

EPISODE AT BRIDGE COSTS ALD. BOTTRILL \$3

Four Kings March In Funeral Procession of Late Queen

COURT SAYS BOTTRILL'S ACTION WAS ILL-ADVISED

Magistrate Dismisses Charge of
Obstructing Traffic, But
Assesses Costs.

OPEN COURT HEARING

Defendant Claims He Closed
Ridout Street Bridge For
Good of Public.

A private parley, an explanation, a formal arraignment in court, a wave of the hand, and Ald. Harry Bottrill was acquitted by Magistrate A. H. Graydon this morning on a charge of unlawfully obstructing traffic at Ridout street bridge.

But, financially, Ald. Bottrill did not get off scot free. Upon Mr. Graydon's request he willingly paid the sum of \$3 as court costs and remuneration for a number of witnesses who came to court to tell how they were inconvenienced on Tuesday when the alderman barricaded the condemned bridge by closing it.

"Pro bono publico," Mr. Bottrill formally explained, when Mr. Graydon called his name in court this morning. He said he was responsible for the court blotter which was responsible for Mr. Graydon mistaking Ald. Bottrill's baptismal name of Harry for Horatio, but the error was overlooked in a quick response.

"I did it for the public good," said Ald. Bottrill. "I believed the bridge was unsafe, and if so it should have been closed."

Action Ill-Advised.

"It was an ill-advvised action," the court replied. "But considering the good intent, I'll dismiss the case. You should pay the court costs, however."

Ald. Bottrill was present at police station this morning some time before court opened. Rushing his way through a large crowd surrounding the court-room, he sought out the magistrate in his private office, and there, according to Mr. Graydon, voluntarily pleaded guilty, and have done with the case by prompt payment of a fine.

Mr. Graydon counselled, however, that in fairness to Mr. Bottrill himself, circumstances of the case should be heard in open court.

Gets Pass in Latin.

Mr. Bottrill's Latin declaration, of "pro bono publico," rattled off with a schoolboy's speed of conjugating "hic, haec, hoc," satisfied Mr. Graydon that the public-spirited interest behind Mr. Bottrill's action, in temporarily closing ancient Ridout street bridge, compensated any inconvenience which motorists had been put to.

"Don't do it again," Mr. Graydon remarked as the freed defendant waited at the court clerk's desk for \$3 change of a \$10 bill.

CAPT. CORT. C. IRWIN PASSES AWAY SUDDENLY

Veterans' Bandmaster and
President of Symphony Or-
chestra Dies in 56th Year

Captain "Cort" C. Irwin, well-known war veteran, and prominent in musical circles, died this morning after an illness of two weeks. His death is a distinct loss to the city, especially from the musical standpoint as he was the bandmaster of the local Veterans' band and president of the Symphony orchestra. He was in his 56th year.

He was born in Aurora, and moved to London 33 years ago. When war broke out he enlisted with the 135th Battalion and saw active service in France as captain of a machine gun company. He was the leader of the Veterans' band since it was organized and his splendid leadership has developed a powerful musical organization.

President Harry Wray of the Veterans' band paid great tribute to the deceased and expressed sympathy on behalf of the Veterans to the family of the deceased.

He will be buried with full military honors on Sunday afternoon, with the local machine gun corps and the Veterans' band in attendance, as well as representatives of the veterans' association. Interment will take place at Woodland cemetery.

Capt. Irwin is survived by his wife and two sisters, Mrs. A. Wells of Toronto and Mrs. P. Hamell of Beaton, and one brother.

MISS MACPHAIL TERMED FARMER IN ELECTION WRIT

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Nov. 26.—Sixty-five more members of Canada's fifteenth parliament will be gazetted on Saturday next. This will leave but 37 out of the 245 members unseated. It has been found necessary to return a few of the writs received because of errors by returning officers. Miss Agnes C. Macphail, Progressive member-elect for Southeast Grey, is returned as a Farmer.

Buses Must Stop At All Crossings

Case Against Metropolitan
Company Being Prepared
by Police Chief.

PRESIDENT IN CITY

Second Bus Has Narrow Escape
At Same Crossing On
Adelaide Street.

