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EVERY SATURDAY.

THREE CENTS.

GATES AT BIG FAIR

Charge Against London Bank Clerk Becomes More Serious

PREPARATION DAY FINDS ALL READY AT WESTERN FAIR

First Days At Western Fair

TODAY.
7 a.m.—Gates thrown open to public.
10 a.m.—Official opening by directors.
2 p.m.—Judging commences in awards to exhibitors of agricultural products, grains, roots and vegetables.
MONDAY.
Children's Day—All children admitted free.
1:30 p.m.—Light horse judging before grandstand.
2 p.m.—Live stock and heavy horse judging commences, classes to be judged concurrently.
3 p.m.—Poultry and fine arts judging.

ONE BEER PERMIT ON SOCIETY ROW

Solitary Booth Gets Right to Sell 4.4 at the Western Fair.

"Four-four" beer will flow from at least one booth at the Western Fair this year. Whether or not there will be any more outlets for the Ferguson beverage is not known by License Inspector Walter Bolton, who issued the permit this morning. The inspector stated that no applications would be issued until a letter of sanction from the fair authorities, The W. C. T. U., which sent a letter of protest to the fair board regarding the selling of beer on the grounds, apparently arrived too late for arrangements had been made for the selling of the third amendment. Premier Ferguson's announcement from Toronto immediately following from Toronto that it could be sold at fairs. Western Fair authorities state that it will be the one and only permit issued. The fortunate individual will have his tent pitched on "society row" which being interpreted means the main walk from Dundas street entrance to the grandstand.

WESTERN PROVINCES HIT BY FIRST FROST

Saskatchewan and Manitoba Record Temperatures Six Degrees Below Freezing.

Canadian Press Despatch, Winnipeg, Sept. 11.—Receding temperatures throughout the prairie provinces ushered in the first general frost throughout Manitoba and Saskatchewan last night, the mercury dipping to the extreme of six degrees below the freezing point at Lloydminster, Sask. Regina district experienced five degrees of frost while Brandon and Qu'Appelle both reported readings of 28. In Alberta report moderate temperatures prevailed, with no frost reported. The exception of some uncultivated fields, it is not believed that the sudden cold spell will result in any material damage to the western crop.

EDITOR IS NOMINATED.
Canadian Press Despatch, Montreal, Sept. 12.—R. S. White, editor-in-chief of the Gazette, was nominated as Conservative candidate in the forthcoming general election for the newly created federal division of Mount Royal, at a Conservative convention held here last night.

The Weather

FORECASTS.
Today—Moderate, with a northeast wind; cloudy and cooler, with showers.
Sunday—North-east wind; partly cloudy and quite cool.
LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 84; lowest, 66.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 73; lowest, 66.
Sun rises at 5:52 a.m. and sets at 6:27 p.m. (standard time).
Barometric Readings.
Friday—8 p.m., 29.1.
Today—8 a.m., 29.13.

Prediction of Record Exhibition Undampened by Morning's Rain.

EXHIBITS COMPLETE

Vaudeville and Fireworks' Officials Arrive to Superintend Displays.

Rain greeted the official opening of the Western Fair this morning, but in spite of the unfavorable weather fair board officials are jubilant over the prospects for a successful exhibition this year. "Let it rain," said President Saunders. "It rained most of last night, and I hope it rains itself out today."

Today is preparation day at the fair. Little sightseeing would be done even if the weather were ideal, as the great number of exhibits over and above those which are usually shown here has made it impossible to get every exhibit in readiness sooner.

All Displays Arranged.

The Manufacturers' Building is practically complete in the arrangement of its displays, while the work in the art gallery is also finished. The worst feature of today's rain is in the fact that it is hampering the work of the tented population of the fair, and those who are engaged in the outdoor activities of the fair, are finding it hard to be optimistic today.

The fireworks operators are in town and the fireworks display before the grandstand is all in readiness for tonight, should weather conditions permit of the outdoor performance being held.

G. J. Anderson, of the Wirth & Hamid vaudeville enterprises, will arrive in town tomorrow, and it is possible that Mr. Wirth himself may be on hand. Mr. Wirth is the father of the famous May Wirth, comedienne, one of the artists who made Ringling's circus famous. The horticultural and agricultural displays are almost complete, and the art gallery is also in readiness. The art gallery is also in readiness, and local artists are awaiting with keen interest the award of the prizes.

