

Motor Accidents In London Show Alarming Increase During Past Year

ACCIDENTS SHOW LARGE INCREASE

Hospital Authorities Report Many Have Been Seriously Injured in Year.

ONE EACH DAY

The number of motor accidents within the city and district during the past year has increased at an alarming rate, according to information received at the out-patient department of Victoria Hospital where accident cases are brought to receive medical attention.

Although no definite statistics on the number of serious motor accidents in the city are available, owing to the fact that all such cases are listed among emergency cases, physicians at the hospital declare that the greatest number of accident cases in the history of that institution have been treated at the out-patient department this year.

During the summer hardly a day passed without a patient being brought to the hospital for immediate medical attention owing to a motor smash or collision. Many of the cases were extremely serious, physicians declare, and several resulted in death.

Scarlet fever, of which there has been a slight epidemic last year, has been very light this year although diphtheria cases have been numerous. Typhoid fever has not been at all prevalent in the city, but a few cases of sleeping sickness have been isolated within the past twelve months. Other communicable diseases for the year have run in average numbers with past years.

WAR FRONT OF CHINESE NOW 750 MILES LONG

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Issued by President Tsao Kun, director of Chiang Kai-shek, governor of Kiangsu Province, to send an expedition to enforce submission on the part of Lu Yung Hsiang, governor of Chekiang Province, to the central government, is regarded as officially initiating general civil war in China.

The mandate, which was issued by President Tsao Kun after a special meeting of the cabinet yesterday, calls attention to the rebellion on the part of Lu Yung Hsiang, who has been rebelling and rallied around him outlaw elements of the population and that Kiangsu, because of its proximity to Chekiang, has been obliged to make defensive plans to protect its frontiers and maintain peace.

The mandate says that Ho Feng Ling, appointed defence commissioner of Shanghai by Lu Yung Hsiang, ordered the rebellious troops to attack and started firing in the vicinity of Quinsan in the hope of inflicting an unexpected blow.

Despite every effort to preserve peace, the mandate continues, President Tsao Kun finds it now impossible to permit the rebellious generals longer to continue their hostile movements.

The declaration of the mandate outlawing Lu and General Ho followed, with directions that General Chi proceed against them, expressing a hope that the campaign will be short and decisive.

For several days Governor Chi has been at battle with the forces of General Lu, west and north of Shanghai.

POLICEMAN CATCHES LAD PERCHED ON FAIR FENCE

Even rain and a high board fence lined at the top with barb wire, could not stifle one London youngster's eagerness to see the Fair. He had nearly gained admission by this perilous route this morning when a policeman spied him perched high and tottering, about to leap to the ground and freedom.

The lad was brought to the police station, where with spirits crushed, he listened with awe to a lecture on the dangers of gaining entrance to the Fair grounds illegally.

CIRCUS FREAKS BORN LUCKY POOR WORKINGMAN AVERS

Every Freak in Jones Midway Draws at Least \$75 a Week.

EXPENSES NONE

Dog-Faced Boy Leaves \$350 a Week To Join Ringling Brothers.

Some people inherit money, others make it, and still others have it thrust upon them. To the latter class belong the freaks and human curiosities of the Johnny Jones exhibition at Western Fair. They were born lucky.

At least, men who slave all their lives and never bring home a pay envelope over \$40 a week, think so. For the freaks never do any hard work. Yet money literally rolls into their pockets. In luxury, even palatial winter homes and send their progeny to college.

All because they happened to be born with some peculiar physical deformity. Not one freak in the Jones aggregation gets less than \$75 a week, and many at the age of 40 have enough to retire on.

Take Lionel, the dog-faced boy, for instance. He left the Jones circus, where he was a member of the "dog-faced" team, and joined the Ringling Brothers. He was \$350 a week. Lionel was born with a superabundance of hair, which covered his face and body, giving him the look of a French poodle.

Another "lucky" individual is Mary Ann Bovan, the world's homeliest woman.

