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UNION OPPONENTS DIVIDED ON AMENDMENT

Ontario Officials Furnish Evidence To Deport Pepall

PEPALL WILL BE DEPORTED IF CHARGES ARE PROVEN

Warrant For Arrest Is Based Upon Three Separate Allegations.

MAKES STATEMENT

Former Toronto Broker Held on Evidence Furnished by Ontario Officials.

Special to The Advertiser.

Washington, D.C., May 15.—Andrew H. Pepall was arrested in Los Angeles, Cal., on a warrant issued by the immigration bureau of the department of labor, alleging three specific charges and he is now subject to deportation to Canada as an undesirable citizen.

The arrest was ordered by acting commissioner of immigration, W. W. Sibray, upon complaint of Crown Attorney J. C. McRuer of Toronto, who laid before Sibray the alleged connection of Pepall with bond cases involving the Aemilius Jarvis bond house in Toronto. Mr. McRuer conferred with Commissioner Sibray here on May 10 and the warrant for Pepall's arrest went forward immediately to the federal immigration officer at Los Angeles.

The warrant charges Pepall with three counts, these allegations being as follows:

"That he has been convicted of or admitted the commission of a felony or other crime or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude prior to his entry into the United States.

"That he is a person likely to become a public charge.

"That he entered the United States without inspection."

Details Are Submitted.

Complete details of Pepall's alleged connection with the Jarvis bond case were laid before Commissioner Sibray by the Toronto authorities, but he declined today to make public this evidence on the grounds that it may interfere with the process of justice.

He said, however, that it appeared that Pepall acted as a "go-between" in some negotiations concerning bonds between the former provincial treasurer, Peter Smith, and Aemilius Jarvis.

Pepall, acting commissioner of immigration said, first located in New York after coming to this country from Canada and then removed to Los Angeles.

Under the procedure of an arrest for deportation, Mr. Sibray explained, Pepall will be required to appear before the immigration officer at Los Angeles and answer to the allegation that he entered the United States illegally. When Pepall makes his defense against the deportation charges all the records in the case will be sent to Washington for review by the commissioner-general of immigration.

If he proves the finding of the Los Angeles immigration officer, Pepall will be ordered deported. Pepall then can swear out a writ of habeas corpus, and this legal point will

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The Weather

FORECASTS.

Today—Northwest winds; fair this afternoon and tonight.

Friday — Fair and somewhat warmer.

The low pressure is now centered in the Ottawa Valley and the western high pressure is spreading towards the Great Lakes and Middle States. Rain continues in Ontario and Quebec and fine, dry weather in the west, where the temperature is quite high.

Temperatures.

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

Stations.	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	60	52	Cloudy
Calgary	88	54	Cloudy
Winnipeg	64	43	Fair
Port Arthur	64	42	Clear
Parry Sound	74	44	Fair
Toronto	56	44	Rain
Kingston	56	44	Rain
Ottawa	62	48	Cloudy
Montreal	64	54	Clear
Quebec	62	46	Rain
Father Point	46	34	Rain
St. John	58	42	Rain
Halifax	68	42	Cloudy

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 63; lowest, 44.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 49; lowest, 43.

Barometric Readings:

Wednesday—8 p.m.—28.98.

Today—8 a.m.—29.01.

Unionist Clergy Support Amendments Introduced To Bill In Ottawa House

ARTHUR PONSONBY,
British under-secretary for foreign affairs, who has announced that the British government is willing that property in England, formerly owned by the erstwhile Russian government, should be transferred to representatives of the Soviets.

Rev. James McKay Protests Action As Help To Unionists.

ONLY PRESBYTERIANS

Rev. Dr. Bowley Green States Step Will Take Considerable Time.

The suggested amendments to the church union bill made by Deputy Speaker Gordon of the House of Commons yesterday meet with general approval of union clergymen in the city. Although Rev. James McKay of the New St. James' Presbyterian Church protested that the amendments were made in the exclusive interest of unionists, other ministers thought they were very fair and equitable.

The main feature of Mr. Gordon's proposals is that non-concurring congregations may retain their whole property if a majority vote against union is given. This represents practically the same concession to anti-unionists offered in the original bill.

"I believe this is only just and right," Rev. Dr. Bowley Green of the Talbot Street Baptist Church said. "If there is a minority in any church for union that minority should abide by the decision of the church as a whole. The other alternative is that they can break away from the church.

"As a matter of fact the church union controversy resolves itself into a battle between Presbyterian unionists and Presbyterian anti-unionists. Ninety per cent of those opposed to union are Presbyterians. Methodists have been whole-heartedly behind union from the beginning.