Witnesses of Wednesday night's collision between a crowded autobus of the Metropolitan Bus Company and a C. N. R. yard engine at an Adelaide street back-way track, were sought today by police in an investigation of the accident now under way.

Evidence will be secured by Chief of Police Robert Birrell, and it is found that too many passengers were on board at the time of the collision, a violation of the bus licenses regulations for operation in London, police court action against operators of the Metropolitan Company will be taken.

Individual bus licenses call for a seating capacity with a maximum load of 29 passengers. Twenty-eight persons were on the bus and narrowly escaped when struck by the yard engine, according to a statement made by the driver, Miles Neilson.

Chief Birrell would make no statement today regarding the probability of the case coming to court, nor would he say what penalty could be imposed on the bus owners for overloading.

"I am looking into the matter and action will certainly be taken if evidence of negligence or license violation can be found," he stated.

Bus is Destroyed.

The Metropolitan bus, struck by a C. N. R. engine Wednesday night and valued at \$8,000 a year ago when it was put into commission, will never be operated again in London, President Kamm of the bus company stated today.

"It might be repaired so that it would look as good as new, but some little thing would be happening all the time to put it out of commission. We can't afford to take any chances," he said.

While the bus company has a \$15,000 accident policy on their fleet, the bus struck by the C. N. R. engine does not carry a cent of damage insurance. This is the claim of the bus company officials, who claim to have a strong case against the C. N. R. If the railroad does not settle all their claims and those of the passengers injured, a law suit will result, Mr. Kamm stated.

Stop Orders Received.

"All our buses have received orders to stop at the Adelaide street crossing of the C. N. R.," said Mr. Kamm. "If this hadn't been done last night a similar accident might have occurred. An engine went rolling over the crossing with no person on the rear of the tender as required by law. I am going to see the chief of police and see if the C. N. R. cannot be made to live up to law requirements."

"Witnesses of the accident tell me that the C. N. R. was to blame. I feel quite certain that the railroad will settle with the passengers and ourselves for the damage caused by their carelessness."

It was pointed out at the city hall this morning that when a city fire truck was smashed by a C. N. R. engine several years ago the insurance company involved paid all claims and were successful in their law suit against the Grand Trunk of those days.

MORO OUTLAWS TORTURE FRENCH SCHOOL TEACHER

Associated Press Despatch.
Marrakech, Nov. 27.—A Filipino school teacher named Nazarete was captured by Moro outlaws near Lake Lanao, in the Lanao province today. After torturing the man, the outlaws cut off his head with a bolo knife. Later the head was hoisted upon a pole and exposed to the public view. The outlaws have not been captured.

French Ace Killed.

Associated Press Despatch.
Paris, Nov. 27.—Maurice Bizot, a member of Capt. Guynemer's famous Stork's Escadrille during the great war, was killed today when a speed plane which he was testing overturned during an attempted landing at 100 miles an hour. He planned to use the plane in the near future in an attempt to set a new world's speed record. Bizot was officially credited with destroying twelve enemy planes during the war.

**Winnipeg Voting Today
In Municipal Election**

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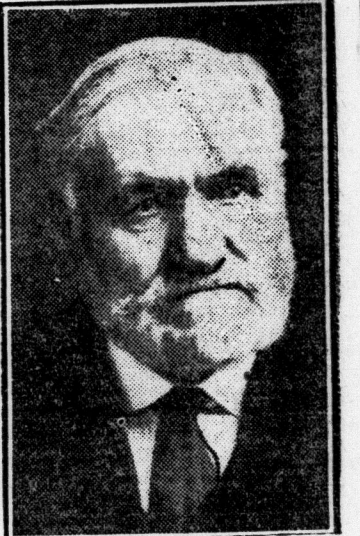
Civic elections are being held in two other cities in Manitoba, Brandon and St. Boniface.

DOG TIED TO CAFE DOOR SOON Restored to Distant Owner

Tied by a stout rope to the door of a attached a license tag issued in Guelph, which fact led Inspector Tustin to write to the city clerk there reporting the find.

This morning he received a letter from a resident of Mason street, Guelph, saying that the description of the dog corresponded to that of a hound he lost more than a week ago, and for which he has been advertising far and wide. He intends coming to London immediately to claim the animal, and if it proves to be his dog to take him back home with him to Guelph.