Three years ago Mrs. Bevan was working in a factory when the London Daily Mail put on its \$5,000 prize contest for ugly women. Mrs. Bevan was persuaded to enter and carried off the first award. Showmen heard of her and offered her a contract at \$100 a week. Now the Jones organization pays her \$150 a week. And just three years ago she was making less than \$2 a day.

Miss Lundy, the Dutch giantess, was so large at the age of 18 that all the little Dutch boys of Rotterdam, Holland, used to make fun of her. She never had a beau, and was ashamed of her enormous size. Then a German circus magnate saw her and took her into his show. Now she is with Johnny Jones and making \$200 a week.

Middle always make good money. The group of Lilliputians at the Fair get \$500 a week between them. Not only that, but they have a contract which calls for the Jones organization sending them to France every second year free of any expense.

These middle-aged freaks, born in France, and after their visit to London they will leave for Europe from New York. Besides their salaries, the freaks receive free meals and board, and their expenses while doing the country are practically nothing.

How would you like to be a freak?

Arrangements are now being made in the various parishes of the Church of England in London for billets to accommodate the 200 delegates who are expected here for the triennial meeting of the general synod. A call was issued in the Anglican churches yesterday for co-operation in securing accommodation for the distinguished visitors.

From the Yukon, Vancouver Island, the Maritimes, all parts of Canada, archbishops and bishops and other dignitaries of the clergy and many of the most distinguished laymen are expected. Among the visitors will be Dr. H. G. Hamlin, Bishop of Gloucester, England, whose writings are held high in the life of the church. The sessions of the synod will take up ten days' time.



Keeping Step with Garment Styles

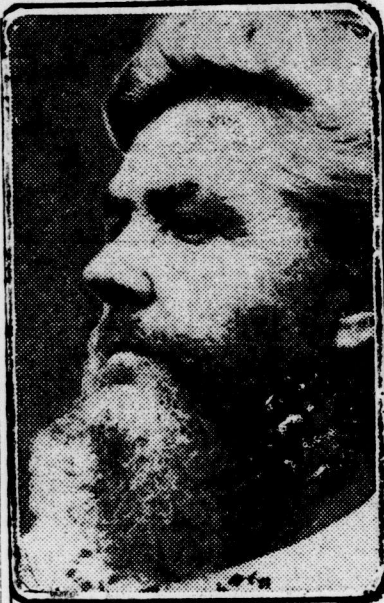


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No, this picture wasn't taken in a barber shop. It is Princess Olga, foremost bearded lady of the universe. She confided to a reporter that she is contemplating bobbing both her hair and her beard, when he paid her a visit at the Johnny J. Jones midway at the Fair this morning.

EARLIER WESTERN FAIR IS WENIGE'S PROPOSAL

Claims Rain Insurance Would Cease To Worry If Dates Changed.

"Hold the Western Fair the week before the Toronto Exhibition," says the mayor, "and you won't have to worry about any weather insurance." Mayor Wenige who advised that the Western Fair should be held the week preceding the Toronto Exhibition early in this year, believes that this is the only solution of the bad weather problem of the Fair.

"If" he states "the Fair was held then, it would help every one. The two objections raised last winter to my proposal, were that it might hurt the Toronto show, and that it would be too early for some of the exhibitors."

The first objection needs no answer on the part of any Londoner. We are not concerned with Toronto. As to it being too early for exhibitors, that does not hold water. All the manufacturers have their exhibits ready for weeks before the Toronto show opens and it would not inconvenience them to bring them to London the week before. There are perhaps one or two crops that might not be ready, but they are very limited, and would not to any extent deplete the showing at London's Fair.

"Then it would come at a time when the children are not at school, and that would be something. It is claimed that the farmers would not be as able to come in as they are now. But the coming of the auto has brought all Western Ontario nearer to the city and that argument is not valid in 1924."

Today backs up my contention more than anything else. I shall propose next year as I did this year that the Western Fair be moved three weeks ahead in 1925. It is at least worth trying once."

DEPT. MAY FORCE LAW ON STUBBORN PARENTS

Many Ask Change in Schools For Their Children—Talked by Board.

If parents refuse to send their children to schools to which they have been assigned, steps will be taken by the public school attendance department to enforce attendance. It was intimated today. Continued complaints from parents who are against their children being sent to certain schools are coming into educational offices.

