# FIRE MARSHALS RECALLED; LOCAL PROBE HALTS

## FIREBUG NOT TO BLAME FOR ONTARIO ST. BLAZE

Chief Aitken Repudiates Sensational Untruth in Free Press-Chief Fire Marshal Says Situation Is Exaggerated and Sends Investigators Elsewhere.

CITIZENS CONDEMN FIREBUG ALARMISTS

Despite the sensational attempt by the Free Press to foment a firebug scare in London, it will be good news to citizens to learn that the local situation has reached a point where E. P. Heaton, chief fire marshal for the province, has recalled his investigation. the province, has recalled his inves- rant an opinion that it was incentigators to Toronto.

diary. There does not seem to be an earmark of incendiarism about Mr. Heaton is of the opinion that it. he condition here has been grossly exaggerated, and that his men can be temporarily used to better advantage elsewhere. He has not yet decided whether they will return, but a dwertiger were not of that origin.

concerted plan to set fire to buildings in London. Some mentally unballittle better than a living death. Then the dread disease gripped its victims with all the merciless venom of an octopus, yet today long years of company are in a statement to The Advertiser were not of that origin.

this morning said that other steps who were investigating in Landau bald out for all through the discovery

were being taken.

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lin and demonstrated its marvelous gaged on that blaze, says the fire was an alarm. It doesn't do your city any so far advanced when the alarm good." came in that it was impossible for nyone to state its cause.

But the chief and his assistant both clearly that there was no evitence of incendiarism.

Chief Denies Sensation. The blaze of yesterday partly destroyed a vacant frame house at 429 Ontario street. The Advertiser last evening chronicled this fact as a portion of the record of the day's news. The Free Press at once tacked the on to the clusive "firebug," and to strengthen the case credited re Chief Aitken with opinions he hid not express, and untruthfully pronounced the fire of incendiary oriin. This falsification of news ate a sensation is held by leading citizens, quoted today as against the est interests of the city, while the alleged statement of Chief Aitken is clared by that official to be untrue. In this denial he is supported by Villiam Latter, who was in the of-

fice when the Free Press reporter called, and heard what Chief Aitken The true fact of yesterday's fire is that it was of unknown origin and no thought of incendiarism is held by anyono outside of the sensational adline artist on the Free Press

headline artist on the Free Press staff.

At the same time it is worthy of note that to date for the month of February the department has responded to 42 alarms and in seven sponded to 42 alarms and in seven records I tallik you will find there asses the fires are described as rather serious. A very small proportion of these fires however, were surrounded that a few people are looking at tocases the fires are described as rather cases the lires are described and the serious. A very small proportion of these fires, however, were surrounded by circumstances which would lead the the suspicion of incendiarism and the the suspicion of incendiarism and the the suspicion of incendiarism and the suspicion of i

Heaton Not Alarmed. That the situation is not regarded

as serious by E. P. Heaton, chief fire marshal for the Province of Ontario. is evidenced by the fact that Inves-tigators Jordan and Dingle, who were in the city, have been tempor-has disclosed nothing so far. I think firly called off, as they are needed if you compare this period of the year long distance telephone today Mr. Heaton, from his office in Toronto, Heaton, from his office in Toronto, A large number of fires can always said the situation in London had be expected at this time of the year." MENTION ALDERMAN

Suggested as Civic Pur-

chasing Agent.

abandoned his fight for the appoint-

ment of a municipal purchasing

agent, comes the report that a mem-

ber of the board of works has been

prominently mentioned for the post

His worship declines, however, to

"I' don't know who would make

ood purchasing agent," he stated.
"My object is primarily to see the
position created. Who would best

ocupy it is a matter for subsequent

"I don't know who would be the

most suitable person. I have not con-sidered it. Furthermore, the object

is not to make a job for somebody. That would be a false impression

I have no personal friends to urge

for the post. I have no horse to ride no axe to grind."

It is the mayor's fervent contention

the next informal session of the city

That a prominent member of No. 2

the councillors.

mittee has been mentioned time

involved in the latter project

if created.

