## TURKS WILL NOT ACCEPT LEAGUE MOSUL DECISION

Waiting On Arrival at Angora of Foreign Minister-Country Will Be Behind Kemal Pasha If He Decides For War.

regarding the Mosul crisis awaits the lan, who investigated the question for arrival of Foreign Minister Tewfick the league, is a British tool.

quish our rights to Mosul." This might as usual.

If Kemal Pasha declares war on Great Bey at Angora.

Angora is tense but calm. There have been no demonstrations. The Turks declare: "We will never relinguished be a constantinople for Christmas" The might be a constantinople for Christmas.

Christmas Institution in

London.

Norah Holland's beautiful Nativity

bit of drama, lived and carried its

The play was first presented four

stands adoring at her side.

The role of the Madonna was again

irable in the role of Pallas, and

Mr. Warner as Felix.

Rev. Quintin Warner played the role

K. L. March a most adequate Pan.

## NEEDY ONES AIDED NATIVITY PLAY IS AGAIN PRESENTED BY MANY BODIES

Toy Shop in St. Thomas Fire Bethlehem Has Come To Be Hall Works Overtime To Bring Joy To Kiddies.

Special to The Advertiser. St. Thomas, Dec. 23.—The men of the Play is growing into the knowledge of St. Thomas fire force are working over- the people of London with each Christtime in an effort to have the toys ready mas. For four years now, Bethlehem for distribution Thursday afternoon and has been an institution of the Christmas evening. The toy shop presents a season. Last night it was again prehappy picture. The auxiliary truck is sented in Warner Hall under the direcdecorated, and will be pressed into tion of Rev. G. Quintin Warner and service in distributing the Christmas perhaps, as never before, this exquisite cheer to the needy of the city. At the chamber of commerce rooms beautiful message across the footlights.

all is a bustle. Two hundred and twenty all is a bustle. Two nundred and twenty Christmas baskets, containing vegetables, clothing and fruit are being packed, representing purchases of \$1,200 worth of goods. Mrs. W. Folland, Mrs. worth of goods. Mrs. W. Folland, Mrs. Since its production last year, the Irail W. Collins, Mrs. R. J. Dunsmore, Mrs. Little woman who wrote the beautiful D. Meadows, Mrs. J. Black, Mrs. B. F. Lines of the play has laid down her pen forever, out her work lives and grows in its influence, after her. H. G. Gillies and D. H. McIntyre are among those engaged in the work.

The postoffice is handling a record quantity of mail. The change in the entrance to the postoffice, petitioned by the city council, and recently completed has made handling the crowds.

Altogether the play has a special interest for London.

difficult matter. Santa Claus was busy this afternoon Tivoli theatre distributing to the children during a special matinee. They were contributed by Danny McGill, J. H.

pleted, has made handling the crowds terest for London.

# ARTHUR M'LURG DIES

Prominent Tea Merchant Had of the Madonna's lullaby. Miss Lorna Been Resident For 34 Years.

For the past 34 years one of the most prominent tea merchants in this city, Arthur McLurg, aged 63 years, died at bis late residence, 337 St. James street, early last evening. Owing to falling health, Mr. McLurg retired from busispent some 30 years of his life in that district. On coming to London as a young man, Mr. McLurg at once set up in business for himself, and up until the time of his illness had conducted the business, together with his son, at their home on St. James street. Buying tea from the wholesalers of London, Mr. McLurg blended it himself and resold it to the retail merchants of the city.

He was exceptionally well known in London and throughout all of Western Content of the curtain with the curtain with the Christmas message, gave a beautiful significance to the familiar words, by her delivery of them.

Others who took part in the cast were Walter Holt, as Joseph, Agur Treleaven Walter Holt, as Joseph Holt, as Joseph

He was exceptionally well known in London and throughout all of Western Ontario. He had been an active member of the New St. James' church for ber of the New St. James' church for the church, singing the Chorus of Angels.

Meighen would attend the meeting the leader of the Conservative party.

"Detailed plans for the second meeting the performance were secured by the behind choir of the church, singing the Chorus of Angels."

Besides his widow, he is survived by one son, Earl, and his daughter, Cecile, both at home; also three brothers, Dr. James McLurg of Sault Ste. Marie; Dr. David of Detroit, and Harry of Ailsa Craig; three sisters, Mrs. Wm. Parker of London, Mrs. James McLurg of Mich., and Mrs. James McLurg of Ailsa Craig.

