

THE EVENING ADVERTISER

TWO CHILDREN IN CELLS
ROUSE CITIZENS' ANGER

Mayor, Aldermen and Others Deplore Circumstance of Monday
—Detention Home Needed More Than Juvenile
Court, Says Magistrate.

MAYOR FINDS CASE ARGUMENT FOR MANAGER

Experience of the two Riverview Avenue school children, who were arrested yesterday morning for stealing a doorman on Saturday, takes the juvenile court question out of the realm of theory and into that of reality, juvenile court advocates claim. This case is expected to be used as an argument to speed inauguration of the juvenile court and the appointment of a judge.

One Rotary Club member yesterday stated it was a shame that the question had been made a "political football," and that some arrangement could not be reached whereby the court would function in the immediate future.

The Magistrate's View.
"When the case came up yesterday I refused to deal with it until the parents, or someone to appear for the children, arrived. I don't know whether the children were kept in the cells. They were detained downstairs in the police station. I was told the parents refused to come to police court, and said the children would get out of the trouble the best way they could."

"They were not bad boys, and their father was a superior sort of man."

"London does not need a juvenile court. What London needs is a place of detention. London has no more need for a juvenile court than a cat has for two tails."

Case Is Cited.

"A short time ago a boy was paroled from the Industrial School. He will not go to school. He smokes cigarettes and lies in bed until 11 o'clock in the morning. He walks over his parents. He is 15 years old. You can't put him in jail, and you can't put him in the shelter, because he would only contaminate the other children there. If he is not sent back to the Industrial School, he will have to go to the reformatory."

"Parents have become quite annoyed about their children begging in front of the theatres in the afternoon. One boy was caught today for 10 cents which his parents had given him."

"The juvenile court will mean more work for the police department. It will mean more expense. If they want to keep the records straight it will cost something. Of course, I'm satisfied. It will take a long time."

No Longer Fear Court.

The father of the boy stated his children were not in the hands of the police court. He thought their experience of yesterday would result in their not being afraid of doing wrong again, and that they would not give the police as they had previously. He stated that when he was coming out of the court the children said: "Daddy, we have to get our things downstairs." They went downstairs and two tin boxes, in which their belongings had been placed, were taken out and their things given to them, the father stated.

"I was not notified that my boys were in trouble until Monday morning. The information was laid Saturday, I believe," he said.

Mayor and Aldermen.

"I am more convinced than ever that London requires a city manager and a civic form of government," Mayor Winge declared today, referring to the arrest yesterday of two children, aged 9 and 13, who were placed in the cells at the police station.

"My sentiments in this connection are well known," continued the city's chief magistrate, "and I still submit that if we had a city manager, who would have control of the police and other departments, that this and similar arrests would have never happened. It is incidentally further evidence that we need a juvenile court here."

Several members of the city council.

AGAINST DEBTS FUND
IN CANADA TO PAY U. S.

British Government Not Favorable to Building Up Dollar Reserve Here.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, March 6.—The British government does not look favorably upon a plan which has been suggested for building up a dollar reserve fund in Canada for the purpose of meeting interest payments on Great Britain's debt to the United States. This was intimated in the House of Commons today by Captain Henry King, junior lord of the treasury, who declared it was the opinion of the chancellor of the exchequer, that the only possible way for Great Britain to meet her United States debt was to provide liquid resources in the United States.

His statement was in answer to a question whether, in order to assist in payment of the United States debt, the chancellor "will consider the desirability of building up in Canada a dollar reserve fund, and with a view to not only encourage the development of that country's resources, but also with a view to annually supplying dollars for interest on our debt, comparatively free from exchange fluctuations."

Captain King said it would be impossible at the same time, to use money to repay the United States and to develop Canada.

STRATTON MAKES
BIG LIQUOR HAUL
AT FREIGHT SHED

Six Large Packing Cases Taken
—Believed To Be Worth
\$5,000.

SECOND IN 24 HOURS

Officers Wait All Night—No
One Appears To Claim
Whiskey.

