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DRY NAVY BOAT EXPLODES GIANT HIGHBALL AT SEA

Captain Tawes, of the Hahn, with Aid of Depth Charge Mixes 9,600 Quarts of Scotch With Salt Water.

(New York Tribune.) Captain Tawes of the good ship Hahn, of the Prohibition Navy, mixed a mighty high ball Thursday, of the capacity of about a cubic acre, twelve miles off the Long Island shore. It became known yesterday that a depth bomb he mixed 9,600 quarts of Scotch with the surrounding sea water.

Similar tactics had been employed two days before by prohibition enforcement agents operating in Puget Sound, but Captain Tawes hit upon the expedient without knowledge of the incident, while pondering on the problem presented by 9,600 bottles of Scotch at the bottom of the Atlantic about the spot.

The whisky went to the bottom early last week. There were 800 cases of it. A launch had run alongside a whisky runner and was starting shoreward with the precious cargo when it was overwhelmed by heavy seas and sank. The two men who comprised the crew were rescued by a boat from the whisky runner, but the cargo went to the bottom.

Suspects Salvage Plot. Captain Tawes heard of the incident and suspected that salvage operations might be undertaken promptly. In the development of the bootlegging industry, such wrecking crews have found a secure place. They are made up of skillful and daring men and demand and receive top-notch wages for their work.

The Hahn cruised for several days in the vicinity of the spot where the launch went down. A tug was observed following the same tactics and once the lookout on the Hahn caught its crew taking soundings.

This convinced Captain Tawes that preparations for the salvage of the liquor were almost complete. It was one of the questions of the Hahn to post its vessel as a sentry to prevent the enterprise, as soon or later, he would be compelled to give up the post and the watching salvage crew would take advantage of the opportunity and complete the job.

Decided to Destroy Whisky. Captain Tawes decided to destroy the whisky and speed back to port, where he persuaded navy officials to lend him three depth bombs. He then ordered his vessel to be fired back to the drunken whisky. The bombs were set for the proper depth and rolled over the stern of the Hahn, which fled from the spot.

From a distance of a few hundred yards the crew of the Hahn saw a routing water spout twist upward. The vessel returned to the spot and tests were made which indicated that the whisky had been destroyed. Captain Tawes said that the experiment had been a success. Members of the crew said it felt much of a high ball being too salt and tasting somewhat of the thousands of fish which were killed in its mixing. But, as Captain Tawes reminded the grumblers, onions can be made without breaking eggs.

RODNEY WHARF

Asked this morning regarding the question of repairs to the street railway trestle in Rodney Wharf, Commissioner Bullock said that he had the question up with Mr. A. P. Fuller and Mr. Sanderson of the Power Company, who had assured him that the renewal of some ties and pilings would be looked after and the service resumed as soon as possible.

Mr. Bullock at the same time asked the Power Company people if they would consider a proposal to issue transfers to patron. On last Saturday, he said, Mrs. Gibson asked him to swear to something, but he asserted he told her she was talking to the "wrong type of woman."

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NEW WITNESS IN THE NEW JERSEY MURDER CASE

Grand Jury Hears Twelve Witnesses in the First Day—Incidents of Interest.

(Canadian Press.) Somerville, N. J., Nov. 21.—The case which Special Prosecutor Wilbur A. Mott has woven out of the mystery surrounding the murder of Kent E. Zander Wheeler Hall and Mrs. Eleanor R. Mills, had its first official hearing yesterday, when twelve persons told their stories to the Somerset county grand jury.

Mr. Mott expected today to offer the evidence of ten or more other witnesses. Three women are sitting on the grand jury.

The proceedings were more than usually guarded. A squad of state troopers patrolled the court house and surrounding grounds. They established a "dead line" around the jury room, and beyond it no one was permitted to pass.

Women, scores of them, came early. They hung over the dark rail balcony which is built inside the court house on the second floor, in the vain hope that Mrs. Hall, widow of the slain minister, or Mrs. Jane Gibson, who raises pigs and has become the most important witness in the case, would appear.

At the opening session, Mr. Mott, aided by A. M. Beckman, prosecutor of Somerset County, outlined to the grand jury the salient features of the case.

A. J. Cardinal, a New Brunswick newspaperman, was called to tell how the bodies of the murdered pair lay when he first saw them stretched out under a crab-apple tree on the lonely Phillips farm. His story was to the effect that he picked up letters addressed to the body and held them until the police arrived. Dr. E. L. Lobelin, a veterinarian, succeeded him on the stand.

By that time Mott had discovered that his witnesses could be seen from without. So the plaintiff stand was changed and later the curtains were drawn.