In the meantime the found hound is enjoying a life of luxury and ease at Inspector Tustin's establishment, and evinces no anxiety as to his future.



PIONEER DIES.
Peter Lair Trout, pioneer prospector in the Yukon, Alaska, and British Columbia, who died this week in his 85th year. For the past four years, Mr. Trout has been devoting his time to magazine articles on geology and the writing of a book on memories, which he never completed.

PUPILS PITFULLY WEAK IN ENGLISH

Retiring President of Teachers
Scores Attitude Toward
Study.

J. A. Dickinson, commercial specialist and head of the technical department at the technical and commercial high school, was chosen by the London teachers' institute, meeting in the Central college this morning, as its president for the ensuing year.

Mr. Dickinson will succeed John R. Littleproud, assistant principal of Simcoe street public school, who delivered an address this morning on the subject, "Some weaknesses in modern educational practices."

Other officials elected are: Vice-president, Miss Eliza Yeates, Alexandra public school; secretary-treasurer, Miss Emily A. Knott, Wortley road public school; executive committee, Administrator G. A. Wheable, B.A., M.C., Inspector J. C. Stothers, M.A., B.Ed., and Brother Philip, principal of De La Salle school, Miss Gertrude Buttrey, Lord Roberts' public school, and William Wallis, principal of Simcoe street public school.

E. Silverwood, divisional commander in the local campaign for the Beck memorial endowment fund, addressed the institute on behalf of the trustees of the fund, Mr. Silverwood stressed the fact that the fund constitutes a memorial to Sir Adam, and as well assist a deserving individual whose service was closest to Sir Adam's heart.

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Helped Teachers.

Mr. Silverwood commented upon the support Sir Adam Beck had given to the superannuation act for teachers, both in and out of the legislature, and before the cabinet, in getting that measure put through. In seeking contributions for the fund, Mr. Silverwood stressed the fact that the fund constitutes a memorial to Sir Adam, and as well assist a deserving individual whose service was closest to Sir Adam's heart.

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TASCHEREAU IS SEEKING EMBARGO ON ASBESTOS

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Montreal, Nov. 27.—A hope that an embargo would soon be placed on the export of asbestos, of which 80 per cent of the world's supply is in Quebec, was expressed last night by Premier L. A. Taschereau, addressing a Liberal meeting at Lachine in the interests of Victor Marchand, candidate for Jacques Cartier in the forthcoming provincial by-election.

Premier Taschereau desired that the raw material be manufactured in this province rather than that it should be sent out of the country.

Middlesex Seen As Aim Of Doherty

Ottawa Believes Conservatives
Will Use Ex-Progressive as
Bait in West Riding.

EXPECT BY-ELECTION

Drury and Raney Say the Kent
Member Always Leaned
to Conservatism.

E. C. BUCHANAN.
Special to The Advertiser
by Staff Correspondent.

Ottawa, Nov. 27.—Conservative headquarters announce that Right Hon. Arthur Meighen is to brave the hostility of Quebec for an entire week in the Bagot by-election campaign. He goes to present plans, he is to be put up by the party as a candidate in Ontario as soon as a seat is opened in this province.

It is believed here that if J. C. Elliott, Liberal member-elect for West Middlesex, is taken into the cabinet or resigns his seat, Mr. Doherty will be put into that riding. Conservative party managers feel that having been a member of the farmers' government in Ontario, Mr. Doherty would make a strong appeal in a rural constituency.

THREE MEMBERS GONE.

Special to The Advertiser.
Parliament Buildings, Toronto, Nov. 27.—The resignation of Hon. Manning Doherty as Progressive member for East Kent, in the House of Commons, supports the Conservative party federally, is the chief topic of discussion at Queen's park today. The announcement of the steps Mr. Doherty has taken came as complete surprise, though it has been no secret that he contemplated severing his connection with the legislature when the next provincial general election came.

The feeling in unofficial quarters at parliament buildings is that Mr. Doherty's withdrawal will be a decided blow to the Progressive party, and that (Continued on Page 4, Col. 3)

RETRACTING DRUSES ARE BURNING TOWNS

Routed Rebels Suffer Heavy
Losses and Are Flying
to the Hills.