Five such complaints came up before the meeting of the board of education last Thursday, and the inspectors were unheld. Further complaints were scheduled to come up at this afternoon's postponed session of the trustees.

In one complaint this morning a parent declared that the child would be kept at home rather than be sent to the school assigned. If such is the case action by the attendance department is contemplated.

OFFICIAL WARNS AGAINST KEEPING OLD MATTRESSES

Sanitary Inspector Sanders advised everyone with elderly and decrepit mattresses to call up the garbage department and get them taken away to the incinerator.

"As it is," he says, "I have to inspect half a dozen mattresses each week, and make arrangements to get them taken away and destroyed. That means expense to the department of health. The city garbage collection system is the proper way to get rid of old mattresses, and the incinerator is the proper place to put them. The city is now believing, very free from these nuisances, and I am glad that people are seeing the danger that lies in the old family mattress."

FUNERAL OF MRS. E. THOMPSON The funeral of Mrs. Eliza Thompson was held this afternoon at 3:15 p.m., Rev. A. E. M. Thompson of the Centennial Methodist Church officiating. Interment was made in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

EXTENSIVE PAVING URGED BY MAYOR

Declares City Must Either Provide Work or Give Relief to Unemployed.

DOUBLE PURPOSE

A suggestion to pave Temple street from King to the Market Lane, and King street within the fair grounds from the west entrance to the back of the grandstand, will be made by Mayor Wenige at the next meeting of the board of works.

His worship points out that both these improvements are needed, and that to carry them out would be to help in the solution of the unemployment situation.

"Sooner or later," he says, "the whole of the market square and the fair grounds will be paved. To make a beginning now at this time is surely good business. Take a look at what a heavy rain will do to the grounds out at Queen's Park and see whether it would be a good thing to have all the ground paved."

"As soon as the fair is over the city engineer will start on the improvement in the oval inside the race track. The ground will be levelled and the diamond laid out. This will help in supplying work, too. It will also give the city some revenue from the park next year, as the diamond can be rented out to any league or club requiring it. The present proposal is to rent it to the Mint League for their games and to other private and amateur clubs for the days when it is not in use. It is the best solution of the difficulty of providing a suitable diamond for professional and amateur ball that I can see."

The mayor says that while there is sure to be some criticism as to where the funds will come from to carry out this work, and replies in advance to it by stating that it is better to spend money on work than relief.

"The city has got to spend so much money this winter either on relief or in providing work for the men out of work," he says. The ratepayers can make up their mind to that now. The question as to which it shall be is easily answered as far as I am concerned. There are some things that should be done in the city, and unless the city finances it is better to do them and kill two birds with one stone."

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MAYOR DENOUNCES OPPOSING TRUSTEES

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Mayor Wenige takes up the cudgels with those members of school board who vetoed the proposal to give school children a holiday today so that they could take in the Western Fair.

"Why," he says, "should these school trustees be the only members of the community not to join in with the rest of the community in trying to make the Fair a success. There is a special day set aside for children, when they can go free, and they should be allowed to go. In any case, the school board will not concentrate much on their work, and lots of them will go and take the day off. It seems to me to be a mere show of authority and the part of these members of the board."

His worship also questioned the action of the school board in refusing to make the Fair a success. He said that the school board is a body of men who do not live in the city.

"That was an entirely uncalled for attitude for the trustees to take. The children who live in the city are city employees. It is not their course we have no authority over the school board, but we believe that this rule should apply to teachers as well as city employees. It is not an unreasonable request in my opinion and the answer of the board shows a lack of harmony that I greatly deplore."

POLICE FORCE INCREASED TO HANDLE TRAFFIC

Increased numbers of policemen have been placed at busy street intersections in the city by Chief of Police Robert Birrell to handle traffic during Fair Week.

Traffic policemen are now stationed at the corners of Richmond and King, Richmond and York, Dundas and Talbot, Dundas and Wellington, and Talbot and King. Three policemen will handle traffic at the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets, and numerous officers have been stationed at the Fair ground entrances.

