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SPRACKLIN NOT TO BE EXPELLED FROM MINISTRY

MAN IN WHOSE ARMS TRUMBLE DIED IS LOCATED, WILL APPEAR AT ADJOURNED INQUEST TONIGHT

"E. Smith" Will Give Evidence, Says Sandwich Chief of Police—No Truth in Report That Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin Is To Be Expelled From the Methodist Ministry, Declares Rev. Dr. H. W. Crews — Congregations Pass Resolutions of Sympathy to Pastor and Family.

Windsor, Nov. 8.—(Canadian Press).—The mysterious "E. Smith," the man in whose arms Beverley Trumble is said to have died, and whose evidence is considered so necessary in the inquest into the shooting of the hotel proprietor by Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin, has been located by border police and will be present to give evidence when the inquest resumes tonight. Gordon Pillon, chief of police in Sandwich, stated today that he had seen Smith and talked to him, and that Smith had promised to appear and give evidence.

Smith seems to be little known by anyone connected with the case, Mrs. Trumble having referred to him simply as "E. Smith of Winnipeg." Another witness stated that he had known Smith well enough to speak to him and had met him on the street occasionally during the past several years.

Rev. Dr. H. W. Crews, pastor of Central Methodist Church, Windsor, declared emphatically that there was no truth in the report that Spracklin was to be expelled from the Methodist ministry. Dr. Crews stated that it was simply one of the wild rumors that had been current ever since the occurrence became known publicly.

Tribute to Pastor.

Reference was made to the occurrence at practically all the local churches. One congregation, that of Lincoln Road Methodist Church, Walkerville, took definite action. Here, the congregation, without any suggestion from Rev. H. A. Graham, the presiding minister, interrupted the service and read and adopted a resolution of sympathy for Spracklin and his family.

At Sandwich Methodist Church, Spracklin's own church, a special prayer meeting was held after the regular evening service, and prayers were offered for the imprisoned minister. Commendatory addresses were also delivered by several members of the congregation, although no formal resolution was passed. Rev. Dr. H. W. Crews, pastor of Central Methodist Church, spoke at length, paying a tribute to Mr. Spracklin, and commended him for his courage and conscientiousness, declaring his absolute confidence in the pastor.

Trumble's Funeral Today.

The congregation of Epworth Methodist Church, Kingsville, also passed a resolution of sympathy to Mr. Spracklin and his wife, declaring that, although he had made many enemies in his work as an officer of the law, he had also made many friends, and assuring the minister of their prayers in the hour of trouble.

Spracklin, who spent yesterday in Chatham, under the charge of Detective Sergeant Duncan MacNab, where he attended church and conferred with his lawyer, R. L. Brackin, and Chief License Inspector Ayearst, will return this afternoon to be present at adjourned sessions of the inquest tonight.

The funeral of Trumble will be held from the home of his father, Hamilton Trumble, 115 Giles Boulevard, at 3:30 this afternoon.

CHANGE OF VENUE MAY BE ASKED BY SPRACKLIN'S LAWYER

Toronto, Nov. 8.—A special dispatch to the Toronto Star says: "So intense is the feeling in Sandwich that Brackin (Spracklin's attorney) may move for a change of venue. The Government, it is understood, is in favor of such a move.

For the first time in many years the coroner's jury for the case numbers the full fourteen members.

Usually, on the border, such juries are not more than eight, but so important is the investigation judged that the full quota allowed by the law has been empanelled. It is composed of William Curry, R. W. Morton, W. J. Burns, Harold Fleming, J. F. Millen, D. F. Wigle, A. Meloch, C. Leboeuf, H. Searle, G. Prince, G. Grandmaison, L. McKee, F. Robinet and A. E. Marentette.

In the case of a verdict from the coroner's jury that Spracklin's life was not endangered when he killed Trumble Mr. Brackin has intimated that he will endeavor to have the trial brought on at once during the present assizes in Sandwich. Spracklin, he says, could be arraigned before Magistrate Gundy on Tuesday at Windsor and committed at once on a charge of murder or manslaughter. These are only possibilities in the case.

