—BY HARRY MOYER

HAR! HAR! HAR!

TH BOSS SAYS SOME FELLERS'

THEIR FEET IF THEY LIVED TO BE A THOUSAND!

NEWBURG, N.Y. CENTENARIAN

ARE THE SECRETS OF LONGEVITY

DECLARES HUMOR AND WORK

RUMMY RHYMES

SOME PEOPLE TO TH' MOVIES GO

WHILE OTHERS FIND 'EM RATHER SLOW

AND SIT AND SNORE AND SLEEP!

AND SIT AND ROAR AND WEEP

GREAT JOKE!

DIBS AND DABS

EASY ON TIRES AND NO FINES TO PAY

AND SICH!

FLYING BY AIRPLANE A CHEAP WAY

RUNAND

GET A PINT OF

MILK EDDIE

SHAMOKIN, PA. ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT WATER

Ten-Year-Old Girl to Give

Evidence as Trial Opens

Today.

Special to The Advertiser.

Sidney, Ohio, Dec. 12.-America's

youngest mother will testify today

against Rev. L. W. Irwin, her step-

father, charged with the paternity

Elizabeth, the child mother, who

he time declared the birth estab-

lished a record for precocious

will testify to his good character, Harry K. Forsythe, his attorney,

would prove she was 9 years old when the alleged assault was made.

her baby have been living with Mrs.

Irwin, who has one child by her present marriage, an 18-months-old

Mrs. Irwin, Forsythe said, will ap-

pear in court to defend her hus-band's reputation. Elizabeth's baby

also will be brought into court. Prose-cutor Marshall declared he had other

testimony beside that of the girl to testify Irwin took her into the coun-try and lived with her while his wife

woman's pocketbook in the Market

the state's first witness. Dr.

the age of Elizabeth.

of her 4-months-old son.

indicted by a grand jury.

motherhood.

YOUR PAPA

TO TRAVEL ACCORDING TO GARDEN

CITY N.Y. EXPERT

'R RECKLESS DRIVIN'

General Election Takes Place Poincare Declares Suspicions in the Commonwealth on Saturday.

LABOR HAS STRONG HOLD ENGLISH PAPERS REPLY

Many Fear Dissensions in the Some Defend the Georgian Other Groups Will Give Party Majority.

Special to The Advertiser

By a Staff Correspondent. Ottawa, Dec. 11 .- The British Commonwealth is suffering this autumn from an epidemic of general elections. The Mother Country and New Zealand have just elected fresh parliaments, perform the same duty next Saturday. Not only has a new House of Com-

mons to be elected, but one-half of the France. Senate have to submit themselves for re-election under a scheme of proportional representation. All throughout let pass any inexactitude, and dethe parliament which has just ended Mr. Hughes has been hanging on by has for its object annexation of the the skin of his teeth, and time and east bank of the Rhine exists only time again last session, which was as in the imagination of Lloyd George. strenuous as it was barren in useful work, he escaped defeat by majoritles ion of the Franco-British guaranty of one or two on want of confidence

Mr. Hughes has been since the later years of the war leader of the Nation-alist party, which was formed out of combination of the Liberal party with the pro-war Laborites. The Country party, which is fortunate in the pos-session of a very able leader in Dr. Page, and, being agrarian in composi-tion, bears strong resemblance to our Lloyd George always has unfounded own Progressives, only took form at the last election, and for the first two sessions gave fairly consistent support French policy. It agrees with Pointo the Hughes ministry.

Conditions Intolerable. Mr. Hughes, who could have waited till April, 1923, found the parliamentary situation intolerable, and has now ended it by a general election, which, despite an absence of any major issues, has produced a very bitter campaign. Not only has the Hughes government to face the attacks of the Labor and men to perpetuate their hold on the Country parties, but his own Nationalist Rhine."

party is far from a solid entity.