Caused Sensation. A sensation was caused when Pearl Bahner, who was with Raymond Schaefer when the bodies were found, came through an underground passage from the jail grand jury room.

Consider by the time one government witness had finished his story, the grand jury was in a state of confusion. No matter how discredited an administration or a congress may be, the term of office remains fixed by the revolution of the earth around the sun. At least six months before the appointed date the campaign begins. It drags on until a Tuesday in November. Then a new Congress is elected. But a month later the campaign begins. It drags on until a Tuesday in November. Then a new Congress is elected. But a month later the campaign begins.

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TWO MINISTERS ELECTED



Major G. C. Tryon (right), Minister of Finance, and Sir Montague Barkworth (left), Minister of Labor, in the Bonar Law Cabinet, were both elected.

MONCTON VIEW OF ALLOTMENT OF SKATING MEET

Moncton, N. B., Nov. 21.—At a meeting of the Moncton Skating Association, last evening, members recorded themselves as opposed to the action of the A. S. A. in the allotment of the International meet to a citizens' committee in the City of St. John, which was not affiliated with the M. P. B. of the A. S. A. It was said that the only affiliated body with the M. P. B. of the A. S. A. was the Moncton A. S. A. organized this year.

MUTINY ON SHIP AT THE GOLDEN GATE

San Francisco, Nov. 21.—Two men were injured, probably seriously, last night when the deck crew of the steam schooner Jacinto, bound from this port to Grays Harbor, Washington, mutinied against the captain and his officers. The ship's officers say liquor was the cause of the mutiny.

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IT MEANS LITTLE TO AVERAGE CONSUMER

Have you analyzed the new schedule of rates announced by the New Brunswick Power Company for next January? It will pay the average consumer of light to do so.

The company promises a reduction for residence lighting to nine cents a k. w. hr. for the first twenty-five k. w. hrs. a month. How many families in St. John are householders who in a month burn eighty k. w. hr. At 15 cents a k. w. hr. he is charged \$2.70, less 10 per cent discount, or \$2.43 net. Under the new rate his bill will be 18 k. w. hr. at 9 cents, or \$1.62, with no discount.

What will it be under hydro? Exactly ninety-two cents. On the basis of 1,000 feet floor space, the fixed charge will be thirty cents, which added to eighteen k. w. hr. at four cents—seventy-two cents—makes \$1.02, less ten per cent discount or ninety-two cents.

Another example: A consumer using forty-nine k. w. hr. at present is confronted with a bill for \$7.45, less 10 per cent discount, or \$6.62 net. Under the new rate this amount of current will cost as follows: Twenty-five k. w. hr. at nine cents, or \$2.25; and twenty-four k. w. hr. at eight cents, or \$1.92—total, \$4.17. No discount.

Under hydro, with 1,500 square feet of floor space at three cents a hundred, the charge will be forty-five cents, plus forty-five k. w. hr. at four cents, or \$1.80, plus four k. w. hr. at two cents, or \$6.62 net. This is less than half the new rate promised by the Power Company.

And so on. At least it must be remembered that with hydro the consumer will double, at the least. In many cases in Ontario it has risen in a very short time from eighteen k. w. hr. to sixty k. w. hr. a month. Think what that means all round.

JEWELRY OPENING SALE DELAYED BY RUSH OF ARRIVALS

The sale slated to celebrate the grand opening of the new stock of L. L. Sharpe & Son with a complete replenishment of the huge stock just cleared out by auction has been postponed till Thursday. The unexpected arrival of stocks that would lend extra class to the initial display has taxed the efforts of the staff of nine engaged in unpacking and it is not expected all will be completed until late tomorrow night. Some very sensational values will be offered by this old established firm to advertise their new exhibits of gift jewelry.

THREE ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

No Opponent for Robichaud in Gloucester—Contests in Halifax and Lanark.

Yesterday was nomination day for candidates to fill the five vacant federal seats. There will be contests in only two constituencies, Lanark, Ontario, and Halifax. John G. Robichaud sits for Gloucester, N. B., by acclamation.

Eusebe Roberge is the new member for Megantic, Quebec; and Theodore Rousseau will represent Jacques Cartier. These men are Liberals and their constituencies were represented by Liberals in the last Parliament. In Lanark there is a straight fight between Dr. R. F. Preston, Conservative, and David Findlay, Liberal. Halifax will see a three-cornered fight. Hon. R. E. Finn, member of the Provincial Government without portfolio, who has been in the Legislature since 1909, is the official nominee of the Liberal party. J. J. Power, K. C., will run as a Conservative. G. B. Cromwell, O'Connell is the candidate of the Labor party.