## **WILL USE BANTING** DIABETES REMED

Will Mean New Life for Patients Now Regarded as Almost

One year ago the score or more "Nor do I believe that there is any

cation of insulin to patients suffereral incendiarism, and to my mind it ing from diabetes. Since Dr. Bantrejuvenative qualities, local doctors' have considered ways and means of "I certainly did not tell a Free Press representative that I believed private patients were inoculusing it in the treatment of persons

got to the house it was all ablaze and it was impossible for anyone to tell and gruesome death Within a week the treatment will Asked as to their opinion of the

Commerce. "There are always quite a number of fires at this time of year. Cost Very Heavy. At present, the expense is Besides, the investigators have not discovered anything as far as I can mous, when it is considered that the pancreatic juices of several dogs' pancreas are required in a single in-oculation. The pancreas of cows are have taken as much interest in these most generally in use, but the amount ssential for the digestion of a relaively insignificant quantity of fat is with the same in other years you will find about the same number of fires. tremendous. The time is approaching, however, when insulin will be produced on a huge scale, and expense will thus be greatly reduced. When one realizes that a young man was taken into the Toronto Gen-Her Nose Too Large and thought to be in the last stage of diabetes, and revived by insulin to such an extent that he is now do to such an ng heavy work, the possibilities of the remedy cannot be over-estimated. Ballet Dancer Asks \$25,000 the remedy cannot be over-estimated. Local medical men were unanimous in pronouncing it the greatest discovery of the age and are viewing with keen interest the remedial measures. now being carried on at the local hos-

CALIFORNIA "U" DEGREE

Los Angeles, Feb. 21.-The degree and statesman, by the University of

## But Look At It Now in

how the fire started."

Citizens Resent Scare.

Chief of Police Birrell said "We

as anyone. Our investigation

FOR NEW POSITION Board of Works Member Is

There is no indication of gen-

What the Chief Did Say.

Associated Press Despatch. New York, Feb. 21.-Florence M. Glover, a ballet dancer at the Metro- PADEREWSKI WILL GET politan Opera House, was awarded Coupled with the assurance today \$25,000 yesterday against a firm of from Mayor Wenige that he has not specialists, who contracted educe the size of her nose to conform with standards set by authorities on pulchritude.

After submitting to treatments, the

plaintiff charged, her nose was dis-figured, her face was covered with imps and her upper lip was para-

Victoria Hospital Ready in a Week To Employ Insulin Treatment.

DOCTORS CONFIDENT

Incurable.

a firebug started the Ontario street fire and the remarks credited to me in that connection are untrue. What I did say to them I also said to The Advertiser that I did not know the fire's origin. When the department in a week measures would be put in-

Advertiser that I did not know the fire's origin. When the department got to the house it was in flames and it was impossible for anyone to tell how the fire started. We have not a scrap of evidence of incendiarism in regard to it and there will be no in-

regard to it and there will be no investigation other than that which is made following every fire." The hospital trust have been discussing the situation for some weeks, As Fire Chief Aitken thus repudiat-As Fire Chief Aitken thus repudiated the Free Press' sensational production he turned to William Latter who was sitting in his office and asked: "Isn't that right? You were here when the Free Press man came in." That's what you said," replied Mr. Latter, "and that's all you said." Assistant Fire Chief Charles Scott, who was in charge of the detachment fighting the blaze also repudiates the idea of incendiarism. "There was no evidence of it," he said. "When we got to the house it was all ablaze and and the outcome of their deliberations will be a committee of medical men who will arrange for the regular infusion of insulin into diabetics as outlined some time ago by Dr. Banting. If their efforts are attended with the same success that marked the treatment of numerous Toronto paients, twenty or more persons now in hospital with the disease, will be able to look forward to a vigorous recovery instead of gradual weakening

of doctor of laws will be conferred on Ignace Jan Paderewski, musician Southern California here next Thursday, in connection with patriotic exercises in observance of Wash-

### Father Sends Son To Steal Coal From Local Merchant

Hard Luck Story Used by Girls of Tender Age To Obtain Free wheat board resolution, which stands in his name on the order paper, Dr.

It doesn't pay to be soft-hearted— "They're too frightened to try it by himself and Premier Greenfield themselves, so they let their hid. specially for a coal merchant.

however, following a close survey of the situation that the city would save many thousands of dollars an-Last night the foreman of a Richnond street fuel dispensary reported nually, possible as much as \$50,000, by the inauguration of this position. to the manager that he had caught girl came into the same coal office a little urchin stealing coal. The and asked for 40c worth of coal. The on is set for discussion at manage:, wishing to scare the youngster locked him up in a barn and turned out the light. There the boy, crying piteously, remained for half an hour when he was released. Quesnd again as an excellent person for tioned why he attempted to steal the ei individual, gave her 100 pounds these duties is a current report which refuses to be downed, despite all coal, he explained that his father had forced him to. enials likely to be forthcoming from

His name is known to The Adverto his father's house. When the lattiser, but judiciously withheld for ter heard of his son's delinquency he

fessed.