The funeral services will from the family of the church singing behind in da scenes, as the Chorus of Angels. Ernest O'Dell, choirmaster, directed.

BAKERY CAR CRASHES TREE, DRIVER IS BADLY BRUISED

West Lorne, Dec. 23.—Knox Presby-terian church school put on a Christmas 120 attended and sat down to supper.
Rev. Mr. Rayner, the newly-inducted minister, and Mrs. Rayner were present.

Pay Dr. Staller, and dr. abalayar. Rev. Dr. Stalker acted as chairman. The classes of Mrs. McGill, Miss Annie The classes of Mrs. McGill, Miss Annie Montgomery, Mrs. Fischer and Miss Leverington took part in the excellent program. The treat to the children of candies, oranges and toys was distributed by Assistant-Superintendent. Archer. The Sunday school superintendent tendent is Minor Boss.

### EMPLOYEES ARE FETED.

Special to The Advertiser. Clinton, Dec. 23.—The annual Christclinton, Dec. 23.—The annual Christmas entertainment for employees of the Clinton Knitting Company was neld the clinton Knitting Company was neld the guests presented Mayor Richardthe Clinton Knitting Company was neld Tuesday evening. H. G. Harper, the son with a gold-headed cane. president, was chairman. Others who entertained were Miss I. Glidden, Col. H. B. Combe, Miss L. Crich, A. A. Morrison, A. G. Calder, F. Livermore, T. W. Lewis. Santa Claus, in the person of Mr. L. Deeves, distributed gifts from a gaily-decorated Christmas tree. was then served and dancing, the Agnew orchestra, com-

## **COOLIDGE BACKS** FLIGHT TO POLE

Writes Sponsors of Project Praising Them For Initiative.

By NEGLEY FARSON.

Special Cable to the London Advertiser and the Chicago Daily News.

Angora, Turkey, Dec. 22.—(Via London, Dec. 23)—The decision of Turkey and the Chicago Daily News.

Angora, Turkey, Dec. 22.—(Via London, Dec. 23)—The decision of Turkey are the league's decision. They decision that General Ladonier, the Esthontian who investigated the question for Special to The Advertiser. which is sponsored by the American Geographical society, the Detroit Aviation society and the North American Newspaper Alliance.

The president's comment was made eral manager of the Ford Motor Company, who is president of the Detroit Aviation society and chairman of the board of control of the Detroit Arctic expedition. The letter was written from the White House on December 15. It reads as follows:

"My dear Mr. Mayo—I have your letter of December 11, signed by yourself and Mr. Frische, telling me that the Detroit Aviation society is planning to organize and privately finance an

the Detroit Aviation society is planning to organize and privately finance an expedition to explore the land west of the north pole. It has aroused the keenest personal interest. "America has always been in the

forefront of Arctic exploration, and it is fitting that we should strive to set the first to open the unknown lands to the knowledge of the world. The importance to commercial aviation in the possible development of cross the Arctic region makes the pro posed enterprise of particular value Sincerely yours, CALVIN COOLIDGE.

# **BLIND MINING GIRLS**

frail Congenital Cataracts Removed From Eyes of Two West Virginia Sisters.

> Associated Press Despatch. Huntington, W. Va., Dec. 23 .- Two from the Huntington hospital today Ontario government.

ethereal light, wearing filmy drapery and singing lullables over the simple cradle in which the Christ child sleeps.

### of singing lullables over the simple adde in which the Christ child sleeps. seph, bare-footed, and in plain garb, and in plain garb. IN QUEBEC TORY RANKS played by Miss Edith Vann, who has

of the Madonna's Iullaby. Miss Lorna Rumball spoke some beautiful lines in the role of Diana. W. B. Pope was an excellent Apollo, Miss Ruth White As Leader.

Canadian Press Despatch. Montreal, Dec. 23.-The Star in its "Immediate steps will be taken to

health, Mr. McLurg retired from business about two years ago, and since that time had been confined to his bed.

Born in Lobo township in 1862, he spent some 30 years of his life in that district. On coming to London as a Christmas message, gave a heautiful

days. "Hon. E. L. Patenaude, outstanding Quebec Conservative and leader of the party during the recent federal cam-

The funeral will be held from the

family residence at 3 p.m. on Friday afternoon. Dean Tucker will conduct

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Canadian Press Despatch.

