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DISASTROUS FIRE SWEEPING BELMONT

WAR ON RENT PROFITEERS PLANNED BY TOWN COUNCIL; CONDITIONS NOW INTOLERABLE

People Who Have Been Camping Out All Summer Are Flocking Into an Overcrowded and Congested City—Greedy Landlords Taking Advantage of the Renters' Necessity.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Windsor, Sept. 25.—Mayor Winter will lead the council Monday night to force a direct demand to the Dominion of Commerce to probe rent profiteering and prosecute offenders convicted. With four labor members of the five aldermen who sit around the council table, the mayor is not alone in his determination to bring the city back to normal conditions. There is no doubt at the city hall that the promised war will be declared at Monday night.

At the present time, small so-called apartments, which in most cases are really sections of residences occupied by other families, range in price from \$25 monthly, or an average of \$30, to \$40 or even \$45. The day the \$25 to \$40 apartments are needed, Mayor Winter says he is determined to re-establish it.

With the coming of fall weather, the river front, which has been dotted for miles in either direction from Windsor with tents housing families, has become a scene of indescribable filth and squalor. Summer campers have flocked back to an overcrowded and congested city.

Scandalous Situation.
"Something has to be done to end the scandalous situation that has developed here, as the result of the greed of landlords who have taken advantage of the overcrowded condition of the city, and taken advantage of the people's necessity, to demand exorbitant rents, which are preposterous and absolutely unjustified," declared the mayor today. "People come to me with stories of real hardship. Some are walking the streets trying to find some kind of shelter for themselves and their children, while others are vainly struggling to keep their families from being evicted. The rents which are being charged are intolerable."

A Glaring Case.
One of the most glaring cases of profiteering brought to the attention of municipal officials is that of the owner of a centrally located apartment house, who has divided five-roomed flats into one-roomed flats, and is charging \$20 each weekly. Called upon for an explanation, he stated that he was a Quebec woolen manufacturer during the war.

"Gentlemen, we are not running this business for the glory of God. I am entitled to a fair return upon my investment. Men in other lines of business in this city are making large returns on their money, and why should the man who rents apartments or houses or rooms, for that matter, be debarred?"

DETROIT SEETHING WITH CRIME; PROMINENT CITIZEN CALLS FOR LARGER FORCE TO GUARD CITY

Conditions At Present Time in Automobile City Are Worst in Its History—Robberies, Holdups, Murders and Feud Wars Are Common Occurrences—Many of the Worst Class of Criminals Attracted to America's Fourth Largest City—Motor Cars Used Extensively by Criminals.

Detroit, Sept. 25.—Crime and lawlessness have grown so in Detroit that the present force of police is inadequate to cope with it, and more men must be placed on patrol at once, even if it is necessary to call in the state constabulary. That declaration was made today by Alex. J. Macdonald, veteran Detroit businessman, who a few hours earlier had been held up and robbed by bandits not far from his home, 116 La Salle Boulevard.

As if to corroborate Mr. Macdonald's assertion regarding utter lawlessness and disregard for the authorities, residents Friday noon, on a busy street, staged a shooting battle, wounding a 13-year-old schoolboy. The instigators of the fight escaped in an automobile.

Drastic Action Asked.
Only measures of the most drastic kind can relieve the situation here, in the opinion of the greatest confidence in the personnel of the police department, but declared the situation had got beyond them.

"We must have more men patrolling the streets," said Mr. Macdonald. "One hundred additional men driving that many small automobiles in constant patrol would do more good than the 300 now on the streets. Nothing should be done until the situation is under control."

DOCTORS' COURSE TO BE SIX YEARS

Important Change Is Being Made At Western Medical School.

After the fall term opens at Western University on October 4, no new year classes in the faculty of medicine will be formed. After this term candidates will be required to attend Western six years in order to obtain the degree of M. D. The course was extended to one of six years last fall excepting for discharged soldiers who could prove that enlistment prevented them from pursuing medical studies, and for these candidates a five-year course was authorized.