"That's about the tenth instance of a parent compelling his youngster to most popular Greek residents in a parent compelling his youngster to ty. He has been ill several weeks. steal our coal," stated the merchant.

themselves, so they let their kids of Alberta to induce grain experts to This morning a dirty-faced little

clerk explained that nothing less than 100-pound lots could be sold, but the maiden persisted, saying her mother

was suffering from the cold. The merchant, being a kind-heart. gratis, and she departed in great glee An hour later another little girl came The manager accompanied the lad in with 35c to buy coal. The dealer, to his father's house. When the lat- becoming suspicious, made inquiries, and discovered the second girl was cursed the boy in true fatherly a sister of the first. The latter had related her experience to her mother, "You big, yellow dog," the coal who decided that was a good way merchant said, "I've a mind to put to procure fuel for nothing, and sent you in jail. You forced your kid to her other daughter on the errand of steal."

But the merchant has now The man whimpered, and then con-

assume responsible positions on the PT. HURON GIRL ELOPES TO DETROIT, IS BELIEF

Dunning came out with a complet

Port Huron, Mich., Feb. 21.-Loena Haddad, 15 years old, is beieved to have eloped to Detroit with her fiance. Her father, John Had-dad, has asked the police to locate the girl, who disappeared Monday

> SUFFER \$5,000 FIRE LOSS. Canadian Press Despatch.

Sudbury, Ont., Feb. 21.-Fire, which broke out in one of the rooms above the Pekir Cafe here last night, caused oout \$5,000 damage 'o P. Christakos

Another Cry of "Wolf!" The London Evening Free Press

London Evening Advertiser BLAZE NEARLY DESTROYS

ONTARIO STREET HOUSE aty
a house, No. 424 Ontario street, owned, ar
an ipt
1½-story frame, was in flames from
basement to roof when the firemen,
arrived. After a hard fight, the firemen prevented it being burned to the
ground.

CHIEF IS CERTAIN THAT PYROMANIAC TO BLAME Outario Street Building Deliber ately Set On Fire, Says Aitken.

Inother incendiary fire was added to he long list of mysterious conflagra that have occurred in this city early this morning, when a vacant residence it 429 Ontario street was badly damaged about 4.25. Whether "Tony," the mysterious fire bug, who created such a sensation during the past few weeks by eaving notes in várious places, promis ing to set fire to buildings, had anything to do with the latest blaze is not known. Interviewed this afternoon, Fire Chie? litken stated that he had no doubt but that the Ontario street building had heen deliberately set on fire. The house had been vacant for some time and, and far as is known, no one with any legal right had entered the place for semi

FREE PRESS UNTRUTH NAILED BY FIRE CHIEF.

Chief John Aitken today repudiates statements alleging incen-diarism in Ontario street fire untruthfully credited to him by the Free Press as indicated above. The truth about the unimportant fire is shown in the reproduced paragraph from last evening's Advertiser.

### SENTENCED FOR MURDER. MAN TO REGAIN FREEDOM

for Clarence Leroy McKinney (Convict 51,210), who five months ago began a life sentence for murder. The court, backed by a jury of 12 men, chosen in Clinton County a the Mansfield reformatory. staid Quaker community, which sennced McKinney expects to right

the injustice through a formal retrial at which the life sentence will be annulled, according to Judge C. F. Clevinger Convicted despite his protests

In the same courtroom at Wil-them.

Creight. He was sentenced to life Walter Bamgham, 19, an accomplice pleaded guilty to manslaughter, and was given a 1 to 20 years sentence in

Summoned by Warden P. E. be freed. "Well, we all

innocence of the murder of Special he said calmly. Policeman Emery McCreight, at Wilmington, Feb. 14, 1922, McKinney at felt so year held. 

# SEARCH FOR CHAIRMAN TURKISH ASSEMBLY

Unless Stewart and Riddell Take Positions.

an Open Break With the Allies. Canadian Press Despatch.

Special Cable to The Advertiser. Regina, Feb. 21.-H. Wood, presi-Angora, Feb. 21.-Turkey's asdent of the United Farmers of Alsembly met in secret today, and berta, declined to accept the profwell-informed legislators fear the fered chairmanship of the 1923 wheat board unless James Stewart and F. N. Riddell would join the personnel of the board. This fact was revealed in the Saskatchewan Assembly last invited to appear at the secret ses-sion. Mustapha Kemal, his speeches night when Premier Dunning read a columinous batch of telegrams which less warlike than usual, but stressing the freedom of new Turkey, was als to be present. Tomorrow the assembly will de-bate upon acceptance or rejection of the Lausanne treaty.