IN TORONTO PAWNSHOP

made in Woodland cemetery.

### paign, will issue his official statement within a few days."

Lexington, Mich., and Mrs. James Mefarlane of Ailsa Craig.

The funeral services will be held from the family residence on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. James McKay of New St. James will officiate. Interment will be made in Mount Pleasant cemetery.

\*\*MOYCHIRCHSS\*\* WIORNF\*\*

Special to The Advetriser.

Lucan, Dec. 23.—Harry Lankin, driver for George Strasser, local baker, was badly bruised and shaken up when his auto left the road about a mile south of Crediton, jumped a ditch and crashed into a tree. Lankin was pinned between the delivery body of the car and the steering wheel, and while no bones were broken he was rendered JOHN FITZGERALD DIES AFTER LENGTHY ILLNESS John J. Fitzgerald, a lifelong resident this city, died at his late residence or this city, died at his late residence 178 Maitland street, yesterday after-noon, after a lengthy illness. moon, after a lengthy lliness.

Mr. Fitzgerald was born in London some 65 years ago, and has always made his home here. A boilermaker by trade, he had for many years been employed locally with the Canadian National Ballway. KNOX CHURCH S. S., W.LORNE
GIVES CHRISTMAS TREE

Special to The Advertiser.
West Lorne, Dec. 23.—Knox PresbyWest Lorne, Dec. 23.—Knox PresbyWest Lorne, Dec. 23.—Knox PresbyWest Lorne, Dec. 23.—Knox PresbyHe is resting easily now and no saritional Railway.

Besides his widow, he is survived by

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### PAY TRIBUTE TO MAYOR

St. Marys Council Fetes C. E. Rich-ardson on Retirement.

Special to The Advertiser St. Marys, Dea 23.—A pleasing event took place at the home of Mayor C. E. Richardson, when the members of the 1925 town council and other town officials gathered to honor him prior to his re-tirement at the end of this year after

Monday. Santa Claus distributed presents from a well-laden tree. Much credit is due their teacher. Miss Chambers, for the efficient manner in which she had trained the children.

not discover his loss until yesterday. Gains of from 5c to 6c over the previous close were registered. The market opened 3½c to 3¾c higher, gained another 2c or 3c during the day, and will be forced to import ket opened 3½c to 3¾c higher, gained another 2c or 3c during the day, and is out of the running as a competitor of reacted slightly on profit taking.

They were not insured against theft."



Stand of Nickle Likely to Influence Decision of Federal Authorities.

Canadian Press Despatch. whether Peter Smith, former provincial treasurer, will be paroled soon, in view of the opposition of Attorney. Ottawa, Dec. 23.-There is some doubt General W. F. Nickle and the Ontario government. The case has been before the mir

ister of justice for some days now, since a delegation presented a petition for parole of the former treasurer on a number of grounds. The desire of the delegation was that Peter Smith be released for Christmas. The department of justice is silent in regard to the letter which, according to Toronto despatches, Mr. Nickle has sent, and in mining girls, blind since birth, marched which he sets forth the attitude of the

The girls, Fay Cook, 17, and her suggested parole of Peter Smith, former city for 60 years. Gould, Liggett's Drug Store, Woolworth's and the Tivoli Theatres Ltd.
The Children's Aid society announced donations amounting to \$371.29. The Christmas Community fund totals \$555.19.
Stanley Oliver, former popular organist of First United church, and now presented the Airgooks, Opolio, Pan, Diana and Pallas are disclosed in a glade in Siding over the organ at St. James' United church, Montreal, was presented with a cane at the close of a Kiwanis ministrel show staged by the Montreal club. Mr. Oliver was musical director in the show, which brought \$10,000 to the club.

ADTHILD M'ILDC DIES

The closing picture is of the Madona with her golden hair lit by an etherval light, wearing filmy drapery and structure bullshies over the real light, wearing filmy drapery and structure bullshies over the club.

The children's Aid society announced constitutes the stage. The effect was exceeded particulation on the R. C. R. musicians, and led by L. K. Harrison, barries of Children's Aid society announced to the stage settings were professed on the stage settings were professed on the stage settings were provided by L. K. Harrison, barries and led by L. K. Harrison, b

portion of which came under the con trol of the late provincial treasurer. The government, therefore, is of the opinion that before clemency is expected restitution should be made."