"It is the Baptist policy that individual churches are supreme. That is one of the vital principles on which the Baptist Church is founded.

Time to Develop.

"Fundamentally, I think the genius of the Methodist and Presbyterian faiths are so at variance that I never believed there would be general acceptance of all the union clauses. The Methodists are ripe for union, but it will require some time to develop."

The new amendments were termed "a compromise between unionists and anti-unionists." Rev. James McKay takes vigorous exception to this phrase. He claims the amendments are union amendments, and do not provide for equity for minorities in concurring congregations.

"The whole question rests where it did before," he declared. "Until proper provision is made for the anti-union minorities the anti-unionists will not be satisfied."

Rev. W. R. McIntosh of the King Street Presbyterian Church stated that every effort was being made to mete full justice to the antis. The third of Mr. Gordon's amendments authorizing the non-concurring Presbyterians to use the name of "The Presbyterian Church of Canada," as distinguished from the Presbyterian

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DEFEAT OF FORD IN SHOALS LOOMS

Republicans Line Up To Fight Auto Magnate's Offer For Power.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, May 15.—Defeat of Henry Ford's plan to acquire Muscle Shoals, the great waterpower project in Alabama, was practically assured in the Senate yesterday, with a number of Republican senators to fight the Ford offer to the limit.

Senator Reed of Missouri, a prominent Democrat, came out in a bitter attack on Ford. The effect of this action is to assure a combination of Democrats and Republicans against turning the property over to Ford, which will in all probability block it.

DRASTIC STEPS SEEN TO SAVE WINDOWS

Boys Playing Ball Break Another Window in Alexandra School.

Another window was smashed in Alexandra School last night by boys playing baseball in the playgrounds, making four windows in this school which have been broken this season. The introduction of a rule that only soft baseballs may be used in this playground and other small fields is expected to help this situation.

In most of the schools there is a six-foot wire fencing on the tops of the walls which gives a certain amount of protection to the property-holders in the immediate neighborhood from the balls that fly by night.

TO CONSULT SOLICITOR ON HIGH SCHOOL ACT

Special Committee Will Seek Interpretation on Saturday Afternoon.

The committee appointed last night by the finance committee of the council to interview the city solicitor and get his interpretation of the clause eight in the high schools' act as to where the authority lies in the erection of a new high school, will wait on Mr. Meredith at 1 o'clock on Saturday afternoon.

The committee consists of Chairman Douglass of the finance committee, Bryden Campbell, and Dr. A. J. Grant.

STEALING GRAVE WREATH BRINGS TERM IN JAIL

Canadian Press Despatch.

Regina, May 15.—Found guilty of stealing a wreath of flowers on May 9 from a grave in the Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Swift Current, Malcolm Munro, laborer, was sentenced to six months at hard labor in the Regina jail. In a statement to the police, Munro said that he had received an order for a wreath to be sent to a funeral at Lac Pelletier and he went to the cemetery, took the wreath and fixed it up, putting new flowers where the old ones had withered. The new wreath was sold for $15.

The Women Don't Know Their Age

Wear From Twenty to Thirty Braids Down Their Backs.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, May 15.—Blonde Chinese, with curly yellow hair, and women, who keep no account of their ages, have been found by an expedition of the National Geographic Society, sent into the unmapped Kansu region of Asia.

Reporting to the society's headquarters here, Frederick R. Nulsin, leader of the expedition, told of a trip on the Yellow River on a raft made of 72 yak skins. The "toguns," meaning "earth men," were the most interesting people encountered, he said, and it was among these that the question of age had no importance. He added that the unmarried women wore from 20 to 30 braids of hair.

BIGGS GIVES HIS DENIAL TO CHARGES OF SKIMPING

Former Minister of Public Works Answers Charges of Henry.

EXPLAINS CONTRACTS

Claims Qualified Engineers Attended to Detail of Highway Construction.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, May 15.—Frank Biggs, minister of public works in the Drury government, gives emphatic denial to a charge of "gross carelessness made by Hon. G. Henry, minister of highways, in the construction of highways under the Biggs' administration of the department.

"The highways," said Mr. Biggs, "both water bound and cement were built under contract, the lowest tenderer, providing he had the equipment and the means to carry out the contract got the contract, and if the lowest tenderer couldn't carry it out the next lowest tenderer got the contract and after the contract was let no official or engineer of the department and no official or contractor or anyone connected with them ever approached me to obtain permission to skimp a contract.