> FINDS MISSING MUTE WARD. AGED 10, FROZEN TO DEATH

Special to The Advertiser. Westchester, Pa., Feb. 20.-The body of Lewis Flounders, 10, frozen actly how old it is, has been found to death, was found Tuesday on the bank of the Brandy Wine. The boy was a mute and a ward of Dr. George B. Gordon, director of the the Chester County Aid Society. He had disappeared from the home of Mrs. Edward Kehoe, Marshallton, two days ago and had wandered four miles to the Harmony Hill, where his excavations conducted jointly by the Whitney, only son of Mr. and Mrs. body was found lying partly in the R. Hones Patrick, deputy coroner,

s making an investigation COMMUNISTS ORGANIZE. Special Cable to The Advertiser

Amsterdam, Feb. 21.-Communists ice cream parlor, candy store and pool room, and the Pekin Cafe adjoining. The cause of the fire is assigned to a careless smoker in one of the rooms above the cafe.

# CANADA IS BUYING SHACKLETON SHIP

Famous Explorer Hastens to Ottawa To Discuss Closing of Deal.

WILL ENTER NORTH

Latest Move of Government Points to Expedition as Early as June.

Special to The Advertiser.

Montreal, Feb. 21.—That Canada is to enter once more into Arctic ex- Who was minister of education in would it not be fitting and proper, plorations is demonstrated by the fact that Capt. Bernier, the famous moved the amendment to the reply moved the amendment to the reply Canadian explorer, who has just returned from Europe, appears to have the British commons this week re- time, without seeking the services of made the necessary arrangements to buy the "Quest," Shackleton's Antarctic ship.

Capt. Bernier, according to information, was recalled from England by the department of the interior to give full details regarding the deal which is now projected.

Last year on board the good ship Arctic, Capt. Bernier spent three months in the northern regions. He went as far as Ellis Bay and left a number of members of the Canadian Mounted Police to look after the enforcement of Canadian laws, including those affecting taxation. One ing those affecting taxation. One more important duty was also bestowed upon Captain Bernier and Mr. Craig of the department of the interior. That was to gain for Canada official recognition of its supremacy on certain territories, which were also being sought by the Danes and other countries.

House.

RAIDS KEPT SECRET

Officials Refuse To Divulge

Trip a Mystery.

This 1922 trip of Captain Bernier's remained a mystery. A secret report was filed in Ottawa, and up to now its contents have not been revealed. According to Captain Bernier, when According to Captain Bernier, when he returned here he could not give out any statement as to the object of his three months' cruise in the Far North. In fact, the old Arctic captain confined his de faration to statements regarding the development of Eskimo education and to his fear that the educational intervention at that the educational intervention at their point of civilization might be Those arrested were taken their point of civilization might be not only vain but dangerous for their work and on Long Island and held however, he admitted that some-in the customs house here. They are

north had to be considerably curtailed for fear of being caught in bad weather. The result was that the anadian authorities decided to send

Capt. Bernier across to choose a ship which would be suitable for Arctic expeditions. But if it was known that he was pur hasing a ship for the Thomas to his office from the penitentiary loom mill late yesterday afternoon, McKinney received philosophically the word that he was to The department of the

my wife and my mother than for myself—the humiliation was hard on
them."

tracts which are hable to be signed
within a few days.

Captain Bernier, having returned
on the C. P. O. S. Montclaire only this

week-end, according to reliable in-formation, will leave early this spring for Europe to bring the purchased ship seross the Atlantic to Quebec. FOR NEW WHEAT BOARD

CONVENES IN SECRET

Ship across the Atlantic to Quebec. From here an expedition will be organized in the beginning of June. It is said that mineral resources will be investigated. Capt. Bernier is expected in Levis, his own town, on he gets instructions regarding the closing of the deal with the English. closing of the deal with the English

> LAUDER OFF TO AUSTRALIA. Associated Press Despatch. San Francisco, Feb. 21.—Sir Harry Lauder, famous Scotch actor, sailed

## legislators are determined to force an open break with the Allies. Ismet Pasha, foreign minister, concluded his report to the council of commissaries vesterday and was of Tutankhamen Found In Ur

Discovery Made in Excavations Conducted by British Museum and University of Pennsylvania.

Associated Press Despatch. Philadelphia, Feb. 21.—An ancient pairs were made by King Nebuchadtemple, whose history goes so far nezzar. in Ur, the Chaldean city, which was the home of Adranan in Babylonia, University of Pennsylvania museum, announced last night. The discovery, according to Dr. Gordon, was made in British Museum and the University of Harry Payne Whitney of New York, St. John.....

the discovery. the United States, was in conference

with Dr. Gordon today.

"The latest reports from the excavators," said Sir Frederick, "indicate that some ancient temple, built about the three millenmius before vanderbilt."

