

PHYSICIAN WILL BATTLE OFFICERS TO LAST DITCH

Mandate of Supreme Court of United States Will Be Required To Remove Dr. B. W. McKoin—Is Unaffected by Seriousness of Crime With Which He Is Charged.

DECLARES INNOCENCE OF MURDER

By JOHN ARCHER CARTER.
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Baltimore, Md., Dec. 28.—It will require a mandate of the supreme court of the United States to remove Dr. B. W. McKoin, alleged by federal agents, who are probing the Mer Rouge terrorist killings to be Louisianan Dr. McKoin and Mr. Hyde, back to the jurisdiction of that state.
McKoin again, and again has publicly proclaimed his innocence of the torture and murder of Thomas Richards and Watt Daniels, whose mutilated bodies were recovered from the marshes of Lake La Fourche, near Mer Rouge. Governor John Parker, in a series of telegrams to the local authorities and Governor Ritchie asserted that McKoin was the head and brains of the murder conspiracy.
Limited funds are at the disposal of the accused doctor, and McKoin's arrival in Baltimore has become extremely popular. Extrajudicial papers are en route from Louisiana. If they are in order, Governor Ritchie is expected formally to sign the order for the return to Louisiana of the accused. Immediately the legality of the transfer will be attacked in the courts, and persons in the confidence of Dr. McKoin made it very plain today that they will not end their legal efforts to keep him out of the jurisdiction of the Louisiana courts until the highest court in the land has passed on the questions involved.

Enjoys Breakfast.
The accused slept like a child on his cot in a cell in the police station last night. It was not until late in the morning that he awoke and had his breakfast in from a tiny restaurant across the street. He ate this meal as he has all of his others with apparent ease, and had no trouble on his mind. He is confident that everything would come out all right.
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BUSINESS IMPROVES DURING YEAR IN U. S.

Production of Manufactured Products Averages 50 Per Cent Greater Than 1921.

Washington, Dec. 28.—A review of domestic business conditions in the United States during the past year has shown that satisfactory progress has been made, the United States department of commerce says today in an end-of-the-year statement, adding that there are no serious obstacles in sight which should hinder further advance early in the new year. Optimism is evident throughout the details of the statement, based mainly on the accomplishments of the past month.

Production of manufactured products throughout the United States averaged 50 per cent greater during 1922 than during 1921. The United States farmer received approximately 35 per cent more for his products than in 1921, and the total volume of agricultural products was worth a much greater sum than was that of a year ago.

The statement deals briefly with foreign trade, pointing out that the unsettled conditions in foreign countries, particularly in Europe, are still depressing and have kept the prices of United States agricultural products below the level of other commodities. The last two months are said to have furnished some relief in this situation.

UNUSUAL BLEMISHES ON WESTERN APPLES
Special to The Advertiser.
Winipeg, Dec. 28.—Considerable astonishment, bordering on consternation, has been manifested among produce men and among fruit centers at the black and brown rot which is developing in the boxes of British Columbia apples after they are shipped. It is bad on the Jonathans, and on some of the other varieties it is showing. It would appear as if these apples will not hold up well this month, and all in store here will be sold or dumped by January 31. The Ontario apples so far are free from this unusual blemish.

DIBS AND DABS

—BY HARRY MOYER



72 YR. OLD YONKERS, N.Y. MAN ANNOYS DAUGHTER-IN-LAW WITH HIS PERSISTENT DANCING AND SINGING

INNOCENT MONTREALER CARRIES LIQUOR IN HOT WATER BOTTLES THROUGH STREETS OF WINDSOR.

SUSPECT 45 MEN OF DUAL MURDER

Troops Surround Town to Prevent Escape of the Accused Plotters.

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Mer Rouge, La., Dec. 28.—Full details of how masked terrorists kidnapped Watt Daniels and Thomas Richards, and tortured and murdered them last August, are in possession of federal and state investigators today.

Two members of the band who made a confession, implicating forty-five other persons, many of them prominent, are being carefully guarded. If the men whom they have betrayed could get at them their lives would be forfeit.

The whole hooded terrorist plot will be exposed to the public when the open hearings of the case start at Bastrop, La., Jan. 6. A virtual cordon of troops and state officials was thrown around Moorehouse Parish today to prevent escape of any one of the forty-five men implicated.