Provincial Officer T. Y. Stratton and License Inspector Walter Bolton made their second "strike" in 24 hours, and incidentally, one of the biggest seizures of liquor recorded here in years, at 11 o'clock this morning. At the C. P. R. freight sheds they confiscated six large packing cases filled with some of the best brand of liquor.

At noon yesterday the officers seized three big packing cases of whiskey, which included one case of Old Charter, an American brand, and two cases of Scotch. This was only the vanguard of the supply for which they had been lying in wait. At eleven o'clock last night six large packing cases filled with whiskey arrived from Montreal. The latest seizure included five cases of Scotch and its total value is estimated to be more than \$5,000.

The officers waited all night for someone to claim the liquor but no one arrived, so this morning they took charge of the shipment.

Provincial Officer Stratton and Inspector Bolton have done considerable work in "cleaning up" London and Middlesex lately. They have taken part in a number of raids on moonshine runners and seized several shipments of liquor forwarded to this district by rail.

Today's contraband supply was consigned to London. The address on the packing case was a fictitious one.

Fire Destroys Sarnia Cement Firm's Plant

Damage Is Estimated at \$20,000—No Alarm Received by Firemen.

Special to The Advertiser.

Sarnia, March 6.—Fire at 4 a.m. today completely destroyed the plant of the Sarnia Cement Products, Limited, on Maud street, Point Edward. The loss in building and machinery is estimated at \$20,000. Only a portion of the loss is covered by insurance.

The fire burned for two hours, and though discovered early, no alarm was received either by the Point Edward department or the Sarnia city fire department.

Walter D. Reid of Sarnia is the president of the company.

Lost Penny Holds Traffic for Hour

Use Hydraulic Jacks To Get Child From Under Car.

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, March 6.—A penny lost and tied up traffic for an hour, when he fell under a street car to retrieve it. Firemen used hydraulic jacks to elevate the car, cut away his coat with scissors and removed him from under the fender, an inch from his bottom, uninjured.

Bottomley Liabilities Are Placed at \$90,000

Associated Press Despatch.

London, March 6.—Horatio Bottomley, the former M. P. now serving a seven-year term for fraud, and whose public examination in bankruptcy takes place on March 7, has filed a statement of his affairs, showing liabilities expected to rank of \$90,000, and net assets of \$27,000.

Bottomley earned a big income prior to his insolvency, but it vanished chiefly through his losses arising from war loan clubs which he organized, his Sunday newspaper ventures, and in litigation.

Crowd Hurls 'Stink Bombs' At Woman Church Speaker

Police Called To Quell Noise—Charge Mrs. Jackson Impostor With Mercenary Designs.

Associated Press Despatch.

Baltimore, Md., March 6.—Fustilings of "stink bombs," shouts of "blat" and other epithets nearly broke up a meeting at the First Baptist Church, Brooklyn, a suburb, last night at which Mrs. Helen Jackson, who declared herself as a former nun, and who had been a mercenary designer was passed through the church, spoke.

Fires on the automobile which bore Mrs. Jackson to the church were cut by the crowd, threats and hisses sounded loudly, literature branding her as an impostor with mercenary designs was flung every inch of the little church and overflowed to the porch, steps, windows and small roofs under the windows.

Sensing trouble before the meeting, a squad of southern district police

under Lieutenant Granville Bosman

kept the crowd trying to keep order.

The lieutenant shortly found out that his force was inadequate and he was obliged to call for an extra squad of police, who arrived in a few minutes.

While violence was kept down the police were able to do very little in maintaining quiet during the meeting.

At the end of the meeting Mrs. Jackson was escorted to a waiting machine by Lieut. Bosman and several policemen and two motorcycle men were told off to accompany the car through the streets.

TODAY IN PARLIAMENT.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, March 6.—The House of Commons will be committee of supply on estimates of the department of public works.

The Senate will sit in the evening.



FINE RESIDENCE SOLD.

The Advertiser photographer here shows the fine, stately home of C. R. Somerville, Piccadilly and Waterloo streets, which has been sold to Thomas Wilkey of Ontario street for \$25,000.