"The specifications were not drawn up by me, they were drawn up by qualified engineers of the department and the recommendations were made by the chief engineer."

Mr. Henry in an interview today is quoted as stating that the investigations made by the department into the construction of highways in Ontario by the late government "to say the least, revealed gross carelessness." Deputy Minister C. L. Squire thoroughly agrees with his chief in the foregoing statement.

Neither the minister nor his deputy will admit that there is sufficient discovered to warrant an official probe.

Mr. Henry stated that he had not received any detailed reports on the matter, so could not go into the details.

BOTH DRIVERS ESCAPE IN AUTO COLLISION

Stanley Street Crash Ties Up Traffic While Cars Are Being Separated.

Although their cars collided with such force yesterday afternoon that it took some time to separate them, the two drivers, both residents of London, fortunately escaped with a few bruises.

Fred Brandon was backing his sedan onto Stanley street from his garage when it was struck by a touring car driven by Mr. Andrews of the department of agriculture. The cars were jammed tight by the force of the smash, but neither man was hurt. Street car traffic was held up while efforts were being made to separate the machines.

GREAT WAR VETERANS WILL ATTEND FUNERAL

The executive of the G. W. V. A. and a large number of their comrades will attend the funeral of Sergt.-Major Bennett, popular army officer, who is being buried this afternoon.

Efforts to provide a military funeral were unsuccessful owing to the fact that the militia of London have disposed of their horses and gun carriages.

Abyssinian Ruler Brings Lions As Gifts To Kings

Associated Press Despatch.

Marseilles, France, May 15.—With the Ethiopian flag flying, the steamship Ordillere arrived yesterday bringing for an official visit to the French republic Prince Regent Ras Taffari of Abyssinia. The battleships of the Mediterranean fleet fired a salute of 21 guns.

Ras Taffari is expected to remain in Europe for five months.

In the party of thirty persons who accompanied him from Africa were not only his faithful followers, aides and counsellors, but also some of his most active enemies, whose presence with him is explained by his policy of associating his opponents with all his enterprises.

The prince, who descends in a straight line from King Solomon and King David, traces his genealogy through Biblical times to Adam.

Ras Taffari brought with him a large number of gifts intended for the rulers he is to visit, and a palm made of elephant tusks, which will be placed on the tomb of the unknown soldier. In accordance with the custom of his country, he brought lions for the kings of England and Italy, and for President Millerand of France, and zebras for other sovereigns.

FRANK C. BIGGS,
former minister of public works, who emphatically denied today the charges of Hon. George Henry that contracts let under Mr. Biggs' supervision had been "slighted" with his permission.

TWO DIE AS TRAIN HITS MOTOR CAR

Alex. Mitchell and George Coverdale of Cayuga Killed Near Simcoe.

Special to The Advertiser.

Cayuga, May 15.—This morning, while Rev. W. C. Almack of Cayuga was motoring to Port Dover to a Methodist conference with Alexander Mitchell, George Coverdale and Rev. Herbert C. Woltz in the auto with him, they were struck by a radial car at the crossing near Simcoe, Ont. Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Coverdale were instantly killed. Mr. Woltz was cut about the head, and Mr. Almack was badly shaken up.

AUNT HALTED ROBBERY, THEN HE KILLED HER

Harry Taternuik Relates the Details of Crime to Winnipeg Police.

Winnipeg, May 15.—Without hesitation, Harry Taternuik last night related to the coroner's jury how he had killed his aunt, Mrs. Peter Simtchesen, here last Thursday afternoon, when she interrupted him while he was in the act of robbing her home. He told of knocking her down, beating and kicking her, and how he tied her hands and feet and then placed a gag in her mouth.

Following his evidence the jury brought in a verdict that the woman's death was "due to aphasia, partly or wholly caused by abuses at the hands of Harry Taternuik," and Crown Prosecutor R. B. Graham announced that a charge of murder would be laid today.

Taternuik was arrested a few hours after the murder by the city police. He had not worked for the past three years, and lived mainly by street begging. The robbery, according to his evidence, netted him only $30.

IMPERIAL OIL CO. SUED FOR DEATH OF WOMAN

Administrator of Mrs. Hilda Lavery's Estate Enters Supreme Court Writ.

The Imperial Oil Company, Limited, is named defendant in a supreme court writ issued today by McEvoy & Henderson, on behalf of James S. Lavery, administrator of the estate of Hilda Lavery, who claims unsated damages from the plaintiff, alleging negligence by its servants or agents operating a motor truck Nov. 15 last, whereby Hilda Lavery was killed.