In the meanwhile, Trumble's body lies in an oak casket in the home of his father, Hamilton Trumble, former alderman of Windsor, residing on Giles Boulevard. Wreaths of flowers from friends in Detroit and the Border Cities cover it now, and will be taken to the grave with the funeral procession that is expected this afternoon.

SPRACKLIN GOES TO WINDSOR IN EARLY AFTERNOON

Chatham, Nov. 8.—Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin will leave the city early this afternoon, via the Grand Trunk, for Windsor, in custody of Detective McNab of the Windsor police force.

CABINET WILL MAKE DECISION THIS AFTERNOON

Toronto, Nov. 8.—No cabinet minister would comment today on the Spracklin incident at Windsor. The premier and attorney-general refused to discuss the matter. At 1 o'clock this afternoon Chairman Flavelle of the license board and Chief Inspector Ayearst entered the premier's office, where it was expected the Government would decide its policy in reference to the situation.

BORDER CITIES MINISTERIAL ASSC. EXPRESSES SYMPATHY

Windsor, Nov. 8.—This association desires to place on record its appreciation of the efforts made by Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin to check the lawlessness that has prevailed in this community.

"As a provincial license inspector, we believe that he has rendered valuable service, and we commend him for his fearlessness in the pursuance of his duties. We further express our confidence in him as a man, and would at this time extend to him and to his wife our sincere and prayerful sympathy."

The above is the text of a resolution unanimously passed by a standing vote at the meeting of the Border Cities Ministerial Association held this morning in All Saints Anglican Church, Windsor. The resolution was proposed by Rev. H. M. Paulin, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church and seconded by Rev. Owen C. Gray, pastor of Bruce Avenue Baptist Church.

LONDON METHODIST MINISTERS STAND FIRM BEHIND SPRACKLIN

At a special meeting of the London Methodist Ministerial Association, held in Wesley Hall this morning, the following resolution was passed, moved by Rev. B. H. Robinson, and seconded by Rev. H. T. Ferguson:

"That we, the members of the Methodist Ministerial Association and brother ministers of Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin, while deploring the unfortunate tradgedy at Sandwich, Saturday morning, wish to place on record our warmest commendation of the active and effective campaign conducted by this brave and fearless officer against rum-running on the Essex border. We would affirm our faith in the high, splendid and Christian character of our brother and would call the attention of our people to the splendid courage displayed by him again and again, even at the peril of his own life; and we would express the hope that a thorough investigation will speedily exonerate Mr. Spracklin from all blame in this regrettable affair and that he will be permitted to continue his noble work, and while appreciating the splendid work of our attorney-general's department, we would call upon our Ontario Government to inaugurate an even more effective campaign and drastic measures in stamping out this most disgraceful illicit traffic which has debauched the good name of our province, and we urge that every good citizen will loyally support any person who is actively engaged in working to this end." A copy of this resolution will be sent to Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin.

Impressions to the effect that a Methodist minister can be unfrocked for killing another man, even in self-defence, were cleared by the Methodist Ministerial Association this morning. One minister, when asked this question, said: "If there was government or discipline in the Methodist Church to this effect, about five hundred men would be unfrocked, as this number served overseas and shot down many Germans in self-defence, and the work in which Mr. Spracklin is engaged is no less nefarious than that of the Germans."

Rev. H. T. Ferguson and Rev. W. E. Pescott, who have had charges in the district of Sandwich, gave the impression to brother ministers that the rum-runners in that district were "rough customers" to deal with. The ministers all approved of Mr. Spracklin shooting first, expressing the opinion that if he had not he himself (Spracklin) would have been the dead man in the case.

HUNGER STRIKERS IN CORK JAIL ARE IN SERIOUS CONDITION

Still Refuse to Partake of Food Despite Comrades' Deaths.

Cork, Ireland, Nov. 8.—Reports from the Cork jail today described the condition of the nine remaining Irish hunger strikers there as precarious. Although this was the ninetieth day of their strike the emaciated prisoners were declared to be still determined to refuse food, as they have done since August 11.