C. R. SOMERVILLE HOME SOLD,
APARTMENT HOUSE PLANNED

Thomas Wilkey Purchases Fine Piccadilly Residence For
\$25,000—John Hayman & Sons May Erect an
Apartment Block on Queen's Avenue.

One of London's most beautiful residences changed hands yesterday, when the home of C. R. Somerville, at Piccadilly and Waterloo streets, was sold to Thomas Wilkey, 525 Ontario street, who will take possession on May 1. The price was \$25,000.

The deal, which has been pending for several weeks, was negotiated by Bert Weir, real estate agent. It was purely a speculative buy on the part of Mr. Wilkey, for the magnificent property will be either resold as it now stands, or it will be divided into several building lots.

Mr. Somerville, who was Liberal candidate in the last federal election, and mayor of the city in 1919, was born in London. The house has been the scene of much activity and social life during the past decade. He has felt for some time, however, that the house was much too large for the comfort of his small family, and so he decided to sell.

Cost \$40,000 Ten Years Ago.
He parted with the property at a great sacrifice, for the house was built only ten years ago at a cost of \$40,000. It is estimated that it would cost at least \$60,000 to build today at the present time, exclusive of the cost of the land.

The house, which is a three-story building, is constructed of solid red brick. The basement walls are of cut red stone. Throughout the house is finished in quarter-cut oak and mahogany. The third story is finished as splendidly and as thoroughly as the ground floor.

The heating through the entire house is done by hot water. There are four tiled bathrooms, each containing shower baths. There are large reception halls, in addition to the luxuriously-finished livingrooms. The grounds, which measure 115 x 132 feet, are given over entirely to lawns and shrubbery.

Mr. Somerville, it is expected, will take up residence in an apartment house on Queen's avenue, near Clarence street, in the next few months.

Although Mr. Hayman would not confirm the report this morning, saying that the matter was still undecided, work has already been started on clearing the property on which it is to be built.

New Apartment House.
With this report, attention is drawn to another important building operation affecting the housing problem in London. It is more than likely that John Hayman & Sons will erect another apartment house on Queen's avenue, near Clarence street, in the next few months.

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BRITISH PAPER ON RHINE SELDOM MENTIONS RUHR
Cologne, March 6.—The Cologne Post, official newspaper of the British army on the Rhine, published just on the edge of the Ruhr, uses perhaps less news of the occupation than any other daily paper in the world. This is because of the decision of the British government and British army to remain neutral in this Franco-Belgian move.

It is only very rarely that the Post even mentions the Ruhr allies or the occupation developments; what it does print must come from official sources in London.

POINCARÉ EXTENDS TURK PEACE TERMS
Constantinople Reports Serious Desertions From Army of Turkey.

Special Cable to The Advertiser.
Constantinople, March 6.—Premier Poincaré has made a new peace offering to the Turks, presumably similar to a recent note to Mustafa Kemal. Constantinople newspapers reported serious desertions from the Turkish army are said to have taken place.

GHORKY IN SANATORIUM, TOO MUCH COMMUNISM
Associated Press Despatch.
London, March 6.—Maxim Ghorky, the Russian writer, has had enough of revolution. He is in a sanatorium near Berlin recovering, he says, "from over-exposure to Russian communism."

If revolution breaks out in Germany he will move to Prague, he recently told a Czech newspaper correspondent. Ghorky hopes to become editor and publisher of a world review devoted to art and science, in which politics will find no place.

THINK BRITISH WILL START COTTON GROWING IN AFRICA
Associated Press Despatch.
London, March 6.—Prospects of the British government encouraging cotton growing are held out by Sir Henry Dundas, who has just returned from a government mission to South Africa.

He predicts that when the government receives his report, they will regard the prospects as sufficiently promising to warrant steps looking to extensive stimulation of production.

MOTHERS DEMAND
NEW SCHOOL FOR
EMPRESS AVENUE

Deputation From West London
To Attend Tonight's Meeting
of City Council.

