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ROSEDALE APARTMENT HOUSE

PROBS. Fresh northerly winds; fair and cool.

FOUR POLICE OFFICERS GOT \$2,400,000 GRAFT IN A YEAR CONFESSION OF GAMBLER ROSE

"Bald Jack," Who Confesses He Collected Money For Lieut. Becker From Illegal Resorts, Says Becker and Three Other Officials Divided Spoils Equally—Four Separate Bureaus for Obtaining Rake-Offs Maintained—Immunity For Becker If He Reveals All.

NEW YORK, July 30.—(Can. Press.)—Sworn statements tending to show that the annual graft collected by high police officials in New York City from gambling houses and other illegal resorts within the last year was \$2,400,000 are in the hands of District Attorney Whitman to-night. The statements were made to the district attorney to-day by "Bald Jack" Rose, self-confessed graft collector for Police Lieut. Charles Becker, head of the "Strong-Arm Squad," who to-night began his second day of incarceration in the Tombs Prison as an alleged instigator of the murder of Herman Rosenthal, the gambler.

Three Other Officials Named

Mr. Whitman, it was learned, has the names of the other three police officials whom Rose has named and his further efforts in this now most sensational "police exposure" that New York has ever seen will be directed toward strengthening the evidence which points against them. One of the officials named, it was learned, holds a position at headquarters and is in a strict sense a civilian employe.

The name of a former prominent city official has been brought to the attention of the district attorney as having been closely connected with the "graft system" but it was learned that the evidence thus far obtained against him is not of a tangible nature.

The evidence, however, is being closely followed by the detectives in the employ of the district attorney.

Price of Becker's Freedom. It also became known to-night that if Lieut. Becker will sell all he knows, not only in respect to his own alleged complicity in the murder, but will unfold the inner workings of the graft system in so far as it may involve the "men higher up," he will be granted mercy, and on that condition only.

The alleged fact of the \$2,400,000 graft fund was told to Rose by Becker, the little, bald-headed gambler, said in a sworn statement to-day. Becker, he said, told him that he handled \$400,000 a year, and that equal amounts were handled by three other officials. This, he said, came in collections from gambling houses, poolrooms, houses of ill-repute, and the like.

Rose said he had collected gambling graft for Becker for months, and he promised the district attorney that he would obtain for him the rates paid by gambling houses, make a tabulation of what these receipts amounted to monthly and yearly, and how the money was handled. That there were other collectors besides Rose, is the assumption of the district attorney, who hopes to identify them.

"Becker," he said, gave him liberal commissions for his work. "Becker told me that he was the prince of the police department," Rose said. "He paid me liberally out of my collections, but I never was able to keep what I got. I was a fool gambler, and gambled it all away."

Part of the business between the gamblers and the police, the district attorney was told, was boldly done thru cheques, although his efforts to secure evidence in this form have proved fruitless.

"Bridget" Webber, the gambling house keeper, who has also confessed, and whose story largely resulted in the arrest of Becker, promised Mr. Whitman, it was learned, to corroborate Rose's statement in regard to the collections. Incidentally, Webber to-day admitted to the district attorney that \$2000 was the sum which he received to pay the men who actually fired the shots which killed Rosenthal.

District Attorney Whitman this afternoon fulfilled his promise to Rose, Webber and Vallon, the three gamblers who confessed yesterday, to have them transferred to another prison than the Tombs. They were taken from the original courts building in a locked and heavily guarded prison van to the west side court prison. The gamblers told Mr. Whitman they were sure that the Tombs was filled with "stool pigeons" and that they would be blackjacked if sent back there after making confessions.

Patrolman File Exonerated. At the trial to-day of William J. File, a patrolman, charged with having failed to take prompt and efficient measures to arrest the murderers of Rosenthal, two of Rosenthal's table companions at the Metropole on the night of the murder, John J. Hickley and Christian, alias "Boob," Walker, testified that File had manifested every sign of anxiety to get the prisoners.

ASQUITH WILL VISIT CANADA SLIGHT INCREASE OF METHODISTS

Will Accompany Churchill on British Dreadnought and Confer With Canadian Cabinet at Ottawa.

