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NEUTRALITY VIOLATION WILL START WAR

OBJECT TO U. S. SEIZURES MADE BEYOND 3 MILES

British May Take Diplomatic
Action On Prohibition
Navy's Claim.

SEAS' FREEDOM INVOLVED N.Y. Times Holds U. S. Courts Cannot Remake Inter- national Law.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 21.—Unless the defendants take an appeal from the decision of the federal court in Boston Tuesday, and permit a higher tribunal to pass upon the claim of the United States prohibition navy to jurisdiction over the seas beyond the three-mile limit, the British government is expected here to take up the subject diplomatically with the state department.

Up to the present the British embassy has confined itself to requests for information as to the facts connected with the several seizures and searches of vessels under the British flag by prohibition agents, and has made no appearance in the resulting legal proceedings. A complete lack of sympathy with the operations of the rumrunners on the part of the British officials is said to have caused the assumption of this attitude, but now that cases have begun to emerge from the court dockets, throwing the weight of judicial decisions behind the claim of extended high seas jurisdiction, it is understood that there is to be a change in the course of the London government. It is the British contention that the issues raised by the court decision Tuesday in Boston, in the case of the British schooner Grace and Ruby, which was held for rum selling beyond the three-mile limit, are far more grave and important than any mere question of the punishment of a few smugglers, or the enforcement of domestic customs laws.

In the British view there is involved the greater question of freedom of the high seas. If it is possible for any nation to extend its jurisdiction beyond the old recognized limits at its own pleasure and without reference to the other maritime powers, it is regarded by the British as highly important that some understanding should be reached as to the extent of the powers claimed.

Secretary Hughes initiated negotiations to this end, and the British government has not responded to his invitation to seek a reciprocal understanding authorizing the search of vessels of either country within certain zones.

New York, Sept. 21.—By Canadian Press.—The New York Times this morning prints a pertinent editorial on the controversy over the seizure of British vessels by United States revenue officers beyond the three-mile limit. The paper holds that neither the United States political departments nor United States courts can remake international law and adds: "If the United States is so eager to seize whiskey-bearing craft beyond the three-mile limit, why doesn't it begin with the United States shipping board steam gin mills—Mr. Lasker's floating American islands of rum?"

ORDERS POLAND DRY FOR ELECTION

Warsaw, Sept. 21.—The order of the ministry of the interior, for a period of six weeks of prohibition throughout Poland, preceding the elections, has been received quietly by the public, but with violent protests from the ministry of finance, which foresees the loss of great amounts of revenue during the dry spell. It seems probable, therefore, that the period will be shortened to begin Nov. 1 and end after the elections for the senate, Nov. 12. The elections for the diet are set for Nov. 5.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.
Moderate winds; fair today and on Friday; not much change in temperature.

High pressure extends from the Gulf of St. Lawrence across the Great Lakes to the Southwest States, while the low which was on the South Atlantic yesterday is moving northeastward and increasing in intensity.

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

	High.	Low.
Victoria	60	52
Calgary	54	38
Winnipeg	54	38
Pt. Arthur	44	34
Toronto	58	45
Kingsford	58	45
Ottawa	52	48
Montreal	58	48
Quebec	58	38
P. Point	58	38
St. John	58	38
Halifax	64	50

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 64; lowest, 42.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 72; lowest, 50.

Barometric Readings.

Wednesday—3 p.m., 29.35.

Today—8 a.m., 29.42.

London West Protests Oxford Pavement

RESIDENTS DENY STREET PAVING PETITIONED FOR

Ex-Alderman W. Wilson Enters Arena in Defense of Ratepayers.

WILL OPPOSE TO LIMIT

City Engineer Holds Work Will Proceed as Scheduled.

Another war looms on the civic horizon, precipitated by the determination of the city council to proceed immediately with the paving of Oxford street west, and the removal of the street railway tracks thereon.

Contending stoutly that they have never petitioned for this pavement, residents of that street are preparing an official protest which will be submitted at the forthcoming session of the board of works.

For Regular Form Application was made to City Clerk Sam Baker Thursday morning for the regular form for this purpose, and the claim was entered that a sufficient number of the residents of the street in question will affix their signatures before nightfall.

Questioned upon the issue, the city clerk and his staff initiated an exhaustive search through the records, and announced that as far as they were aware, there has never been an actual petition for the contemplated work from the ratepayers of West London.

Ex-Alderman William Wilson, formerly one of ward 2's representatives in the city council, has intervened himself on behalf of the protesting electors, and declared at a public hall Friday morning that he was prepared to wage the battle to a finish.