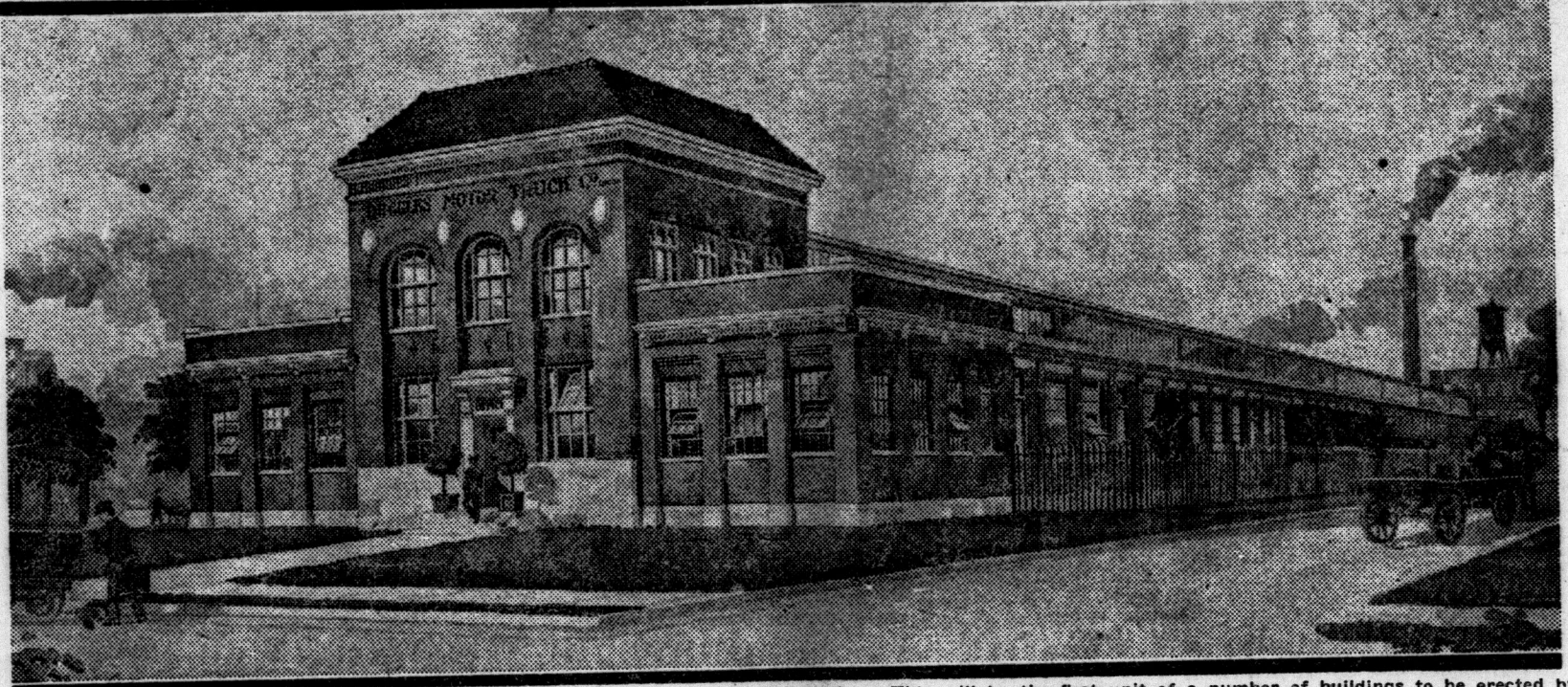
Owing to the fact that several discharged soldiers expressed the desire to enter the faculty of medicine at Western this year, it was decided to continue the five-year course throughout 1920-21, but not thereafter, so that final five-year course entrants will be accepted for this year only. In addition to the last five-year students will take lectures on the opening of school.

There are nine candidates for the five-year course registered at Western to date, while a record enrollment of 100 students is expected. Including Toronto and Queen's, have extended the medical course to one of six years and are accepting former soldiers for the five-year period this year only.

October 4 is registration day at Western and lectures begin the following day.

AGREEMENT IS APPROVED.
Milan, Italy, Sept. 25.—Incomplete returns from the referendum held yesterday to determine the sentiment of workmen toward the agreement reached at the instance of the government, by employers and workers relative to a solution of the present industrial situation, appear to show the agreement has been approved by a large majority. It is said syndicalists and anarchists urged their followers not to vote, believing it was impossible for them to defeat the agreement.