LONDON, July 30.—(Can. Press.)—The London Daily Mail states that it is now understood that Premier Asquith, the first lord of the admiralty, will visit the Dominion after the return of Mr. Borden and his colleagues, but the date has not yet been definitely fixed. At any event, the visit of a British Premier might be made the occasion of an important demonstration, and out of comparison to the French Canadians, Quebec would be an ideal place to hold the celebrations.

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Host of Graft Charges

NEW YORK, July 30.—(Can. Press.)—Another development of to-day, in which many persons professed to see a sidelight upon the investigations started as a result of Rosenthal's murder, was the resignation of Raymond R. Fosdick as commissioner of accounts of the city. In this capacity Mr. Fosdick has been the chief investigator of the administration. Before his retirement was announced Mr. Fosdick said that for months past he has been receiving as many as 25 letters a day, alleging that there was graft in the various city departments.

Fifty per cent of these letters related to the police department," said Mr. Fosdick, "and there was a constant trail of the name of Lieut. Becker in these communications. Unfortunately these letters were anonymous and general in their allegations."

TURKISH CABINET GIVEN SUPPORT

Promise to Start Peace Negotiations Allays Ill-Feeling—Threatened to Resign.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 30.—(Can. Press.)—The new Turkish ministry received a vote of confidence in the chamber of deputies to-day after it was announced that the government was willing to enter into peace negotiations with Italy, and the new ministerial program had been read. The government was sustained by a vote of 115 to 48, after the grand vizier had declared that the government would resign unless parliament gave its sanction to the program.

Representatives of the committee of union and progress, constituting a majority of the chamber, sought to delay the vote by proposing various qualifying amendments, but the government adopted a firm attitude and insisted upon an immediate and unqualified vote. The result showed that the committee was afraid to provoke a conflict which might furnish a pretext for dissolution. It is understood, however, that the government contemplates submitting to the chamber tomorrow a bill reinforcing the sultan's prerogatives in the matter of dissolution, thus forcing the chamber either to vote its own extinction or provoke a conflict with the same result.

SON ACCUSES FATHER

Arsion Charge Baid Against Sharbot Lake Farmer.

KINGSTON, July 30.—(Special.)—Shortly after the home and barn of George Offord, near Sharbot Lake, was destroyed by fire, Offord was placed under arrest, charged with arson.

It is alleged that just before the fire was discovered, Offord was seen coming out of the barn with an oil can. His son swore out the warrant for his arrest.

ROWELL PARTY IN NORTH UNLIKELY TO GET PEEP AT TRUTHS UNDER COVER

Disagreeable Facts of Harmful Effect of So-called Prohibition, Which Causes "Blind Pigs" and Other Vices to Flourish, Will Scarcely Reach the Ears of Touring Liberals.

COBALT, July 30.—(Special.)—The visit of Mr. N. W. Rowell and his Liberal following here ought to be productive of some educational results. Naturally, when a party of legislators or investigators formally visit a town, the most agreeable side is presented to them, and disagreeable truths are not

CIVIC ABATTOIR AND SIDINGS IN STANLEY PARK

Joint Conference of City Officials and Drivers Decides to Prepare Plans for Large Municipal Distributing Plant With a Capacity of About 1500 Head Weekly.

TO GO SOUTH OF KING ST.

That Stanley Park would be the best site for the proposed civic abattoir, that siding facilities should be provided, and that the new cattle market should be up-to-date in every particular and have a minimum capacity of 1500 head a week, were recommendations passed at a special meeting of representative cattle dealers, members of the civic council and civic officials at the city hall yesterday afternoon. It was also decided that Dr. Hastings should communicate with W. R. Perrin, Jr., of this city, with reference to securing data and specifications necessary to draw up the plans.

After Controller McCarthy had been elected chairman, the possibilities of the new cattle market were discussed on a trade standpoint, and the dealers present claimed that in time the business carried on with outside points would be larger than the local trade. With this in view and taking into consideration the competition with other cattle markets, it was urged that the very best siding facilities should be provided. This was the first point decided upon, and it was agreed that the city should make all the necessary arrangements with the railways.

