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Vice-President Ivey States Steps Being Taken To Improve Service.

New street railway tracks and a new pavement for Oxford street, from Richmond to Adelaide streets. This is part of the joint street railway and city council, 1923, program if present plans are not rendered. Richard G. Ivey, vice-president of the railway corporation, explained to The Advertiser today that they were contemplating the replacement of the steel on this thoroughfare, from Richmond street east to the end of the line—a mile distant roughly.

The street railway authorities explain that as they have but a limited fund at their disposal for renewals and improvements this year, they are in no position to undertake the entire program as set forth in the program of the city council. They do propose, however, to do what they can and the Oxford street project is under favorable contemplation. As a matter of fact it is understood that the steel has already been ordered.

Paved This Year. This will mean that the street will also be paved this year—provided, of course, that a majority of the ratepayers on that thoroughfare do not object. It is felt that little or no opposition will be recorded, as Oxford street is now regarded as one of the worst in the city.

The councillors, at the instigation of Ald. Edmund, have recently authorized the construction of a pavement in the event that the street railway authorities would cooperate. It would appear that the company's intention to lay the new steel has cleared the way for a complete job this year.

Vice-President Ivey also directed attention today that the company were making every effort to improve the service.

Cars Transferred.

Five double-truck cars were transferred today to the Oxford and Hamilton road line, while a like number of the smaller cars were placed back on the Ridout and other routes. This will improve the service materially, it is believed. In any event the new scheme will be given a trial.

The vice-president stated further that the company has practically abandoned its contemplated purchase of five second-hand double-truck cars from the American side. "We cannot afford this now," he explained, "as the city council has rejected our proposal to convert fifteen of our other cars into one-man vehicles. That may be open for a course open for us to improve our service—the introduction of one-man cars. That is what is being done in other communities."

Mr. Ivey added further that they still are unable to fix a purchase price for their road.

STATES RAILWAY LINES NOT BLOCKED BY FLOOD

Detours Necessary in Places, Proceed Cautiously.

Special to The Advertiser. Montreal, April 23.—The following statement in connection with the flood situation in Manitoba was issued by D. C. Coleman, vice-president of the western lines:

"Canadian Pacific today reported traffic conditions improved but still somewhat hampered by high water. The main line is open throughout. The statement telegraphed from Portage la Prairie on Saturday to the effect that all railway tracks were impassable, was incorrect in so far as the Canadian Pacific was concerned, as Canadian Pacific operations through the city were not interfered with. The south line to Regina through Souris and Arcola is clear throughout. The only branch lines on which service is not being furnished at present are the lines from Macgregor to Vancor and from Gaultier to Minota on the line from Larivière to Winnipeg, and from Portage la Prairie to Dredenburg.

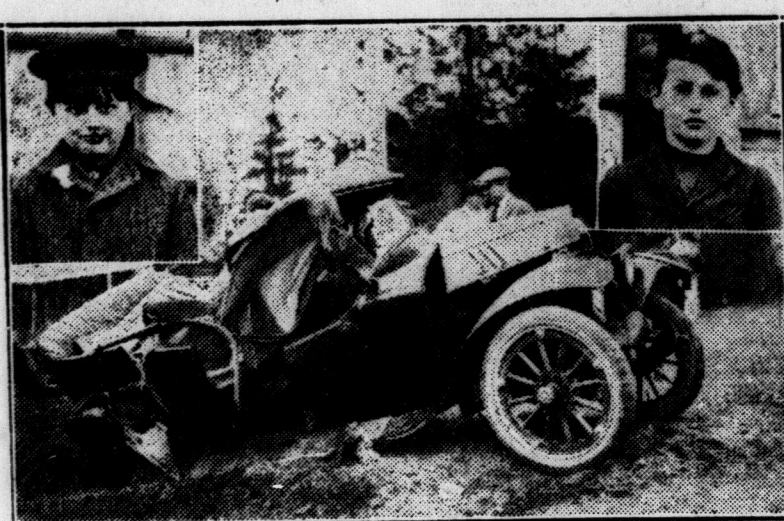
"Service is being temporarily provided by indirect routes on account of the breaks in the line. The main trouble on the former line is at Morris, where a bridge is carried on, northwest of Portage la Prairie. There are serious washouts around Macdonald and Westbourne and in the vicinity of Birtle.