FIRST UNIT OF LONDON'S HUGE NEW MOTOR TRUCK INDUSTRY



Work is starting immediately on the big factory building shown in the illustration. This will be the first unit of a number of buildings to be erected by the Ruggles Motor Truck Company, Limited. When the plant is in operation it is expected that employment will be given to about 2,000 men. The illustration was made from a painting loaned to The Advertiser by courtesy of the architect, Messrs. Watt & Blackwell.

London Teacher To Go To Toronto 'U'

Miss Bessie K. Mossip, M.A., Now On Public Health Staff.

Miss Bessie K. Mossip, M.A., 644 Lorne Avenue, has been appointed to the hygiene and public health staff of the University of Toronto Medical School, and leaves this city Monday to take over her new duties in the Queen City. Miss Mossip was formerly a member of the Faculty at Western University, acting as assistant in the department of biology which embraces arts and medicine here.

ACTOR CLAIMS THAT MCGRAW STRUCK HIM

Wilton Lackaye Sustains a Broken Ankle.

New York, Sept. 25.—Wilton Lackaye, the actor, sustained a broken ankle at the home of John J. McGraw, manager and part owner of the New York Giants, on Saturday night, it became known yesterday. Lackaye alleges that McGraw hit him as he was saying good-night, and that he fell and broke his ankle.

Lackaye in a statement denied having assaulted Lackaye, who, he said, called upon him on Saturday while under the influence of liquor, and was abusive. He used vile and indecent language, McGraw said. Two of McGraw's guests escorted him to the door, and he kicked one of them, stepping on the floor in the scuffle, as the Giants' manager explained it.

McGraw's statement was corroborated by his guests, Magistrate Francis X. McGuire and E. J. Frait, Chicago, as well as by Mrs. McGraw.

FIFTH BOSTON BANK FORCED TO SUSPEND

Boston, Mass., Sept. 25.—The Commercial Trust Company of this city, with a savings and banking department and agencies abroad, was closed by Bank Commissioner Joseph C. Allen this morning.

The Commercial is the fifth bank in the city to be closed by Commissioner Allen in the past five weeks.

The first of these was the Hanover Trust Company, which went to the wall with the collapse of the get-rich-quick scheme of Charles Fong, its largest individual depositor. The Prudential Trust Company was closed later, as were two smaller private banks.

NO PROFESSIONAL BOUTS

Ottawa, Sept. 25.—No professional boxing bouts which certain interests have been working for, will be permitted to take place in Ottawa this winter.

What appeared to be the final word in this direction was given yesterday afternoon, when the members of the police commissioners' board, sustained the appeal of the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs, that bouts of such a nature should not be permitted.

HEROES' GRAVES ARE BEAUTIFULLY KEPT



This photo of the Menin Road Cemetery at Ypres shows how beautifully it is kept. In this huge ground thousands of British and Canadian heroes are sleeping. The photo was taken a few weeks ago by Ex-Ald. William Heaman while visiting the battlefields of France and Belgium. He states that the cemetery receives constant care from specially appointed men, whose duty it is to look after it.

HIGH HEELS AND INCORRECT DRESSING CAUSING DISEASE

Edmonton, Alta., Sept. 25.—High heels and abnormal dressing by women were among cases brought forward by Dr. J. F. Lehmann of Winnipeg, resulting in various physical and nervous diseases, at a meeting of the Alberta Medical Association yesterday afternoon. His paper on "postural defects" was illustrated by diagrams by which the doctor sought to prove that a great many abdominal operations were necessitated by abnormal standing, sitting and even wrong postures in lying down. He also claimed that faulty posture reduced efficiency, and stated that men who sat at their work measured an inch shorter in the evening than in the morning.

The debutante's slouch was only condoned on the ground that the bad effects from the high heels would be worse if the wearer tries to walk with straight knees.

Living Costs in Montreal Are on Down Grade

Clothing Prices in the Quebec Metropolis Are Hitting Toboggan.

Montreal, Sept. 25.—The lower cost of living wave has reached this city. Martin C. Robinson, of the Robinson Clothing Company, stated that at the present time clothes are actually being offered for sale at less than the cost of making, and consequently all along the line prices have been reduced.