OTHERS MAY JOIN

Arrangement May Be Reached
So That Money Will Be
Available For School.

Aroused because the board of education, at the request of the city council, eliminated a proposal to build a new Empress Avenue school from this year's building estimates, a deputation of mothers from the Empress Avenue Club will wait on the city council tonight, when estimates are considered to battle for their children's rights.

When the estimates were finally considered at a special meeting of the board of education on Friday, the mothers in London West, through the Union Mothers' Club, petitioned the board to reconsider their decision to postpone the construction of a new building for another year. By some error, either on the part of the secretary or the chairman of the board, the resolution was not brought before the trustees until the matter had been discussed and closed.

Others May Join.
When it was discovered that their petition had been in vain, members of the Empress Avenue Mothers' Club were licensed, and they decided that the matter would not be allowed to rest. A deputation was formed last night, and today the Union Mothers' Club was invited to send representatives.

Whether or not the executive of the Union Mothers' Club will take any action, Mrs. J. A. Rose, the president, was unable to say at this time. The matter would be considered, however, she thought.

The board of education will wait on the city council in a body tonight to fight for their estimates as finally passed at the special meeting. The estimates provide for the partial erection of a collegiate institute in East London, the completion of the public schools, the building of which has already been started, but makes provision only for the purchase of a site for a school in London West.

Vote May Go Through.
Members of the board heard today that the city council might sanction the expenditure of \$180,000 for a new Empress Avenue school, while balking at the thought of a new branch collegiate. If the city council shows such an inclination tonight, it is quite possible that the board of education may agree to switch. This would mean a cut of \$60,000 at least in the building program for the year.

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Wednesday Half Holiday To Be Observed This Year

London Retail Merchants, Meeting Today, Decide To Continue It—To Get Opinions on Saturday Evening Closing.

It was decided to maintain the usual Wednesday afternoon closing of retail stores during June, July and August this year, and to canvass the retailers in the city as to the strength of the desire to close their stores on Saturday evenings, at the meeting today of the retail dealers' section in the Chamber of Commerce.

The question of the transient trader, which has for a long time been a thorn in the flesh of the local retailer, was fully discussed, and a resolution was passed asking the city council to enforce more rigidly than in the past the by-law covering the case.

Mayor Winge, who was present, assured the meeting that the council would help in this respect, and the meeting agreed that the retailers should report any cases that came to their notice to the tax collector.

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The London rural delivery district, he pointed out, was the largest in the Dominion, having 55,000 patrons, and it represented, in his opinion, a fine opportunity for the retailer to increase the range of his sales area.

Boot and shoe, drygoods, women's ready-to-wear, and men's clothing establishments were well represented at this meeting.

It was realized that Saturday afternoon closing was gaining in popularity with both public and retailer through the country, and it was the general opinion that in a few years it would be the custom in London.



HER CASE STIRS ENGLAND.

Mrs. John Russell, shown above, is being sued by her husband, son of Lord Amphil, for divorce. The case has stirred English society circles by its sensational developments.

PROPATRIA REACHES
ST. PIERRE AT LAST

Is Towed Into Port Last Night
by Government Steamer Stanley.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Halifax, N. S., March 6.—The Canadian Government steamer Stanley, with the disabled Tri-National Line steamer Propatria in tow, reached St. Pierre, Mic., last night after a strenuous battle with heavy seas and a northwest gale, according to a delayed message received by the marine and fisheries department this morning.

The Propatria, heavily laden with mails for the people of St. Pierre and Miquelon and carrying on passengers from the island, February 29 and became fast in the ice about 70 miles off St. Pierre, after stripping three blades from her propeller.

TO RETAIN 1921 CLASS FRENCH UNTIL MAY 31
Minister of War's Decision Will Be Disappointment to Soldiers.

Associated Press Despatch.

Paris, March 6.—Minister of War Maginot informed the cabinet today that he intended to keep the class of 1921 under colors until May 31.

This decision will be a disappointment to the class, the members of which were counting on being released by the first of April at the latest. If they are released May 31, they will have served two months over the normal term.