Enlarged Art Exhibit.

The art exhibit this year has been greatly enlarged, and many excellent display pieces have been loaned by the National Galleries at Ottawa, and also by the B. M. & T. Jenkins galleries, Toronto. Among the pictures loaned by the latter three are especially good. Adoration and Mother's Help, two of Paul Peck's works taken from domestic life in Brittany and a third depicting a scene entitled "Enter Jonday, a Scottish chapel picture, are the best of the Jenkins' contributions.

The live stock exhibits are not yet continued on Page 22 Column 5.

NEW ST. JAMES' PASTOR.

Rev. Major T. G. Wallace, M.A., St. Stephen's church, Toronto, who has accepted the rectorship of St. James' Anglican church, South London, as successor to Rev. W. Leslie Armitage, M.A., now of St. Olave's church, Toronto, Mr. Wallace will assume his duties at St. James' church within the next few weeks.

MAGRATH WILL DO HIS UTMOST

Newly-Appointed Hydro Official Assumes Charge in Ten Days.

Canadian Press Despatch, Ottawa, Sept. 12.—"All my life I have preached the doctrine of service, and now that my opportunity has come to be of service to the people of Ontario they can be assured that I will render the best that is in me," said Charles Alexander Magrath, newly appointed chairman of the Ontario hydro-electric power commission, in an interview last evening.

"I will not be able to get to Toronto for about ten days, as I have a number of things to clean up here before I go," he said. "And I will have no time to make any policy to come to offer, or any policy to formulate until I have reached Toronto and conferred with the provincial government and my colleagues on the commission."

Mr. Magrath did not think it would be necessary for him to resign as chairman of the waterways commission in order to fulfill his duties in connection with the new appointment, but, however, he was not certain on this point as he has not considered the matter yet.

STRIKING BANK CLERKS HAVE RETURNED TO POSTS

Associated Press Despatch, Paris, Sept. 12.—The striking bank clerks of four banks this morning after a lay-off of seven weeks, to enter demands for higher wages. They obtained service increases. They were back to work in a few days.

Veterans Nominate Reason As Independent Candidate

Campaign in London Will Probably Be Four-Cornered Fray.

SOLDIERS ORGANIZE

Meeting Unanimous, and Colonel Reason Accepts Nomination.

Lieut.-Col. C. H. Reason, D.S.O., O.B.E., was unanimously endorsed as an independent-soldier candidate for the federal election for London at a meeting of ex-soldiers held in a downtown office Friday evening. The motion for the nomination was moved by John Glennie and was seconded by Alex Joseph, and was spoken to by several of the ex-soldiers present. All referred to the proposed candidate as a man with a heart. The result of the ballot was registered with manifest approval by the meeting. Before the meeting adjourned the acting secretary, John Rawlings, ascertained over the telephone that the proposed candidate was willing to accept the nomination.

The nomination of Lieut.-Col. Reason as an independent soldier candidate practically assures a four-cornered fight in London, as candidates representing Liberals and Conservatives will be placed in the field, and Labor is also expected to nominate a man.

There had been persistent rumors that Lieut.-Col. Reason would seek the Liberal nomination, but it was the

Hon. Thomas Low Declares Meighen 'Hasn't Ghost of a Chance.'

PREMIER'S ITINERARY

Will Speak at Alexandria This Afternoon, Then to Mariutimes.

Canadian Press Despatch, Toronto, Sept. 12.—"Macleanzle King will lose some seats in the maritimes, but he will make exceptional gains from Ottawa to the Pacific coast," said Hon. Thomas A. Low, minister of trade and commerce in a statement given out here. "On the morning of October 30," predicted Mr. Low, "Macleanzle King will be prime minister with a clear majority over all parties. Arthur Meighen hasn't the ghost of a chance of heading the returns on the night of October 23. There are 245 seats in the federal house under redistribution, of which almost half, 119—are held in Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Quebec. Even the most optimistic Conservative would admit that Mr. Meighen could not carry more than 120 seats. Of the remaining 125 in Ontario, British Columbia and the maritimes, Meighen would have to carry no less than 111 to have a working majority of one. Macleanzle King is sure of carrying at least 30 in Ontario alone."

