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REVOLUTION IN BRITAIN PREDICTED

GORMAN IS LIBERATED BY POLICE

Prison Gates Swing Open as Mulatto is Made Free Man.

CRITICIZES OSMON

Says Provincial Constable Tried to Implicate Him at Inquest.

The prison gate swung open this morning and James B. Gorman, a mulatto, who had been held in connection with the murder of Mrs. Clara Whiteside, walked out a free man. He had been taken into custody on Thursday, December 27, and since that time was held until his statements could be verified. Evidence since produced by the detective department shows that his alibi is bona fide and he was given his liberty.

That Provincial Constable Charles Osmon tried to implicate him, was a statement Gorman made while in conversation with a representative of The Times. He said he would return to Swan Creek tomorrow night to resume work in the woods. Asked as to how he felt about his incarceration, he said: "I must now go out and face the world with this hanging over me. I always tried to keep out of trouble, but it seems that the best of us get in wrong at some time or other."

"I think that Osmon made a mistake by changing the dates to the time he last saw Mrs. Whiteside alive."

Will Leave Tomorrow

As he was leaving the police station Sergeant Detective Power asked him if he was going to stay in town today, and he answered that he would not return to Swan Creek until tomorrow night. He was carrying a small valise and proceeded to the head of King street where he boarded a street car going north.

The authorities are determined to leave no stone unturned in an effort to clear up the mystery surrounding the shocking murder was evinced today when Sergeant Detective Power announced that he and Detective Saunders would proceed to East St. John and continue their investigations. While they have apparently no definite clues to look up they seemed bent on clearing up some points, which might throw some light on the mystery.

LIBERALS WILL BE THE OPPOSITION

Ontario Premier Passes by Resolution Adopted by Farmer Legislators.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—The Liberal party will constitute the official opposition in the Ontario Legislature which will assemble on Feb. 6 next, despite a resolution adopted by the farmer legislators yesterday, when they voted to become the official opposition party. Premier Ferguson said the designation of the official opposition party was a matter for the Government. "Has the Government any definite policy on the matter?" the Premier was asked.

"Yes," he replied. "The verdict at the polls in June last showed conclusively that the people wanted to get back to the two-party system of government. In the next House of Government will consist of the Conservative party, and the official opposition will be the Liberal party."

Offers Pint of Beer A Day For Year

London, Jan. 4.—The London Stock Exchange is staging a raffle, the proceeds of which are to be devoted to charity, donated to a hospital. Among the attractive prizes offered is one from a bookmaker playing for the winner \$5 each way, win, place or show on any horse in this year's derby.

Another prize contributed by a first class hotel offers a pint of beer to the winner every day during 1924.

ROYAL MATCH MAY NOT MATERIALIZE

Greek Events Affect Queen Marie's Role as Mother of The Balkans.

Bucharest, Jan. 4.—Queen Marie's role as the "Mother of the Balkans" is considered to have received a severe blow through the events in Greece, and it is thought likely that the proposed match between Princess Louise of Romania, and King Boris, of Bulgaria, will fall through.

The King's Hair Cut

One of the first things King George of Greece, did upon his arrival here, was to get his hair cut. It is said he was so distrustful of the Greek barber that he avoided employing one during the last few weeks, preceding his departure from the country.

BLOCKED IN EFFORT TO RELEASE THAW

New York Lawyer Refused Permission to See Slayer of Stamford White.

Philadelphia, Jan. 4.—Efforts of B. B. Coyne, a New York lawyer, to obtain the release of Harry K. Thaw, slayer of Stanford White, from the Pennsylvania Hospital for Mental and Nervous Diseases, received a setback yesterday when Mr. Coyne was refused admission to the institution where he had planned to confer with his client.

Announcement that any attempt to obtain Thaw's freedom would be strenuously opposed also was made by former Judge James G. Gordon, counsel for Mrs. Mary Coplay Thaw, mother of the patient and "committee" for his person, and Mrs. Thaw herself.

Asked what his next step would be, the New York attorney said there were several things he wished to do before making a statement.

Hopeful For Peace River Country

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 4.—Direct connection with Vancouver and equalization of freight rates is all that will save the Peace River country, but given these remedies, it might have within a few years, a population of more than 1,000,000 people, with a tremendous grain production, declared Mayor Blatchford, of Edmonton, who is here with F. A. Walker, ex-M.L.A., for Fort Saskatchewan.

"In the Peace River country is the most fertile, most productive farming land of the north American continent," said Mr. Blatchford.

Wire Briefs

Topeka, Kas., Jan. 4.—The Kansas Motion Picture Censor Board has been requested by Attorney General Griffith to bar all films in which Mabel Normand appears.