Every road and bridge was guarded. A million dollar defense is being organized for the accused men. Some of the most noted criminal attorneys in the country have received ventures to act in behalf of those implicated on charges of murder and outlaws, federal investigators learned.

The sources of funds for this gigantic defense were being traced by department of justice operatives today as a clue to other members of the hooded mob which flogged and murdered the two men last August.

Friends of Dr. B. W. McKoin, former mayor, were also raising a fund of \$20,000 to prevent his return here from Baltimore, where he is held charged with the two murders.

The report of pathologists who have examined the bodies of Richards and Daniels, expected tomorrow will tell of horrible tortures. It was learned. An undertaker who helped prepare the bodies for burial after they were recovered from Lake La Fourche, said the heads of both men were missing. Broken and bruised condition of their hands, ribs and spinal column and other parts of the bodies, told of horrible punishment from the frenzied mob, he said.

WILL DISCUSS DETAILS OF REPARATIONS AT PARIS

Paris, Dec. 28.—As a result of exchanges of views since the London meeting of the premiers, the allies have decided to go over the entire question of reparations in detail at the Paris conference to begin next Tuesday. It is expected now in official circles that it will require at least a week and perhaps two weeks to complete the discussion.

Keeping Up With Joneses.

YES MY FRIEND DO NOT LEAVE EGYPT WITHOUT SEEING THE RUINS OF THEBES. ESPECIALLY THE TEMPLE OF RAMESSES II.

IT WAS DEMOLISHED BY THE PERSIAN CONQUEROR. CARBOYES ABOUT 600 B.C. OF COURSE YOU KNOW ALL ABOUT RAMESSES II. DON'T YOU? THE NAME RECALLS GREAT PERFORMANCES TO YOU DOES IT NOT?

NOT ON YOUR LIFE! EVERY TIME I PLAYED THAT HORSE TO WIN. I LOST MY SHIRT!

BAH! YOU HAVE INSULTED THE GREAT RAMESSES!

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HOT CAMPAIGN NEARS CLOSE IN QUEEN CITY

Two Candidates for Mayor and 62 for Toronto Council.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC PLAN

Six-Track Radial Project the Storm Center of Interesting Election.

Canadian Press.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Two candidates for the mayoralty and sixty-two for the city council are now in the home stretch of what is probably the warmest municipal election campaign in the history of the city of Toronto. Never before has the issue been so definite and the lines so sharply drawn among the candidates. Political, sectarian and racial affiliations of the candidates have been eradicated, so far as the present campaign is concerned.

Newspaper support and the support of powerful organizations has been divided entirely on the question as to whether or not the candidates are in favor of an agreement between the city of Toronto and the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission regarding the entrance to the city of a six-track radial railway along the city's newly-developed waterfront.

Submitted to Ratepayers.

The agreement itself will also be submitted directly to the ratepayers on Monday next. It might be assumed that under such circumstances the candidates for municipal honors might be considered from some other standpoint than their racial bylaw opinions. Such is the cleavage of feeling in the matter, however, that the "pro" and "anti" insist that the support of the people must be secured under such circumstances.

Of the mayoralty candidates the present mayor, C. Alfred Maguire, is in favor of the agreement, and has the support of one morning newspaper, the Toronto Star, and one evening paper, the Toronto Evening Star.

Robert J. Fleming, former mayor, former assessment commissioner, but more lately manager of the Toronto Waterworks Board, and kindred corporations now swallowed up in the city's municipal ownership propositions, is the chief standard-bearer of the opposition to the agreement on its present basis, and is also supported by one morning and one evening newspaper.

The board of control and alderman candidates are "slated" for support by the newspapers on either side, identically as they respectively support or oppose the agreement.

No Support From Press.

Candidates who are "on the fence" in the matter get no newspaper support at all. The argument of the "pro" side is that it is a question of municipal autonomy, and would have the effect of giving the provincially controlled commission control of the city's water supply, and incidentally create a deficit in radial operation for Toronto to carry for the benefit of outside municipalities. Those in favor of the agreement deny all this and declare that the opposition is principally to "buy" Sir Adam Beck, the chairman of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission, and plot of its policies. The question of public ownership is not involved.

It is expected that there will be an unusually large vote at the balloting on Monday. Ratepayers only will be permitted to vote on the bylaw, while the householders and ratepayers have votes for the candidates. This fact may mangle the results somewhat, by the defeat of the bylaw and the election of a pro-bylaw mayor and council, or vice versa.