PREMIER'S PROGRAM.

Canadian Press Despatch, Quebec, Sept. 12.—Premier King's itinerary calls for seven meetings in the maritime provinces. Following his meeting at Alexandria, Ont., where he will proceed Sunday, on Monday he leaves for the maritimes, speaking at Amherst on Sept. 15; St. Peter, Sept. 16; Halifax, Sept. 17; Kentville, Sept. 18; Moncton, Sept. 21, and St. John, Sept. 22. It is probable that the prime minister will speak in Quebec city.

PROMISES HIGH TAIRIFF.

Associated Press Despatch, Amherst, Sept. 12.—The first evening meeting of Right of Way League, held in the town hall here last night, continued on Page 22 Column 5.

MONTEAL SWEEP BY HEAVY STORM

Youth is Killed When He Jumps From Auto to Avoid Live Wire.

Canadian Press Despatch, Montreal, Sept. 12.—The storm King swept an angry finger across the St. Lawrence valley yesterday, and that part of Montreal which lay in its path is counting its losses today. Reports from outlying districts northwest and southeast, which also suffered, are coming in very slowly because of crippled communications, but it is obvious that the property damage has been widespread, and injury to human life may be worse than is now known. One young man was killed in this district during the storm, being thrown to the sidewalk when he jumped from the running-board of a truck which was menaced by a falling wire.

Two women and a boy were injured on a golf course when a tree fell on a shack in which they had taken shelter. A number of small buildings in this city were damaged, but the chief losers from the storm were the telephone and power companies, and light, heat and power were demolished many wires.

The west end of the city was without light last night, and a goodly portion of the telephone system was out of commission. Telephone companies labored all night to re-establish normal communication with the outside world. Property damage in many villages along the south shore is reported, but details are lacking because the wires are down.

CONSERVATIVE CANDIDATE TAKES BRIDE AT LUCAN

A marriage of wide interest took place quietly in Lucan last Saturday, when Mrs. James Park of that town became the bride of Mr. King Hodgins, also of Lucan, was a Conservative candidate for East Middlesex. The Rev. J. P. Brown performed the ceremony at the United church. Immediately following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Hodgins left on an extended honeymoon.

Monday Is Children's Day; So Are Thursday, Friday; Result of Disagreement

France to India Flight Deferred

Associated Press Despatch, Calcutta, Sept. 12.—The start of the proposed France-to-India nonstop aeroplane flight was postponed this morning when the aviators, Robert Thierry and Diudonne Costa found their machine too heavily loaded to get off against a howling wind. They are waiting until a starting path can be rolled in another direction.

The nearest objective of the French fliers is Bagdad, about 2,500 miles away, but they hope to continue on to Karachi, India, a distance of 3,750 miles.

COAL PARLEY MAY BE RESUMED SOON

Pennsylvania Governor Holding Conferences With Leaders Today.

Associated Press Despatch, Milford, Pa., Sept. 12.—A ray of hope for the resumption of the anthracite wage negotiations, the breaking off of which resulted in the suspension of mining operations in the hard coal fields on Sept. 1, was seen today when Governor Pinchot and representatives of the miners and operators at the governor's home here. The governor is to confer this afternoon with W. W. Inglis, president of the Glen Alden coal company, and chairman of the anthracite negotiators' wage scale negotiating committee. On Monday John L. Lewis, international president of the United Mine Workers, is expected here to confer with the situation with Mr. Pinchot.

DISTRESS NOTE WAS ONLY HOAX

Canadian Canoeist Safe and Sound—Declares He Was Victim of Joker.

Associated Press Despatch, London, Sept. 12.—George Smyth, the Toronto canoeist, who left Rome on Aug. 19 to paddle in his canoe to Leningrad, and who was reported to have been stranded, along with a companion, Lieutenant Brandt, on an island near Cape Corse, island of Corsica, and starving, according to the Morning Post, today declared that the distress note which was said to have been picked up by an Italian torpedo boat crew, was safe and sound.

The story of the bottle message about Smyth and Brandt was a hoax, according to the Rome correspondent of the Morning Post. He says that the distress note which was said to have been picked up by an Italian torpedo boat crew, was safe and sound.

