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103 NEVER NIGHT AWAY FROM HOME London, June 21—Since his marriage in 1903, Stephen Lewis, who died in Pembroke, Ontario, at the age of 103, had never spent a night away from home. Only once had he travelled by train.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 1924

Fascist Agent Has Confessed Killing of Deputy Matteotti B. C. LIBERALS HEAR; FIGHT CLOSE

EXPOSES PLOT THAT HAS SHAKEN POLITICAL ITALY

Defiant at First, Dumini Breaks Down When Evidence Presented.

INVOLVES BIG MEN

Names Three and Says They Ordered the Murder—Five Committed It.

THOS. G. MORGAN. (United Press Staff Cor.)

Rome, June 21.—It is learned that an agent of the Fascist party, named Dumini, has broken down and made a complete confession of the kidnapping and killing of Deputy Matteotti.

At first defiant, Dumini wilted when undeniable evidence was placed against him and he exposed the entire plot.

The confession positively implicated Cesare Rossi, former director of publicity for the Department of the Interior, Filippo Filippelli, editor of the Corriere d'Italiano, and Marinelli, administrative secretary of the Fascist party.

Five Committed Murder. All these are Fascists and, according to Dumini, ordered the killing of the assassin. He admitted that he himself and four others did the actual slaying. The body has not been found.

He said Matteotti was dragged into a motor car which he had hired and was killed a few minutes after getting into the car.

The slayers then drove to the woods surrounding Lake Vicenza, where the body was tossed out of the car and abandoned. The slayers hurried back to Rome, where Dumini says he rushed into the office of the Corriere d'Italiano and told Filippelli that the murder had been carried out.

Filippelli said it was imperative that the body be hidden and ordered Signor A. Galassi, a staff man on the Corriere d'Italiano, and Signor Volpi, one of the slayers, to drive to the spot and hide the body.

Dumini was rather vague as to what had happened to the body of the slain deputy, but hinted that it had been buried in order to hide evidence of the slaying.

Dumini was one of the first men arrested in connection with the plot. After several days the prosecutor searched his room and found pieces of blood-soaked cloth and a bloody dagger. These were taken as positive evidence that Matteotti was slain, and since that time the prosecutor has almost constantly grilled the Filippelli agent.

It was rumored here today that Cesare Rossi had been captured near Bari. The police have been on the look out ever since the murder. He fled from Rome soon after the alarm was sounded.

Most of the Italian ports have been guarded to prevent his escape from the country.

More Arrests Are Made in Moncton

Moncton, June 21.—Eighty-four more arrests have been made by the local police during the last six months than in the corresponding period last year. The figures, are in 1923, 133, and in this year 219.

There were fewer arrests for drunkenness. A 6-cent fine of the arrests is the number of women taken in disgrace. While there were one or two offences for which they were committed, were in connection with the prohibition law, the women being both the brewers and the purveyors of liquor.

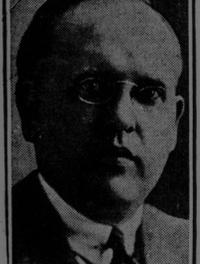
In the twelve months ended December 31, 1923, there were 389 arrests.

Harvard Receives \$300,000 Donation

Cambridge, Mass., June 21.—A gift of \$300,000 to Harvard University for a new dormitory, to be named for the late Isidor Straus, of New York, is announced. The donors are Mr. Straus' sons, Jesse I. Straus, Percy S. Straus, and Herbert N. Straus, all Harvard graduates. The gift is made as a memorial to their father and in tribute to Dr. Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus, who at their request placed in the dormitory a tablet to be inscribed with the names of the donors.

Is Elected Head of Rotary

Everett W. Hill, Oklahoma City, Okla., chosen for president of Rotary International in Toronto this week.



HAMILTON BLOCK IN GRIP OF FIRE

Four Stores in Ontario City Were Early Destroyed and Others Were Threatened.

Hamilton, Ont., June 21.—Hamilton's business section in South King street, east of James, was a seething furnace this morning, and fire which destroyed four stores was spreading and threatening the destruction of the whole block.

The G. F. Glasco Fur Company's store was gutted, and the flames spread through to Howell Bros., the Anderson Shoe Store, and J. D. Clime's shoe store. Chief James ordered a general alarm turned in at 12:15 o'clock when the fire crept through to adjoining buildings despite the efforts of the fire department.

A light rain fell, but the blaze tore to have any effect. The building had been struck by lightning.

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POSTAL STRIKE IS PROVING A FIASCO, REPORTS OTTAWA

Appears to Have Reduced Itself to Its Germ in Toronto.

MORE RETURN

Fizzling Out, in News From Several Cities—St. John Situation Normal.

(Special to the Times-Star)

Ottawa, June 21.—The strike of postal employees appears to have developed in a sort of fiasco, and to have its germ in Toronto.