The official explanation of the delay in releasing them is the desire of the ministry to have experienced men for training the new class.

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SCORES ARE HURT
AS C. N. R. TRAINS
MEET AT COBourg

Montreal Train Swings Around
Curve Into Rear of
Ottawa Train.

NO DEATHS RESULT

Injured Are Mostly Montreal
Passengers—Guelph Man
Sprains Ankle.

Special to The Advertiser.

Cobourg, Ont., March 6.—Ignorant of the fact that the Ottawa train stood on the main line of the Canadian National Railway just ahead of the Montreal train to Toronto, swung around the curve into Cobourg this morning and pitched into the rear end of the Ottawa train.

Scores of passengers were injured, several of the train crew were hurt, and two coaches were stove in. It had not been for the fact that the coaches were of steel construction, the accident might have been magnified into a disaster.

Reid asserts that he was unable to see the Ottawa train in time. A difference of only a few minutes separates the two trains on the time schedule. The Ottawa train is supposed to pause only five minutes at Cobourg, but on account of trouble with the steam hose, it is said that it stood 15 minutes in front of Cobourg station. Reid says he had received the clear signal at Belleville and was not warned afterwards of any danger ahead.

No One Killed.
Luckily no one was killed. The accident happened at 5:15, right in front of Cobourg station. The front of the engine of the Montreal train, familiarly known as the "cow catcher," became imbedded in the rear of the Ottawa train.

Many of the passengers were hurled from their berths to the floor of the car, and immediately there was a "ruckus." There was nothing in the nature of a panic, however, everybody behaving in a very orderly manner. The men dressed hurriedly, the outside to lend what aid they could.

Dr. Lloyd and Dr. Ivy, both of Cobourg, hurried to the train with all speed to give first aid to those who were injured.

Amongst those who were most seriously hurt were Frank Smith, a Navajo, and a Guelph man. They are both car mechanics. The two men were lying under the Ottawa train repairing some steam hose, which had burst. The Montreal train crashed into the Ottawa one, and the more seriously injured of the two. He is believed to be suffering from a fractured skull. He also has other injuries.

Miraculous Escape.
Navin received a nasty cut over the head. Both men were taken to their homes. Conductor A. McArthur of Toronto, who was traveling through him, was standing in a coach when the crash occurred. The coach was crushed all about him, but he was badly shaken up, but not injured. There was just enough of one of the coaches which was stove in, left between the cars to let him escape with his life. If the train were traveling several miles an hour faster he would have had no chance.

The Montreal train came to a standstill just outside Cobourg. It had been traveling at about 20 m.p.h. and it shoved the Ottawa train, standing still ahead, some 100 yards on. The brakes were applied about ten car lengths before the Ottawa train was reached.

Engineer Reid of Belleville, in charge of the Montreal train, tottered out from his cab and fell on his knees.

"I thought there would be murder this morning," he said, referring to the fears that flashed through him when he saw the Ottawa train directly in his path.

Slammed On Brakes.
"I did not think of myself at all. I slammed the brakes on, and thought Turn to Page 10, Column 2."

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.

Today—Strong winds and gales from the eastward; snow this afternoon and tonight, probably turning to sleet in southern districts.

Wednesday—Strong northwest winds; clearing and colder.

Pressure is high over the St. Lawrence Valley and New England, while an important disturbance which developed yesterday in the Southwest States is moving eastward toward the middle Atlantic coast.

The weather is moderately cold over the greater part of the Dominion.

The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Location	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	42	40	Rain
Calgary	38	14	Cloudy
Winnipeg	28	10	Fair
Port Arthur	20	16	Cloudy
Sault Ste. Marie	24	8	Cloudy
Toronto	27	15	Cloudy
Kingston	22	12	Cloudy
Ottawa	18	—	Fair
Montreal	20	0	Cloudy
Quebec	14	—	Clear
Father Point	24	—	Clear
St. John	20	2	Clear
Halifax	28	—	Clear

Minus (—) means below zero.