The story of Smyth's supposed serious plight first appeared in the Paris Journal. The alleged bottle message, carried off the honors here, was won three times during the meeting, while Walter Cox, his nearest competitor, took two.

MOVING TO SYRACUSE.

Indianapolis, Sept. 12.—Horses and drivers, who have been here for the last week for the Indiana meeting of the Grand Circuit, today were en route to Syracuse, N. Y., where races will be held next week.

Tommy Murphy, a veteran Syracuse reinsman, carried off the honors here, was won three times during the meeting, while Walter Cox, his nearest competitor, took two.

"Charleston" Gets Boy In Trouble

Springbank Caotring of Harold L. Joseph Brings Arrest, Conviction.

The "Charleston Cutout" is not tolerated on the floor of the Springbank dance hall, as Harold Joseph, a 16-year-old youth, found out when he appeared before Magistrate Hawshaw this morning. Harold insisted on carrying the "cutout" despite warnings by officials, and he was arrested by Constable Constable Sproule Thursday night and handed over to County Constable McConnell. The court lectured the young man at some length and informed him he would be allowed on suspended sentence on payment of court costs, \$9 in all. "I haven't any money," declared Harold in subdued tones. The magistrate felt sorry for the boy and told him that he would give him time to pay the costs, pointing out that he would not exact his own fee in order to help him out.

Fair Board, Education Officials Refuse to Suerve From Holiday Choice.

JACKSON'S VERSION

Kiddies Will Not Go on Monday Because Exhibits Incomplete, Mess Says.

Monday is Children's Day at Western Fair, according to the official program of the fair board officials. On Monday school children will be admitted to the fair free. According to the board of education, Friday and Saturday are the official children's days at the fair. This is the impasse which exists at present and officials of both bodies state that their contention is right. Secretary Jackson stated this morning that the fair board submitted the date over a month ago, and added that he considers that if the board of education were not agreeable to this decision, that was the time the matter should have been discussed.

According to members of the school board, the matter was discussed there and at considerable length. There seems to be a certain vagueness as to why the matter was not presented at the time, but the fair officials claim that they received no official protest. They add that it is now too late to change the date.

Rev. R. D. Mess, speaking about children's day this morning stated that the fair board are most unfair in the matter. "On Monday a lot of the exhibits are not completed, and the children know this. Even if they do attend on Monday, they will skip at least a day's schooling. I see the fair when things are in full swing."

Asked as to why no action had been taken earlier by the school board he said, "The fair board must imagine that we meet every day to discuss such things. The ratepayers have to pay the shot for their children's education, and we are trusting in the common sense to see that the children will be held to the school board's ruling. The fair can be seen in all complete, and if the children attend it on Monday, the balance of the week will be disrupted as far as school is concerned for the children will not be content with the Monday inspection of the fair."

While the officials of both the fair board and the board of education are at present apart on this issue, it is hoped and expected that a compromise such as an admission fee of 15 cents can be arranged for Friday. The fact that the board of education is in a position to make a decision on the fair board and on the board of education, is looked upon as the factor which will bring the two bodies to an agreeable solution of this difference.

JOHNNY JONES ARRIVES IN LONDON ON SUNDAY

Johnny Jones arrives in London tomorrow morning. The popular showman, with his two-toned suit, will leave Toronto exhibition after the final performance to-night, via Canadian National.

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POWER COMMISSION SHIFT LAUDED BY P. U. C. LEADERS

London public utilities commissioners expressed their approval this morning of the appointment of Charles A. Magrath, Ottawa, as chairman of the hydro-electric power commission of Ontario, and of Alfred McGuire, Toronto, to the vacancy on the commission.

Both Philip Pocock, dean of the public utility men, and T. W. McFarland, commissioner, members of the executive committee of the Ontario Municipal Association, feel that the wisest move from politics, have been carried out. Mr. Pocock is inclined to believe that the further step is taken of appointing F. A. Gaby, chief H. E. P. C. engineer, as general manager, with such a capable and dynamic chairman as Sir Adam, no general manager was needed, according to Mr. Pocock's opinion, but now the election of Gaby to the post of general manager of the system, similar in powers to that of Sir Henry Thomas, National Railways, would assure the future of hydro in Ontario for years to come and in a manner to retain all the great work accomplished by Sir Adam during the past 20 years.