"These people on Oxford street have told me that they do not want that pavement this fall, and I am going to see that they do not have it," Mr. Wilson declared. "Their wishes must be served, and the question will come up before No. 2 committee at the next session."

"It is a high-handed measure in any event," continued the ex-councillor. "Why should the council proceed with this paving and approve of the railway's removal of their tracks when the people on the street have not asked for such or been consulted."

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LEG FRACTURED WHEN BELL FALLS

Lawrence Arnott of McClary Manufacturing Company Suffers Injury.

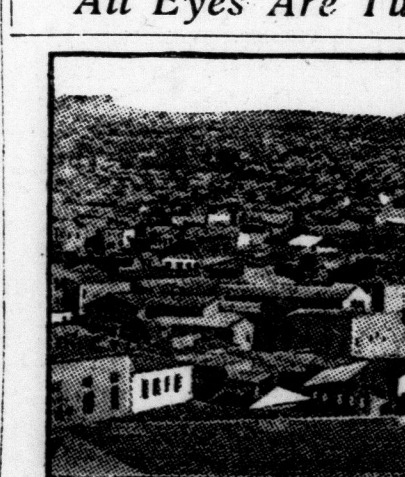
Struck by a heavy brass bell as it toppled from an archway over a driveway in the grounds of the up-town plant of the McClary Manufacturing Company Wednesday afternoon, Lawrence Arnott, 20 years of age, of 512 Simcoe street, suffered a double-compound fracture of the femur and severe bruises to the head.

Mr. Arnott was quitting work at 5:30 o'clock when the accident occurred. He stepped beneath the arch just as the first pull was given to the bell rope. Without warning, the bell fell from its moorings, struck Arnott a glancing blow on the head, and then fell on his leg between the hip and knee, inflicting fractures.

The young man was given first aid by fellow employees and removed to the company's hospital, where he received medical attention. He was then taken to Victoria Hospital.

Arnott had been employed at the factory for three months, but he had been a member of the McClary Band for several years.

All Eyes Are Turned to Smyrna



CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 21.—Hope that the Turkish attack, if it takes place at all, will be retarded until British reinforcements can arrive, is based on the fact that a conference is being held in Smyrna between Mustafa Kemal Pasha and General Pelle, French high commissioner, to which Yussuf Kemal Bey, the Nationalist foreign minister, has been hastily summoned from Angora.

The cup shows a birdseye view of the town of Smyrna.

Sentenced to Hang



HARRY DENT.

BRANTFORD, Sept. 21.—Found guilty of the murder of Peter Egojian about April 25 of this year, Harry Dent was this morning sentenced to hang on Friday, November 24.

TRY TO RELIEVE CAN CONGESTION

Express Companies Ask the Chamber of Commerce to Co-operate.

Because many farmers and cream companies, shipping cream from villages and towns to larger points in the province, have developed the bad habit of calling for their empty containers when the station agents are off duty, the Express Traffic Association of Canada, comprising the American Railway Express, the Canadian National Express, and the Dominion Express Companies, are submitting to the board of railway commissioners, for approval, a plan whereby much of the congestion of cream cans at country stations may be eliminated.

The London Chamber of Commerce received a letter from the association Thursday morning asking for their co-operation in the matter.

The association claims that the consignees have expressed a desire from time to time of calling at a time most convenient to themselves for the empty cans and that certain farmers find it most convenient to call when the station agent is off duty.

In order to meet the wishes of these people, the Express Traffic Association of Canada suggests that a general receipt be taken from the shippers in lieu of having them sign an individual receipt for each can delivered.

The wording of the new form, which will be submitted to the board of railway commissioners shortly, and which the consignees of the cream must sign, states that the express companies will leave the empty cans on the station platform, so that the consignees may call for them at any time. By so doing, however, the express companies would not assume responsibility for any damage or loss to the cans while they were on the platform.

The association further states in the communication to the local chamber that it would be purely optional for the farmer to sign an agreement of this kind, and if he did wish to take advantage of the new plan, he would have to call for his containers when the station agents were on duty.

BERLIN RAISES DISCOUNT. Berlin, Sept. 21.—The Reichsbank today raised its rate of discount from 7 per cent to 8 per cent.

BLAME GIRL WHEN "DOPE" KILLS BOY

Montreal, Sept. 21.—Yvonne Desblens, alias Proulx, 20 years of age, was placed on trial yesterday afternoon before a jury in the court of King's bench, on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Alfred Fontaine, 19 years old, who died on June 28 from morphine poisoning.

