

THE WEATHER:
MODERATE WINDS; FAIR
TUESDAY—FAIR

61ST YEAR. NO. 24092

LONDON, ONTARIO, MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1924—FOURTEEN PAGES

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THREE CENTS.

FALL ASSIZES OPEN WITH 4 CRIMINAL CASES

Beck Would Link L. & P. S. With Street Railway At \$750,000

4 CRIMINAL CASES GO TO GRAND JURY

True Bills Expected To Be Returned For Each.

RIDDELL PRESIDES

Grand Jury, After Address, Retires To Consider Evidence.

True bills are expected in all four criminal cases sent to the grand jury this afternoon by Mr. Justice Rid-
dell, presiding at the fall assizes.

Court convened at 1 o'clock, the grand jury retiring to consider the cases at 1:40.

Evidence in the cases of Thomas Clare and William Hodges, both charged with manslaughter, is being brought before the grand jury by Crown Attorney Albert M. Judah and Crown Prosecutor T. A. Sinclair, K.C., of Tillsonburg.

Later in the afternoon, evidence in the Fox and Sansone cases will be brought before the jury. Thomas Fox is charged with rape and Sylva-dore Sansone with indecent assault.

His lordship decided to dispense with the jury in the case of Fitz-simons vs. Vining, a damage action over farm land being flooded with water, and is taking up this case while the grand jurors are considering the four criminal cases.

E. T. Essery, K.C., is appearing for Mr. Fitzsimons and T. G. Meredith, K.C., for Mr. Vining.

Addresses Grand Jury.
"While this place was selected 130 years ago as capital of the province, grand juries have not been sitting here for that length of time. How-
ever, for over 100 years grand jurors have sat in this city. At least four times a year," said his lordship in addressing the grand jury. "The duties are not as extensive as they once were, but they are enough to demand your best attention. Four persons are to be tried by a jury at this court, but before this can be done you must receive evidence. In the cases, although they are not tried before you in open court."

His lordship then instructed the grand jurors as to the nature of their duties in determining the facts in the cases that there were two man-slaughter cases to come before them, his lordship stated that the grand jury was to be careful not to let man-slaughter cases go unless they were properly proved. There were scores of cases in which manslaughter might not be much worse than an accident.

"Manslaughter is killing without intent," stated his lordship. "If a person is killed without excuse it is man-slaughter. If he is killed without intent or by carelessness, that is manslaughter."

"The law is that a man driving a motor car must be careful. Some places it may be safe to drive 20 miles an hour, and then again a speed of one mile an hour may be driving too fast."

"Was the man driving too fast? If you believe he was, you must bring in a true bill."

"Was he using reasonable care? If he was, he is not guilty."

In conclusion, his lordship stated that the jurors would not in his opinion have any difficulty in coming to a conclusion on all four cases.

Following are the names of the grand jury, of which Fred Barrett is president.

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The Weather

FORECASTS.

Moderate winds, fair today and Tuesday; not much change in temperature.

The pressure is high from the great lakes eastward, also over the western states, while a low area which was over Colorado on Saturday morning is now centered over Northern Mani-toba.

Rain has fallen in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Eastern Nova Scotia. Elsewhere the weather has been fair.

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

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	56	46	Cloudy
Calgary	52	39	Clear
Winnipeg	50	44	Cloudy
Port Arthur	50	48	Cloudy
Perry Sound	56	39	Fair
Toronto	64	40	Clear
Kingston	60	39	Clear
Ottawa	60	32	Clear
Montreal	54	38	Clear
Quebec	50	36	Fair
Father Point	44	39	Clear
St. John's	52	38	Fair
Halifax	56	40	Clear

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The higher and lower temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 70; lowest, 40.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 50; lowest, 39.

Barometric Readings.
Sunday—8 p.m.—29.46.
Today—8 a.m.—29.49.

Why I Shall Vote O.T.A.

JAMES GRAY,
President of Gray's, Limited,
and Past President of the
London Chamber of Com-
merce.

"I shall vote for the O. T. A. because I consider the O. T. A. the best piece of temperance legislation ever yet given to the people of Ontario. If given more efficient enforcement and support, the act itself will become more efficient and satisfactory."

"In our business the moment the O. T. A. was passed we freed the difference straight off. I believe some children got stock-ings who never had them before."

"It seemed to me while passing through British Columbia, where government control is in opera-tion, that everyone who wanted liquor could get it."

"In Quebec province the gov-ernment makes \$3,000,000 out of the traffic. That means that \$70,000,000 is spent on liquor. That describes the situation to me as well as anything. All that money, and positively nothing to show for it."

"I can't understand anyone failing to support the O. T. A., when they see the suffering wrought through the liquor traffic."