## Conserve Fuel, Ottawa Warns

Chatham Is Advised of Possible Shortage—City Only Half Served.

Special to The Advertiser. Chatham, Dec. 23.—Mayor C. D. suman today received a communication from the Dominion Fuel Board warning citizens to protect themselves against a fuel shortage, which may develop early in the new year.

According to a survey made by the board, forty-five per cent. of the estimated requirements of local coal consumers have yet to be received by the dealers. sumers have yet to be received by the type of men available for the work type of men available for the work

### ESCAPED CONVICT GOING BACK TO KINGSTON PEN.

Ganadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Dec. 23.—Official notification

the charge of bank robbery against him were carried off.

PARTY FOR EX-PUPILS. Special to The Advertiser. Avon, Dec. 23 .- On Tuesday, in the

Besides his widow, he is survived by one son, Calvin, at home; his daughter, Willow, of Ayr, and one brother, Thomas, of this city; also three sisters, Mrs. Alfred Gregory of London, Mrs. Albert Hawkins of Hayden, Alberta, and Mrs. Rose Hawthorne of Toronto.

The funeral will be held from the

## **BELIEVE SESSION** TO BE SHORT ONE

Legislature Opens Feb. 10-Expect No Contentious Legislation.

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Dec. 23 .- No legislation of ment of the opening date was made by Premier Howard Ferguson this afternoon following a lengthy cabinet meetng, at which routine matters were

One legislative project of great in-terest has already been forecast by undertaken. the premier, namely, a legislative basis for a farm colony scheme for caring for the feeble-minded of the province

# AGE 73, IN MONTREAL

Former Londoner Was Prominent Manufacturers' Agent -Sister in City.

Canadian Press Despatch. Montreal, Dec. 23 .- The death occurred in the General Hospital this morning of J. Widner Nelles, prominent manufacturers' agent, in his 73rd year The exquisite incidental music, composed by F. L. Willgoose, formerly of this city, seemed to find a perfect instrument for rendition, in the orchestra chosen last plats from their grant and a Huntington surgeon.

The girls, Fay Cook, 17, and her suggested parole of Peter Smith forms.

System of Catching O. T. A. Offenders Unreliable, Ontario Police Aide Admits.

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Dec. 23 .- " Liquor operatives are a necessary evil, as there is no other way of getting evidence of infractions of the Ontario temperance act," said Alfred Cuddy, assistant com missioner of the provincial police, referring to a Port Arthur despatch to the effect that local hotelmen were considering making a protest against the methods of such operatives.

Mr. Cuddy added, however, that the such that it was difficult to assure that they would in all cases carry out in-structions. There are about 20 operatives in the employ of the province, he said.

HON. MR. LARKIN'S HOLIDAY. Associated Press Despatch.

that Gordon Simpson, escaped convict from Kingston penitentiary, would be taken direct from New York, where he was arrested, to Kingston, was received by Eric Armour, K.C., crown attorney, here, today.

He will be tried in Kingston on a charge of jail-breaking. Mr. Armour stated trades was burglar-stated trades was a convicted by the commissioner of the high commissioner, a neighbor of Sir Thomas Lipton, Lord Inverforth, whose house was burglar-stated Press Despatch.

London, Dec. 23.—Hon, P. C. Larkin will spend an bour or so of the holiday will spend an bour charge of jail-breaking. Mr. Armour stated today that if Simpson were given a substantial sentence in Kingston that the charge of hank relationships of the charge of hank relationships of the charge of hank relationships of the charge of th

TELEGRAPHERS SECEDE.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Dec. 23.—By a unanimous
tote members of the Commercial Avon, Dec. 23.—On Tuesday, in the Avon public school, a Christmas party was held in honor of Helen, Lorne and Eva Jolliffe. A number of the expupils were invited. A jolly time was spent, and gifts from one to another were presented. Cake, sandwiches, candy and coffee were served.

## WHEAT PRICES GO SOARING AS U.S. CROP FIGURES CUT

Believed That United States Will Have To Replenish Stocks in Canada—Out of the Running As Competitor in the Export Markets.

Canadian Press Despatch. having successfully served two terms as chief magistrate.

The guests presented Mayor Richardson with a gold-headed cane.

PUPILS HOLD CONCERT.
Special to The Advertiser.