There were originally eleven of the Cork hunger strikers, but one of them, Michael Fitzgerald, died October 17, and another, Joseph Murphy, on October 25, within a few hours of the death of Lord Mayor MacSwiney of Cork in Brixton Prison, on the 73rd day of his hunger strike.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

New York, Nov. 8.—Arrived: Chinampa, Montreal, November 1.

Negroes Kill Man, Assault Young Women

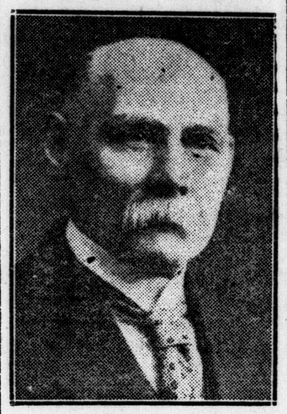
North Carolina Posse in Pursuit of Unknown Individuals.

Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 8.—Two unidentified negroes last night held up and automobile party of two young men and two girls on a road near Gastonia, killed one of the young men, John Ford of Lincolnton, who resisted them, dragged the girls from the automobile into a nearby woods and assaulted them, according to a telephone message to the Charlotte police. A posse of officers and armed citizens is searching for the negroes.

DELEGATES ARRIVE.

Rome, Nov. 8.—Italian and Jugo-Slav delegates who will seek to find a settlement of the problems arising from the future disposition of territories on the eastern shore of the Adriatic, have arrived at Santa Margherita, near Genoa, and conversations between them begun today.

TO REPRESENT THE LABOR CONGRESS IN LONDON



H. J. HALFORD of Hamilton, who has been selected to represent Canadian Labor at the International Labor Congress in London, England. He will also attend the labor conference in connection with the League of Nations.

BOLSHEVIKI ARE GAINING CONTROL OF ARMENIANS

Principal City About to Fall to Turks and Soviet Forces.

WRANGEL HOLDING OUT

Anti-Bolshevik Leader Still in Possession of Main Vantage Points in S. Russia.

Constantinople, Nov. 8.—Armenia is passing under Bolshevik control, it is said in reports received here from Tiflis. Turks and Bolsheviki have effected a junction at Alexandropol, and it is probable the city of Erivan has been occupied by Turkish troops commanded by Kazio Kamarbekir Pasha. Armenian troops are reported to be surrendering or seeking refuge in Georgia.

The Russian Bolsheviki, it is said, in reports from Sebastopol are sending units from three armies now in the Crimean region to Baku and trans-Caucasia. The purpose is, it is declared, to give the troops a period for rest, and to arrange for a redistribution of forces in the Asiatic campaign.

LITHUANIANS AND POLISH VOLUNTEERS RESUME FIGHTING

Warsaw, Nov. 8.—Fighting has been resumed between Lithuanian troops and the Polish "volunteer" army commanded by Gen. Zellgouski. An official statement from Gen. Zellgouski's headquarters declares the Lithuanians, without replying to a proposal for negotiations, attacked the Poles near Giedrojcie, north of Vilna, forcing Gen. Zellgouski's forces to retreat. They later launched a counter-attack, however, capturing 80 prisoners, who included one German and one Chinese. Polish newspapers estimate that more than 50,000 Germans, some in uniform, have passed through East Prussia to Lithuania during the past few weeks. German newspapers have reported fully equipped German contingents marching into Lithuania with their light artillery, sending heavy artillery thither by rail.

WRANGEL HOLDING STRONG POSITIONS

Constantinople, Nov. 7.—South Russian anti-Bolshevik forces under command of Gen. Wrangel still safely hold Perekop and Salkovo, keys to the isthmus leading to the Crimea to the mainland of Russia. Military observers declare Gen. Wrangel has many long-range 10 and 12 inch guns, as well as other heavy pieces, which have been planted to protect his lines from the Bolsheviki, who are also concentrating their military forces. Along the seven-mile trench system across the isthmus, Gen. Wrangel has established elaborate barbed-wire entanglements. It is recognized Gen. Wrangel's withdrawal to Crimea from Tauridahas created bad moral and political effects. Moscow already is spreading news of his defeat throughout Islam, and the Turkish nationalists in Asia-Minor talk of awaiting the results of the coming winter before treating with the Allies. Events in India are being watched with particular intenseness by the nationalists.