Stanley Park Best Site. At their meeting, held in the morning, the drivers were unanimous that the section of Stanley Park south of King-st. would make the best site for the new abattoir. This suggestion was agreed upon by the city representatives. It was shown that it would be the most convenient location which could be secured. A service could be obtained from all the railways, and its proximity to the local trade was another big asset. Again it was shown that if this arrangement was made, the abattoir building could face on King-st., at which section the offices and salesrooms could be placed.

Handle Large Supply. Regarding the capacity of the new market, it was agreed that it should be able to handle 1500 head of cattle a week. This number will be above the requirements at first, but it was believed that the trade requirements in the future will warrant such provision being made. The plans are to be drawn up to provide every facility, and Aid. O'Neill, Aid. Rowland and Charles Mabee were appointed a special committee to see that all the requirements were provided for in the plans.

The abattoir building will likely be constructed of buff brick, with a red tile roof. Its front on King-st. will be exceptionally attractive. The floor of the building will be a glazed white tile brick.

Those present at the meeting were: Arthur Talbot, president of the Drivers' Association; Frank Hummelst, president of the Live Stock Exchange; Charles Mabee, representing the Wholesale Butchers' Association; David Walker, superintendent of the cattle market; Controller McCarthy; Aid. Rowland, Aid. O'Neill, Dr. Hastings, Commissioner Chisholm and City Architect McCallum.

HYDRO ENTERS RICH FARMING DISTRICT

Adam Beck at Uxbridge Tells Members of Midland Association How Cheap Power Will Revolutionize Agricultural Industry of Ontario — Is Cordially Received.

UXBRIDGE, July 29.—At a meeting in the Music Hall to-day, attended by about 200 representative farmers and merchants from the district around, including south to Scarborough, and north to Brechin, the Midland Association of the Hydro-Electric Power Union was formed with Mayor Norman R. Beal of Uxbridge as president, Warden D. A. Brown, first vice-president, H. P. Coulson, Stouffville, second vice-president; H. P. Cooke, Uxbridge, secretary-treasurer, and an executive committee of one member from each municipality. Among those present were: Alex. McCowan, M.L.A., Reeve Raham, T. C. Nicholls, Dr. Shier, R. J. Moore, Wm. Hamilton, H. J. Gould, Uxbridge; Reeve Smalley, Councilor Paisley, Uxbridge; Township: Robert Bain, J. R. Meyer, Scott; D. A. Brown, Geo. Will, Thorpe; J. G. Cornell, W. D. Annis, S. Arbro, A. E. Stabback, Woodville; Dr. W. A. Sangster, J. A. Heise, F. Rae, R. Miller, J. H. Ratcliffe, George Collier, Stouffville; R. C. Teft, A. Wideman, C. F. White, Markham; J. High, C. Padgett, Markham Township; John Fallowdown, J. Wetherall, also stated by Hon. Adam Beck, that the cost would go down with the increase of consumption, and with double the power used the price would be 10 horsepower from the eight municipalities.

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CHANGING WEATHER IN WEST MAKING HARVEST UNCERTAIN

Doubt as to When Crops Will Be Ripe for Gathering in Is Causing Uneasiness, and Distribution of Army of Men Is Unusually Ticklish Problem.

WINNIPEG, July 30.—(Special.)—It is always a difficult matter to so calculate the need for harvest labor as to land the men right on the field just when they are needed. Last year quite a number of Ontario farm laborers who came west to see the country and make a few weeks' work at high wages got on the ground too soon, and as some of them were unprepared for an idle interval, there might have been serious inconvenience if the local authorities where they landed had not helped the situation out by finding work on municipal improvements.

This uncertainty as to the start of harvest is rather aggravated this season by the changing conditions. The next fortnight is all important, and given good bright weather and drying winds, a real start should be made the third week in August. Wet, inclement weather would push harvesting back dangerously near the frost zone. Light frosts are common enough around Aug. 3, but generally not sufficient to damage the wheat, which by that time should be hardening. Then a fortnight of warm weather may be looked for till real damaging frosts come, after the first week of September.