R. H. Blumenthal, general manager of the firm of J. H. Blumenthal & Son, Ltd., stated that the material which goes into the cheaper line of shirts now costs only 25c per yard, a decrease of 10c from a short time ago. He also stated that the prices for wearing apparel cannot come down to a really low level until the price of production is less.

Flour is now selling here at \$14 a barrel, 85c less than the price previous to September 1.

MACSWINEY'S CONDITION

London, Sept. 25.—Terence MacSwiney, lord mayor of Cork, passed a better night at Brixton prison last night and consequently was more refreshed this morning, said a bulletin issued by the Irish Self-Determination League this forenoon. MacSwiney had a few hours of sleep, but was said to be in a state of extreme weakness, and was able to whisper only a couple of words to relatives who visited him. The severity of the pains in his head from which he suffered yesterday was decreased, it was said.

CRUISER RAINBOW SOLD

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 24.—The old cruiser Rainbow has been sold to Neider & Marcus of Seattle. Before the war the cruiser was partly dismantled, but when the conflict began she was used as a patrol vessel on the Pacific.

Warm Weather Made Liquor Too Strong

Fine Imposed Is Remitted To Hamilton Brewing Company.

Toronto, Sept. 25.—Four cases of liquor supplied by the Hamilton Brewing Association to the Collins Hotel, Dundas, was found to be over 3 per cent strong. The association was fined \$200. On appeal before Justice Rose, it was stated that the liquor had been under 2 1/2 per cent when it was delivered, but that the warm weather had caused it to ferment in the week since they delivered it. Justice Rose has quashed the conviction and remitted the fine.

ALD. HARLEY CHOSEN HEAD OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF S. A. C.

First Regular Meeting Held—Mrs. A. T. Edwards Vice-Chairman.

CONSTITUTION AMENDED

Establishing of Children's Hostel Laid Over For Further Discussion.

Ald. F. E. Harley was unanimously elected chairman of the new executive council of the soldiers' aid commission, which met on Friday for the first time since its organization. Mrs. A. T. Edwards was elected vice-chairman.

To take care of the new phases of the work the council amended and expanded the constitution, which was adopted subject to the ratification of the next general meeting.

Formerly nine elected members served on the council, but to the new body two appointees have been added, one from the city and one from the county. Ald. F. E. Harley has been selected by the city, and Reeve W. E. Greives by the county.

George F. Copeland was appointed director of finance. The commission is going away with committees, but in departments needing supervision a director is appointed.

At the recent general meeting of the soldiers' aid commission, Mrs. James Slater was elected as a member. As she is spending the winter in the south she has tendered her resignation.

G. F. Jewell, P. C., was elected auditor of the commission.

Secretary F. H. Lance was instructed to continue his plenary of soldiers' need, and employment in the same effort, way as the work has been handled in the past.

A vote of appreciation to all who helped to make the summer camp a success, especially to George M. Ford, the military authorities, the Red Cross, and the town council of Port Stanley, was passed.

As the establishing of a children's hostel was considered a big proposition, the matter was laid over for further discussion.

Mrs. S. P. Lawson was granted two months' leave of absence, in order that she may make a tour of Europe.

During the discussion of the winter is in a position to speak on the matter, stated that this winter would be a very hard one.

Following are the members of the executive council: Ald. F. E. Harley, Mrs. A. T. Edwards, G. F. Copeland, J. M. Moore, Mrs. S. P. Lawson, Reeve W. E. Greives, John Stuart, James Gray, Rev. H. T. Ashby, W. W. Cammace and Lieut.-Col. A. A. Campbell.

It was decided that the regular meeting of the council should be held on the second Friday of each month.

CHIROPRACTOR IS COMMITTED

Regina, Sept. 25.—Dr. H. J. Reich, a chiropractor at Redville, Sask., was committed for trial on Thursday on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Alice Turner, a young girl who lived at Maxim, Sask. It is alleged that the child died while under treatment by the doctor. The trial will be held in Weyburn in November.

WHOLE VILLAGE OF BELMONT IS THREATENED BY FIRE; LOCAL FIREMEN GO TO AID

London Apparatus Is At Scene of Big Blaze Following an Urgent Call For Help—Fire Chief Aitken Is Directing the Fight.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Belmont, Sept. 25.—An urgent call was sent to the London fire department at 10:50 a.m. today for fire apparatus to be rushed here in an effort to extinguish a disastrous fire which is threatening to destroy the entire village. Shortly before noon a service motor truck and a fire engine, with Chief John Aitken of London in his car, arrived here, and the veteran London firefighter immediately took command of the forces mobilized to save the village.