"On all other lines service is practically normal, although the water is up to the edge of the embankment in many places, and it is necessary to run trains with caution.

"The Canadian Pacific is continuing to detour traffic for other railways between Winnipeg and Emerson and between Portage la Prairie and Winnipeg."

DAYLIGHT SAVING TO BE OBSERVED BY POSTOFFICE

Canadian Press Despatch. Ottawa, April 23.—Postoffice will observe daylight saving hours in municipalities which decide on the adoption of the plan. It is announced that it is necessary in all cases that arrangements shall be made to despatch and receive mails in accordance with the railway time tables, but in the matter of the time of opening and closing postoffices, the postmaster may be guided by the action of the municipal authorities.



THE BRANTFORD AUTO TRAGEDY.

Arthur Dawson, a bright four-year-old boy, was killed, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dawson, and Thomas Evans and Bert Leighton, all of Hamilton, were injured, on Saturday when the automobile in which they were riding was struck by a G. T. R. freight near the Brantford golf links. Photo shows the wrecked car at the scene of the accident. Inset are pictures of Herman and Allen Neff, two little Brantford boys, who saw the accident and secured the help of their older brother to render first aid.

Marathon Dancer of Texas Achieves 107-Hour Record

R. J. Newman Is Carried From Dance Hall in an Ambulance After Long Trial of Endurance.

Special to The Advertiser.

Dallas, Texas, April 23.—R. J. Newman, Texas marathon dancer, laid claim to a new world's record here today, after 107 hours' continuous dancing. Newman wound up his long distance stepping, shortly after 3 o'clock this morning, and was carried from the dance hall in an ambulance. Physicians announced later his condition was not serious.

TWO STILL DANCING.

Special to The Advertiser.

Washington, April 23.—A new mar-

athon dance record was claimed today in behalf of Miss Elsie Weber and William Farrell, who were still going after more than 100 hours. The two were forced from Washington at midnight Saturday, when police closed the dance hall, where they had been appearing. They shuffled aboard a truck, and were taken to Marlboro, Md., continuing their dance in a hotel there. At 6:10 p.m. Sunday the two dancers had gone 90 hours and 10 minutes, and claimed that gave them the record, but just to make sure they kept on.

FEAR FRANCO-TURKISH CLASH IS NOW LOOMING

Sending of General Weygand to Syria Causes Wide Comment.

Associated Press Despatch.

Paris, April 23.—The sending of Gen. Weygand to Syria, coupled with the French government's protest against the Turkish concession to the Chester syndicate is widely commented on today by the government and opposition newspapers as the sign of serious difference between France and Turkey.

The fact that Turkey has voted 25,000,000 Turkish pounds to support her army, together with the mobilization of Turkish troops on the Syrian front is cited to show that Turkey is willing to meet the issues raised by France such as the Chester concession.

The review of the Turkish army by Ismet Pasha, prior to Ismet's departure for the Lausanne conference is another fact which has not escaped the newspapers.

CHRISTOPHER KYLE DIES SUDDENLY IN MONTREAL

Special to The Advertiser.

Montreal, April 23.—Christopher Kyle, a former Toronto man, died suddenly on returning from service at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Westmount, at 1 o'clock yesterday. Mr. Kyle, who was supervisor of apprentices at the C. P. R. Angus shops, was born in Toronto 67 years ago, and commenced his railway career with the mechanical department of the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway, after which he was locomotive foreman at Hawke, Chapleau and North Bay, master mechanic in Montreal and St. John.

CURZON SAYS BONAR LAW WILL NOT RESIGN YET

Associated Press Despatch.

London, April 23.—Premier Bonar Law's health apparently has greatly improved in the last few days. Speaking at the dinner of the Junior Imperial League last night, Lord Curzon, the foreign secretary, said: "The prime minister told me this afternoon that the loss of his voice was rapidly disappearing and that his health was stronger than when he took office. He has not the slightest intention of resigning."

BOMB IS EXPLODED IN CHICAGO BALL PARK

Action Attributed to Labor Difficulties or War on Gamblers.

Special to The Advertiser.

Chicago, April 23.—A bomb exploded last night at the entrance of the Chicago White Sox Baseball Park, shattering windows and doing other damage in the vicinity, was today attributed by police to labor difficulties or the police war on baseball gamblers.