The impending winter is dreaded in Crimea, where 2,000,000 people, with only limited food, little clothing and virtually no money, have gathered. A dollar is worth fifty thousand rubles at present in Sebastopol. Nevertheless, Gen. Wrangel hopes internal troubles in Soviet Russia will work in his favor.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 47; lowest, 38.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 41; lowest, 37.

TOMORROW—SHOWERY.

Toronto, Nov. 8—8 a.m.

Forecasts.

Today—Moderate winds; fair.
Tuesday—Southeast winds; showery.

Temperatures.

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

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	52	40	Clear
Calgary	50	32	Cloudy
Winnipeg	46	30	Cloudy
Port Arthur	38	32	Cloudy
Parry Sound	42	34	Fair
Port Stanley	46	38	Cloudy
Buffalo	46	38	Cloudy
Toronto	40	36	Clear
Kingston	38	32	Cloudy
Ottawa	36	24	Cloudy
Montreal	34	28	Cloudy
Quebec	34	26	Cloudy
Father Point	32	26	Cloudy

Weather Notes.

Pressure is now highest over the Middle States and Alberta, with indications that a disturbance will develop west of the Mississippi.

The weather since Saturday has been quite cold in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

Light rain fell last evening in Southern Ontario.

GOVERNMENT MAY TAKE ACTION TO ALLOW C. N. R. EMPLOYEES TO HOLD JOBS AND ENTER POLITICS

Protest by Railwaymen Against President Hanna's Order May Bring Intervention On Part of Meighen Administration—Robertson Holds Promise of Job Back—Chas. Harrison, M. P., Has Held Both Positions Since 1917.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Nov. 8.—The widespread protest on the part of railway men generally against the order of D. B. Hanna, president of the Canadian National Railways, forbidding employees of the system from entering the political arena is bound to find its echo in Parliament at the coming session, and will very probably lead to some action on the part of the Government, which cannot afford to encounter the general antipathy which the order has aroused.

In the meantime in the absence of Hon. Dr. Reid, minister of railways, no definite Government pronouncement on the action of the president has been made.

Minister Retains Seniority.

It is a notable fact that Charles Harrison, M. P. for Nipissing, has sat in Parliament since 1917 and has not been deprived of his position as a conductor on the C. P. R. nor of his seniority. In fact, he is even now running between Ottawa and North Bay. An even more notable instance is that of Hon. Senator G. D. Robertson, minister of labor, who with the consent of the Canadian Pacific holds his seniority while actually a member of the Government here.

The Government has held that the National Railway management is an independent body. It is, however, considered probable that some modification of the order may be suggested and adopted. It is intimated that employees might be given leave of absence without pay while engaged in political activities on the promise of reinstatement at the end of their period of political office.

The case of James Higgins, now running in Northeast Toronto for the Provincial Legislature, who was an employee of the Canadian National and was compelled to resign under the order, has brought that order for the first time forcibly to the attention of the public.

FRENCH PREMIER EXPRESSES HIS CONFIDENCE IN LEAGUE

Paris, Nov. 8.—France has shown the same ardor in her work of reconstruction as she did in the war, and has successfully crossed the passage from war to peace, which is always difficult for victors, says Premier Leygues in an interview printed today by the Petit Parisien. Discussing his foreign policy, the premier declares the Government will seek to maintain and strengthen its alliances, and will examine in utmost sincerity of spirit all questions arising between France and Germany. Belief is expressed by M. Leygues that the league of nations must become a great force and a strong barrier against a return of imperialism and militarism. He declares the Government's program is to so enforce execution of the Versailles Treaty that national reconstitution and the organization of work and production may be advanced.