LOCAL NEWS

"THE ORIENTAL FAIR"
Interview the re-incarnation of Bors the Babylonian, at Knox School Hall tonight. 4265-11-22

Pantry Sale, Imperial Lobby, Friday, Nov. 24, at 3 p. m. Opportunity Circle, King's Daughters. 4299-11-23

PERSONALS

Miss Gladys Rowe, daughter of Dr. John Rowe, superintendent of the Manhattan State Hospital, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Aubrey Turnbull, of this city, has returned to her home in New York.

Miss Gertrude McNamara, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis in the St. John Infirmary, is convalescing. Her friends will be pleased to know.

Mrs. George A. Henderson returned home today from Fredericton, where she has been visiting relatives and friends.

YORK COUNTY PROBATE COURT

Fredricton, N. B., Nov. 21.—In the York County Probate Court before Judge P. J. Hughes, letters testamentary have been granted in the will of John McMurphy of Lake George, of Prince William, farmer, to Jas. F. McMurphy of Fredericton, merchant, and to James Albert McMurphy of Prince William, farmer. The estate is probated at \$84,681.

In the estate of the late Chas. Henry Giles of Kingsclear, letters of administration have been issued to John Edward Giles, his son. He died without will. The estate is probated at \$12,976, of which \$7,200 is real and \$5,776 personal property.

Letters testamentary also were taken out in the estate of the late Mrs. A. M. Giles, widow of C. S. Giles. The estate is probated at \$34,681.

ON NOVEMBER 28

The Times has been asked to state that the meeting of the ratepayers of Simonds in regard to the sewerage question will be held on Tuesday, November 28, instead of on Tuesday, November 21, as was published recently in a report of the meeting of the Sewerage Board.

BLUEBERRY PLANT LEASE

Fredricton, N. B., Nov. 21.—At the crown lands office today a blueberry plant in the parish of St. George, Charlotte County, was sold to the applicant, Hugh M. Balfour of Milltown, at the upset price of \$100 for ten years.

LIBERAL GAIN

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HE GATHERED COCKLES AND BECAME VERY RICH

London, Nov. 9.—(By Mail.)—Sir George Frederick Sleight, first baronet of Great Grimby, fish merchant and fishing vessel owner, who began life by gathering and hawking cockles from Cleethorpes beach, and eventually became the largest individual owner of fishing vessels, has left an estate valued at nearly \$500,000. He was magistrate for the county and a former chairman of the Unionist party in the district. The greater part of his fleet was used during the war for mine sweeping and patrol work.

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CHIEF WHIP DEFEATED



Col. Leslie Wilson, Conservative Chief Whip, who went down to defeat in the British elections Wednesday, and Sir Samuel Hoare, Air Minister (left), who was elected. It is announced that a seat will be opened for Colonel Wilson.

COUNCIL ADOPTS MOST OF CONTRACT

(Continued from page 1.) going into operation on April 1, he thought the revenue for the first year would be increased and the estimated deficit thereby reduced.

Commissioner Frink moved that consideration of the first clause be deferred until Mr. Kriss brought in a full report on the estimated revenue and expenditure for the year.

Commissioner Bullock said the city had applied for from 10,000,000 to 15,000,000 w. h. at a fixed price, and therefore he thought there should be no question that the city had decided to take it.

Regarding the protests which had been received, the Mayor said they were few and the taxes which they represented were small compared with the total number of taxpayers and the total of the tax assessment.

Commissioner Wigmore said he did not take the letters received as protests. They only urged caution.

After the decision to leave the first sub-section stand for the present, consideration of the subsequent section was proceeded with. No objection was raised to Section 1, clauses B, C, and D; Section 2, A, B, C, and D; Section 3, clauses A, B, C, and D.

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SAYS VACCINATION CAME FROM TURKEY

Wife of British Ambassador Introduced Inoculation in England.

London, Nov. 9.—(By Mail.)—In the old Dorset churchyard of Worth Matravers there is an inscription: "Sacred to the memory of Benja. Jesty, who died in 1816, and was noted for being the first person that introduced the cowpox by inoculation, and made the experiment on his wife and sons in 1774." Jesty was not the first to give attention to this matter. The famous Lady Mary Wortley Montague, whose husband was British Ambassador at Constantinople in 1716, introduced from Turkey (where it was already a common practice) the method of inoculation with smallpox.

Suggesting the Idea. There is in Lichfield Cathedral a monument to Lady Mary recording this act.