Outside of some disaffection in Montreal, and a few scattered points in Ontario, it never got away to a good start. Both in the East and the West were true to their salt, save for a few scattered points in Ontario.

In Parliamentary circles there is high regard for the postal service and its efficiency, but under all the circumstances in this case, it is not possible to detect the slightest sympathy among any party in the House with the man in which the strike was precipitated.

There has been a feeling that a great national utility such as the postal service should be immune from the paralysis which a general strike would bring to the business of the country.

Will Soon Recover. (Continued on page 2, column 4)

HERRIOT CROSSED TO ENGLAND TODAY

He Says the Conference Will be Personal and Confidential—A Forecast.

(United Press)

Paris, June 21.—Premier Herriot carried out his economy policy in his visit to London today to confer with Premier MacDonald. Learning that it would cost 60,000 francs to go across the Channel in a French ordinary steamer, he crossed in an ordinary steamer.

Well informed groups say that the principal things to be taken up by MacDonald and Herriot will be the Franco-British pact; resumption of relations with Russia; and all outstanding Franco-British questions.

The French press generally refrains from comment, but the question is summed up by the Journal, which says: "Herriot's and MacDonald's inclinations and ideas are so similar that it is almost a certainty that they will agree on all points of generalities."

Paris, June 21.—(Canadian Press)—Premier Herriot's talk with MacDonald today and Monday, when the French premier visits Chequamegon, M. will be "personal and confidential," M. Herriot told newspaper correspondents last night. He said nothing would be given out regarding the conference, although the British official may issue a communique if he wishes.

STRIKE THREATENS ON ELECTION EVE

Political and Industrial Unrest in Mexico With Voting Tonight.

(United Press)

Mexico City, June 21.—With the Mexican presidential elections only a fortnight away rumors of political and industrial unrest have again become current.

A general strike is threatened among the workers in the oil fields near Tampico and Vera Cruz, who employes of the Mexican Eagle Co., the British organization, have refused to accept the proposals of the Mexican Federation of Labor for a settlement of their wage demands.

The Federation of Labor is supporting E. V. Lullario Calles for the presidency, a fact which has injected politics into the industrial situation.

Rumors of a split among the Labor and Socialist groups which have been supporting Calles have again become current.

Conservatives are clamoring for the disarmament of the agrarian elements who, it is charged, may attempt to prevent the holding of fair elections.

Recluse Leaves Teacher \$150,000

New York, June 21.—Miss Elizabeth W. Richman, who received a fortune of \$150,000 from the estate of an aged recluse who died last November, in the public ward on Welfare Island, has resigned as teacher in Public School 3, West New York.

She had already resigned as a school teacher in the same school in 1919. Her only other extravagance was the purchase of an imported roadster of a vermillion hue. She denied that she was a recluse, and said she will not marry for a long time.

She was the daughter of a wealthy family, and her fortune was inherited from her father, who was a German half a century ago, and he had no relatives.

PLUNGES TO DEATH FROM 4TH STORY

Ohio Supreme Court Judge, 33, Has Skull Crushed on Pavement.

(United Press)

Columbus, O., June 21.—Judge I. M. Wanaemaker of the Ohio Supreme Court ended his life here by leaping from the bathroom window on the fourth floor of Mt. Carmel Hospital.

Coroner Murphy said death had been caused by a crushed skull, due to his falling head first to the pavement. He had been suffering from nervous prostration and had been under the supervision of Dr. R. L. Barnes and a nurse, Mrs. Mildred Ewing.

She said the judge entered the room, closed the door and shot the bolt in the lock. Then he turned on the water in the bathtub. Mrs. Ewing, fearing that Wanaemaker planned to drown himself, tried to break down the door.

But before she could force an entrance to the room a truck driver reported to the hospital office that Judge Wanaemaker's body was lying on the sidewalk.

Investigation disclosed that Judge Wanaemaker had left the water running while he was on a clear and then to the top of a tall radiator. From this position he had raised the window and apparently had slid his body, falling to the sidewalk headfirst.

PLANTATION HANDS SPREADING STRIKE

Filipinos Demand Double Pay—Sugar Industry is Chiefly Affected.

(United Press)

Honolulu, June 21.—A strike of Filipino plantation workers has spread to five new plantations on the island of Hawaii, scores of laborers throwing down their tools. They are demanding that their present wages be doubled.

Three thousand laborers are on strike on the island of Oahu. Most of them have been idle since early in April, when the strike was called.

The men now get \$1 a day and want \$2. Sugar plantations are the most severely affected by the strike.

SIR DAN GODFREY COMES TO CANADA

Famous British Bandmaster Gives Three Reasons For His Visit.