Mrs. Lavery, it will be remembered, was run down by a truck and died from injuries received. The driver of the truck was exonerated from blame in the accident by a coroner's jury.

LONGSHOREMEN ACCEPT ARBITRATION AWARD

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, May 15.—Over two thousand longshoremen met here last night and unanimously accepted the award of the arbitration board in the dispute between them and the shipping federation. This means they will accept hourly pay of 62 cents for day and 72 cents for night work on general cargo. On grain cargo they will receive 77 cents for day and 87 cents for night work.

About 4,000 men are affected.

HOBBY FAIR ATTENDANCE GOES OVER 6,000 MARK

Judging in Several Departments Completed and the Winners Announced.

BIG PROGRAM

Entertainment Planned For Tonight Proves Interesting Attraction.

Six thousand people have visited the Hobby Fair at the armories Each day the crowds increase, and tonight will prove a record-breaker, for it will be an evening of big attractions. Judges worked all day awarding silver and bronze medals, cash prizes and ribbons to the winners in the twelve big departments.

The judging in art and collections of postage stamps, arrow heads postcards, flags and samples was completed at noon, and winners in these departments are announced.

Another big attraction tonight will be the woodworking contest by 30 public and technical school boys. The boys of the public schools will be seen working at their benches before the platform. The test is to make a two-compartment birdhouse: one compartment for wrens and another for blue birds. The time allowed for the test is an hour and a half.

Technical School boys will be provided with blue prints of a footstool, and will also have an hour and a half to complete their task, a finished footstool made of basswood. S. R. White, instructor at the Technical School, will be in charge.

The members of the Hobby Fair committee express themselves as delighted with the way the people have responded to their efforts to make appreciation of the boys' and girls' hobbies a big, annual, public event. Preparations are already under way to take care of the increased growth for next year's fair. The fact that the fair is five times as great as last year has made judging a long and arduous task, as the management has been swamped with entries far in excess of their fondest hopes.

By the time the first of the big crowds enter tonight, ribbons of red, blue, yellow and white and cards denoting the medal winners will be arranged on the prize winning exhibits.

Cats In Limelight.

Cats come into their own tonight. It is their night at the Hobby Fair. They will occupy the big tent at the southwest corner of the armories. Here will be seen six classes from the regular back fence Toms to the daint yand demure pussies of Persian blood. Black cats and white cats and wee wittens will make up the meowing exhibit. The unique prize

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HON. JOHN S. MARTIN,
provincial minister of agriculture, who was painfully injured this morning, when his motor car plunged into a hole in the road near Port Dover.

HON. J. S. MARTIN HURT IN ACCIDENT

Minister of Agriculture Thrown When Car Plunges Into Hole.

Special to The Advertiser.

Port Dover, May 15.—Hon. John S. Martin, minister of agriculture, while returning from his home here to Toronto this morning by automobile met with a painful accident at Lampkin's Hill, near Port Dover. Striking a hole in the road, which brought the car to a sudden standstill, he was thrown against the wooden supports of the top, severely wrenching his back. He is now resting comfortably, but his physician states it will be two weeks at least before he is able to leave his bed.

Mr. Martin has been forced to cancel all engagements.

Girl's Skull Is Found In Pond

Ontario Police Will Investigate Thorold Discovery.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Thorold, May 15.—Workmen employed by G. L. Campbell, sub-contractor on section No. 4, Welland ship canal, late yesterday found the skull of a young girl in a pond, which has been used by the Beaverboard Company in which to store waste pulp.

The skull was badly blackened, and because of the acid in the pulp it has not been ascertained how long the skull had been buried in the mass. The Ontario police have taken the matter in hand.

POODLE RELEGATED TO OVEN WHEN ASSESSOR LOOMS UP

Officials Have Session of "Dog Days" and Defeat Wily Resident.

REFRIGERATOR USED

Small Boy Complains of Tax Placed On Small Dog.

These are dog days with the city assessment officers.

On their daily rounds they come in contact with every kind of dog, taxed and untaxed, and they discover the untaxed kind in every form of retainer in which a small dog can be kept.

The record was held for many years in this way by a certain lady, who hid her pet poodle in the oven while the assessment man was in the house. He, however, being keen of hearing and the dog being short of breath, discovered the hidden treasure, and that particular dog paid its full tax rate for that year.

Last year another assessment officer found a small, square-headed brindled pup in a refrigerator.

A letter reached the assessment commissioner a few days ago from one who styles himself "a chap living on the same block," complaining of the way in which his neighbors hide their dog every year. He completes his little epistle by stating the commissioners are not to blame as the owners hide it in the backyard when they call.