DISH WASHING DEVICES SANITARY, IS REPORT

Health Inspector Sanders visited the Western Fair this morning and inspected all the drinking and washing appliances at the fair. He looked especially over the arrangements for washing dishes at the various refreshment places, and reports that they are all correct and sanitary. He always has a busy week when the fair is here, and this is part of the preliminary work.

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Western Fair Presents Week of Fun For London

MONDAY

Children's Day. All buildings open until 10 p.m. 1:30 and 8 p.m.—Vaudeville performance before grandstand. Evening performance concluded by spectacular fireworks display. Band concert afternoon and evening.

Midway—Johnny J. Jones amusement shows. Speed events—2:15 pace, mile heats, purse \$300.

Judging. 9 a.m.—Art exhibits. 1 p.m.—Honey, dairy products. 1:30 p.m.—Thoroughbreds, roadsters in harness, Clydesdales and Shire horses.

2 p.m.—Butter-making competition, Dairy Building. Saddle horses and hunters. 3 p.m.—Shorthorn and Jersey cattle, poultry, and Percheron horses.

3:30 p.m.—Roadsters (farmers' section). 4:30 p.m.—High steppers. TUESDAY.

Gates open 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Speed events—2:15 trot, mile heats, purse \$300. 2:25 pace, mile heats, purse \$300.

Judging. 9 a.m.—Fruit and flowers, sheep, swine, Hereford, Aberdeen-Angus, Ayshire, Holstein cattle. 9:30 a.m.—Heavy draught and agricultural horses.

10 a.m.—Standard-bred carriage and coach horses. Butter-making competition (Dairy Building). 10:30 a.m.—Agricultural horses in harness.

11 a.m.—Agricultural horses (farmers' section). Jones, Clydesdale specials. 1:30 p.m.—Hackneys, carriage and coach in harness.

2 p.m.—Butter-making competition (Dairy Building). 2 p.m.—Judging of dog show. 2:30 p.m.—Carriage and coach horses (farmers' section).

TWO BODIES TO FURNISH NAMES OF NON-RESIDENTS

Education Board and Utilities Commission Deny Evasion Attempts.

ASKED BY BAKER

Most of Teachers Now Live in City, Secretary Tanner Asserts.

Neither the board of education nor the public utilities commission has attempted to evade the request of City Clerk Sam Baker for lists of names of employees living outside the city boundary. The public utilities commission is furnishing the city with a list of its outside employees and the board of education will forward required information, when the request is further explained.

Secretary Tanner, interpreting the stand taken by the board of education, points out that the information will likely be given following further correspondence with the city clerk. Mr. Tanner is aware of several teachers who are living outside the limits of the municipality. Inspector V. K. Greer says that there are possibly five teachers outside the city limits. The figure has been cut down greatly in recent years.

It was explained today that there were several instances in which teachers were living outside the city for justifiable reasons. In one case a young man had undertaken to aid in the support of his wife's parents who had a farm just outside the city bounds. So he moved there and is keeping up the good work.

In the case of the public utilities commission there are instances where exceptions will be taken. That is with employees of the parks and Springbank departments who live near their work as a matter of convenience and efficiency. The parks to give an example, are in the outland and look after the tourist camp, as well as being nearer to Springbank. Some of the waterworks employees live near the pumping station at Springbank.

On the whole, little opposition on the part of either board to refuse to give up the request for information has been noted.

PETITE COTE POSTOFFICE NOW CALLED LA SALLE

The postoffice at Petite Cote, Ontario, has been changed to La Salle, Ontario. All mail matter should be addressed under the new name, stated the postoffice department today.

Although the name was changed but recently, there has already been a confusion with the name La Salette, a postoffice in Quebec, which has resulted in delay in mail matter. The postoffice department is taking the operation of the public in addressing letters to the above named places.

AUSTRALIAN FLAG WARMS MAYOR ON COLD DAYS

Right behind the mayor's chair in his office is an array of flags. They represent a dozen countries and dominions of the Empire. But exactly in the rear of the high-backed throne is the flag of Australia. It has the five stars of the Southern Cross on a blue background, and the mayor says he has it there to keep him warm.