The explosion broke windows in the park office, and those in adjacent buildings. The detonation was heard a mile away.

TORONTO THIEVES STEAL LOCKET 100 YEARS OLD

Special to The Advertiser.

Toronto, April 23.—A rare English engraved locket over 100 years old, belonging to the late wife of Charles Blythe, grocer, 398 Lansdowne avenue, was stolen by burglars Saturday night while Mr. Blythe slept in the house. The robbers, who entered by an unfurnished rear door, stole two watches, a brooch, a locket, a string of pearls, two rings and \$3 in cash.

OBSERVE ANZAC SUNDAY THROUGHOUT AUSTRALIA

Associated Press Despatch.

Melbourne, Australia, April 23.—Anzac Sunday was observed in Australia yesterday by memorial services in the churches and soldiers' halls, and at the conclusion of the services buglers sounded the Last Post.

Anzac day is April 25, the anniversary of the landing of the Australian and New Zealand army corps at Gallipoli in 1915. When the date falls on a Sunday special services are held at 10 o'clock on the event, and when April 25 comes on any other day, the memorial services are held on the Sunday immediately preceding the date.

LUMBER YARD DESTROYED.

North Vancouver, B.C., April 23.—Destruction by fire of a lumber yard in Lynn Creek, belonging to A. D. Kennedy, yesterday did damage estimated at \$40,000.

ALD. DRAKE ASKS FIRE DEPT. PROBE WITHOUT DELAY

Says That Should Come Before Any Resignations Are Asked For.

CHIEF AITKEN'S VIEW

Claims If Let Alone He Can Make Fire Department Best in Canada.

To clear the air and set all minds at rest, Ald. Gordon Drake urges a "real and immediate" investigation of the fire department. "Find out what is wrong with that department, if anything," he states, "and then fix the blame for it and take whatever action would seem necessary under the circumstances." Ald. Drake questions the advisability of asking Fire Chief John Aitken to tender his resignation "right off the bat," as he puts it. "Business should not be conducted in that manner," he submits, "and it is not going to be with my vote. We should have an investigation before we start asking anyone to resign."

Should Have Report.

"We did not have the reports of the different fire halls for inspection purposes, but nothing was done. No report was even submitted to the council or even the finance committee. This should be first done, I should think, before we commenced superannuation proceedings, as apparently they have been suggested. Mayor Wenige has tackled a real job if he proposes to superannuate the fire chief, according to Ald. W. A. Wilson, who said decisively today that "it couldn't be done. The council will not vote for it."

"They have been listening to tales that are not true."

The Chief's Opinion.

This is how Fire Chief John Aitken sums the supposed dissension in his department, and the reported move to inaugurate certain changes of policy and staff, including his own superannuation. No department, organization or institution is ever conducted perfectly, contends the chief, asserting, however, that if his department is not interfered with he can make it the most efficient of its kind in the Dominion of Canada.

Reviewing the situation to date, the chief concludes that there has evidently been a certain lack of unity in his department, and he has been "telling tales" to the city council.

This, he maintains, is not conducive to the best interests of his department, and he proposes to call a special gathering for tomorrow morning. He discussed the question this morning with Commissioner Donald Wright, who came to the city from Toronto after certain charges had been directed at him. He was exonerated upon that occasion, he relates.

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N.S. MINERS TO KEEP MAY DAY.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Sydney, N.S., April 23.—All coal mines and steel work in Cape Breton will be idle on May 1, while 10,000 allied workers of the in and celebrate May Day. This decision was reached at a joint meeting of miners and steel workers held at Glace Bay yesterday afternoon.



VETERANS PARADE IN APRIL RAIN.

In spite of the April rain the veterans enjoyed their parade yesterday. Here are a few of them as caught by The Advertiser photo-

grapher just before General W. B. King inspected them. Many an old and historical medal saw the light of day for the first time in many years, and however faded the ribbons may have been, the medals themselves were bright and twinkling as stars.

WANT CITY CLERK AS SECRETARY OF L. AND P. S. BOARD

Mayor Wenige To Demand This at Special Meeting To Be Called.

AFTER PAY LIST

His Worship Still Fighting To Obtain Much Desired Salary Lists.

Aroused by failure to secure the London and Port Stanley Railway pay list, Mayor Wenige is determined to carry the war straight into the enemy's country.