Setback to Harvesting. Until recently indications all were for a harvest earlier than any recent year, but there has been a setback, and harvesting is not likely to be general until towards the end of the month. That means that most of the harvest help will be wanted pretty much at once, instead of being distributed in relays, with consequent confusion. The railways have had a good deal of experience in handling these harvest excursions, but just now it is a rare puzzle.

SYNDICATE BUYS PORT DALHOUSIE LYRIC THEATRE CAN'T BE BLUFFED

Talk of Its Use as a Wood-working Mill—Probably Will Be Continued as Show Shop—Price \$75,000.

ST. CATHARINES, July 30.—(Special.)—The Village of Port Dalhousie, which is changing to hydro-electric power, may have to resort to candles and coal oil lamps for a few weeks until the hydro system can be installed.

Until the present power and lighting have been obtained from the Maple Leaf Rubber Co., which in turn has lately been obtaining power from the Lincoln Electric Co. of this city. The rubber company has now been notified the power company can only supply power and lighting to the village at additional cost, otherwise it will have to close off its service entirely.

The village council think such action has been taken owing to the transfer to the hydro and have advised residents to use lamps until the hydro-electric is secured, which will take a few weeks.

ACCIDENTALLY THROWN FROM CAR IS VERDICT

Jury in R. A. Smith Inquest Comes to This Decision After Deliberation Lasting a Quarter of an Hour—Evidence Brought Out Nothing New.

GOING 15 MILES AN HOUR. That R. A. Smith came to his death thru being accidentally thrown from his motor while coming from the Lennox picnic, at Jackson's Point to Toronto on the night of July 17, was the verdict brought in by a jury under Coroner Crawford at the inquest held in the city morgue building, Lombard-street, last night. The jury were only out about 15 minutes. The evidence briefly summed up, went to show that Mr. Smith, who was riding in the front seat with his chauffeur, Herbert McKenna, had been thrown from the car when the car left the road just a few feet on the other side of the culvert, which was about half a mile north of Richmond Hill. There were two lights burning there. McKenna had swerved for the one, and then seeing the other, had swerved directly. This shot the machine into the ditch. He put on the emergency brakes, the machine came to a sudden stop, and Smith, Ross and Campbell were thrown out. Unluckily, Mr. Smith was killed.

No blame attaches to anyone. The car was only going at about a 20 mile an hour clip all the way home. When the accident occurred it had slowed down to 15 miles.

JAPAN ENTERS UPON NEW ERA

"Great Righteousness" Succeeds "Intelligent Administration"—Death of Emperor Affects National Life Little.

TOKIO, July 31.—(Can. Press.)—The era of Taisei—"Great Righteousness"—has commenced. The era of Meiji—"Intelligent Administration"—closed with the accession of Yoshihito. The death of the Emperor Meiji, while causing widespread grief, has had small effect on normal conditions here. There has been a remarkable absence of demonstrations of any kind and, aside from closed banks and commercial houses, the crepe-bound flags at every entrance and evident signs of mourning by foreigners and natives alike, the nation moved along on its accustomed business.

A special chamber in the palace has been arranged for the reception of the coffin containing the body of the dead emperor. The coffin reposes on a raised dais, covered with a white cloth, in the centre of this simply furnished apartment. It was surrounded thruout the day by the members of the royal family. The emperor and empress, the dowager empress and the imperial princes and princesses formed the sole guard and kept vigil, which will be maintained thruout the private lying in state prior to the funeral. This is expected to take place about Sept. 1, although the exact date has not yet been determined.

A company of imperial infantry surrounds the palace. Thousands of prominent personages called at the palace during the day. These included the entire diplomatic corps. The Emperor Yoshihito, was occupied to-day with business of state. He conferred with the councillors, took active part in the arrangements and appointed the chief officials of his household.

IN CANADA IT'S MIDSUMMER. It is really what you call mid-summer in Canada, and should be the time you will require a new straw hat for wear during the balance of the season. This opportunity to get something at Dineen's sale that is worth twice the price asked would prove an attraction of a very tempting nature. The Dineen Company is offering rare Panamas at \$3.49, regular value \$5 and \$6, and straw sailors at one dollar each, regular two and two-fifty value. Dineen is also sole Canadian agent for Henry Heath of London, England, and Dunlap of New York, two of the best hatters in the world.