Middlemarch, Dec. 23.—The pupils of S.S. No. 14 held their Christmas entertainment in the Grange hall on Monday. Santa Claus distributed presents from a well-laden tree. Much credit is due their teacher. Miss Chamber.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—Thieves have stolen diamonds from the pawnshop of James McTanney, 139 the past week, it it deation, after the market closed yester-day, of the United States department of agriculture estimate, reducing the wheat crop in that country by 28,000,000 when he was looking over his stock.

The guests presented Mayor Richardson with a gold-headed cane.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—The holiday apathy on the local grain exchange was rudely shaken today, following the publication, after the market closed yester-day of the United States department of agriculture estimate, reducing the wheat crop in that country by 28,000,000 bushels from the previous estimate.

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The eight rings were my own stock. Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—The holiday

Investment buying was heavy, while there was a big spreading trade in progress, in the shape of sales against purchases in Chicago.

Out of Export Trade.

The feeling was prevalent that the United States would have to come to Canada to replenish wheat stocks. It was indicated that traders believed the United States report confirmed pre indications that the United

## NORTH HURON GOES TO KING JUDGE LEWIS MAKES RECOUNT

Final Result Gives Progressive 5,340 Votes, Conservative 5,170 -County Judge Refuses Adjournment and Carries Out Supreme Court's Order To Count Disputed Ballots.

Special to The Advertiser. | interview here tonight, Mr. Spotton Goderich, Dec. 23.—At noon today stated that the matter was closed.
"We fought for the secrecy of the Judge E. N. Lewis proceeded with the ballot," he said, "feeling that a ballo rehearing of the North Huron federal that was not secret was not a British the horizon for the approaching ses-sion of the Ontario legislature, which instructions of Mr. Justice Wright, desion of the Ontario legislature, which instructions of Mr. Justice II. W. King, will convene on Feb. 10. Announce-clared a majority for J. W. King, administration. Sir James Whitney gave us our sacred, secret ballot. Progressive, of 170. On resuming his hearing his honor

refused the request of George Spotton's attorney for an adjournment, and procleared up preparatory to most of the ministers leaving to spend Christmas attorney for an adjournment, and proceeded without arguments being heard to carry out the order of Mr. Justice the counterfoil, and when the counterfoil, and when the counterfoil to carry out the order of Mr. Justice the counterfoil and when the Wright of the supreme court of On- foil is left on there is no secrecy.

seded by the new official count.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Dec. 23.—As far as George Spotton, the Conservative candidate, is concerned, the fight for possession of the federal seat of North Huron ended today with the decision of Judge Lewis in the recount declaring J. W. King, Progressive candidate, elected. In an electric count of the double blundering of this can be D.R.O., which still left the ballots of his poll secret, the fight would never have gone this far. We have no desire to take advantage of any technicalities. "I may add." concluded Mr. Spotton. "that when my chieftain, Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, learned of this phase of the matter he heartily concurred in my view."

Car, 6 Occupants

Hangs On Bridge

Special to The Advertiser.

Warwick, Dec. 23 .- Six people had

Warwick, Dec. 23.—Six people had narrow escapes in a serious accident on the 18th sideroad of Warwick on Tuesday night. A car driven by Donald McLacy was proceeding northward when it skidded and collided with the railing of a bridge. The front wheels and axle were torn

The front wheels and axle were torn

into a deep ditch. Leslie Kenzie and four high school girls from Watford

REWARDED FOR HONESTY

Toronto, Dec. 23.-Albert Wadley,

street car conductor, has been rewarded

\$15,000 worth of diamonds and handed

it over to the lost articles department,

by which they were returned to their Brussels

rightful owner. Wadley has been is carrying his

a check by the owner of the diamonds, his automobile.

presented with a diamond stickpin and the result of a "kick"

for honesty. Last August Wadley picked through the Peace River area

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Canadian Press Despatch.

from the car, and it was left supended in such a way that t merest touch would overbalance

STREET CAR CONDUCTOR

were the passengers.

# Hotel Brighton

numbered ballot in the days of the Ross

Double Error Found.

terday I learned that in one poll th

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Canadian Press Despatch.

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 23.—Offers will be

made for the British Columbia govern-

River block, it was stated here today.

ay a proposal to this effect before the

Ottawa to press the matter.

While the premier will ask that the

used as subsidies to aid the

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written memorandum and then

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