Luxor, Jan. 4.—The sarcophagus of the Pharaoh Tutankhamen has been found in that monarch's tomb in the Valley of the Kings, it was announced today.

St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 4.—T. Hollis Walker, commissioner who was appointed by the Government to conduct the enquiry into certain allegations against the late Prime Minister and his associates, arrived here yesterday. The investigation will open on Monday.

THOUSANDS LOSE WORK IN FLOODS

Many Automobile Plants Are Forced to Close as the Waters Rise.

CRISIS ON SUNDAY

Thaw Sets in in France and Melts the Heavy Snows.

(By Canadian Press.)

Paris, Jan. 4.—The height of the Seine flood at the Pont Royal at 9 a. m. was 25.28 feet, as compared with 1.45 metres at 9 o'clock yesterday, a rise of 8.66 inches. The rise during the previous 24 hours was 18.7 inches. The Seine was still rising today, and with all the weather forecasters predicting a mild but persistent rain throughout the day, repetition of the disaster of 1910 seemed probable unless there was a drastic change of temperature before night.

EARTHQUAKES ARE SHAKING ITALY

Fifteen Shocks in the Last 48 Hours; Heavy Snowfall Adds to Troubles.

Ancona, Italy, Jan. 4.—Earthquake shocks are continuing. Altogether fifteen have been registered during the last forty-eight hours. Many houses caved in or were otherwise damaged. Snow is falling heavily, adding to the discomfort of the populace.

The first tremors were felt Wednesday in the Marche district, about here (the provinces of Anconi-Miesso, Macerata, Ancona and Pesaro-Urbino) the disturbances apparently centering in the neighborhood of Pesaro.

FIGHT LEPROSY

British Association Plans Campaign to Rid Empire of This Disease.

London, Jan. 4.—The British Empire Leprosy Association plans to inaugurate early this year an intensive campaign to rid the British possessions of this disease. There are said to be 300,000 lepers in India, Africa and the West Indies. Recent experiments in India, have shown, scientists assert, that leprosy can be cured by injections of chaulmoogra oil.

BAPTISTS NOW IN THE CONTROVERSY

Fundamentalist League Demands Investigation of Foreign Mission Situation.

New York, Jan. 4.—The controversy raging in Protestant religious circles in the U. S. between the modernists and the fundamentalists has broken out afresh.

The Baptist Fundamentalist League of Greater New York issued a statement declaring that Northern Baptists would be satisfied with nothing less than a thorough investigation of the whole foreign mission situation by a committee of men of "unquestioned orthodoxy." The statement was a reply to a report from the Board of Managers of the American Baptist Mission Society dealing with allegations concerning modernism in foreign mission fields. The Fundamentalists' statement was signed by Rev. Dr. Bruce Stratton, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, and Max Schilling, vice-president of the league.

The statement said that information at disposal of the league showed that over a period of years foreign missionaries, native Christians and others have stated that unsound theological teaching was prevalent in foreign mission schools and fields.

Presbyterian's Action

At Princeton, N. J., Dr. Henry Van Dyke, internationally known figure in the Presbyterian church, resigned his pew at Old First Church. He said that he disapproved of reiteration from the pulpit of the controversy between the modernists and the fundamentalists. Several weeks ago he proclaimed himself a "liberalist on religion."

Insurance Companies Ruined by Quake

London, Jan. 4.—Japanese insurance companies are completely ruined by the earthquake. The total insured value of the property destroyed has already been tallied at about \$1,110,000,000. The total assets of all the Japanese companies amount to but \$100,000,000. While the greater part of their risks was re-insured in English companies, the English insurance contained the earthquake clause relieving them from payment.

KING WOULD END GRANT TO PROVINCES

Dom. Premier Cites Heavy Financial Burdens That Canada Carries. MEETS N. B. MEN

Province Represented in Request for Continuation of Agricultural Aid.

(By Canadian Press.)

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—The heavy financial load which is now being carried by the Dominion was emphasized by Premier King last evening to representatives of six Canadian provinces who appeared before him and other members of the federal Government to urge a continuation of the agricultural grant.

The Premier, after pointing to the financial obligations which the Dominion was shouldering, the size of the public debt and the consequent heavy interest payments, expressed the view that it was time for the provinces to come to the assistance of the Dominion and assume the responsibility of carrying on the work, the cost of which was paid out of the grant.