Associated Press Despatch.
Beirut, Syria, Nov. 26.—The rebellious Druse tribesmen, recently routed by French reinforcements in the vicinity of Rasheya, west of Damascus, are retreating precipitately to the hills, burning and pillaging towns and villages in their flight.

The losses of the tribesmen are reported to have been heavy. They left on the field in the vicinity of Rasheya more than 300 dead, and it is known that they carried many of their dead away with them.

DEAN OF LAW SCHOOL DIES IN NOVA SCOTIA

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Halifax, N.S., Nov. 27.—Richard Chapman Nelson, B.A., M.A., D.C.L., Ph.D., aged 75, dean of Dalhousie law school from 1883 to 1913, died at his home at Dartmouth, N.S., late yesterday.

He was born in Sussex, N.B., and before coming to Dalhousie was professor of mathematics at Mount Allison university, Sackville, N.B., from 1875 to 1883. He was chairman of the British Columbia university commission in 1910. He took an active interest in politics and represented Albert, N.B., in the house of commons from 1887 to 1896, and unsuccessfully contested Shelburne, N.S., against Hon. W. S. Fielding in the by-election of 1906.

SPAIN REQUESTS MEXICO TO PAY FOR SEIZED LANDS

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Mexico City, Nov. 27.—The Marquis de Berna announces that negotiations are in progress between Spain and Mexico for a treaty calling for the payment by the Mexican government for lands seized by Spaniards which were sequestered for division among the agrarians.

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THE WEATHER

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LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
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Marking London's Hour of Sorrow



ARTILLERY MINUTE-GUNS BOOM.
Firing party of 12th Field Battery at Victoria Park this morning firing forty minute-guns in last royal salute to the late Queen Mother at 11 o'clock, the hour of Alexandra's funeral to Westminster Abbey.

Minute-Guns Boom at Hour Of Queen Mother's Funeral

Firing Party of 12th Field Battery Marks Time of Sorrow For
City as Cortege Passes Along Streets of
Old London to Abbey.

At the official hour of the funeral of her late majesty the Queen Mother Alexandra at 11 o'clock this morning a thousand guns throughout the empire boomed out a last farewell.

While the cortege was passing through the streets of old London to the beloved dowager's resting place in Westminster Abbey, the guns of every British garrison town tolled off the minutes. For 40 minutes the guns were fired at minute intervals in honor of the dead queen.

In London, in the shadow of the Victoria park monument to the memory of the soldiers who gave their lives in the South African war, two 18-pounder field pieces joined the mighty chorus. The men of the 12th Battery fired the salute under the command of Major Kenneth Ingram, while staff officers from the R. C. R. looked on with silent respect. Among these were Lieut.-Col. F. Gilman, Col. C. H. Dean, Capt. E. C. Chambers, and others.

On each gun crew there were five men, and when the terse order, "No. 1, fire," was issued the men moved with silent precision and the first gun broke the silence of the morning to bring to memory the passing of one of England's queens, and the mother of the present monarch.

SURE SECURITY PACT WILL PASS REICHSTAG

Germans Give Big Majority on
Second Reading of Locarno
Treaty Pact.

Associated Press Despatch.
Berlin, Nov. 27.—The expectation today was that the reichstag would finally pass the Locarno security pact and arbitration treaties and that Chancellor Luther and Foreign Minister Stresemann should proceed to London next week formally to ratify them by their signatures.

By an overwhelming vote the reichstag yesterday passed the second reading of the bill which would make the Locarno documents law, and debate on the third and final reading of the measure proceeded today.

GOVERNMENT PROFITS FROM TRUST ESTATES

Province Makes More Than
\$110,000 on Property
Owned by Lunatics.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Nov. 26.—Arising from the trial and conviction of W. W. Dunlop, former inspector of prisons and public charities, on a charge of stealing \$30,000 from the province, the government has submitted to Attorney-General Nicks the question of the rights of lunatics to surplus profits earned upon their estates while in the hands of the public trustee. In the Dunlop trial evidence was given that \$110,000 in excess of bank interest had been earned by the estates of insane persons as a result of their investment by the government.

The right, if any, of the estate of the insane persons to this surplus money is the point which the government is now raising and which Hon. Mr. Nicks is being called upon to decide.

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