1,500 EXTRA HORSEPOWER FOR LONDON BEFORE END OF WEEK PREDICTS UTILITIES MANAGER

"There Is No Doubt We Can Get the Power, But a Matter of How Much We Should Pay For It, Says E. V. Buchanan.

General-Manager E. V. Buchanan of the public utilities commission is confident that 1,500 horsepower will be added to the city's power allotment before the end of the week, he said today. The delay which has occurred in obtaining the power cannot exactly be termed "a hitch," he claims.

"There is no doubt we can get the power, but it is a matter of how much we should pay for it," he said. "There is a possibility that we will have to pay anything from $9 to $12 a horsepower. We are paying $9 for some of it now, and the average price is $10.50. Premier Drury is only willing to pay $9, while the Power Development Company holds out for $12. If we pay $9 a horse power the company will make $8 clear profit, as it is excess power they will sell us and will cost little to develop. Their plant is running at the present time, and it is only a matter of turning on other generators which are lying idle."

U. F. O. CALLS BLUFF, OFFERS TO PUT UP $2,000 ON ELECTION

Organization in East Elgin Has Money to Cover Wager.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Aylmer, Nov. 8.—U. F. O. supporters today "called the bluff" of the "prominent St. Thomas citizen," who offered to bet 2 to 1 that Stansell, the Government candidate, would be elected. The organization offered to wager $2,000 on the odds mentioned by the St. Thomas man. The bet had not been covered up to 2 o'clock this afternoon

CHARLTON, STANSELL, M'DERMAND TO RUN

Three Candidates Chosen to Contest East Elgin Riding.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Aylmer, Nov. 8.—Nomination of three candidates for the Federal House in the riding of East Elgin, took place at the town hall here at noon today, the nominees being: Liberal, W. G. Charlton; Conservative, J. L. Stansell, and Farmer-Labor, S. S. McDermand.

SOCIALISTS CLAIM ELECTION FRAUDS

New York, Nov. 8.—Socialists of the eighth assembly district, at a meeting to protest against alleged frauds which they claimed caused the defeat of several of the party's candidates in Tuesday's election yesterday, started a fund to meet expenses of prosecuting the fraud charges in the courts. Three of the five Socialist assemblymen ousted from the State Legislature failed of re-election, and party leaders, in speeches at the meeting, charged that they were "counted out" Tuesday.

SERVICE CHARGES OF GAS CO. DISCUSSED AT MEETING TONIGHT

Special Committee of the City Council To Thresh Out Question Once More.

Negotiations with the City Gas Company in regard to increased prices may be re-opened by the special gas committee of the city council tonight. Some is dissatisfaction with the present system of service charges has been expressed. The committee has been asked to determine whether a more equitable plan can be adopted.

Ald. Cameron Wilson, chairman of the committee, said it was not likely representatives of the company would be present tonight. The meeting would be chiefly for the purposes of devising a plan to lay before them, and when this had been worked out it would be time enough to hold a conference with the company.

The special committee was empowered by the city council to obtain the assistance of City Solicitor T. G. Meredith. No startling developments are expected as a result of this, Ald. John Bridge, another member of the committee, said. When the Gas Company first announced that it intended to inaugurate service charges the city solicitor expressed the opinion that the city council had no right to prevent the increase or to indorse it. The matter was entirely one for the Provincial Legislature, he ruled. Ald. Bridge does not believe he solicitor has changed his opinion since that time.

Jilted In Love, Takes Poison, Will Recover

New York, Nov. 8.—By Canadian Press.—Evelyn Smith, of Montreal, who attempted suicide early yesterday morning by swallowing iodine in front of a joss house in Chinatown, will recover, it is stated this morning at the Volunteer Hospital.

A mission worker, who had secured employment and a home for her, stated that Miss Smith came to New York from Montreal several months ago on a promise of marriage. She attempted suicide when the man in the case deserted her.

