Dec. 9.—Julio Antonio Mella, the 22-year-old student, who is in jail on connection with the hunger strike, September 10th entered upon the fifth day of his hunger strike. The house of representatives has requested the detention of Mella to furnish with full information regarding the case.

# CITY PARK RINKS ALL READY FOR ICE

### Few Inches of Snow and Cold Weather Now Needed For Good Ice.

A few inches of snow coupled with some real cold weather are the only ingredients now needed by the public utilities commission for the four open rinks that will bring joy to the hearts of London youngsters this winter.

# NEW LONDON COUNCIL TO MEET TOMORROW

### Mayor-Elect Moore Calls Gathering To Discuss Possible Changes.

A meeting of the 1924 city council has been called for tomorrow night by Mayor-Elect John M. Moore at the city hall.

# GIPLING NOW MAKING SATISFACTORY PROGRESS

Burwash, Sussex, England, Dec. 10.—The medical bulletin issued at noon today from Rudyard Kipling's home says the author is making slow but satisfactory progress in his fight against pneumonia.

# WILL APPEAL TO COULDIDGE AGAINST PERSHING RULING

Arica, Chile, Dec. 9.—The Tucuman-Arica plebiscite commission today approved General Pershing's motion for fixing the dates for a plebiscite. The commission rejected the Chilean motion, and the Chileans will appeal to the arbitrator, President Coolidge.

# BOUNDARY TREATY BACKED BY ULSTER PARLIAMENT

Belfast, Ireland, Dec. 9.—The Ulster parliament tonight approved the Irish boundary treaty proposed by Sir James Craig, which he confidently believed a new era had begun, not only in Ulster and the Free State, but in the whole world, so far as Irish affairs were concerned.

# Eats Dynamite For Medicine

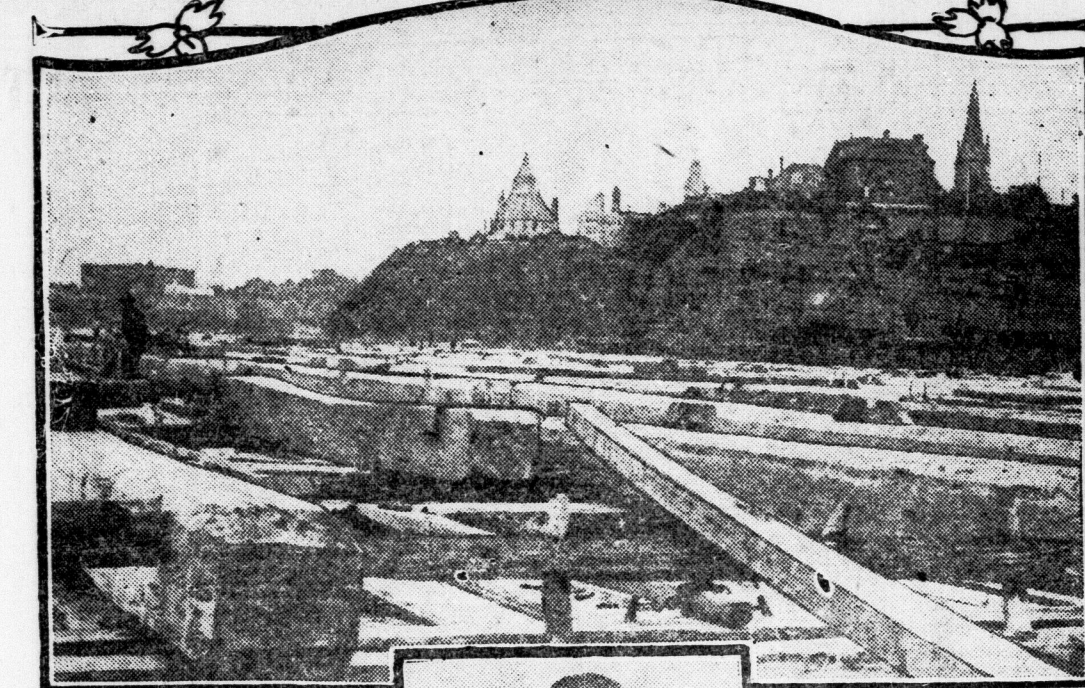
Palmerston who was again elected president of the United Farmers of Ontario, at the annual convention today.

