

THE WEATHER:
SCATTERED SHOWERS TONIGHT.
SATURDAY—FAIR; COOLER.

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HOUSE OR FLAT?
WANT ADS FIND THEM,
ON PAGE 16.

THREE CENTS.

LABOR WILL NOT GO UNTIL RED NOTE PROBED Fate of Adelard Delorme Now In Hands of Montreal Jury

MACDONALD DECIDES NOT TO RESIGN UNTIL ZINOVIEFF NOTE PROBED

Decision to Remain in Office Is Taken by Labor Cabinet After Two-Hour Session This Morning—Other Departmental Matters Remain To Be Cleared.

RESIGNATIONS ARE EXPECTED NEXT WEEK

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Oct. 31.—The Laborite cabinet headed by Premier MacDonald, after a two-hour session this morning, is understood to have decided to remain in office a few days and then resign before the assembling of the new parliament.

It is expected that the cabinet will resign next week rather than meet the new parliament and be turned out upon the king's address.

The desire on the part of the government to remain in office five days longer is due to the necessity of clearing up departmental business. Meanwhile Mr. MacDonald will spend his last week-end for a long time—perhaps forever—in the prime ministerial rustic retreat at Chequers.

ANOTHER MEETING ON TUESDAY

Another cabinet meeting is set for Tuesday, but it is understood the members of the cabinet have left the premier free to decide upon their resignation before then if he so desires.

One of the most important matters discussed at the meeting today was the alleged Zinovieff letter. It is believed that one of the chief reasons for the decision to hold in abeyance the resignation of the cabinet members is the desire to carry out Mr. MacDonald's promise to probe to the bottom the incident of the alleged Russian letter and the subsequent British and Russian exchange of protests.

King To Return

Meantime, it is learned that the king will return to London from Sandringham next Monday, presumably to be on hand should the necessity arise for his receiving Mr. MacDonald.

Later, an official communique was issued, announcing that the cabinet had appointed a committee to examine the question of the authenticity of the Zinovieff letter.

WILL HAVE 400 SEATS

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Oct. 31.—With the exception of a few outstanding returns from the universities and Scotland, the results of the elections are now complete, showing the composition of the new Commons to be as follows:

Conservatives 235
Labour 149
Liberals 40
Independents 4
Co-operatives 5
Constitutionalists 2
Communist 1

Total 500

The full membership of the House of Commons is 615, and it is expected that when the returns from the universities are received the Conservatives will muster 400 or more seats.

The returns also show that the Conservatives made a net gain of 153; the Liberals' net loss was 111, and the Laborites' loss 41.

Denies Liberal Party Dead.
The sensational reduction in the Liberal representation is the subject of much remark, and various commentators in the press point out that the entire Liberal parliamentary party will now be able to go to the Commons in a single hour on a bus.

The assumption by some that the historical party—successor of the eighteenth century Whigs—is bound to disappear permanently, is not shared by the Liberal party, who have evidently come to stay, but many believe that the eclipse of the Liberals is only temporary.

Former Premier Lloyd George last evening laughingly rebuffed the suggestion that his party was dead.

"What! Dead?" he exclaimed. "Why, it has just polled three million votes."

The Times which is among those encouraging the belief in the party's vitality, says: "The election was fought under circumstances particularly unfavorable to the Liberals, and nobody acquainted with the situation imagines for a moment that the 2,517,000 votes they polled represent anything approaching their permanent strength in the country."

Liberals Voted Conservative.
It cannot be doubted that many thousands of Liberals voted Conservative as the only way to keep the Socialist party out of office.

The Liberal newspapers also argue the favorable position of the party from an analysis of the poll, saying that the combined Liberal and Labor votes exceeded 3,500,000, and elected fewer than 200 members, while the 2,500,000 Conservative votes returned 400 members.

RODEK'S WARNING

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Oct. 31.—The Soviet chief of publicity, Karl Radek, writing in the newspaper Pravda, warns Great Britain to expect reprisals for the Zinovieff letter incident according to the Moscow correspondent of the Daily Express. Radek is quoted as declaring that Premier MacDonald knew that the letter "emanated from the same official who falsified the documents which formerly served as the basis of Lord Curzon's note."



J. D. ISAACS, head of the Middlesex Motors, one of the new directors of the London chamber of commerce.

OCTOBER IS HIGH IN CITY BUILDING

145 Permits Bring Value of Construction Work Up To \$244,265.

October ranks as one of the best building months so far this year in London. 145 permits having been issued, with a total valuation of buildings of \$244,265. Only April and May of this year were higher than October.