HERO OF KUT ENTERS POLITICS

GEN. TOWNSHEND, the defender of Kut, who was a recent visitor to Canada, has decided to contest the Wrekin division in the British Parliament. It is expected that he will receive the coalition and Labor vote.

LIBERAL LEADER CHEERED AS HE OUTLINES POLICY

Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King Speaks to Electors At St. Jean, Man.

YORKTON, SASK., TODAY

Will Leave for Eastern Canada in a Few Days.

Winnipeg, Nov. 8.—At two meetings which were held at St. Jean, in the Provencher constituency, Saturday, Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, the Liberal leader, was greeted by about 2,000 people. Among those who accompanied Mr. King on the platform were Dr. J. P. Molloy, M. P. for Provencher; J. G. Baskerville, Emerson; Alex. Waddell, president of the Provencher Liberal Association; Morris Duprey, M. L. A. for Carillon; Albert Profontaine and William Clubb.

Great enthusiasm characterized both meetings as Mr. King presented the policies of Liberalism. Dr. Beland, the other speaker, also made himself very popular.

Mr. King spent the week-end in Winnipeg. Today he will leave for Yorkton, Sask., and will address a meeting in that town. In the evening he will return to Winnipeg, and on Tuesday will leave for Denver, Col., where he will remain for a day or two, and then leave for Eastern Canada.

NORTHEAST TORONTO BY-ELECTION TODAY

Three Out of the Four Candidates Are Returned Soldiers.

Toronto, Nov. 8.—Electors of the riding of Northeast Toronto went to the polls this morning, in the Ontario Legislature by-election, necessitated by the resignation of Hon. Dr. Cody, who was minister of education in the former Conservative Government.

Northeast Toronto comprises a large residential district, including Rosedale, and much interest has been taken in the campaign, especially by the women voters. An exceptionally interesting feature of the situation is that three of the four candidates are returned soldiers. An important factor is that none of them are indorsed by the present Farmer-Labor Government of Hon. Mr. Drury. Outside of personalities, the campaign has been waged largely on the hydro-radial policy. Major A. C. Lewis, Conservative, favors the immediate application of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission program of hydro-radials. Major W. H. Kippen, Liberal, prefers to await the report of the commission now investigating the economic and physical feasibility of the scheme. James Higgins, Soldier-Labor candidate, and John Galbraith, Independent, while not heard from so much in the campaign, are expected to poll a heavy vote.

TARIFF COMMISSION TAKING EVIDENCE AT NOVA SCOTIA CAPITAL

Representatives of All Interests Submit Facts.

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 8.—Sir Henry Drayton, minister of finance, and Hon. G. D. Robertson, minister of labor, comprising the federal tariff commission, spent a busy morning at the provincial building here getting the views of Nova Scotia on the question of "protection." Groups of representatives of the manufacturers, the fishing interests, the farmers and the retail and wholesale merchants presented stated cases to the commissioners.

W. D. Piercy represented the manufacturers' brief, which opened with the direct assertion that "the manufacturers (of Halifax and other parts of Nova Scotia) as a class believe it to be in their interests, in the interests of the working man, of the consumers and the nation as a whole, that a policy of protection, such as has been enforced since 1879, should continue to be the policy followed by the Government of Canada."

A. H. Brittain of Montreal, vice-president and general manager of the Maritime Fish Corporation, urged the case of the fishing interests.

SENATE ELECTIONS JANUARY 1.

Paris, Nov. 8.—The cabinet today fixed January 9 as the date on which the senatorial elections shall be held.

L. AND P. S. COMMISSION WANTS $257,000 FROM PEOPLE DURING COMING YEAR, IS ANNOUNCEMENT

Above Information Is Given Out After One-Hour Session Behind Locked Doors—$55,000 of Amount Asked For Has Been Already Expended — Where Was It Borrowed?

After an hour's session, behind locked doors, the London Railway Commission announced this afternoon that it would ask the city council for $257,500 for the capital expenditures on the London and Port Stanley Railway during 1921. Fifty-five thousand dollars of this amount has been expended already they said in their official statement to The Advertiser. They did not say whether this was "borrowed" or how it was obtained.

