

CARUSO EXPIRES FOLLOWING AN OPERATION

LITTLE HOPE THAT EITHER M'FADDEN OR HOTRUM WILL MAKE A CONFESSION

Condemned Men Spending Last Day in a Quiet Manner—
Hotrum Writes Verses—Execution Will Be Carried Out
At 8 o'Clock—Officials Forbidden To Give Out Inter-
views Regarding Carrying Out of Death Sentences.

Toronto, Aug. 2.—Roy Hotrum and William McFadden, who will be hanged tomorrow for the murder of Leo Sabine, spent their last day in a quiet manner. Hotrum broke down and cried yesterday afternoon upon learning the news that there could be no executive clemency for him. But at noon today neither he nor McFadden had indicated any intention of confessing to having fired the fatal shot.

Neither W. K. Murphy, counsel for Hotrum, nor Fletcher Kerr, counsel for McFadden, visited the jail this morning or knew whether they would pay a farewell visit or not. "It breaks me all up to see that lad," said Mr. Murphy. Following a long conference in his office this morning with Charles and James Hotrum, brothers of the accused man, his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. Murphy announced that nothing further would or could be done to procure clemency for his client. After lunch at a restaurant, Hotrum's relatives entered the jail for a farewell, having been notified that the execution will probably take place around 8 a.m. tomorrow. "Nothing has occurred since

McFadden was told about the news from Ottawa," Mr. Kerr said.

Hotrum Writes Verses.

"All along he has insisted to me that he did not fire the shot that killed Sabine, and, of course, that is all I know. He seems to be quite calm."

Roy Hotrum has been spending his last hours in writing verses. Most of these describe his own feelings while confined in the death cell, while some are evidently intended to be a warning to other youths.

The sentence of death will be carried out at 8 o'clock, standard time, (9 o'clock, Toronto time), tomorrow morning at the jail. Sheriff of Toronto Fred Mowat fixed the time this morning. Only those who are directly connected with the execution will be admitted, under orders from the attorney-general, who has also issued instructions for no official to talk to the hangings.

Hotrum and McFadden will be hanged at the same time, and it is the first time in the history of Toronto that a double hanging has occurred. Executioner Arthur Ellis arrived from the west last night.

RAILWAY CLERKS TO HAVE SALARIES CUT BY \$12.24 A MONTH

35,000 Workers Will Be Affected by Change.

Montreal, Aug. 2.—Wage reductions to be assessed against clerical staffs of Canadian railways in conformity with the general reduction made effective July 16, have been worked out. Clerks and all those coming under that general classification will be reduced \$12.24 per month, and those classified as office boys by \$10.20. It is stated that approximately 35,000 workers will be affected by these two changes. Notification of the new rates will have been forwarded to these affected.

Announcement of the detailed reduction of clerical forces completes the whole program of tentative wage changes first mooted by the railways in June. They will remain in effect, the railways state, pending final negotiations or arbitration on working and wage conditions between the companies and their employees. Such negotiations will be taken up individually by each branch of labor and no final agreement is anticipated until well into next fall.

TANK STEAMER IS BEACHED TO PREVENT SINKING OF VESSEL

Montreal, Aug. 2.—Developing a leak while bound from Halifax for Montreal with her tanks filled with gasoline, the Imperial Oil Company's tank steamer, *Imperial*, was beached yesterday afternoon a mile and a half above Sorel in order to prevent the vessel sinking.

MAYOR CHURCH WOULD HAVE CITIZENS VOTE ON PROPOSED INCREASE

Toronto, Aug. 2.—Mayor Church, at the board of control meeting this morning made the proposal that the people of the city of Toronto should vote on the proposal to increase street railway fares before the increases are put into effect when the city takes over the railway as a civic ownership proposition in September next. It is generally understood that the transportation committee will then advance fares from 4 to 7 cents.

Cannot Blame Storm For Condition of the Pine Lawn Houses

Mayor E. S. Little Declares Story of Condition of Housing Commission's Houses Carried by Advertiser To Be Correct and Complaints Fully Justified—The Contractors Should Be Compelled To Rectify Conditions.