ANTICIPATE DEFEAT OF BORAH PROPOSAL

World Economic Conference Bill Expected to Get Short Shift.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Confidently predicting its defeat, administration leaders hoped for final disposition by the senate today of the Borah proposal for a world economic conference, although the list of senators prepared to speak on the amendment made a vote doubtful, with the possibility of a delay over the New Year's holiday.

Not only were administration leaders predicting its defeat today, but upon the present status of the battle, supporters of the amendment were conceding it. They were urged, however, to be still endeavoring to gain support for it among doubtful members. Senator Borah himself on the floor late yesterday said he expected the amendment to be thrown out.

FIRE LOSSES \$1,966,900.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Fire losses in Canada during the week ended December 27 are estimated by the Monetary Times at \$1,966,900, compared with \$528,000 the previous week.

BECOMES CHAIRMAN.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—Balthazar H. Meyer, of Wisconsin, was today approved chairman of the inter-state commerce commission for the coming year. Meyer succeeds Charles C. McCord, who served this year.

Poor Old Hamlet Garbled by Russ

Special Cable to The Advertiser.
Moscow, Dec. 28.—The Soviet commissariat of education has ordered Shakespeare's "Hamlet" rewritten with Polonius in a Lloyd George make-up and Hamlet depicted as a communist leader fighting the bourgeoisie and capitalism according to the latest. Excerpts of Lloyd George speeches on international affairs, especially those affecting Russia, are to be substituted for the lines of Polonius. Marxian revolutionary rhetoric will replace the soliloquies.

WAGES TAKE HEAVY DROP DURING YEAR

Prospects for Some Improvement in Pay Reasonably Assuring in Britain.

Canadian Press Cable.

London, Dec. 28.—A review of the wage position this year in Great Britain shows that the heavy fall, which began in 1921, has been continuous, and, with the exception of railway service wages, has reached the irreducible minimum in practically all the chief industries. The reductions have amounted to as much as £5,000,000 in the weekly wages in 1922, following the drop of £7,000,000 in 1921.

The prospects of some improvement in wages are reasonably assuring. The coal industry is already absorbing all its unemployed. In the iron and steel engineering trades, however, there is still much unemployment.

The loss of working days through trade disputes has not been as great in the year just closing as in 1921, when the three months of stoppage of coal mining occurred, but, even so, nearly 18,000,000 days have been lost this year, chiefly as a result of differences between employees and employers in the engineering and shipbuilding trades.

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HEADQUARTERS OF THE C.N.R. BIG PROBLEM

Sir Henry Has Given No Information as to Location of Main Arteries.

LEAVES FOR THE WEST

Hoped That New Policy Shall Reduce Huge Annual Deficit.

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Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Sir Henry Thornton is busy in his offices at the Jackson Building, with an accumulated mass of correspondence, and is trying to digest some of the information which he acquired on his recent trip through the maritime provinces before setting out for the west. His western trip will occupy him till the end of January, and when he returns he will have at least a nodding acquaintance with the major part of the great system, which has been entrusted to his care, and will be able to meet his directors and begin the settlement of some larger questions of policy which have to be faced.

Of these, the most pressing is the question of the headquarters of the unified C. N. R. system, and so far not a hint has been disclosed of his views and inclinations. He has, however, frankly declared that there is no division of the offices, but that they will be concentrated in one place or another.

The suggestion of Ottawa does not find much favor, as the capital is not a railway center of the first rank, and with headquarters established there the elimination of the political influence which is so undesirable would be made doubly difficult. Naturally Toronto's prestige as an ancient stronghold of public ownership and the fact that the old Canadian Northern system had its headquarters within her bounds, give her a good prima facie case for becoming the headquarters of the new system. The C. N. R., but Montreal is eager and importunate for the prize, and her champions are unremitting in their activities. It must also be remembered that today the political influences of Toronto at Ottawa are negligible compared with that of Montreal, and that this handicap is serious. Naturally the Ontario ministers are strong advocates of Toronto's claim. Obviously the final decision must rest with Sir Henry himself.

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C. N. R. Improving.

Sir Henry assumed his duties with the prospects of the C. N. R. distinctly on the upgrade. His official estimate reckons that deficit on the C. N. R. for the calendar year which will expire in a few days at roughly \$50,000,000, which