Mr. W. A. Watt, who was serving as treasurer, and was virtually Mr. Hughes's second in command, quarreled with his leader and resigned from the how strong the French demand for cabinet. He remained in parliament the Rhine frontier then was, and we as an independent, and at intervals all know of Foch's public protest directed a stream of effective criticism when the treaty was signed without

There are, therefore, four distinct groups contending for the favor of the electorate, the Nationalists, Labor, the Liberals and the Country party. Though ment of the Rhine frontier from the Country and Labor parties do not overlap very much, three-cornered contests are very common, and the result is very difficult to forecast, but there s little anticipation that any one group | sently made will secure a clear majority by itself.

Has Back to Wall. Mr. Hughes, who has his back to the wall, has compromised himself in the public eye by shifting his seat. In his Labor days he sat for a working class riding of Sydney, but when he left the Labor party he migrated to Bendigo in Victoria. Now he declares that a in electoral boundaries has projudiced his chances at Bendigo, and has deserted it for North Sydney. s the rich residential

areas of that city. He claims that the safety of this seat will leave him free to exercise his cam paigning talents over a wide area, but timorousness which is a sure prelude of defeat. Mr. Hughes has one very able out any previous experience in politics was brought straight to the treasury a year ago. He rowed at one time in the Cambridge University boat, and had a ters are busily engaged defending their chief issue of the lection. They are being attacked for atravagance in expenditure, and there is little doubt but that there has been scandalous waste of public money repatriation schemes, and particular some housing projects. Bruce, in his last budget, found himself unable to effect most of the nies which he had promised. Byplay is being made with the fact that

salaries of the members were cut There is also grave criticism of the sugar agreement, whereby the govern-ment buys the whole sugar crop, has it refined by the Colonial Sugar Refin-Company, and sells it at fixed enable the Queensland sugar grower to pay the statutory wages enforced by inflict serious hardship upon the jam manufacturers of the southern states, and the accounts have been so

kept that it is impossible to

ascertain whether the venture has been fitable or not. Attacked by Labor.

Mr. Hughes is also being attacked by the Labor party because he acted in the Near Eastern crisis with needless haste. They hold that he should have consulted parliament and taken a referendum before he promised any cooperation. Fears are expressed that the dissensions within the anti-labor forces and their bitter quarrels will put the Labor party in possession of a clear majority and bring it back to power. Its ablest leader, Mr. E. G. Theodore the premier of Queensland, refuses to leave the provincial field, but Mr. Charlton, who succeeded to the federal leadership on the death of Mr. F. G. Tudor, is a vigorous and able politician and is generally respected. Yet the Labor party is not without its difficul-ties, and internal dissensions and recent ocal elections have shown the average tor to be distrustful of reckless Labor finance, and to fear the influence

f the extremist wing.

The Australian situation is therefore,
y all accounts, as confused as in other ountries, and after the election some ort of coalition will probably be necesort of coalition will pro sary. But the general impression is that Mr. Hughes has reached the end political career, and his mies will prove too much for him.

of Britisher Concerning France Are Unfounded.

Charges, While Morning Post Backs French.

By HENRY SOMERVILLE. Special Cable to The Advertiser.

(Copyright). London, Dec. 12 .- Lloyd George's article which was published in The Advertiser last Saturday, blaming France for hindering the restoration and the voters of Australia are due to of order in Europe, is the subject of keen controversy and warm comment

by newspapers both here and in

Premier Poincare of France declares that he is "dtermined not to clares that he is "determined not to Commenting on the charge that he is responsible for the non-conclus pact, proposed by Lloyd George at Cannes, Poincare says Lloyd George "forgot that he never replied to posi-tive and just propositions which I made to him on several occasions."

Case Against France. The Morning Post says the Lloyd George article "Piles up an oily and insidious case against our ally, France."

care that the Cannes pact offered by Lloyd George was hedged around by conditions which made it useles The Post adds that Lloyd George' diplomacy was diplomacy of a politi-

cal sharper.
The Times says: "It is not altogether a misfortune that the article should have the effect of drawing from Poincare an emphatic denial of a desire of any part of his country

The Chronicle comments on Poin-care's reply to Lord George that "those who were in touch with the

this feature."
Proposal Was Made.

The Manchester Guardian also quotes Foch as demanding detachby Monsieur Dariac. special envoy of Poincare.