Following the publication by The Advertiser a few weeks ago of extracts from the report of J. W. Cunliffe, chairman of the London Housing Commission, regarding forty complaints on houses in the Pine Lawn subdivision, articles and interviews have been printed declaring those extracts to be "exaggerated," "damaging distortions," and "not true."

This report, as seen by me shows the complaints to be justified, and the recent heavy storm cannot be blamed for causing the damage," declared Mayor E. S. Little to the Advertiser today. "I am merely repeating what I said at the last meeting of the housing commission. What was published in The Advertiser is correct, and I hope that the contractors may be compelled to rectify matters. I do not know if the commission has any money held back on the contractors for this purpose."

In view of the fact that the exclusively published extracts in The Advertiser have been branded as outlined above, and to eliminate "damaging distortions," the report of Chairman J. W. Cunliffe following inspection of the Pine Lawn houses is shown below.

Official Report.

The official report was made by J. W. Cunliffe and is taken from the minutes of the London Housing Commission special meeting held on July 13, in full, follows:

"I beg to report that on Monday afternoon, the 11 inst., I, in company with Mr. Lavender, made a thorough inspection of all the houses on the Pine Lawn estate. Particulars of each individual house are as follows:

Madison Avenue.

No. 152—Water leaks through roof in twelve different places.

No. 142—Dirty walls, trim and plaster need fixing.

No. 136—Several leaks through roof, water to be painted, water in cellar.

No. 123—Eaves-trough in bad shape, water pouring through the top, leaks in the roof.

No. 132—Bad leaks in roof and dirty veranda, water in cellar, badly-painted veranda.

No. 130—Water leaks through roof and under windows, very dirty walls, and water in cellar.

No. 120—Leaks in roof in front room and cellar flooded.

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TRANSIENTS BEAT LOCAL MEN TO JOBS

Clever Ruse Used by Strangers To Secure Work in the City.

MANY GOING WEST

Social Service Council's Appeal For Farm Workers Brings Response.

Despite several warnings, strangers from far and near seem to again be making London their objective. Quite a number have dropped into the city over the week-end in search of work, and they hail from all points of the compass.

Just how the employment agents and the different employing interests can be misled has now been brought to light. The newcomer, especially with available cash, is soon "wise" to the fact that as a general rule, the firms are endeavoring to fill the local situation by hiring, whenever they have requirement, and whenever feasible, bona fide workers of the city. With a handy knowledge of the ropes, the passing worker establishes himself at a rooming house, takes the landlady into his confidence, and in event of a prospective employer making inquiries there for him, he will be assured that the applicant in question has been a steady boarder for any number of months.

What Can Be Done?

The result is that he will accordingly be hired. "What can be done?" questions one of the employment officials. "The applicant is apparently a citizen, and it would take a special corps of inspectors to go around and follow up every individual case to insure that a stranger was not getting the preference to a local man."

In response to the appeal made recently by the special committee of the Social Service Council to induce city men to take up farm work for the coming winter, a number of applicants have already presented themselves at the office of that association. Both the Ontario department of colonization and the Ontario employment bureau assert that they have numerous vacancies yet to be filled. In the meanwhile continued inquiries relative to the harvesters' excursion for the west indicate the departure of a goodly quota from this district on the tenth of the month.

EIGHT KILLED AS RESULT OF EARTH SHOCK IN ITALY

Postoffice Building Falls—Victims Are Buried in Ruins.

Rome, Aug. 2.—The postoffice building at Bari, in southern Italy, on Sunday was recorded today as a result of an earth tremor.

Eight bodies have so far been recovered from the ruins. Others are reported to have been killed in the disaster and many injured.

One of the bodies taken out was that of M. Zavalonia, reputed to be a Greek millionaire, who was transacting business in the postoffice at the time of the collapse.

SENATE VOTES CONFIDENCE.

Rome, Aug. 2.—The Senate yesterday voted confidence in the Government, 145 to 17. The vote was on the order of the day.

The Chamber of Deputies recently voted confidence in the Government by its approval, 302 to 126, of the Government's declaration of policy.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 77; lowest, 50.