The quarter million dollars' expenditure will be for the same items which the people voted against last January. General Manager J. E. Richards could not enumerate offhand the parts of last year's list which had been obtained in spite of the fact that the money was not voted by the people. He said a new list would have to be made out before it could be given to the press.

"Some Other Source."

The expenditures planned last year totalled only $200,000, so that practically the same amount is being asked for this year, plus the $55,000 obtained from "some other source," and expended during the year.

A coal slip has been provided this year, eliminating one of the expenditures. Other items which the appropriation being asked from the council will cover are: Bridge at Kettle Creek, St. Thomas, $11,000; concession road stops, $6,500; street crossings, walks, drains and concrete road crossings, $2,800; overhead bridge on Borwick street, St. Thomas, $5,700; 80-pound rails, $14,000; switch and cross ties, $4,000; double track and siding in St. Thomas, $15,000; concrete platforms and curbs, $2,000; extension of car barns in London, $7,000; locomotives and cars $95,000; terminal at Port Stanley beach and new track, $12,000; passenger station in Port Stanley, $4,500; freight shed in Port Stanley, $2,500; extension of buildings on beach, $6,500; weigh scale in London, $9,500, and icehouse, cost not specified.

Rolling stock forms the greater part of the proposed expenditure. The commission used every effort to obtain these last year after the people voted against them.

Eliminating other projects it sought to have an expenditure of $105,000 for a locomotive and cars alone approved in the London bill. The defeat of the bill as a whole brought this plan to nought, and the railway was forced to operate throughout the year without the increased rolling stock.

More Cars Needed.

Now they maintain it is an absolute impossibility to carry on without additional cars. Passenger traffic can only be handled by borrowing coaches from other roads. They claim that if the city is to get the benefit of G. T. R. coal traffic, since it was taken over by the Government another engine must be obtained to handle it. An additional car ferry will be running between American ports and Port Stanley and the new locomotive will take care of this as well as the passenger traffic.

Increase in freight and passenger traffic will make necessary the operation of more trains and in consequence, the construction of additional double tracking and passing tracks is necessary in the interests of safety and efficiency, they claim.

More shop and barn accommodation for protection and maintenance of rolling stock must be provided through the erection of an addition to the present building here, they state. Fumes from the blacksmith's forges in the shops injure the cars, and the blacksmithing equipment must be placed in a separate building which will also be used for the storage of stock.

Weighing the Cars.

A scale for weighing cars in London also is required. The railway has been dependent on the McClary Manufacturing weighing equipment, involving the transfer of 20 to 30 cars a day from the main lines to the McClary sidings. Scales installed by the railway will yield a revenue, it is asserted, as there is a standard charge for weighing cars.

The commission also proposes to pave with concrete the street crossings in London, claiming that it is more economical than the frequent replacing of costly oak planking. Numerous other betterments are also to be provided in the interest of safety, economy and an efficient service.

The earnings of the railway will provide for all charges in connection with the bond issue, and it will not incur a dollar of expense to the ratepayer, according to the commission.

It will not affect the borrowing power of the city, as it will be paid from the revenue of the road. Thirty-year bonds likely will be asked for.

The request will come before No. 1 committee of the city council next Wednesday. It will add special importance to this session, which already promises to be an outstanding one. It is the last meeting of the committee this year, at which items for the London bill of 1921 can be inserted. It is the second last meeting of the year at which bylaws to be submitted to the people can be drawn up.

MANY MERCHANTS WILL NOT CLOSE DOORS THURSDAY

Will Ignore the Proclamation Calling for Half-Holiday Armistice Day.

It is not expected that merchants will observe November 11 as Armistice Day. In interviews with many of the prominent merchants they expressed their opinion that there were too many holidays during the year, which makes a decided decrease in their revenue. One merchant stated that if the other merchants would close he would.

It is the opinion of some citizens that a celebration should be held at night so as not to interfere with business. Some objection to closing was voiced by factory employees, who claim they cannot afford to lose a half day's pay which they would if the factories closed down.