EDMONTON SAW MILL WORKER, WITH POLICE CLOSING IN ON HIM, SHOOTS HIMSELF

Edmonton, Jan. 4.—Alfred Brunette, who one New Year's morning used a six shooter upon his employer, Robert C. Hadley, a sawmill owner near Styal, C. N. I., turned the gun on himself on Wednesday night in an abominable shack near Junkins on the C. N. I.

PIRACY CHARGED IN YARMOUTH COURT

Capt. Andrew Gauvreau is Under Preliminary Hearing in Liquor Case.

Yarmouth, N. S., Jan. 4.—Captain Andrew Gauvreau, formerly skipper of the schooner Douglas B. Conrad, was before Magistrate Felton here yesterday for preliminary hearing on a charge of piracy on the high seas, when he is alleged to have taken by force from the Weymouth, N. S., schooner Lucille B. a quantity of alcohol valued at \$50,000, while the schooner was lying off Harbor Harbor last fall.

QUADRUPLETS GET INTO VERSE IN MONTREAL; FUND APPROACHES \$90

The arrival of quadruplets to Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mahoney, of 77 St. James street, has been placed among the important events of Christmas week by the Montreal Star with the following drawing, and accompanying verses by Napier Moore:

ON MONDAY the world shut its eyes to its woes,
And trustfully, hopefully, hung up its nose,
ON TUESDAY, the day of goodwill and of joy,
The Mahanays (St. John) got three girls and a boy,
ON WEDNESDAY doctors were weary with toil
Prescribing vast oceans of pure Castor Oil,
ON THURSDAY the Japanese Cabinet quit
Hirohito was shot at but missed his hit,
ON FRIDAY the blizzard which hit Montreal,
Caused the shopkeepers no disappointment at all,
NOW SATURDAY'S here, the last one this year,
And we haven't heard yet of a frost-bitten ear.

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MODERN CINDERELLA SPURNS LUXURIES

Fortune Doesn't Turn Head of Once Poor Girl Who Wants to Keep on Doing the Family Dishes

LEONA GOYLE

Miss Leona's hair-dress is a good old-fashioned kitchen wherein she can help her aunt with the dishes. Her aunt helped her when she was poor.

Indianapolis, Ind.—From \$20-a-week factory girl, Leona Goyle, almost overnight here, has stepped into the ranks of moneyed ease. Leona's singular strike as fortune was brought about through discovery of an interest in Oklahoma land, bought years ago by her father, who died by an assassin's knife when Leona was five years old.

Her mother died soon after. This double bereavement sent Leona to an orphanage during her childhood.

News of her sudden wealth, which brought an initial advance of \$10,000, Leona took upon as a reward for her undisturbed confidence in God's watchfulness over all his creatures.

ONTARIO RAILWAY JUNCTION HAS STIRRING TIME WITH "WILD MAN"

Fort William, Ont., Jan. 4.—Armed with an axe and howling like a wild beast, Toy Krukski, a maniac, drove the junction, near here, on Wednesday, and held the building for more than two hours.

While an attacking force, consisting of the operator and sectionmen battled for two hours to regain control of the little junction house, dispatches were delayed and traffic interfered with.

Finally the section crew resorted to the ancient besieging tactics used in the days of Rome. A battering ram was brought into play, the door was smashed in and Krukski jammed behind it. Spikes were driven through the door and the insane man was practically crated until the police arrived from Fort William. He was remanded for eight days when he appeared in court here today on the charge of being a "dangerous character at large."

ORDERED TO SHOOT RANEY TO LEAD FARMERS IN HOUSE

Soldiers to Check Disturbances Near Tomb of President Harding.

Marion, Ohio, Jan. 4.—Soldiers guarding the vault where the body of President Harding is entombed have been given orders to shoot directly at persons who have been causing disturbances around the tomb of the late President at night. The disturbances have consisted of throwing stones at two small guard houses near the vault. At various times a bugle has been sounded in remote parts of the cemetery about midnight.

ANKLE PEARLS ARE IN FASHION

Paris, Jan. 4.—Pearls, which are fast displacing diamonds in popularity in Paris, are now being worn in unusual ways.

Pearl anklets are a growing fashion, and so are garters of pearls. One extremely expensive design is of black and white pearls set like a checker board only smaller. Lingerie is also being trimmed with pearls principally round the openings at the neck and the sleeves.

TWO CRIPPED IN TROUBLE ON PACIFIC

San Francisco, Jan. 4.—Each with a broken steering gear, the Japanese steel freighter, Kyosei Maru, 3,728 tons, and the Harold Dollar, 2,825 tons, of the Dollar Steamship Line, are drifting in a storm raging in the mid-Pacific, according to radio messages.

Neither has passengers. The liner Empress of Russia is rushing to the rescue.

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