The official thermometer for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 63; lowest, 57.

SEA AND WINDS.

Monday—8 a.m., 29.32; 8 p.m., 29.31. Today—8 a.m., 29.25.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COOL.

Toronto, Aug. 2—8 a.m. Forecasts.

Lower Lakes—Today: Moderate to fresh easterly winds; cool, partly fair but showers in most localities. Wednesday: Northerly to westerly winds; fair.

Georgian Bay—Moderate to fresh east and northeast winds; fair and cool today and Wednesday.

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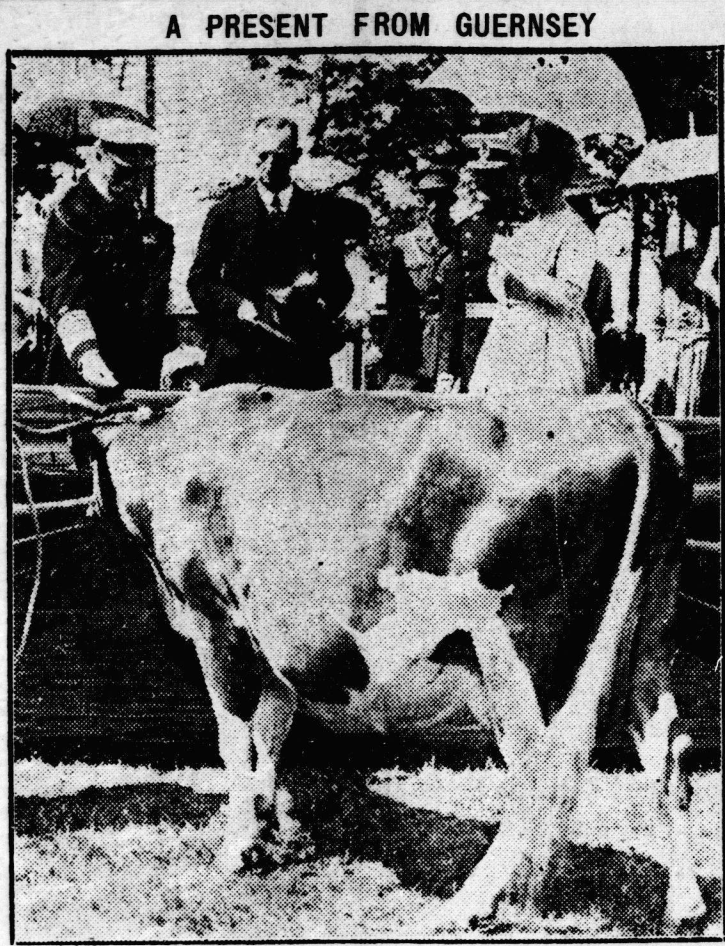
Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	72	52	Clear
Calgary	62	48	Cloudy
Winnipeg	62	46	Clear
Port Arthur	56	43	Cloudy
Ottawa	60	48	Fair
Toronto	55	55	Cloudy
Kingston	52	55	Fair
Quebec	70	46	Fair
Montreal	68	54	Fair
Halifax	62	46	Clear
St. John's	56	48	Clear
Halifax	54	40	Clear

Weather Notes.

The disturbance which was over the Gulf of St. Lawrence yesterday is moving out over the Atlantic, while the one which was central over the Lower Lakes with diminishing intensity.

Local showers have occurred in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, and it is now raining in the southwestern counties of Ontario.

The weather is generally fair and cool throughout the Dominion.



ROSE II, a Guernsey cow, being presented to the King by the Guernsey Agricultural Society during the royal visit to the Island. The King and Queen are shown in the picture.

WENIGE SENDS LETTER AFTER WIRE TO RANEY

Determined to Get an Answer on Juvenile Court Question.

SAVE THE BOYS

Aldermen John Bridge, H. J. Childs and B. F. Brighton Approve Plan.

"My letter along the same line goes forward this afternoon, registered, so that he will be sure to get it," asserted Ald. George Wenige today, intimating that as yet he had received no reply to his second wire to Attorney-General Raney, asking definitely as to whether "a court has no option, in cases where youths under 16 years of age are charged with automobile theft in a city where no juvenile court is in existence, but to sentence them to long terms."