According to the report issued by the City Engineer, Mr. J. D. Isaacs, the value of the work authorized during the month was \$244,265. The total value of the work authorized during the year is \$2,007,560.

Permits for 14 dwellings during October gave a total value of \$150,685, remodeling of the old Advertiser building caused a \$68,000 permit to be issued, and construction of a \$15,000 store for C. W. Summers was authorized.

CHINESE CHIEFS FAIL TO FOLLOW UP WINS

Wu's Troops Embark After Defeat at Lwanchow—Hsiang Attack Awaited.

Associated Press Despatch.
Peking, Oct. 31.—Although it was reported yesterday that General Feng Yu Hsiang, now in control of Peking, had ordered a general attack on the positions at Yangtsun, north of Tien Tsin, held by Wu's troops, his former chief, no engagement has yet been reported.

Likewise there is no evidence that Chang Tso-Lin, the Manchurian leader, is following up the advantage which he gained over Wu in the capture of Lwanchow, between Shanhaikwan and Tien Tsin. Wu's troops, defeated at Lwanchow, are reported to be evacuating the positions in an orderly manner, and boarding ships, with the Manchurians holding the hills six miles to the north.

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Canadian Press Despatch.
Brantford, Oct. 31.—Edward Hunt, Mount Brydges, on Thursday fell from the roof of a barn on the farm of J. Bailey, near Etonia, breaking his neck and fracturing his skull. Death was instantaneous. He had complained the previous day of heart trouble, and it is thought he was taken with a seizure, falling to his death.

Rare Volumes Are Found By Forest City Geologist

A rare find of a few extremely valuable volumes has been made by Dr. Solon Woolverton, noted London geologist. While rummaging through his attic at 71 Grand avenue, an attic well stored with all kinds of fossils and antiquities, he discovered four volumes for which bibliophiles would gladly give a high price today.

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ENGINEER'S PROGRAM NEARS END

Nearly Half Million Expended in Improvements During Year.

SEWERS LEAD

More Paving Expected To Be Carried Out Next Year.

A half million dollars' worth of local improvement work is just being completed by the city engineer's department, well within the schedule of the city council's program for 1924. During the year 744 miles of sewers, and 716 miles of curb and gutter work have been completed. In addition to these jobs, 2.7 miles of pavement have been added, and 2.5 miles of sidewalk.

With the completion of the construction work by the city engineer's department, much labor will be employed in estimating frontage cost for taxpayers so that proper assessment may be levied early in 1925.

According to W. P. Near, the local improvement cost of this year will amount to nearly \$500,000, which sum will be raised by debentures, paid for in frontage taxes.

"It is only natural that a big paving year should follow a year of much sewer construction," City Engineer Near commented today. "Of course, much of next year's paving program will be affected by the street railway question. There is other paving which is not conditional on the settling of the street railway situation, but the only stretch that can be gone on with without settling other matters."

The city of London now has 47 miles of pavement, and 115 miles of walks, over 136 miles of curb and gutter work, and 122 miles of sewers.

Prince Arrives Home Safely

Reports Excellent Holiday in Canada and United States.

Associated Press Despatch.
Southampton, Oct. 31.—The Prince of Wales arrived home today on the steamship Olympic from his tour of the United States and Canada.

"I have had a wonderful holiday, but, of course, I am glad to get home again," he told newspapermen, who, with officials, were the only persons permitted to greet him at the quay.

It is always pleasant and interesting to travel, and there is a great deal to be learned on the other side of the Atlantic, where once again I was shown the greatest hospitality and kindness."

Wearing a gray suit and cap and smoking a pipe, the heir to the British throne, on the bridge of the vessel with the captain, showing keen interest in the proceedings as the liner approached her quay, where he was greeted by the newspapermen and officials.

APPRECIATION EXPRESSED ON PREMIER'S O.T.A. STAND

Following is a letter sent to Premier Ferguson indorsing his stand to rigidly enforce the O. T. A.: "Hon. H. H. Ferguson, Premier of Ontario. "Dear Sir,—At a meeting of the executive of the temperance forces of the county of Middlesex, the following resolution was passed unanimously: Moved by George A. Stanley, seconded by Rev. Geo. Kerr, that this organization heartily indorse your stand on the O. T. A. issue."

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King Denies Charges of Race Appeal

Canadian Press Despatch.
Calgary, Oct. 31.—Charges made by Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, leader of the Conservative party, that the Ste. Antoine and Rimouski by-election campaign had been conducted "on the basest, vilest, dirtiest racial appeal in history," were denounced as utterly false and untrue by Premier Mackenzie King when he addressed a largely-attended mass meeting here last night.