The Guardian continues: Poincare may, if he likes, draw distinctions between annexation and the kind of absorption which would be a necessary consequence of permanent military occupation, but it is a distinction which need not enter it is a distinction which need need not enter it is a distinction whic many is the avowed object of many newspapers and politicians in France and the policy of Poincare's government lends color to the suspicion that it may be his also.'

REPUBLICANS MOVE TO LAY ASIDE SUBSIDY BILL

Would Force President Harding to Abandon Attempt to Pass Measure.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12. - A movement has originated on the Republican side of the Senate chamber to induce President Harding to withdraw his ship subsidy. A poll is being taken with a view to proving to WOMAN SEIZES THIEF the president that there are enough votes to pass the measure. It will be taken to the White House

in an effort to show the executive that the only way out is the shortest way out-lay the bill aside; pass the appropriation; provide farm credits; Board situation, and avoid an extra session of the new congress, March 4. an exciting tussie.

The alternative, which will be The victim of t

pointed to, is-certain ultimate defeat of the ship subsidy by a vote; tedious proceedings for several weeks against ing from a shopping trip in this city. a strong opposition, which has been der arms were loaded with bundles organized to delay action on the and she was rummaging in her measure; inevitable postponement of ital measures, and a consequent session of the new congress after for her. When she

BRITISH BOWLERS DEFEATED. Pretoria, S.A., Dec. 12.—The British bowlers again yesterday were dea South African team. Pretoria district winning the game against the tourists by 85 to 73.

CHILD MOTHER WILL Here's Another Skeleton BLAME STEPFATHER In London's Civic Closet

Ghost of Government by Commission Haunts the City Hall -Favorably Voted On Years Ago and Died a Lingering Death.

Once again there are rumors of government is still in its experigovernment by commission for Lon- mental stage.

The curious part of it is that these whisperings around the city hall are have been in London, as well as in really echoes. London long ago other municipal centres, that the for several weeks after her baby voted on and accepted a commission municipal legislators could not agree was born last July, denied that she form of government. In some mys- upon one broad outline. It has been had "any boy friends," later gave terious way, however, the new ven- seemingly a common failing for orauthorities a statement implicating ture faded gradually away, and now ganizations as well as individual alher stepfather. He immediately was no one seems quite sure where the dermen or others involved or inter-

matter stands. Elizabeth, now 11, was 10 when The most likely theory advanced is insist that it be inaugurated, to the her baby was born. Medical men at that individual members of city exclusion of all others. councils in past years, with their One of the first American cit own ideas of how a municipality experiment decided that the members should be governed, have been should be appointed by the governor chiefly responsible for the fact that to whom they would alone be responthere is no commission form of gov- sible

Irwin's defence comprises a flat denial of the charges. Methodist ministers from all over the district ernment in London today. This is the frank opinion of those municipal authorities questioned to-The girl-mother is the state's star day in this respect who have made a study of this type of administra-United States.

Where It Went. The Advertiser tried to find out today just why Lendon has not a commission form of government despite the fact that several years ago the citizens, by a substantial majority, ruled to "try anything

once," as it were. Action was taken, it seems, and was quarantined for scarlet fever.
A jury was selected yesterday, and the provincial government was approached with a tentative outline of Swartz, recorder of vital statistics, testified to the birth of the baby, and what was desired by at least a ma tority of the civic administrators of that day. The result was, it is related, that they were not wholly agreed as to what they did want, or

WHO GRABBED HANDBAG

Philadelphia, Dec. 12.—After it is alleged he had snatched a young woman's pocketbook in the Market street ferry house yesterday, Herman Shore was captured, following an exciting tussle.

The victim of the theft, Mrs. J. T. Connell of Camden. was returning to the same of the proper form, and then the come back to us with your proposition, and then we'll have a look at it. You'll get what you want then if t least what they may have thought street ferry house yesterday, Herman Shore was captured, following T. Connell of Camden, was return-

it. You'll get what you want then if of government is the ideal situation Her arms were loaded with bundles and she was rummaging in her pocketbook to get ferry fare when shore offered to carry her packages for her. When she referred is not clear-cut record in municipal circles as to what the provincial government.