The woman is alleged to have injected the drug into Fontaine's arm some hours before his death, in the course of a "dope" party in a house on St. Denis street.

CONSIDERS SELF FAIR MATADOR

Mayor Wilson Claims Many Londoners Can Rival Senor Gallardo.

There may be a bull-fight in London after all.

Following the announcement, Wednesday, that Senor Francisco Gallardo, chief matador of all Spain, has petitioned Mayor Cameron Wilson for permission to locate temporarily in the Forest City for the purpose of staging "a series of bull-fighting bouts," comes the assurance from Senor Jose Garcia, secretary and confidential adviser for the champion, that he (Garcia) will arrive in the city Friday.

His Worship explains that he was on the point of replying to the first communication from the distinguished foreigner, inquiring why London should be so honored, when another letter reached his office, advising that the senor was not a trifle grieved that his kind offer had been treated with such evident scorn and ridicule.

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PINE LAWN ROOF TANGLE TAKES SERIOUS TURN

T. Terry Balks at Choice of Judge Macbeth as Chairman.

EXPECT LEGAL BATTLE

Contractors Claim Third Member on Arbitration Body Unnecessary.

The battle between the London Housing Commission and the firm of Hayman & Willis, as to the alleged faulty construction of the city's houses at Pine Lawn, assumed a nasty turn for the worst Thursday afternoon, with the result that it may now be imperative to seek the services of the supreme court of Ontario to iron out the first difficulty encountered by the board of conciliation appointed to render a decision.

As Thomas Terry, local garage owner, and delegated as a member of the arbitration body by the contractors, refused absolutely Wednesday to agree with the appointment of His Honor Judge Talbot Macbeth as chairman of the proceedings, Major G. N. Weekes, attorney for the London Housing Commission, has served both members of the special body with a notice to appear at 10 o'clock on Friday morning, to reach an agreement within seven days the question will go to the courts for a settlement.

In that event, the duty would devolve upon the court to select a chairman who would be deemed competent to act, irrespective of the wishes of the warring factions or their representatives.

Reaching the city Wednesday morning, H. Walton, building inspector of Sarnia, approached Mr. Terry on separate occasions in a fruitless effort to gain the approval of his suggestion that Judge Macbeth sit as the third arbitrator.

The contractors contend, it was explained Thursday, that there is no "bell-ringer" in the arbitration body.

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British Sea Dog Defies U.S. Prohibition Navy

DEFENDS MARINE RIGHTS.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—By Canadian Press.—Captain Shears, bound for St. John, N. B., from Nassau, Bahamas, in command of the yacht Onward, said to have been formerly owned by Henry Ford, and now flying the British flag, hurled defiance at Uncle Sam's "prohibition navy" while riding at anchor ten or twelve miles off the New Jersey coast, it was learned when the rum chaser Hahn returned to port yesterday.

The United States prohibition officials suspected that the Onward's cargo, which was listed as "assorted," consisted very largely of liquor, and they attempted to seize the yacht, but were forced to beat a retreat by the valiant skipper.

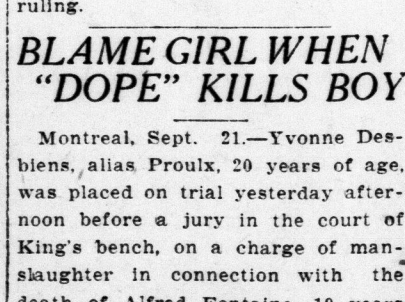
Standing on deck, with his right hand in his hip pocket, Captain Shears turned the yacht's searchlight on his British flag, and then asserted that as he was beyond the twelve-mile limit he would shoot down the first man who attempted to board his vessel.

He was talking with First Officer Hall of the Hahn and two customs inspectors, who had gone out to board the alleged rumrunner. The government agents insisted that the Onward was coasting ten miles out, while Captain Shears was equally insistent that he was twelve miles from the shore, and that he meant to use his revolver on any man who attempted to come aboard.

Meanwhile, the Hahn was standing nearby with her one-pound gun trained on the yacht. Beyond the three-mile limit the customs agents are in charge of the rum chasers, and when the master of the Onward raised the question of distance from shore further action had to be taken in accordance with instructions of the customs men. They decided that it would be advisable to turn back and let the Onward alone for the time being.

Acting Collector of Customs H. C. Stuart sent a telegraphic report of the matter to officials in Washington. The department then called upon the attorney-general for a ruling.