In answer to Ald. Wenige's first wire he was told "to consult the local crown attorney."

"That's just more 'passing the buck,'" commented the councillor again today. "But I tell you now that I am going to have a definite answer from the attorney-general, yes or no. A letter goes forward now."

"You can count me in when compiling your list for advocates of the juvenile court," advised Ald. John Bridge, providing that it will be so arranged that Police Magistrate Graydon handles the judgeship.

Ald. H. J. Childs is of a like opinion. "I do not mind saying now," he said today, "that I am for the establishment of a juvenile court, providing that we have the present magistrate to preside. He is the man, in my opinion, for that task. Yes, I will be for it certainly, under that condition."

"Yes," you can state that I am for the juvenile court," said Ald. B. F. Brighton. "It is a very good move. A number of these cases that come up are not as serious as one might suppose, despite their long sentences. A lot of these boys would otherwise pick up and be useful citizens after a little judicious advice. A jail sentence leaves a taint which a great many of these boys, despite their long sentences, are not as good as the ones they are talking about. There is one thing that must be seen to, however, and that is that we have some person to act as judge that understands children, and who will exercise all kinds of discretion."

SON SEEKS FATHER HE HAS NOT SEEN SINCE 8 YEARS OLD

Asks Assistance of Advertiser in Effort To Locate Parent.

Abraham Broom of R. R. No. 1, Mosley has asked The London Advertiser to assist him in locating his father, George Broom, who resided on a farm near Seaford about 22 years ago. Mr. Broom stated that he has had no word of his father since he was eight years of age. He has many times tried to locate him, but his searching was not rewarded. After reading the story in The Advertiser, which told of two missing men having been found through items published in that paper, he decided to ask The Advertiser to assist him in locating his father.

MANY CHANGES IN STYLES, BUT SHORT SKIRTS TO STAY

Chicago, Aug. 2.—A revolution in women's styles, involving everything except short skirts, was indicated for the coming winter by members of the National Wearing Apparel Association, in convention here today.

Straight lines, flowing sleeves, coats almost to the knees, will be worn this winter, they said. As to color, practically everything shown by the models was black, with profuse trimmings of monkey fur.

ENRICO CARUSO FAMOUS TENOR DIES IN ITALY

Operation for Abscess Brought on Peritonitis.

AN UNEXPECTED RELAPSE

Was on Way to Rapid Recovery Until a Week Ago.

New York, Aug. 2.—Cables from Naples today announce the death of Enrico Caruso, the world-famous tenor. The last word received here from Naples was that Caruso was improving nicely and that his voice would not be permanently impaired by his illness.

The condition of the singer, which had been considered satisfactory until recently, became very grave yesterday, peritonitis developing, and another operation being considered necessary. From the beginning of his relapse, however, there was serious concern over the outcome, and last night his life was despaired of.

During the night the condition of the patient grew worse steadily, and the career of the great artist came to an end with his death at an early hour this morning.

When the tenor sailed from New York on May 28 he appeared to be still very ill and weak, although his physician insisted that he was on the road to rapid recovery and would soon regain his health abroad.

Caruso's illness first began during last Christmas week, when he suffered an

MORALITY SQUAD TO REPORT DIRECT TO HULL COUNCIL

Ottawa, Aug. 2.—Formation of an independent morality squad in an attempt to rid Hull and vicinity of immoral houses and disorderly dance halls, was ordered last night by Hull city council, which also decided to hold an investigation into the conduct and management of the police force. The squad will consist of six men and a leader, who will work independently of the city police, and will report direct to the city council.



ENRICO CARUSO.

attack of pleurisy and was confined to his suite in the Hotel Vanderbilt. After several operations Caruso continued in a serious condition for more than a week, and was hovering between life and death.

Early in February there was another sudden turn in the case, and he was placed at the bedside of Caruso fighting to save his life. They were aided in their work by the use of oxygen, which was administered to the patient in an effort to keep him from suffocating.