Couldn't Agree.

The greatest difficulty appears to ested to advance a pet scheme and

Viewing the results from afar, another of the larger American cities first of the year. concluded that it would be more were elected by the popular vote of the people. It was believed that the people who paid the taxes would eventually, as was subsecured. tion as undertaken in scattered eventually, as was subsequently points throughout Canada and the proved, it is said, resent the fact that they could not choose their own

representatives. The result wa The result was that while the people were satisfied in this respect. t was found well nigh impossible to ect to the commission experts in every instance. Then another city, confident that

it would only benefit by the errors to appoint a business manager with an elective commission. This proved a huge success, it is reported, up to Too Good to Last.

The business manager was such ar efficient person and the community thrived under his rule as never before, despite his high salary (which was considered an investment and tions put to her by officers. She re-States government finally "gobbled" him up at a stupendous salary. The the city in question has, of course, secured a successor, and time alone can tell whether he will prove equally successful or whether the town will slip back to its precarious position

of several years ago.

Experts seem to be of one mind, wever, that the commis once the local "powers that be" agree upon what suits the local situation, and have their scheme approved by

Believe Police Commission Trying to Pass Bylaw to Drive Them From Streets.

BILL PASSED IN SECRET Measure Includes License Fee of \$10 a Seat, Together

With Insurance.

City omnibus operators believe the police commissioners are attempting by means of a heavy license fee and numerous restrictions, alleged to be unfair, to drive them off the streets J. E. BOOMER DIES of London. Last night at a meeting the 'bus men decided to call a meeting with a view to beginning a battle to prevent the commissioners' bylaw

passing the city council. Tonight the 'bus owners will meet at the A. L. A. headquarters in the Bank of Toronto Chambers. They have invited Mayor-elect George Wenige, Dr. R. W. Shaw and the ldermen and aldermen-elect to be

Although the police commission passed the bylaw at a meeting on November 21, the first intimation the operators had of it was yesterday morning when Inspector Lucas provided each 'bus owner with a copy of the ordinance.

Want Public Opinion.

"We want the opinion of the people on the matter," one of the opera-tors, who acted as spokesman for the others, told The Advertiser. "The bylaw was passed before the election, but they did not allow the matter to come out until the result of would have welcomed a discussion on the matter at those public meetings held during the campaign, so that the voice of the people could have been heard."

at the age of 23 years. About 37 years ago he came to London, and been heard." As the police commission meets in

camera, not even the press being admitted, and as none of those attending the meeting saw fit to notify the Walker. newspapers of the business transacted, the matter did not come to the attention of the public until yester-

point out that many of the restric-tions placed on them are not placed property on their competitor, the London Street Railway Company.

They point out, for instance, that if a citizen was waiting to be taken home, and a bus filled to its seating capacity arrived, it would have to continue on its way without the citthe doors, would be allowed to take the passenger. Other points will be known Nova Scotian. He married an brought out and thoroughly discussed Irish girl, Sarah Crawford, and moved lines of county councils. Mr. at tonight's meeting.

cided all tickets, early no matter by what busmen they were issued, will be accepted on any bus line, and transfers to and from all place at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

has not had Mr. Drury's experience, and consequently has not the same point of view." men intend to open an office in th business section of the city at the

"HAMMER SLAYER"

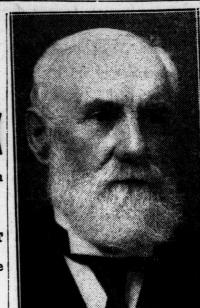
Suspect Arrested at Casper, Wyoming, Said To Be the Hunted Murderess.

Special to The Advertiser. Casper, Wy., Dec. 12 .- Police today

quizzed a woman said to answer closely the description of Mrs. Clara Phillips, escaped "hammer murder-

The woman was arrested last night

not an expenditure) that the United quested that she be placed in a dark cell. A man got off the train with the woman and the pair separated, the woman taking one taxicab and the man another. Police trailed the woman's cab for two blocks before been unable to locate her companion The woman, as described by police medium height, and weighing approximately 155 pounds. She is fairly good-looking, with dark complexion. She carried a sultcase, but it conolice, she answers closely the decription of Mrs. Phillips as sent out



prominent London citizen who died at an early hour this morning.