SCENE OF NEAR EASTERN STRUGGLE



MAP showing the trouble area of Asia Minor, where Turkey overcame Greek forces.

Scientific Expeditions to Test Einstein Theory Today

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—The Einstein theory of relativity will be on trial today.

The test will be made by expeditions, which have gone to Australia to make observations during a five-minute eclipse of the sun. British, American, German and Dutch scientists are included in the several parties. The tract of the total eclipse is along the Indian Ocean and through the heart of Australia.

An expedition from the Lick Observatory, California, is on the West Coast of Australia. Others are on Christmas Island, west of Australia, and one has penetrated into the heart of Australia.

WILL TRY TO FORCE CITY TO COLLECT TAX

Alderman Ashplant and Citizens Seeking Writ of Mandamus.

WILL HOLD MEETING

Problem Will Be Aired by the Ratepayers in a Few Days.

A writ of mandamus will be sought from the Supreme Court of Ontario to force the city council to collect school taxes from certain industrial firms located in the annexed districts of East London.

Definite assurance was given Thursday that a general meeting will be held within the next few days, at which all the ratepayers of the city will be invited to discuss the entire problem.

While the date has not been set, it is more than likely that the gathering will be held in the Masonic Temple.

All activities in this connection have been halted since the appeal, registered first by Ald. H. B. Ashplant, was first heard in the county court, when it was ruled that the proceedings should have been taken to a higher judiciary.

When this proposal was first introduced in the city council, it was estimated that the city was the loser by perhaps \$20,000 a year by reason of the fact, as claimed by Alderman Ashplant, that since these sections of East London were annexed the city taxation department officials have failed to collect school taxes in proportion to those collected throughout the remainder of the city.

Alderman Ashplant, who instigated the fight that ensued for weeks, and finally ended abruptly by a deadlock in the courts, received but scant sympathy from his associates in the council when he first injected the question for debate.

It was only after a continued battle, during which Mayor Cameron Wilson and Alderman Ashplant frequently "locked horns" over legal squabbles, that the entire issue was finally passed on to the courts for an opinion.

As a matter of fact, the "annexed school question" and the attending controversies that ensued precipitated such a spirit of dissension among the Labor element of the city that Alderman Ashplant's two Labor confederates on the council, Alderman John Ashton and F. R. Watkinson, were eventually ousted from the ranks of their party because they failed, the labor chiefs adjudged, "to support Alderman Ashplant in this undertaking."

During the days that followed, the Aldermen Ashton and Watkinson were voted out of the I. L. P. and the London Labor party, while the former resigned from the executive committee of the Street Railwaymen's Union.

Announcing Thursday his determination to carry the struggle to a more definite conclusion, Alderman Ashplant stated that the people had demanded that this money be collected, and he felt urged to renew activities in that direction rather than allow the issue to remain "in the air," as it were.

He believes that a large attendance at the contemplated mass meeting will denote the elector's interest in the fight and will justify a continuance of the same.

PROTEST CANADA AT WAR.

Calgary, Sept. 21.—Strong protest against Canada participating in any war at this time was voiced by members of the local branch of the Dominion Labor Party last night. A resolution to this effect was adopted, and a copy will be sent to Premier King and members of his cabinet.

City Man Honored



DR. GEO. McNEILL.

THE appointment of Dr. George McNeill of this city to the chairmanship of the Ontario division of the American College of Surgeons, brings a signal honor to London.

LONDON DOCTOR RECEIVES HONOR

Dr. George McNeill Appointed Chairman of Surgeons' College.

London and the medical profession of Western Ontario has been significantly honored by the appointment of Dr. George McNeill of this city, to be chairman of the Ontario division of the American College of Surgeons. Dr. McNeill, whose appointment was announced Wednesday night, succeeds Dr. B. P. Watson, formerly professor of gynecology at University of Toronto, now acting in a similar capacity on the faculty of the University of Edinburgh.

The honor accorded Dr. McNeill, who was selected to head the entire province of the Ontario group of American College of Surgeons, is regarded with satisfaction by his colleagues, and he is in receipt of congratulations from all parts of the province on the occasion of his appointment.

Dr. McNeill is a graduate of Western University Medical School, and is a London boy. He has practised his profession in London for several years, building up a sterling reputation, due to his ability as a surgeon and general personality. He is also a specialist in X-ray diagnosis and treatment.

As senior member of the staff of Victoria Hospital, Dr. McNeill is entitled to a large share of credit for the standard attained by that institution, as recognized recently by the American College of Surgeons. His appointment as chairman of the Ontario section is regarded by his many professional associates as a fitting reward for his good work at Victoria Hospital.