Quebec, Que., June 21.—I am coming to Canada for three reasons said Sir Dan Godfrey in an interview on board the Canadian Pacific liner Minnedosa, here yesterday. Firstly, for my health, secondly to visit my old friend, T. J. Crawford of Toronto, and thirdly to gain some information on things outside of my own profession.

Sir Dan is one of the best known musical directors in the British Isles. He was knighted by the King in recognition of his services in helping to preserve the higher class of British music in the United Kingdom. He will address the Rotary Club of Toronto next week on 30 years of municipal music. Sir Dan, who is also a Rotarian, has specialized in this work in his home town of Bournemouth, England, causing it to become famous as being second only to London in matters of high class musical entertainments.

Metagama Men Not Yet Found

St. John's, Nfld., June 21.—Three men who set out from the Canadian Pacific liner Metagama in search of a landing place after she had collided with the Italian steamer Clara Camus off Cape Race had not been found last night, according to reports from the Cape Race wireless station.

NOTED NEW YORK PASTOR RESIGNS PULPIT CHARGE

Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, Prominent in Modernist Controversy.

RECTOR 31 YEARS

Storm Over Engagement to Divorced Woman Recalled by Resignation.

(United Press)

New York, June 21.—The Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, noted modernist, has resigned as pastor of the New York Church of the Ascension.

The forest of the modernist-fundamentalist controversies which have torn and disrupted religious denominations since began to encroach upon the announcement of his resignation, have raged around the retiring rector.

Leaky sewer pipes in the rectory are said to have been the indirect cause of the announcement of his resignation, which he has held with prominence for 31 years. A serious illness suffered owing to the faulty rectory plumbing had caused a 600 per cent reduction of his salary.

Dr. Grant clashed with the conservative element of his faith and lost when a storm of discussion arose following the announcement of the engagement of the pastor to a woman who had been divorced on the grounds other than those which the church recognized as permitting re-marriage.

N. B. PHYSICIAN ON CANADIAN COUNCIL

Dr. L. G. Pinault of Campbellton Shows Demonstration of Cancer Removal Given.

(United Press)

Ottawa, June 21.—The new president of the Canadian Council on Cancer, Dr. David Low of Regina, will take office at the next annual convention in Regina in 1925. Members of the council include Dr. G. M. MacKenzie, Halifax; Dr. J. G. McDougall, Halifax; Dr. L. G. Pinault, Campbellton, N. B.; Dr. H. K. Macdonald, Halifax.

An interesting lecture and demonstration on the removal of cancerous growths by means of an endotherm knife, was given by Dr. George P. Wyeth of New York. Demonstrations of the working of the knife, which is an electrical machine and is said to have the power of effecting absolute cures of cancer unless the growth has spread through the system was given in pieces of beef. It was explained that the great obstacle in the surgical cure of cancer had been the regrowth of cancerous cells which had been carried by the blood.

The knife, Dr. Wyeth declared, overcame this by surrounding the growth by a film of secret tissue which effectively isolated the growth from the healthy organs surrounding it.

When the searing was done another current was turned on and the growth was removed bodily.

ANN LUTHER WANTS \$100,000 DAMAGES

Gallagher and Shean Lits Through This Suit in Los Angeles Court.

(United Press)

Los Angeles, June 21.—Ann Luther, who is a former wife of Ed Gallagher of the famous Gallagher-Shean entente, is suing J. F. White for \$100,000 damages, charging breach of contract.

White has filed a counter complaint, in which he seeks \$16,000, naming that amount as money advanced to Miss Luther when, he alleged, she represented herself as a capable actress, of good reputation and good moral character.

According to Miss Luther's claims, White agreed to finance her career in motion pictures, and has not fulfilled his contract. The case was called in court here Friday, but was postponed a week.

White's counter suit, however, he contended that Miss Luther was of "bad reputation and moral character," and depositions filed on Friday told of numerous affairs in which she was alleged to have played a prominent part. Miss Luther has admitted that she was named as co-respondent in Evelyn Nesbit's suit for divorce against Jack Clifford, but denies that she had lived as his country place in the Adirondacks was entered.

They Look to the White House



"Hurry! We can roll eggs on the White House lawn on Easter Sunday." This is the way Dana and Virginia Daves, adopted children of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Charles G. Daves, received the news of their "dad's" nomination for the vice presidency. The children, both pupils of the Miller Public School in Evanston, were adopted by the general and his wife following the death of the Daves' only son, Rufus F. Daves, several years ago. The Daves also have a daughter, Mrs. Melvin Ericson.

Member of Famous "Follies" Takes Ziegfeld to Court and Wins \$7,405

(United Press)

New York, June 21.—Barred from the Ziegfeld Follies because she could not enunciate clearly, Mrs. Olive Cornell went to court and convinced a jury that her speech was distinct.