A small boy who has a tiny pup weighing probably five or six pounds called at the commissioner's office recently to know why his small dog should have to pay as much as the "great big dog" next door, and even after it had been explained to him he thought the arrangement unfair.

British Flier Delays Hop-Off

Associated Press Despatch.

Shanghai, May 15.—Stuart MacLaren, British aviator, attempting to fly around the world, was unable to hop off today from Allahabad, British India, on account of the presence of water in his petrol supply, a message received from Allahabad reported. He arrived there yesterday from Nairabad, and hopes to leave tomorrow for Calcutta.

NEW BRIDGE STEEL ARRIVES IN LONDON

C. N. Supt. Forrester States Work Over Subway Will Be Started in June.

Superintendent C. Forrester of the C. N. R. stated today that steel for the new bridge to replace the one now over the Thames River beyond Bathurst street had arrived.

He stated that the erection of the two new bridges, one which will replace the one over the subway at Wharncliffe road, would be started the first of next month.

This work will take some time to complete and additional men will be added to the pay roll of the bridge and building department.

ANTIS SPLIT ON QUESTION OF LATEST AMENDMENT

Irreconcilables and Moderates Among Opponents Divided on New Proposals.

DIFFICULTIES CITED

Rev. Dr. Gandier Believes the Unionists Will Accept Concessions to Other Sides.

Special to The Advertiser.

Toronto, May 15.—Opponents of church union are now divided amongst themselves in regard to the amendments proposed to the church union bill.

There is an "irreconcilable minority," who stand out and will stand out against the bill in any form.

There is a moderate section of the antis, who are willing to come to terms with the unionists on some amendments which they consider reasonable.

Opposition to the proposed amendments was expressed today by such local anti-leaders as Rev. Dr. James Wilson, Rev. D. T. L. McKerroll and Rev. Crawford Brown.

Rev. John G. Inkster, minister of Knox Church, stated to The Advertiser today, that he regarded the proposed changes in the bill more favorably than did some of the other antis.

"Our church," he said, speaking of Knox, "is more largely interested in this than is any other Presbyterian Church in Canada, and we have to watch our property interests. We have had counsel retained all along to watch the proceedings.

Urges Getting Together.

"But as I see it," said Mr. Inkster, "the Presbyterian Church is divided now. It is already split, and the only thing left to do is to have those two sections of it part in a Christian spirit.

"Any amendments that will allow for the continuation of the name and the lineage of the Presbyterian Church, with an equitable division of the property, would suit me."

In fact, Mr. Inkster has already written to Principal D. J. Fraser of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, the leader of the antis, suggesting that the counsel on both sides get together and see what they can arrange in the way of a settlement. "If they can divide the identity of the church, so that those who want to go into union may go, and those who don't want to go may stay out, I would like to see them do it, and, in view of the hair-splitting that has been done at Ottawa during the past two weeks, I do not think that that would be an absolute impossibility."

The minister of Knox Church says he concedes that the unionists are sincere in their statement that they are willing to grant any reasonable changes in the bill, which will not kill its principle, which is that the Presbyterian Church as a church enters the union.

"We might as well accept the original bill as it was as accept these amendments," Dr. James Wilson of Dovercourt Church stated. "Such amendments could not be accepted. The one thing they offered was a little more time, but they take away the church and the name." Dr. Wilson could not conceive how such an amendment could ever be acceptable to the opponents of union. It looked to him like a despatch sent out from the union camp.

Prefers Original Bill,

"I prefer to have the bill," was the comment of Rev. R. J. Wilson. "This amendment is not what I want." Then he emphasized the fact that this was his personal opinion and it might not be the feeling of unionists in general.

Rev. Dr. Gandier thought that the proposed amendment would be acceptable to the unionists. "Our general position is that we must stand for the principle of the bill," said he. "Our general position beyond that is we are willing to do anything reasonable to meet the wishes of others. As far as I can see, there is nothing in the amendment that destroys the principle of the bill. Of course, the joint committee on law and legislation must deal with it. There may be some readjustment in detail.

As to the taking of the vote of the non-concurring churches before the bill became law, Dr. Gandier believed unionists were prepared to grant this. He thought it would remove any suggestion of coercion. As to the name of the non-concurring congregations, he pointed out that the one thing the unionists had maintained all along was that the Presbyterian church in Canada must go into union as a distinct corporate entity. There would not be any objection to the use of the name suggested or to any other name except that of the Presbyterian church in Canada.