HAMILTON SHOCKED BY MORE DISCLOSURES IN SCANDAL

Parachute Drop Kills Woman

Associated Press Despatch.
Wichita, Kas., Oct. 12.—Mrs. Ruth, member of the Gar-
vey flying circus of Attica, Kan-sas, was instantly killed at the national air congress races here yesterday afternoon, when the parachute in which she leaped from a plane failed to open. More than ten thousand persons wit-
nessed the tragedy. The body was released from the plane when it was about 1,000 feet in the air.

ELECTION CALLED SOCIAL CONFLICT

Labor Minister of Health Says Struggle Will Touch Very Roots of System.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Oct. 11.—John Wheatley, minister of health, speaking in Car-lisle, said the government had been defeated in the House of Commons not because it was a minority gov-ernment, but because it was a Labor administration. This present elec-tion contest was not the old fight between Liberalism and Toryism; it was a struggle that went to the very roots of social order, the minister declared.

The Labor party must be prepared to see Liberalism and Toryism uni-fied in an endeavor to arrest the march of industrial democracy, Mr. Wheatley said. Therefore he wel-comed the fact that in order to pre-vent the people against the Labor party the MacDonald government had been called a socialistic government. The minister of health expressed confidence in the result of the elec-tion.

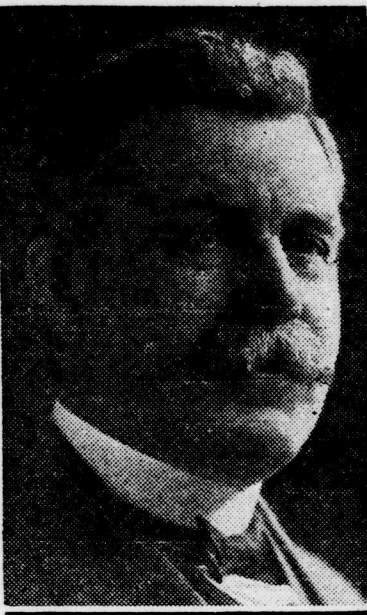
ONE MAN HELD AFTER SHOOTING TRAGEDY

Associated Press Despatch.
Detroit, Oct. 12.—Detroit police to-day were holding one man and seek-ing another in connection with the slaying last night of Clifford Greaves, 32, of Hamilton, Ont. Greaves was shot and killed by two men who entered his apartment here while he was giving a party to nine other men. The intruders fired when Greaves ordered them to leave. The guests were lined up against the door and the intruders fired several shots. Greaves was killed by a bullet in the head and was relieved of \$150. Greaves died shortly after the hold-up.

The man in custody is Thomas P. Smith. No charge has been laid against him, the police stating he is being held for questioning. Greaves has been wearing here for several weeks in a moving and storage cen-ter.

NEW BRUNSWICK WOMAN SUCCUMBS TO INJURIES

Canadian Press Despatch.
Moncton, N. B., Oct. 12.—Mrs. Peter Roy of Cocagne was killed and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Leblanc and their four children had a narrow escape from drowning yesterday when the automobile in which they were driving plunged over a bridge at Grand Digue, near here. All were extricated with difficulty, but Mrs. Roy died in hospital shortly after. She was 75 years of age.



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merce.

Civic Probe Shows Defalcations in Treasurer's Office Total \$60,000.

MORE SUMMONSES

Other Prominent Citizens Are Alleged To Be Implicated in Craft Charges.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Hamilton, Oct. 13.—Just when it was thought that the bottom of Ham-
ilton's civic scandal had been probed and that there would be no further disclosures to shock the public, an-
nouncement was made this morning that conditions in the city treasurer's office were far worse than was thought at first. Instead of the \$20,000 shortage which was discovered at first in the books of Harold S. Forbes, the missing cashier, it is now announced that he was approximately \$60,000 short, practically double the original amount.

In this connection it was also learned that the defalcations did not commence a couple of months be-fore Forbes' departure, but that the manipulation of figures in the books covering up large cash shortages oc-curred much further back than that, and that there may even be irregu-larities as far back as last year.

It is also intimated from very re-liable sources that when the fifteen taxpayers accused of complicity with King, Saunders and Hartley, in an attempt to defraud the tax depart-ment, came up again in police court next week there will be several other citizens with them.

This morning Mayor Jutten again declined to state any exact figure as to the treasurer's department defalca-tions, but admitted that the amount was much greater than was at first thought. He would have no accurate information, he said, until he received a report from the auditors.

GERMANY COMPLIES WITH REQUIREMENTS

Reparations Commission An-nounces Dawes Plans Now Complete.

Associated Press Despatch.
Paris, Oct. 12.—The reparations commission formally announced today that the Dawes plan organization had been fully established and that the German government had complied with all of the requirements to date under the agreement made at the recent international conference in Lon-don.