"You know," he says, "they get plenty of sunshine and warmth 'Down Under.' Where a chap can sleep in a blanket in a field all the year round and never has to worry much about an overcoat. It does me good just to see the flag, especially on these mornings when there isn't much steam heat in the city hall."

MISSING GIRLS FOUND. Canadian Press Despatch. St. Catharines, Sept. 8.—Maizis Heintzman and Laura Badley, two 15-year-old girls, missing for a week from Elmira, Ont., were found yesterday hiking on the highway near Jordan, where they have been picking fruit. The girls, whose appearance was older than their years would indicate, decided this morning to accompany their relatives home.



VISITORS TO LONDON.

Here are Mademoiselle Londy, a native of Switzerland, who stands seven feet six inches in height, and Baron Paucel, two of a kind, for they are both with the Johnny J. Jones exposition at the Western Fair this week—the ups and downs of life.

CRIPPLED KIDDIES WILL BE GUESTS OF SHRINERS

Mocha Patrol Plans Afternoon Tour of the Western Fair.

The London Mocha Patrol Club will take the crippled children of the city to the Western Fair some afternoon this week.

The club has made arrangements to take these handicapped kiddies to the Fair, and hope to make it an annual event. The day had not been decided on by the committee on Saturday night, but as all members offered the use of their cars and this treat for crippled children is assured for one of the afternoons this week.

ATTENDANCE AT ROTARY HIT BY BAD WEATHER

Bad weather put a crimp in the attendance at the program at the Rotary Club's luncheon today. In co-ordination with the Western Fair's children's day, the luncheon was held at the fair grounds in the W. C. T. U. tent.

President Saunders and Col. Gartshore, of the fair board, were the chief speakers.

It was decided to invite the clubs of the 18th district to meet here in March for their annual session.

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WEST TEACHERS MAY COME EAST

Inspector Wheable Points Out Value of Inter-Provincial Exchanges.

TOURS LAUDED

Can Ontario teachers instruct their charges of the geography of the prairies, a country that few of them know, except through book knowledge? Can Saskatchewan instructors impart information that is nearly as good as first hand regarding conditions in the east?

Educational authorities confess that it is the most difficult thing in the world. But they also say that it is a condition that can be remedied and if a suggestion, made in Winnipeg, is taken up an exchange of teachers may be arranged.

Such an exchange of teachers has been going on between Great Britain and the dominion for some years. It has been credited as being a practical and fruitful scheme, though travelling expenses have been high for a majority of teachers to consider the exchange.

"The exchange between eastern and western teachers could be worked," Public School Inspector G. A. Wheable commented this morning. "The English exchange has helped to broaden the knowledge of many of our teachers. The western exchange would bring out the idea to 'know Canada first.' The best way to know the west is by living there and fully appreciating the western viewpoint."

"Travelling expenses would not be nearly so great as going to the Old Country and teachers wouldn't feel so widely separated from their home folk. Yes, I can see much good come from an exchange of teachers with the west."

In the Empire teacher exchange it is necessary for teachers to have a fair teaching experience, pass mental examinations and have been recommended by their principals.

The same would likely apply in an inter-provincial exchange. Inspectors of schools are point to the many advantages that would be arranged for teachers as being as much a part of their education as so much time spent in educational institutions. Teachers' exchanges are of even more value than tours.

GLEE CLUB IS PROPOSED FOR THE LONDON Y.M.C.A.

For those members of the Y. M. C. A. who feel the urge to break out in song occasionally there will be an opportunity given them to join the proposed glee club at the Y. M. C. A. W. F. Shaw said this morning that there are talented and trained voices among the members of the "Y," and it is only a matter of organization to start a club which will guarantee a good time this fall and winter.

The plans are not completed yet, but it has been suggested that there be a quartet in each section of the membership. There would be a practice night or two a week, and the boys could place themselves in a position to entertain at the usual entertainments at the "Y" throughout the winter.

Such a quartet would go a long way to increase the popularity of the association sing-songs and banquets.