# REvolutionIST ARRESTED

Vienna, Dec. 9.—Belgrade dispatches today say twenty persons have been arrested on charges of engaging in revolution activity in Southern Serbia in conjunction with the Macedonian organization. The arrests have caused intense excitement. Two of those held are Stankovic and Kassar Arsovic.

# OTTAWA ASKED TO TAKE OVER TOY INDUSTRY FOR VETERANS

Would Provide Regular and Remunerative Employment For Thousands of Disabled Former Service Men Now Confined to Institutions Throughout the Dominion.



# Guns Are Banned On Election Day

### Mexico City Takes Precautions To Avert Trouble During Civic Contests.

Mexico City, Dec. 9.—Two days on which pistols may not be carried in Mexico City has been decreed for the purpose of preventing trouble at the municipal elections, Sunday. The chief of police has issued an order that no firearms be carried on Saturday and Sunday, except military and police on active duty.

# CHINESE RED GENERAL IS DEAD FROM WOUNDS

### Hong Chow Ling Dies Following Attack by Steamer Cabin Boy.

Shanghai, Dec. 10.—General Hong Chow Ling, a leader of the anti-imperialist movement in Canton, who was shot by a cabin boy on the United States liner President Pierce on Monday, died in the hospital here today.

# ENGLISH STORK GIVES PREFERENCE TO BOYS

London, Dec. 9.—For every 1,000 girl babies brought by the stork in England and Wales in 1924 there were 1,047 boys born, according to figures just published by the registrar-general.

# BRIDGE ON KING STREET NOW OPEN FOR TRAFFIC

The King street bridge, which has been closed for the past ten days undergoing a few minor repairs, is now open to traffic again. Repairs to the sidewalk have not been quite finished, and the city engineers will take their chances on the main thoroughfare of the structure for the time being.

# NEW SPANISH GOVERNMENT IS DETERMINED ON ORDER

Madrid, Dec. 9.—The Spanish civil government issued today its ministerial declaration, endorsing no more proposition for some time to come of the policies of the military directorate, its predecessor.

# WOMEN'S LABOR PARTY

A very successful meeting was held this week by the members of the Women's Labor Party in the Majestic building. First prizes were won by Mrs. B. Gray and Mrs. George Edie, and one hand prize by Mrs. B. Savage and Mrs. W. Lewis.

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# LATE KING AND HIS DOMAIN

The upper picture shows a big squared timber raft belonging to the John R. Booth mills being put together on the Ottawa river in the very shallow water. The raft is being used for the purpose of carrying lumber to the mill.

# RAILWAY BROTHERHOOD SEEKS NEW MEMBERS

The local order of the brotherhood of railway employees will stage a membership campaign next week and plans will be laid at a meeting to be held on Monday night in the I. O. O. F. hall.

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# PORTLAND WINS 5-4

Portland, Ore., Dec. 10.—Portland defeated the Calgary hockey team here last night 5 to 4. In a game which required an extra period of play, McCormick slashed some brilliant stick-handling and skating after four minutes of overtime play to put the winning goal in Calgary's net.

MRS. MARY A. POWELL, who died in Toronto this week, was treasurer of the Methodist section of the United church of Canada, which position she had held for some years.

# HELP FROM PROVINCE AVAILABLE IF NEEDED

### Local Children's Aid Society Satisfied With Arrangements Prevailing at Present.

Commenting on the resolution passed at the annual meeting of the Children's Aid society for Woodstock and Oxford county, asking the provincial government to provide for the financing of the C. A. S. by municipalities, a member of the local executive of the society stated that such legislation had already been passed.

"It has not been carried out in London, but, personally, I think it is a good idea," he declared. "At present I believe the city contributes \$2,000 a year and the county of Middlesex \$1,000 toward the upkeep of the children's shelter home. The balance of the money is provided through the welfare fund.

# GRAY'S, LIMITED, BUYS READY-TO-WEAR STOCK

Gray's, Limited, announce the purchase of the entire stock of Paris Ready-to-Wear, Mr. James Gray, president, states it is one of the best selected bankrupt stocks he has ever seen offered at auction.

# DRIVE WILL BE LAUNCHED AT MEETING Monday Night in I.O.O.F. Hall

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# Evolution Does Not Deny Creator, Lodge Declares

### Sir Oliver Tells Churchmen There Is No Essential Opposition Between Religion and Science—People Must Not Shy at Truth, He Says.