During the latter part of February, the condition of the famous singer improved slowly but steadily, although it was necessary for him to undergo a

NUPTIALS AT PORT STANLEY MONDAY DREW BIG CROWDS

London Merchants Aid in Making Wedding Great Success.

Yesterday afternoon, in the L. and P. S. park on Invererie Heights, Port Stanley, Miss Mary E. McMurchie of Ripley, Ont., formerly of London, became the bride of Mr. Winfield Louis Bossinger, formerly of Toledo, Ohio, and now of Port Stanley. The ceremony was performed with much dignity by Rev. M. Gould, pastor of Port Stanley Methodist Church, and General Manager Richards of the L. and P. S. R. The music was provided by the direction of Capt. M. Ryan.

The ceremony attracted the largest crowd that ever visited Port Stanley, and the number on the hill broke all records of the past. The event took place on a large dais, artistically decorated with bunting, and also with flowers, by Dicks the florist. There were nearly one thousand glad to be present, and the ceremony was a most successful one.

The bride drove to the scene in an auto, and was loudly cheered as she stepped out onto the carpet on the dais, attired in her chic wedding gown from the Artistic Ladies' Wear, made complete with a pair of white satin pumps from Cook's. Her wedding ring came from Nash's, and her other presents included an electric range from the McClary Manufacturing Company, a dining-room suite from Thomas', and a Hoover vacuum cleaner from the Hydro Shop. After the ceremony the happy couple and their friends enjoyed a dainty luncheon at the L. and P. S. cafeteria.

All this week the L. and P. S. announce that Miss Melle Anna and company will appear on the beach in their bathing high wire bicycle and trapeze act, and there will be extra performances on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.

CONTRACTORS CLAIM THAT SPECIFICATIONS FOR WORK AMOUNT TO PERSECUTION

Ald. Wenige Declares City Engineer Is Freezing Out Competition—Engineer Brazier Refuses To Make Comment—Mayor Little Asserts There Is Nothing to the Complaint—Letter Characteristic of the Firm.

Alleging that "plain persecution" of contractors who have paved London streets in the past, on the part of this city is in vogue, and "that there is no other city on this continent asking such ridiculous guarantees from contractors," the Standard Paving Company of Ottawa has written a strong letter of protest to City Clerk S. Baker, at the same time refusing to tender for bids of paving local streets.

This letter was read at a special meeting of No. 2 committee of the city council recently, but was filed, and City Engineer Brazier was later awarded the contract for paving city streets, he being the only person tendering on the jobs. Among the grievances listed by the Ottawa firm is that the city has the privilege of putting the city roller on the grade to test it at \$25 per day, although the cost of the machine is just finish rolling the grade with identically the same roller.

Contractor's Letter.

The letter, in part, says: "We are returning the tender, form and specifications covering paving work to be done in the city of London. It would be time wasted to bid under the conditions mentioned in these specifications, and we are quite certain no other contractor will bid on this work if he reads same."

"According to these specifications, a contractor has to be prepared to haul the excavated material as far as two miles from the job to dispose of same. If the engineer so orders. This means that in order to protect himself the contractor will figure that all of the said material will have to be hauled two miles, although it may be possible to get rid of some within 100 feet of the job. This item alone handicaps the contractor, so that he would have no chance when bidding against the engineer, and this is the first time we have ever heard of a contractor being asked to haul waste material so far."

"Specifications also state that 'contractors' main purpose shall be to provide for the contractor to make good without cost to the corporation during the period of such maintenance all sinks, depressions, or other defects in the base and subgrade caused through the settlement of trenches made

TWO MEN ARE PLACED BACK IN GOVT. POSITIONS

Victims of the Griffenhagen Squad Again Working at Postoffice.

William P. Burns and C. C. Reid, two of the four men employed whose retirement under the Griffenhagen efficiency scheme, and who stepped out of the local postoffice on Saturday last, received wires from Ottawa this afternoon intimating that they were officially reinstated. They are back on duty this afternoon.

This comes as a result of the recent declaration by the Government that the many retirements suggested by the Griffenhagen committee were not to be placed into effect by the civil service commission would be reconsidered throughout the Dominion.