Dr. McNeill is a past president of the Western Ontario Association of Medicine, and is a member of the faculty of Western University Medical School. He has already taken over his new duties in preparation for the group meeting of the American College of Surgeons in Ontario to be held in London next month.

The American College of Surgeons membership is made up of selected surgeons in Canada, United States, Mexico and South America.

DENIES REDISTRIBUTION IN PROVINCE OF QUEBEC. Quebec, Sept. 21.—In an interview with the Canadian Press Limited today regarding a Quebec dispatch published in Montreal this morning relative to a general election in the province in March, and a redistribution bill adding five new electoral divisions to the 82 now existing, to be announced in the speech from the throne, the prime minister, Hon. L. A. Taschereau, stated: "I regret that newspapers which pretend to be serious should be the vehicle for such silly gossiping."

TO TRY SIR M. ALLEN OCT. 2.

Montreal, Sept. 21.—Sir Montagu Allen, president of the Merchants' Bank of Canada, will be tried on Oct. 12 next. This morning, with his counsel, F. E. Meredith, K.C., he appeared before Chief Justice Deane and was remanded. The delay in the trial is due to the fact that ten days is necessary to produce exhibits.

LATE NEWS BULLETINS.

AUSTRALIA LABOR OPPOSES WAR.

Melbourne, Australia, Sept. 21.—The federal labor party of Australia has called the British labor party, announcing the opposition of the Australian labor organization to war without the consent of the Australian people.

TO REGULATE GRAIN FUTURES.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 21.—The Capper-Tincher bill, providing for regulation of trading in futures on grain markets, was signed today by President Harding.

HARDING SIGNS TARIFF BILL.

Washington, Sept. 21.—President Harding today signed the tariff bill of 1922, making the new rates effective at midnight tonight.

COMMANDER OF BRITISH FORCES WARNS TURKS

Troops Remain On Asiatic Side of Dardanelles.

FACES PARTY TROUBLE

Belligerents and Pacifists Split Pasha Government.

BULLETIN.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 21.—The French and Italian detachments and flags were withdrawn today from the neutral zones of Ismid and the Dardanelles on orders from the respective governments.

Rome, Sept. 21.—Italy officially informed Rumania today that she will not permit any action by Bulgaria which would change the present status quo in the Balkans, and is ready if necessary to take recourse to military measures.

Constantinople, Sept. 21.—General Harrington of the British army, as the general officer in chief command of the allied forces, has issued a communique in which he declares that responsibility for the consequences of violations of the neutral zone will fall upon the authors of such violations.

There is no question of the immediate withdrawal of the British troops from Chanak on the Asiatic side of the Straits of the Dardanelles, it was authoritatively stated in British official circles today.

It is believed that the British are not in danger of attack in their present position, and there are indications that soldiers may remain in Chanak pending the peace conference.

Mustapha Kemal Pasha is now faced with two distinct parties in his government, the one warlike and demanding the immediate occupation of Thrace, and the other pacific and willing to remain in the present Turkish Nationalist positions in Asia Minor until the conference settles the peace terms.

It is believed that Kemal is supporting the pacific members of the government, and will be able to hold the army in check.

STRAITS MUST BE FREE.

Paris, Sept. 21.—Ferdinand Bey, representative in Paris of the Angora government, called at the foreign office this morning to explain information regarding yesterday's decision as to the calling of a peace conference. The Kemal government was informed by cable last night of the decision to hold the conference, and its reply is eagerly awaited in official circles.

When the meeting of allied representatives is resumed tomorrow afternoon, Lord Curzon, the British foreign secretary, hopes to be in a position to reach a definite agreement.

FORD MOTOR COMPANY TO OPEN PLANT ON FRIDAY

Cancellation of Interstate Commerce Commission's Order Makes Coal Obtainable.

Detroit, Sept. 21.—The plants of the Ford Motor Company in the Detroit district, closed last Saturday because of the coal shortage, thereby throwing 100,000 workers out of work in different parts of the country, will reopen tomorrow morning, it was officially announced today.

Orders for the reopening of the plants were telegraphed here today by Edsel B. Ford, president of the motor company, who is in Cincinnati.

The telegram read as follows: "Cancellation of the interstate commerce commission's service order No. 23, has made it possible again to secure coal."

"Movement of coal to Detroit has started, and we feel justified in starting the plants tomorrow (Friday) morning."

"Post policies calling the men back to work and notify the newspapers."