The fire started in Copeland's ice house and spread to a barn next door. The intense heat set fire to an office next door and to the barn of the Presbyterian manse. These were all completely destroyed, and the situation became so threatening that an urgent call was telephoned to London for apparatus. The origin of the fire is unknown.

WRANGEL'S CAVALRY SURROUNDS REDS ALONG A 100-MILE FRONT CAPTURING 10,000 PRISONERS

Anti-Bolshevik Leader in South Russia Reported To Be Outflanking Soviet Forces Now On Dnieper—Retreat of Russian Reds Is Being Cut Off—Constantinograd Is Taken After Bitter Fight.

Sebastopol, Sept. 25.—By the Associated Press.—Gen. Baron Wrangel, opposing the Bolshevik (Russian) forces on the southern front, has taken more than 10,000 prisoners in six days, his cavalry surrounding the Bolsheviks along a front of 100 miles. He is reported to be outflanking the forces for two vessels which put into port on the Dnieper. Gen. Maknoff, Trebizond flying Red flag.

LOVE VAGRANT IS FAR FROM HOME

Robert Ferguson stood alone in police court today, his being the only name on the docket for the session. He was charged with vagrancy, and gave his home city as Winnipeg. Ferguson, according to his story, is a wanderer, and came here from Hamilton last night, where he had worked on the boats. "I have a friend in London," he explained, "and came down for a job. I did not have enough money to get a room." The prisoner who is of the clean-cut type of youth, did not resemble a vagrant, and he was remanded for one week by Acting Magistrate P. H. Bartlett. In the meantime the police will communicate with relatives in Winnipeg, and if an answer is received satisfactorily Ferguson may be released before the expiration of the week.

BANDITS ARE CAPTURED

Tiddle, Sask., Sept. 25.—Two of the bandits who held up a poker game at Red Deer lumber mills at the weekend, and then engaged in a gun fight with Constables Ives and a posse on Monday afternoon, were captured without a shot being fired at Poonase, a small way station on the C. N. R. line about 50 miles west of Hudson Bay. The bandits were taken to the section house at the time, and were taken absolutely unawares. They were well armed. Their names are Bill Brauhack and John Macchow. They are Austrians, and give their ages as 21 years.

"I feel that the man who had taken vows to do just the contrary of what he has apparently been doing should be the one on trial before me, instead of these parties. There should be some way of stripping such a man of his churchly vestments. Such a man is a rattlesnake unfit to be in society. He is a disgrace to the church, and has been introduced into this case."

"Bring Gas Users Begging To Knees"; Then Raise Price!

Chatham Mayor, After Interviewing Minister of Mines, Alleges That The Union Natural Gas Company Asked the Government To Let Gas Be Shut Off Twenty-Four Hours—Went Over Mills' Head To Drury.

CHATHAM, Sept. 24.—Before the city council in special session here this evening, Mayor Brisco submitted a report on a deputation to the Hon. Harry Mills, minister of mines, yesterday, consisting of President George Wands of the local Chamber of Commerce and the mayor. The report read by Mayor Brisco alleges the employment of sensational tactics by the company, and is in part as follows:

"We learned from Mr. Mills that officials of the Union Natural Gas Company had approached his department, asking that they be allowed to turn the gas off for 24 hours in order to bring the people using their gas to their knees begging, and then they would be able to sign up contracts for higher prices. Hon. Mr. Mills, representing the people, refused to be a co-partner in any such deal as was suggested by the Union Natural Gas Company. This deputation was told they would not be allowed to turn any gas off from any municipality.

"They also asked the minister if he would keep his hands off the gas situation. The Union Gas officials' requests were refused by the minister of mines. They then went over the head of Mr. Mills and his department, and now have an appointment with Premier Drury for some day next week," said Mayor Brisco.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 54; lowest, 55.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 71; lowest, 62.
TOMORROW—FAIR AND WARM.
Toronto, Sept. 25.—The weather forecasts: Today—Light winds; fair and warm. Sunday—Moderate to fresh southeast and south winds; fair and warm.