This last-minute decision is received naturally with great surprise, and increased hope by the men who had, however, no mention has been made of the appointment of a successor to the position of deputy-postmaster vacated by the elevation of Thos. Duncan to postmaster.

The Ottawa message read: "Retain services of C. C. Reid and Wm. P. Burns."

THREE ARE INJURED WHEN M. C. R. TRAIN LEAVES THE RAILS

Detroit, Aug. 2.—Traffic on the Michigan Central Railroad was delayed several hours early today by derailment of six cars and the overturning of the engine of train No. 20, a westbound passenger, at Inkster, 15 miles west of here. Three persons were injured, and seriously, although a number were thrown from their berths. The cause of the accident has not been determined.

LIQUOR IMPORTATIONS INTO U. S. INCREASE

Washington, Aug. 2.—Intoxicating beverages imported into the United States during the fiscal year were valued at more than \$5,000,000, as compared with about \$500,000 in the previous year, according to reports issued last night by the commerce department.

Whiskey came in larger quantities in the past year with a total of 195,000 gallons, as compared with 32,000 gallons in 1920.

GOOD AS EXPECTED

Toronto, Aug. 2.—It was announced from Government House this morning that his honor the lieutenant-governor had not rallied from his recent operation, as well as was expected, and his condition now is causing considerable anxiety.

CARGO OF LIQUOR SEIZED.

New York, Aug. 2.—The schooner Henry L. Marshall, with a cargo of liquor, was taken into custody late last night four miles off the coast of Boston, and had not even visited the zoo at Springfield. They had just ridden through on the street car and sat down to watch the crowds around the pavilion.

Springbank Outrivals All Other Parks On the American Continent, Claim

Variety of Scenic, Instructive and Pleasure Features Appeals To More People Than Any Other One Park of Repute—All Leading Features Boasted by Other Parks Are Duplicated in Greater or Lesser Degree in London's Great Pleasure Resort and Playground.

"Most beautiful park in America," or something to that effect reads a large placard in the London street cars, relative to Springbank. How much truth is there in the assertion made or implied by the placard, or is it plain bombast. It's a big statement to make. Perhaps, the street railway or the public utility department can get away with it. But the ordinary citizen should think twice before he goes forth to battle too vociferously upon the merits of Springbank Park extolling the beauties of all the other parks in North, South and Central America. One might be well advised to bear in mind that this sweepstakes contest is being run on the street car placard, outclasses two great national parks at Banff and Yellowstone and several great city parks like Central Park in New York and Lincoln Park in Chicago, not forgetting to mention Pinarof Park in St. Thomas and the new Fishermen's Paradise Park at Pond Mills.

The claims of the street car advertising drew battle, just the other day, for instance, on the part of some people from Detroit. They weren't ready to admit for one moment that Springbank was even equal to Belle Isle or Palmer Park. Subjected to psycho-analytical tests, the Detroiters made a lot of admissions. They hadn't really been

around Springbank, they hadn't climbed the reservoir hill, or wandered through all the pleasant woodland paths and roads, and hadn't even visited the zoo at Springfield. They had just ridden through on the street car and sat down to watch the crowds around the pavilion.

Ducks or Swans.

Until recently, the principal attraction of Palmer Park, Detroit, was a large flock of ducks. Some Detroiters, who had never got outside the half-mile limit from an auto factory all their lives, might suppose those ducks were swans. But the Michigan farmers who come to town for the State Fair every fall and occasionally get hawbaked into taking a sight-seeing bus to Palmer Park know they're ducks. Now, Springbank Park has real black Australian swans. What's more, there are a dozen large level tracts of woodland within five miles of London, out of any one of which London could make a replica of Palmer Park, Detroit. But London would have to travel far to find another equally good site for Springbank Park.

As for Belle Isle, it has a really remarkable aquarium and also an attractive conservatory. There are seals in the Belle Isle conservatory, but there are also seals at Springbank Zoo, and outside of a banana tree and a few cacti, the Belle Isle conservatory hasn't got

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