At noon today his worship announced to The Advertiser that he was arranging for a special session of the L. and P. S. Commission, when he will not only again seek the coveted list, but demand that City Clerk Baker be appointed secretary of that body.

"It is only right," he maintains, "that the city council representative should be the clerk for the L. and P. S. Commission; and furthermore, that regular minutes be kept of all proceedings, and the same be available to each member of the council, in order that they will be in touch with the situation, and in close touch with it, too. I don't think that I, as mayor of the City of London, should have to go down to the L. and P. S. office and hunt up such information as I may see fit, although we may have the power to do so."

Sir Adam Beck, chairman of the commission, is expected back this week. A session can be called any time that two of the members ask it, the mayor explains, and upon this basis he proposes to call a special gathering for tomorrow morning. He discussed the question this morning with Commissioner Donald Wright, who came to the city from Toronto after certain charges had been directed at him. He was exonerated upon that occasion, he relates.

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Kidnapped Girl Reported Rescued From Tribesmen

Woman Whose Husband Was Murdered by Natives Goes to Aid of Molly Ellis.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, April 23.—Although all doubts as to the safety of Molly Ellis have been removed, the 13-year-old girl who was recently kidnapped by Afghan tribesmen in the Punjab, has not yet returned to British-controlled territory, so far as latest despatches report. Friends of the family in England received an official telegram assuring them that the girl was about to be restored to her associates and a message from Simla says that negotiations for her release are in progress.

Mrs. Starr, the woman physician

who is reported to have rescued the girl in the Tirah country, reached her without trouble. Molly was exhausted and her feet lacerated, but otherwise she was unharmed.

Mrs. Starr herself has had experience with the ferocity of the border tribesmen. She was the helpless witness of the murder of her husband, Dr. Harold Starr, by natives three years ago. The murder occurred outside the hospital at Peshawar, where the Starrs were stationed as medical missionaries. Since that time Mrs. Starr has remained on the hospital staff as a nurse. She was born in India, the daughter of a missionary.

EXPECT ACCLAMATION FOR LABOR IN KENORA

Liberals and Conservatives Show No Intention of Opposing Peter Hennan.

Special to The Advertiser.

Kenora, April 23.—Looks like acclamation for Peter Hennan, Liberal member for this riding. Liberals show no intention of opposing him, so unless strong pressure is brought to bear on them from the Conservative organization in Toronto, both men who were in the field for the Conservative nomination in 1919 declare they won't run again.

UNIDENTIFIED MAN KILLED IN FIGHTING NEAR BELFAST

Associated Press Despatch.

Belfast, April 23.—The relative freedom from shootings and disorders during the last fortnight was marred yesterday, when Patrick and John Quinn, brothers of Newry, were fired upon by Free State troops after they had refused to surrender. The body of an unidentified man killed in the fighting was found in a ditch this morning near the Drumcondra Convent.

REFUSES TO MEET CECIL TO DISCUSS DRUG TRADE

Special to The Advertiser.

Washington, April 23.—Representative Stephen G. Porter, chairman of the house foreign affairs committee, today reiterated his refusal to meet Lord Robert Cecil, British League of Nations advocate, to discuss the international drug trade and the league's part in suppressing it.

Porter brusquely declined to meet Cecil on the ground that the League of Nations, while claiming to fight the narcotic evil, according to Porter, "done quite the contrary."

In a letter to Cecil, he charged Great Britain had legitimized the drug traffic in India, because great profits were to be made.

A DETROIT AUTO RUNS OVER RIDGETOWN GIRL

Lelah MacDonald Is Seriously Injured While Her Companion Is Killed.

Special to The Advertiser.

Detroit, April 23.—The condition of Lelah MacDonald, 1721 Lyceum avenue, Detroit, daughter of Annie and Sylvester MacDonald of Ridgetown who received internal injuries and severe fractures of both legs and left arm, is in a very critical condition, and little hope is held out for her recovery. Her companion, Florence Richardson, died in Grace Hospital early this morning from being crushed down by an automobile here late last evening.

The chauffeur sped away, and up till 8 o'clock had not been captured. The victim was both standing in the advertising department of the Free Press here.

FLOODS IN MANITOBA ARE QUICKLY ABATING

Canadian Press Despatch.