FREEING THIEVES LAID TO POLICE

Montreal Detective Testifying in Probe, Claims Criminals Escaped.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Montreal, Oct. 30.—That thieves were allowed to escape the consequences of their crimes because they gave police information which led to the recovery of stolen goods, and also to the arrest of other criminals was one of the points emphasized this afternoon before Mr. Justice Gauthier, investigating commissioner, who is presiding over the inquiry into Montreal police affairs.

The testimony was to the effect that Inspector Egan, chief of the detective force, had agreed to allow a housewife named Macey, alias "Johnny the Wolf," a man with a criminal record, and a woman named Mahoney to go free if they would aid the detectives to recover articles stolen from the house of Mr. Justice Brunet.

The man had twice led the detectives to caches of stolen goods; he failed to keep a third appointment for the same purpose, and has not since been seen. This testimony was given by Detective Laberge.

MAYOR'S O.T.A. STAND RIDICULED BY NICKLE

Assertion That Province Should Bear Enforcement Cost Laid to F. Mitchell, Windsor.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Oct. 31.—"It seems to me a very bad state of affairs when a municipal officer can say how the laws of this province are to be enforced," was Hon. W. F. Nickle's sole comment this morning when asked whether he had any comment to make on the reported assertion of Mayor Frank Mitchell of Windsor.

Mr. Mitchell is alleged to have stated that the province should alone pay the cost of enforcing the Ontario temperance act in cities and constituencies that voted wet. Mayor Mitchell is quoted as having said:

"We cannot refuse to enforce the prohibition laws, but we can demand that the province pay for its administration. We send many thousands of dollars in taxes which go to the coffers of Ontario, and for which we get no return. The province must assume financial responsibility of enforcing the O. T. A."

Beyond making the above comment the attorney-general would make no further assertion.

BAPTIST PRESIDENT LEAVES THIS MORNING

Majority of Convention Delegates Homeward Bound by Noon Today.

Albert Mathews, president of the Baptist convention of Ontario and Quebec left this morning for Toronto, and most of the delegates had left the city by noon. There were 526 delegates to this convention which sat for a week, from Thursday, Oct. 22 and concluded last night.

It is customary in this convention to leave the matter of deciding on the place of the next annual meeting to the executive, but this has not been announced so far.

Talbot street Baptist church, where the sittings were held, was filled to capacity at every evening meeting when a large number of visitors from the city occupied the galleries.

With the exception of the Wednesday afternoon session, which lasted from 2 o'clock to 11:30, which was featured by the debate on McMaster university, every session was run on schedule time and the printed program was strictly adhered to throughout.

BOOTLEGGERS ARE BLAMED FOR ATTEMPTED BOMBING

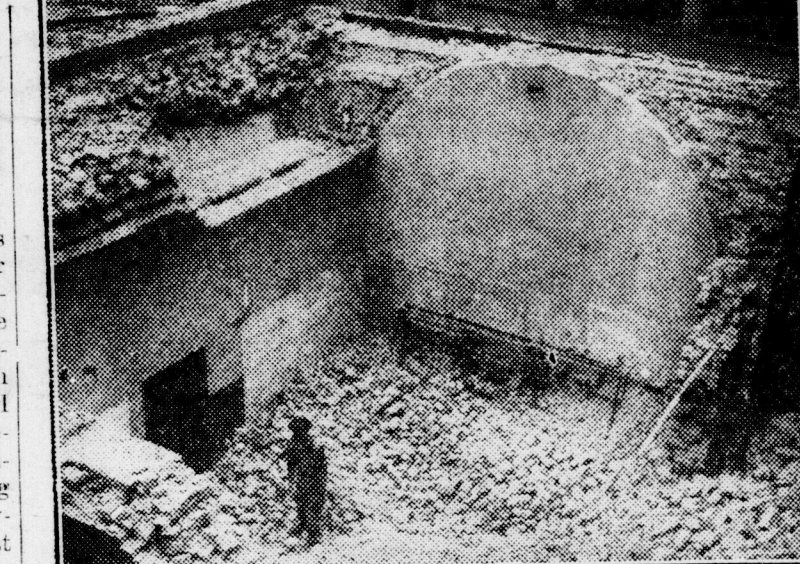
Canadian Press Despatch.
Niagara Falls, Ont., Oct. 31.—An attempt was made to blow up the house of Carl Holtz, La Salle, across the river, yesterday and only the faulty construction of the bomb prevented a disaster. Twelve sticks of dynamite were found tied to a clock-work arrangement which apparently had failed to work. It is believed that bootleggers made the attempt, as Holtz has been exceedingly active against smugglers of aliens and liquor.