Mr. McFarland believes that Mr. Magrath is distinctly no politician, that he did wonderful work as Dominion fuel controller during the

THEFT OF \$7,133 IS ALLEGED

Charge Against Herbert Brewer Is Altered From Falsifying of Books.

MAKES NO PLEA

Former Solicitor-General of Nova Scotia Is Directing Defense.

The crown sprung a surprise this morning in the case of Herbert Brewer, until six weeks ago teller in the market branch Bank of Montreal, when the charge against him was changed from falsifying the books, to that of the theft of \$7,133.16. Counsel for Brewer, Frank Curran, came prepared to plead and elect trial, but the changing of the charge upset his plans, and a further remand of one week was granted. The maximum penalty under the new charge is fourteen years, according to section 359 of the criminal code. Under the first charge the maximum was seven years.

Crown Attorney Judd offered no objection to a further remand, saying he had received the information which led to the change at 7 o'clock last evening, and was not yet familiar with details.

"This new charges takes me by surprise, and I would ask the case be reserved one week. I came prepared to shorten matters, but this compels me to seek further information, and to discuss it with my client," said Mr. Curran.

No Objection.

"I think Mr. Curran is right and will offer no objection to a further remand," said the crown attorney. Magistrate Graydon was reluctant to grant it, thinking so many remands were unfair to the prisoner, but acquiesced when Mr. Judd said he was unprepared to go on.

The charge is that Brewer falsified the bank's books, stole \$7,133.16 from the bank, in a period from December, 1924, to July, 1925. The defence will endeavor to prove that Brewer never got one cent of the money, but was covering the tracks of someone else. The fact that the inspectors of the bank at Montreal twice passed his books will also be introduced.

Former Solicitor-General Jones of Nova Scotia is directing the defence case. It has been known since the start of the case, that a second individual is involved in the alleged theft. Bank inspectors have been busy preparing evidence and a second arrest is a possibility.

LABOR'S ELECTION ENTRY NOW ALMOST CERTAIN

Convention Call Planned Following Executive's Endorsement of Contest.

London labor's entry into the federal election of Oct. 29, which for weeks has been a popular question with district workers, became almost certain last night upon the executive of the London labor party, approving the proposal that the workers should contest this riding.

A convention call, carrying the endorsement of the party executive, will be sounded in the near future, and all eligible members, as well as public opinion, will be asked to endorse the proposal. The workers will be sought and the questions of nominations discussed. The workers are now enjoying an unusual period of progress, prominent labor leaders have waxed contented in the field of political endeavor if the wings of chance are grasped at a time when the unionism is prospering, which is the

The imminent federal contest offers London labor a most opportune time to argue, and there strength. Mr. McGuire has been the labor man into the local race.

DR. BLAKE IS CHOSEN.

Winnipeg, Sept. 12.—Dr. R. Blake, who represented the constituency of North Winnipeg in the war-time parliament, received nomination of a Conservative convention for that constituency tonight. Dr. Blake is the first candidate to be brought into the field in Winnipeg.

Week-End Tips For Motorists

Motorists are advised to bear in mind the following changes in the detours over various roads in the district and also permanent detours.

Same detour remains the same. The Longwoods road is open through the past Melbourne. Talbotville to Sheddin is closed for paving operations from Talbotville to Long.

St. Marys to Stratford, there is a detour at the half-way house, paving operations having started. The detour between Stratford and Kitchener is still in effect.

INVITE GERMAN TO CONFERENCE

Allied Powers Ask Berlin Government to Participate in Security Parley.

Associated Press Despatch, Geneva, Sept. 12.—The allied powers today forwarded to their ambassadors in Berlin an invitation to Germany to participate in a conference to consider the proposed security pact.

The invitation, which is brief, suggests the desirability of a meeting of the allied and German foreign ministers early next month. No site for the conference is specified.

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CALLS ON ALL TO HELP ST. LAWRENCE SCHEME

Development of Power Becoming More Imminent, Says Commission.

Canadian Press Despatch, Toronto, Sept. 11.—"Every citizen of the province should recognize the urgency of the present circumstances and should employ every legitimate means at his or her disposal to improve the power development on the St. Lawrence river," declares the hydro-electric commission of Ontario in a statement given out today by Commissioner J. R. Cooke, acting chairman since the death of Sir Adam Beck.

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