Manitoba, Que., April 23.—Flood conditions generally throughout Manitoba were improved this morning, according to early reports. During the past 24 hours the weather has been cool, and this has helped the situation, railway officials declared. In many parts of Manitoba the thawing went as low as the freezing point, while Brandon reports a low of 29. In Winnipeg the temperature at 8 o'clock was 36, with a light snow falling.

Railway traffic was generally getting back to normal again today, but owing to damage to roadbeds trains are being run on slow schedules in some districts.

TYPHOID SITUATION BETTER.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Manitoba, Que., April 23.—There is very little change in the typhoid situation here. If anything, there is a slight improvement. The condition of two of the critical cases is more favorable.

To add to the difficulty under which the physicians, nurses and assistants are working to combat the epidemic, the electric lighting system broke down temporarily during the week-end, causing much inconvenience.

All assistance possible has been rushed to the stricken district.

DISASTROUS FIRES SWEEP N. Y. AREA, FOUR LIVES LOST

Damage at Tottenville Copper Works Estimated at \$1,000,000.

PIERS ARE BURNED

Blaze, Aided by Wind, Threatened to Spread to Ships.

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, April 23.—A series of fires, fanned by a high wind, did great damage in the district about New York yesterday.

One at Tottenville, Staten Island, caused damage estimated at \$1,000,000 when it destroyed the Tottenville Copper Works and twenty-eight cars loaded with valuable smelting materials.

Another at Howland Hook, Staten Island, destroyed several scows and piers and for a time threatened to spread ashore and to ships.

Two laborers were suffocated in a carriage house fire in Queen's, Long Island, and two others were burned to death when fire destroyed a caretaker's lodge at Riverdale, Long Island.

P. M. R. TELEGRAPHERS THREATEN TROUBLE

Company Attempts To Reduce Wages Without Giving Notice Required.

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, Ont., April 23.—Trouble over threatened wage reductions is again reported to be brewing on the Canadian division of the P. M. R. Telegraphers' organization being the employees affected this time. A conference is being held in Detroit between the officials of the union and the company, and it is hoped that a settlement will be effected.

In the event, however, that an amicable understanding is not reached, it is understood that the federal government will be asked to intervene and to appoint a board under the industrial disputes investigation act. This company is said to have attempted to reduce the wages for telegraphers without giving the notices as required by Canadian law. About fifty operators on the division are affected.

FOUR PERSONS KILLED AS TRAIN STRIKES AUTO

Lehigh Valley Engine Crashes Into Automobile at Buffalo Crossing.

Associated Press Despatch.

Buffalo, N. Y., April 23.—Four persons are dead as the result of a grade crossing accident late yesterday night when a Lehigh Valley Railroad train struck an automobile.

The dead are Albert Sherman and his wife of Niagara Falls, and the two children of a family of Niagara Falls and Arnold Cumrow of Ransomville.

The automobile caught fire after the collision and Sherman was probably burned to death before his body dropped into Elliott Creek from the railroad bridge, where the wrecked car was piled.

Sherman's body was recovered from the water yesterday.

Mrs. Sherman and Cumrow also were terribly burned. Both died within an hour at the Tonawanda Hospital yesterday.

GETS TWO MONTHS JAIL FOR THEFT OF BICYCLE

Merlin Parrick Receives Light Sentence From Police Magistrate.

Merlin Parrick, the youth who stole a bicycle one morning a week ago, and then applied for a position on the police force in the afternoon of the same day, was sentenced to two months in the common jail by Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon in police court today. As it was his first offence, the magistrate was lenient, but warned Parrick to mend his ways, for if he came into court again charged with an offence he would be dealt with more harshly.

Parrick stole a bicycle owned by Harold Abbott, a student at the Technical School. He was identified by pawnbrokers as the man who sold them the bicycle, but he denied he had dealings with the pawnshop proprietors. He asked Chief Birrell for a job, stating he had a mother and several children to support. It was learned subsequently that he had not been living at home, and had not been supporting anyone.

William B. Shain, arrested on a warrant under the name of William B. Creek, was fined \$10 and costs for assaulting his wife. She stated he came into the house in an intoxicated condition to get sandwiches for some friends. His wife objected to him withdrawing supplies from the family larder, as he had not been working for three weeks, and she had been living on the money she had received from boarders. Her objections lead to a verbal argument, and finally Shain struck her, knocking her to the floor.

Five drunks, one a woman, paid \$10 and costs each.