Christ, was found. Additions and reback beyond the reign of Pharaoh Tutankhamen that nobody knows ex-The two museums are continuing the excavations.

WHITNEY TO BE MARRIED IN FRANCE ON MARCH 5

Pennsylvania museum. A letter from and Miss Mary Norton, daughter of the excavators brought the news of Mr. and Mrs. Sheridan S. Norton of New York, will be quietly married in Sir Frederick Kenyon, director of Paris on March 5, it was learned the British Museum, who is touring yesterday. It is expected that formal announcement will be made within a few days. Both come from millionaire families, the groom-to-be being a grandson of the late Cornelius

# FOR SUCCESSOR

Member of Department Should Be Promoted to Position Held by Brazier.

MANY TO PICK FROM

Dr. Stevenson and Aldermen Say It Is Unnecessary To Bring In Outsider.

Is it always incumbent upon the city to go elsewhere for municipal to promote employees at the city hall as vacancies occur from time to those from distant points, who invariably demand as an initial salary a far greater sum than would likely be required to keep the local men

in the community? These and similar queries have een directed toward The Advertiser luring the past few days, superinduced by the recent controversy as to a suitable successor for H. A. Brazier, retiring city engineer.

No Scarcity of Men.

That they should be shown prefer-

the local member, Dr. Hugh A. Stev-

enson, but several members of the

city council and a host of citizens,

whose numbers are increasing daily, as they become more and more con-

versant with the details. Both applicants in the local office are said

the services of a competent city en-

McGregor, a former employee, while

the ex-city engineer, George Wright,

is also available. All these parties

should have the utmost consideration

before their names are finally re-

Bennett As Example.

"The right thing has been done

did not go out of the city for a new

business is like a private business. If we don't promote our employees

vacancies occur from time to time, they do not give the best that they

discouraged, and finally leave for

"There is another item that strikes

assessment department.

commissioner. Mr. Bennett appointed. This move was equitable and economical. The

when they are proficient,

can to the business. They

jected as unsuitable

ace is the contention, not

There are men in the city engin-Twenty Men and Two Women capable, but willing, to undertake this position on six months' trial, and at a reasonable remuneration, it

Held at the Customs is safe to announce. Their applica-tions are in the hands of the coun-cillors, and will be considered in due

to the speech from the throne, which

jected 305-196.

Names-Further Action Is Anticipated.

Special to The Advertiser.

Within a week the treatment will be systematically begun. Close observation will be paid to every diabetic, and each day's progress reported in detail. For some months the purmette purmette purmette purmette purmette purmette purmette purmette purmette the interior of t cially, were said to be so skilfully thing right. Secure the names of all made that an absolute test was the local men. I understand there

made that an absolute test was the local men. I understa are two in the office now. The round-up under Capt. John and consider them all. For instance The round-up under Capt. John Tucker of the secret service, began last night and continued early today. Houses in the Bronx. Brooklyn and city. There is an engineer named to the city.

Reported Shortage in Funds-Warrant Is Issued For Arrest.

Associated Press Despatch Warren, Mass., Feb. 21.-The Warren National Bank closed its doors today. This action followed reports other partes, as like as not of a shortage in its funds. President Frank L. Taylor, who has been in office for a short time, could not be was out of the city for two or three reached for a statement. It was exmonths last year. Still, these two plained that he was on leave of ab-sence. A warrant has been issued for his arrest.

SEVERE EARTH SHOCK. Associated Press Despatch. San Salvador, Feb. 21.—A strong for the antipodes yesterday afternoon for about 50 seconds. No damage

### or three men, or whoever was charge, carried on with apparent satisfaction. If it could be done then why not again?" Other Aldermen Agree. "That's right," Ald. W. A. Wilson declared. "I advocate strongly the comotion of a local man to the post

THE WEATHER

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FORECASTS. Today—Southwest winds; fair.
Thursday—Fresh northwest winds; now flurries and somewhat colder.

A shallow depression is passing east-ward across Northern Ontario, while another high area from the far north spreading over the Provinces. The weather continues cold three

out Canada, except in the extreme western portion. Temperatures. The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. Cloudy

today were: ictoria ...... Calgary ..... 38 Winnipeg ..... 20 Clear Port Arthu Poronto ..... 24 Clear

The highest and lowest tempera-ares recorded in London during the night were: Highest, 26; lowest, 11.
The official temperatures for the 12

Ottawa Paris, Feb. 21.—Cornelis Vanderbilt Montreal ...... Fair Halifax 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock

Today-8 a.m., 29.43,

ours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 13; lowest, 6 below.

Barometric Readings.

Wednesday—8 a.m., 29.46.