A verdict of \$7,405.45 from Joe Ziegfeld was given Mrs. Cornell, and Ziegfeld, whose discriminating eye discerns beauty more perfectly than that of any other man advised that Mrs. Cornell's voice had range and melody but that her words were indistinct and that she had been dropped from the cast after a tryout because of her inability to make the audience understand.

Mrs. Cornell read her song to the juryman to prove the clarity of her speech.

CHECK IN ONTARIO

Redistribution Said to Be Pretty Well Arranged in Other Provinces.

Ottawa, June 21.—Ontario is still the chief stumbling block to completion of the redistribution bill. Quebec is now said to have been agreed upon, including the Island of Montreal, which is to have 13 members. The western provinces are pretty well settled, and no serious difficulty is anticipated in the Maritime Provinces.

C. N. R. Gets Offer For Hotel Scribe

Ottawa, June 21.—An offer of forty million francs has been made to the Canadian National Railway for the property held by the company in Paris.

The offer included free office rent for the railway company. The building was purchased a year ago for \$7,200,000 francs.

Burns House to Win Other Man's Wife

(United Press)

Los Angeles, June 21.—Martin Colson has no regrets over his love for Mrs. Clarence B. Walden, which he told police, caused him to set fire to her husband's home. His theory was that if they were reduced to poverty, Mrs. Walden, who had indignantly spurned his attentions, might change her attitude towards him.

Colson conceived an infatuation for the pretty young woman while working in the Walden home. He is a plumber.

BOTH OLIVER AND BOWSER BEATEN, FARRIS A LOSER

Issue in Doubt, But Liberals May Have Control in House.

NO WOMEN IN

Beer Gets a Big Vote—New Provincial Party Makes Poor Showing.

(United Press)

Vancouver, B. C., June 21.—Returns thus far show that the Liberals of British Columbia in yesterday's general election elected 19 members to the legislature, the largest number of any of the parties, but whether the government of Hon. John Oliver will have a clear working majority in the Assembly will depend very largely on the final results in six ridings which are in doubt.

While the Liberal party triumphed over its opponents, Premier Oliver, its veteran leader, went down to defeat with his three party mates in Victoria, Conservatives in the capital electing their full ticket of four members.

Conservatives 15. From the latest returns available the Conservatives have elected 15 members. The Provincial party, conducting its first campaign election out three members.

Labor elected three, and two Independents were returned. There is no doubt that the Liberal party will have a clear working majority in the Assembly.

The failure of the Provincial party to elect any more than three of its candidates, the defeat of the four Liberals in Victoria, involving the defeat of the Premier, and the defeat in Vancouver of the Conservative leader, Hon. W. J. Bowser, were the surprises of election day.

General A. McLean, Provincial leader, is elected in Vancouver. A. McCreery, another candidate of the Provincial party in this city, was elected.

Farris Defeated. So far as is known this morning there will be no woman member of the legislature.

Mrs. Ralph Smith, who in the general election in 1920 headed the Vancouver list, yesterday just failed of election, and with her W. J. deB. Farris, K. C., former attorney general, went down to defeat. Mrs. Smith's defeat was unexpected. Women candidates in other ridings met defeat.

In striking contrast to their victory in Victoria, the Conservatives were unable to elect any of their six in Vancouver, and for the first time in over twenty years in which he has represented Vancouver in the Legislature, Hon. W. J. Bowser, the Conservative leader failed to secure election.

Apparently all of the cabinet ministers have been returned with the exception of Premier Oliver. Hon. William Sloan carried Nanaimo by a large majority. Hon. E. D. Barrow, Minister of Agriculture, had a narrow majority in Chilliwack. Attorney-General Manson appears to be safe in Okmecca.

Hon. Dr. Sutherland, Minister of Works, won in Revelstoke, and Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Minister of Lands, and Hon. Dr. MacLean, Minister of Education, won in Prince Rupert and Yale respectively.

Mayor J. R. Calley carried the Liberal banner to victory in Kamloops. Wets Likely Won. Figures on the beer plebiscite were fragmentary, but from the country they showed a "wet" tendency. No figures were available from Vancouver city, but almost every poll in the interior of the province shows beer to have a majority, in some cases the proportion being as high as three or four to one.

When the Legislature was dissolved the standing of the parties stood: Liberals, 26; Conservatives, 14; Labor, 11; Independents, 4, and Socialists, 1. One seat was vacant.

The Government can count on the support of some of the Independents in the House in any move that might threaten its existence.

The Liberals did not oppose Major Burde, elected as an Independent in Alberni, nor did it oppose the return of Paul Harrison, Independent Liberal in Comox. Thomas Uphill, Labor, elected in Fenix, has also given the Government support on most occasions.

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Weather Report

Morning Paper Report: Moderate winds, fair and moderately warm.