The parade which has been arranged by organizations of the city will be held in the evening. A lengthy program has been arranged for after the parade. For this reason the merchants see no reason why they should close their doors.

PRINCESS PATS GO TO WINNIPEG NOV. 16

Official Orders Received at Military Headquarters Today.

Oicial information was received by Brig.-Gen. H. A. Panet, G. O. C. of Military District No. 1, today, that the Princess Pats, Canadian Light Infantry, will move west on November 16.

The Princess Pats have been stationed at Wolseley Barracks forover a year and since last September have been waiting for orders to move to Winnipeg. Owing to lack of accommodation for the married members of the regiment they were detained until suitable quarters could be erected.

The Royal Canadian Regiment which has been stationed in temporary quarters at Toronto waiting the removal of the P. P. C. L. I. will immediately come to London.

HUNDREDS ATTEND FUNERAL OF WOMAN SHOT BY DETECTIVE

New York, Nov. 8.—One of the most spectacular funerals that the east side has seen in months was tendered Mrs. Dolorata Monta today. Score of sympathizers followed the flower-banked hearse with its six white horses and hundreds bared their heads in deference to the young woman who met her death at the hands of Detective James Kenny last Thursday.

Dolorata, who was a Red Cross worker during the war, left her new baby Thursday to go on a short errand. A bullet fired by Kenny at a thief who had stolen a carton of cigarettes struck her down and she died later in a hospital. The detective continued the chase after the thief, stopping long enough to place the dying woman on some nearby steps. He was exonerated from all blame.

Kenny attended the funeral today, and started a subscription to provide for the funeral.

20 FIREMEN HAVE NARROW ESCAPE IN NEW YORK BLAZE

Sawdust Vault Gives Way, Deluging Sidewalk With Burning Material.

New York, Nov. 8.—Twenty firemen narrowly escaped death and three others were seriously injured fighting a fire here today, when the heavy double doors of a large sawdust vault gave way, deluging the sidewalk with an avalanche of the flaming material. But for an order from Deputy Fire Chief Thos. Hayes, which cleared the threatened area a few moments before, all would probably have been burned.

After vain efforts to master the flames from below, firemen climbed to the roof where they struggled under the impending peril of an explosion of pent-up gases inside the airtight building. After the blaze was brought under control fire department officials declared the same impervious walls which proved the greatest obstacle to fighting the flames, probably prevented heavy losses to nearby buildings.

BUILDING FIGURES ARE BEING SWELLED

November Statistics Already Pass Those of Last Year.

Although the month is only entering on its second week, building figures have surpassed the total attained during the whole thirty days of November last year. The lead which 1919 figures have over those of this year by reason of the new theatres erected last fall has been reduced to $120,705. There are good prospects of this whole lead being eliminated before the end of the year and a new building record being established, according to Building Inspector A. M. Piper.

The total for this month now stands at $113,445, while last year for the whole month it was only $109,960. The total for 1920 is $1,903,265, compared to $2,023,970 at the end of November, 1919.

A permit was issued to the London and Western Trusts today for the two-story reinforced concrete office building they are erecting on Richmond street at a cost of $110,000.

WILL TRY MEN WHO ARE CONNECTED WITH CHICAGO BOOZE RING

Chicago, Nov. 8.—The federal grand jury which for the past two weeks has been investigating alleged whiskey rings in Chicago and other cities today considered the evidence it has obtained. Federal officials expected scores of indictments to be returned against saloonkeepers and others when the grand jury announces its report.

If the indictments are returned they will come before Federal Judge Landis.

It was understood today that federal authorities had wired to Washington, asking that no passports be issued the men expected to be indicted, as information had been obtained to the effect that several of the men were planning to leave for Cuba.

ONE KILLED, FORTY INJURED.

Clermont-Ferrand, France, Nov. 8.—One person was killed and nearly forty injured when a staircase at the city hall collapsed yesterday during a ceremony. About 100 persons were thrown to the ground when the structure gave way.