THREE GARBAGE STEEDS TO QUIT CITY SERVICE

Having reached the end of their use three horses of the 32 employed in hauling garbage in the city, will be disposed of. One will go to the incinerator plant, where a short, easy hauling job is necessary, but the others will likely be given a painless death. They have eaten city-provided oats for so long that their teeth are a bit worn, and it is hard to estimate their ages. They could be sold, but would probably die of starvation because of their inability to chew food. Accordingly, authorization has been made to dispose of them and secure new horses.

BURLINGTON STEEL FIRM GETS BIG GOVT. CONTRACT

Hamilton, Oct. 31.—Structural steel for the new million dollar office building, which the provincial government will erect at Queen's park, will be supplied by the Burlington Steel company of this city. H. V. Hamilton, an official of the company, said the contract calls for about 600 tons of steel. Immediate delivery is specified.



OLD REGISTRY OFFICE DISAPPEARING. No, this isn't the crumbling ruins of King Tut's tomb; it is the walls of the old registry office disappearing. The immense strength of the building may be seen by the rows of bricks, and the roof was four feet thick at the edge. This historic old stronghold contained about 200,000 bricks and was sought by the city through the public utilities commission. The city council refused to sell, and the city lost it through the city. A gas station will be erected on the site.

TETRA-ETHYL TREATED "GAS" BARRED TILL ANTIDOTE FOUND

Fifth Victim of "Looney Gas" Poisoning Dies in New York Hospital.

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Oct. 31.—Gasoline containing tetra-ethyl, the mystery "looney gas" compound, may no longer be sold in New York city. The board of health yesterday adopted a resolution prohibiting its sale after the fifth of the thirty-three laborers affected by the fumes while working on the New York City water tower, N.J. laboratories of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey had died.

The health board also made it a misdemeanor for anyone to use the gasoline in motors in the city. In addition the officials authorized Health Commissioner Monaghan to make a thorough investigation of the elements in the mysterious death-lethal gas and seek a mode of effective treatment for its victims.

Herbert Fuson, 29, of Elizabeth, N.J., was the fifth man to succumb to the gas poisoning, which has made its victims insane. He died at Reconstruction hospital after yesterday, confined in a straight-jacket, as he refused to go to the hospital. He had been employed in the laboratory, experimenting with a mixture of tetra-ethyl and gasoline in an effort to add power to the fuel and eliminate knocks in motor car engines.

JUDGE'S REFUSAL IS REVERSED BY COURT

Montreal Appeal Board Upholds Appeal Right of Ernest Gauthier.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Montreal, Oct. 31.—That Ernest Gauthier, who was sentenced to serve seven years in the penitentiary, with seven lashes, was justified in asking leave to appeal, which was refused when the trial judge declined to prepare a stated case on points of law, was the judgment handed down by the court of appeals, division of three judges.

Gauthier was found guilty in March, 1923, before Mr. Justice Weir, in the court of king's bench at Hull, of robbery with violence, on the Ayler road.

About a year after Gauthier's conviction and sentence a motion was presented on his behalf before Mr. Justice Weir, asking leave to appeal on specified questions of law and that a stated case be prepared by the trial judge and transmitted to the court of appeal, together with the record.

Mr. Justice Weir dismissed the motion.

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DELORME'S CASE NOW WITH JURY

Court Adjourned Until Five o'Clock to Permit Careful Consideration.

CALDER'S ADDRESS

Prosecutor Declares Verdict Should Be Found on Evidence Submitted.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Montreal, Oct. 31.—The jury in the case of Rev. Adelard Delorme, charged with the murder of his half-brother Raoul, retired to consider their verdict shortly after 1 o'clock this afternoon. Court was adjourned until 5 o'clock.

R. L. Calder began his address to the jury in the Delorme case shortly after 9:30 o'clock this morning.

"If you (the jury) cannot agree in this case, you will come to a decision not in accordance with the proof," was Mr. Calder's opening declaration, adding that he hoped the jury "would not be misled by Mr. Germain's (defense lawyer) eloquence of pleading and powerful speech."

Continuing, Mr. Calder urged that circumstantial evidence was the strongest proof possible. "If justice depended solely upon eye-witnesses we might as well tear out the sheet in Canadian law dealing with murder," he declared.