Associated Press Despatch.  
London, Dec. 9.—There is no essential opposition between the theory of evolution and belief in a Creator, Sir Oliver Lodge, the eminent scientist, asserted in an address today before a large audience in Christ church, Westminster. His lecture dealt largely with the limitations of physical science with respect to the larger problem of man and his universe.

list's work, he said: "We try to set forth the physical processes in detail, and for that special purpose limit ourselves to the mechanical, the physical, the chemical, the calculable and the directly observed without the least trace of implexy and without being reasonably accused of denying that there is a great tract of country which is not on our beat, which we are not exploring and which through lack of time and energy we perform neglect. We do not, if we are wise, ever think of denying this."

Sir Oliver said the human body is undoubtedly developed from a form that the animal kingdom, but declared that while he believed in the animal ancestry of man he also believed in a Creator who brought the universe into being by long and patient processes.

Sir Oliver said that biologists do not attempt to explain the origin of life. They take life as an existing fact. People must not shy at the truth, he contended. They have to overcome the prejudices of their ancestry and work the ape and the tiger out of their nature.

# Place of Death Creates Dispute

### Canadian Press Despatch. Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 9.—An investigation is now being made to determine which side of the line between East Flamboro and West Flamboro an unknown man was killed on almost one year ago in order to fix responsibility for the costs of burying the victim. Officials of East Flamboro claim that the man was killed on a Canadian Pacific Railway train on the West Flamboro side of the road which divides the two townships, and hunt into East Flamboro, where he died. West Flamboro holds that the man was on the East Flamboro side of the road all the time.

# NO AUTHORITY GIVEN FOR SELLING MAGAZINES

### Local G.W.V.A. Branch Has Not Sanctioned Activities of Salesmen Here.

Complaint has been made to President Harry Wray of the local G. W. V. A. that there are men in the city who are selling soldiers' magazines and using the name of Mr. Wray and the veterans as recommended to further their sales. Mr. Wray stated this morning that nobody in the city has been given any authority to use the name of the veterans and would appreciate any information from merchants or others whom these men have approached.

# ONCE OLD BARRACKS, NOW APARTMENT HOUSE

### Building at Dundas and Ridout Was Once Center of Military Life.

One of the most up-to-date apartment buildings in London now stands almost completed on the north-west corner of Dundas and Ridout streets, and is a district improvement in the district. Seventy years ago on the same site there stood the barracks, which was the center of military life in this district for many years. It was then the residential section of the town.

The building has been converted from brick into buff stucco. The alterations are in charge of architect G. Murray.

The building will likely be known as the Smith apartments, well-known druggist of the city. There are forty spacious apartments in the building, and the interior, although in a way finished, will be beautifully decorated. The building is three stories high, and extends a block on Ridout street.

At the rear of the building is a large garage which will accommodate over thirty cars. Mr. Smith has also another building where he will carry on a wholesale drug business. The apartment will likely be completed by early spring.

# U.F.O. BACK IN THE POLITICAL FIELD

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The very large majority, favored an active political program, as obtained in 1919, when the U. F. O. government was formed.

Those who were nominated for the presidency, including Mr. Amos, Harold Currie, Strathroy, R. H. Halbert, R. W. Burnaby, Jefferson, and W. Wood, but all withdrew in favor of Mr. Amos, who was elected amidst prolonged applause.

R. H. Halbert, former M. P., declared the farmers needed men from their own ranks in the house and the legislature to look after their interests.

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# SENSATIONAL SPY CHARGES COLLAPSE AS POLICE PROBE

### Story of British Espionage in France Proves Groundless and Three Men Are Released—Experts Declare Whole Matter as Joke, as No Secrets Exist.

Associated Press Despatch.  
Paris, Dec. 10.—The famous air service espionage case is now treated as a "mare's nest" by the same newspapers which made charges that Britain employed the alleged spies.

The police assert that, despite diligent search they have found no evidence whatever to support the confession made by Mlle. Marthe Moreau that she had been spying in the employ of James Leather, Ernest O. Phillips and William Fischer, who were declared to be former British officers, and now in the intelligence department of Great Britain. The three men are expected to be released immediately.

Air experts all along have considered the affair ridiculous. They pointed out that airplanes in France are manufactured by private parties, who are their own masters as regards the right to show their machines. Moreover, they said, the British attaché in Paris, and the French attaché in London are accorded the fullest possible facilities to obtain information concerning the progress of aerial science, and that consequently the use of spies was not required.

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