Well-Known Confectioner Passes in His 84th Year -Had Many Friends.

John E. Boomer, one of London's

most prominent confectioners, died early this morning at his residence, 565 Colborne street, in his 84th year. The late Mr. Boomer had been confined to his home for more than a year, and was unable to be about

came peacefully, his death being attributed merely to old age. When a young man he moved to Waterloo county and founded a sawbought out a confectionery business on Dundas street owned by a Mr.

Mr. Boomer was unfamiliar with candy and ice cream making, but after a period of three years the business commenced to thrive. Twelve years ago he relinquished all control the U. F. O. was wrong. If the \$10-a-seat tax is placed on years ago he relinquished all conthe operators it will mean that some of them will be paying as high as \$200 for licenses, whereas at present Boomer, the present manager.

\$200 for licenses, whereas at present the license fee is \$15.

Operators declare conditions for them will be intolerable if they have the work under this bylaw. They pointed trustee and chairman of the property committee. Always a strong temperance advocate, he contributed in no small way to prohibi-tion work in this city.

Mr. Boomer had four children—

one son and three daughters, the of us. He is an exponent of group latter predeceasing him. He is surwhile a street car, jammed to doors, would be allowed to take

Mr. Boomer's father was a well
Whole. The best system, to my mind. vived by his wife, Rebecca Boomer,

The funeral will be held an Thurs-

SIGHT BRITISH FREIGHTER ON ROCKS OF PACIFIC COAST

Lives of 55 People in Danger as Vessel Rushes to Rescue.

San Francisco, Dec. 12.-The British freight steamer Oreteric, carrying 55 persons, aground off Fish Rock, on the California coast, 50 miles north of Point Reyes, was sighted at 1:40 a.m. today by the steamer El Segundo, according to a wireless message received at the Federal Telegraph Company's beach radio station here. The El Segundo left San Francisco last night to rescue the Oreteric.

The El Segundo also reported that the Oreteric was being pounded on after her arrival on a Burlington train from Billings, Mon.

She refused to answer any questions as steep coast and that it was unlikely any of the crew had gone ashore, but that it would not be difficult. that it would not be difficult to effect a rescue.

The Oreteric, a steel vessel of 6,696

tons, left San Francisco yesterday for Eureka, where she was to load lumber. She is owned by the Bank Line, Limited. Her home port is

ASK HUSBAND ADVANCE MONEY TO PROTECT WIFE

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 12.-Ney J. tained no letters or other means of Ford, whose wife, May Blenn Ford, identification. According to the is being held in the county jail on a Ford, whose wife, May Blenn Ford. charge of plotting to kill her hus-Shore offered to carry her packages for her. When she refused, it is charged, he snatched her bag from her arm, and ran. Dropping her bundles, Mrs. Connell seized Shore by the coat and held to him, although he dragged her over the floor in his efforts to free himself.

Traffic Patrolman Clark ran to her assistance and arrested Shore.

In municipal circles as to what the provincial government.

The machinery for London's venture is at Toronto, merely waiting to be set in motion when the councillors and others interested in the cillors and others interested in the cillors and others interested in the time is opportune for government by a commission and not by several spending bodies who do not always assistance and arrested Shore.

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'KIDNAPPING" OF WOMAN PROVES TO BE ARREST prised of the executive and nine out-

her freedom.

from the vicinity of Colorado avenue R. Dickens, F. Raff. W. Balley. and John R. street telling of the attempted kidnaping of a woman p caused the Highland Park police patO. will be held on the second Satur rol to start for that corner in a hurry day in January.

Monday. officers found Detective Dan Patch struggling with Mary Bonski, a maid, of 13823 Orleans street whom he had arrested on suspicion G

Members in East of County Would Broaden Out the Farmers' Party.

OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

A. L. Hodgins, M.L.A., De clares Secretary Morrison Is Wrong.

The merry scrap between Premier Drury and J. J. Morrison created amicable debate among delegates to the annual meeting of the East Middlesex branch of the United Farmers of Ontario, held at the county coun-'cil chambers vesterday

The majority of members favored the premier's "broadening out" policy at the expense of Mr. Morrison's ideas. A. L. Hodgins, member of parliament for East Middlesex. seemed to express the general attitude when he said that "Mr. Morrison is absolutely wrong under present conditions."

W. J. Freeborn, M.L.A., supported the views of the federal member and stated that Mr. Drury's actions have never been inconsistent with the policy adopted by East Middlesex. claimed that at the next provincial election the premier should be refor the past six months. The 'end turned on his own administrative rec-

The battle between the two U. F. He was born on a farm in Halton county, near Georgetown, in 1839. greement," etc.

George Bogue of Lambeth was re-elected president of the East Middlemill business. There he was married sex branch of the society. T. H. Stan ley, vice-president, and H. A. Urquhart, secretary-treasurer.

In his address Mr. Hodgins stated that the Canadian Council of Agricultureat Winnipeg in 1920 drafted a clause in their platform that was accepted by the U. F. O. This embraced Mr. Drury's "broadening out policy to the full. He contended the party should not be one of class in-

Drury Handicapped. "Although we farmers think we have great problems, city men are faced with equally great problems.

Mr. Hodgins said.
"Mr. Drury has been severely handicapped during his entire term of office. Great credit is attached to him for the capable manner in which he met obstacles on all sides "Morrison is as true as steel so far

as he sees daylight," he averred, "but he sees daylight further than most to this section of the country at an son does not see difficulties in the same light as Mr. Drury because he point of view."

One of the delegates asked the

speaker if the U. F. O. was interested in politics.
Fears Party Split.

"The U. F. O. is actually in policies," answered Mr. Hodgins. "Th council of agriculture has definitely decided to take no part in politics That is a good reason for the forming of a central organization for advertising the political aims of the party."
One of the members stated that if the Drury-Morrison quarrel con-tinues much longer he believed it would result in a "split of the party W. J., Freeborn, M. L. A. said that two years ago the economic situation which the farmer found himself in was discouraging. However, they took heart in the belief that commodities in the cities would come down in proportion to farm produce. Mr. Freeborn advised U. F. O. clubs to promote the social end of their yearly programs with greater energy He offered a cup fo among the members of the clubs taking part in the debates.

W. E. Greive thought that if Mr. Drury were not elected next year it would be a real defeat for the Progressive party. Mr. Morrison was making a big mistake and misleading Oleomargarine many people. Oleomargarine was "slid in" as a war measure that influential men of the government might reap great profits, he said. Elect Officers.

F. E. Adams supported the action of the western members of the party in allowing the importation of oleomargarine mer should be able to stand competition. In connection with the clause which provides for only farmers being members of the U. F. O. or holding political office with that body, he recommended, in compliance with the broadening-out policy, that this should be changed to include all trades and vocations. In adhering to that clause the U. F. O. did no which was, a helping hand toward all. Others suggested that Mr. Adams' remarks be condensed in the form of a resolution, but owing to inadequate notification it was decided

to take no action. The elections resulted as follows: President and director, George Boguof Lambeth; vice-president, T. Stanley; secretary-treasurer, H. A. Urquhart; directors for London Township, M. Dickie, E. Morrow; Biddulph, R. Dickens; Dorchester Rath; Westminster, Robi Elliot; Nissouri, J. Johnston: tors, Wm. Bailey and Bert Hughes. A special picnic committee com-Detroit, Dec. 12.—Telephone calls born A. L. Hodgins, R. Fitzgerald, G. Laidlaw, F. E. Adams, Bert Hughes, A debating committee will be anointed late The annual meeting of the W. U. F.

HURT IN AUTO CRASH.

Montreal, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Howard Kelly, wife of the former presicember 4, of jewelry valued at \$1,500, from the home of Mrs. John H. about the face when the taxi in
Allmand, 121 Colorado avenue. which she was riding collided with of being implicated in the theft De- dent of the Grand Trunk Railway, The patrol took both to head- an automibile truck on Sherbrooke street west yesterday.

Keeping Up With the Jones.