COUNTY OFFICIALS DECIDE TO SECURE FLAGPOLE

A flagpole standing 75 feet high and 12 inches in diameter, flying the Canadian flag in front of the Ontario parliament buildings, will shortly be erected in the center of the court house lawn.

Warden C. C. Henry, County Clerk John Stuart and County Engineer Charles Talbot conferred in the matter this morning and decided to purchase the new pole at a cost of \$175.

This means the passing of the old wooden flagstaff that has braved the breeze on the court house tower for the last fifty years.

EVERY POLICEMAN WILL BE ON PATROL DUTY TONIGHT

Almost every member of the police force will be on patrol duty tonight to see that Halloween is celebrated in a respectable manner. Chief of Police Robert Birrell has instructed his officers to apprehend anyone found creating a disturbance or damaging property.

Pressure which is sought at the expense of disfigurement of others will not be tolerated by us," Chief Birrell stated today.

CHILDREN THRONG SQUARE IN SEARCH OF PUMPKINS

Although nearly ten loads of pumpkins were offered on the local market this morning, only three loads remained at 12 o'clock.

This explains the reason why so many children were noticed on the square today, gathering up as many pumpkins as they could carry, and hurrying home to get their dinners.

The Weather

FORECASTS. Today—Strong south and south-west winds; a few scattered showers tonight. Saturday—Fresh to strong south-west wind; mostly fair and a little cooler.

Pressure continues high on the Atlantic coast, while the depression which was over South Dakota now covers Manitoba and Northern Ontario.

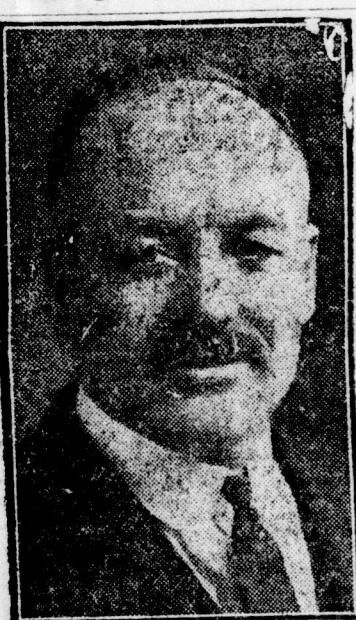
The weather has been fair from the west, with showers in some sections and snow in Northern Alberta.

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

Stations	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	48	44	Clear
Calgary	45	25	Cloudy
Winnipeg	50	34	Fair
Port Arthur	52	30	Fair
Parr's Sound	58	46	Fair
Toronto	59	48	Cloudy
Kingston	56	48	Fair
Ottawa	54	28	Fair
Montreal	48	20	Cloudy
Quebec	38	24	Cloudy
Father Point	34	18	Clear
St. John	44	30	Clear
Halifax	48	26	Clear

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 55; lowest, 49. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 55; lowest, 46.

Barometric Readings. Thursday—8 p.m. 29.45. Today—8 a.m.—29.35.



HON. JAMES LYONS, minister of lands and forests in the Ontario government, who suffered severe injuries last night when the motor car in which he was riding collided with a truck near Brindale on the Dundas highway.

BRITAIN SEVERS TIES WITH MEXICAN GOVT.

Closing of Consulates in England Hits Several Small Trading Companies.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Oct. 31.—The only diplomatic tie which bound the British and Mexican governments was severed today with the closing of all the Mexican consulates in Great Britain.

The offices of the consul-general in London and the consulates of Liverpool and Glasgow will be locked up at the close of business today, notices posted on the doors, stating that no official transactions will be conducted until further notice, and that the Mexican government would not accept any documents legalized by the consuls of friendly nations.

This decision to refuse to accept documents attested by other consuls entirely cuts off commerce between Great Britain and Mexico, which, although of comparatively little importance, formed the entire business of several small trading companies.

REPUBLICAN CAMPAIGN FUNDS TOTAL \$3,700,000

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 31.—Republican campaign contributions to date have totalled approximately \$3,700,000, Wm. V. Hodges, the national treasurer testified today before the Chicago section of the senate campaign fund committee.

"Of this amount more than \$750,000 has been sent back to the states, leaving nearly \$3,000,000 for the presidential, senatorial and congressional campaigns."

MANITOBA WILL HAVE BRANCH OF LABOR PARTY

Canadian Press Despatch.
Winnipeg, Oct. 31.—Formation of a provincial branch of the Canadian labor party will be proceeded with immediately following an agreement reached between the various labor factions of Winnipeg at a special organizing convention held here last night.

The new organization will function along the same lines as the British Labor party, throwing its membership open to anyone subscribing to the platform and principles of the party.