The commission approved the plans for American, British and German participation in the \$200,000,000 loan to Germany and suggested that the agent-general for reparation pay-ments ought to be ex-officio one of the trustees representing the bond holders.

SIR WILLIAM PRICE WILL BE BURIED TODAY

Canadian Press Despatch.
Quebec, Oct. 13.—The body of Sir William Price, who lost his life in a landslide at Kenogami, on Oct. 2, was being resting at his beautiful home there since it was discovered Saturday in the Saguenay River in the neighborhood of St. Foulence. About five miles from the place where the accident occurred, and about five miles below Chicoutimi.

The funeral will be held today and will be attended by members of the deceased's family and officers and employees of Price Brothers.

CORN BORER ROBS AREA OF MILLION

Loss to the Western Ontario Farmers Is Placed at \$1,230,000.

ACTION IS URGED

Government Outlines Plan To Prevent Destruction of Crop.

Loss to the farmers of Western Ontario this year through the rav-ages of the corn borer are estimated at \$1,230,000 by government officials who have made a study of the situa-tion.

The corn crop of Western Ontario last year was worth some \$12,300,000, and with the same acreage under cultivation this year, the loss is con-servatively estimated at 10 per cent, or \$1,230,000.

According to statements made by the department of agriculture officials in Essex county, something drastic will have to be done by farmers of that county or their chief source of revenue will melt away. It is esti-mated that 82,000 acres in Essex are used for the growing of corn, and should the corn borers multiply in 1925 as they have in 1924 the loss will total 35 million dollars in four years' time, through loss of crop and decreased land values.

The corn crop in Essex last year was worth \$3,000,000, according to government figures. It was worth \$1,500,000 in Middlesex, \$250,000 in Bruce, \$450,000 in Huron county, \$1,000,000 in Elgin, \$2,800,000 in Kent, \$1,200,000 in Lambton, \$800,000 in Norfolk, and \$1,500,000 in Oxford.

Although it is generally known, some 11,000 acres in Middlesex are devoted to husking corn, mostly around Glencoe, Wardsville and Appleton.

Borer Increasing.
"For the information of corn grow-ers in all parts of southern Ontario, it should be brought to their atten-tion that the European corn borer is increasing with alarming rapidity from year to year. This is true not only of the southwestern lake shore counties of Elgin, Kent and Essex, but also of wide areas such as the Niagara peninsula, where its pres-ence has heretofore been hardly realized," says the latest government report.

"The European corn borer can be distinguished from the corn ear worm by its dirty white color, small size (never over 1 1/2 inches in length), and by the fact that it al-ways attacks the stalks as well as the cob. The ear worm, on the other hand, is distinctly colored and may grow to a length of 1 1/2 inches. It confines its attention largely to the tip of the cob and almost never at-tacks the stalks."

Just as soon as the borer is ob-served in a community, every effort should be put forth to prevent it in-creasing to a point where it will cause measurable loss."

"Control broadly consists in the destruction of all corn crop remain-ants before the first of June, either by plowing down clean or burning. This calls for the cleaning out of all corn remnants from barnyards, mangers, barn cellars, feeding paddocks, pas-tures, kitchen gardens, and even the old cobs in the crib. All should be plowed or plowed under clean and not brought to the surface by the later cultivations. Stubble and crop refuse on the old corn land should likewise be plowed under completely and not dragged to the surface with later tillage."

Safe in Silo.
"The corn which goes into the silo or is fed is perfectly safe."

In districts where the infestation is severe, trap crops of six to ten rows of corn should be sown two weeks' earlier than normal planting, and the main crop held back as long as seems safe in the locality. In the case of sweet corn, only the very earliest date and late plantings will yield profitable crops, as the ordi-nary early and medium early planted corn will almost certainly be ruined by the borer.

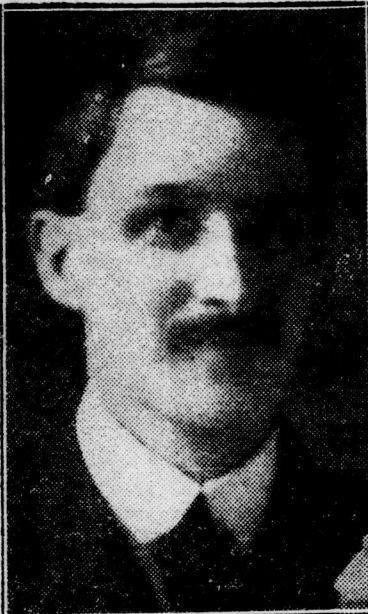
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"If on the other hand, no control efforts are made it is but a matter of time, with the present increase of the insect, for corn growing to become so unprofitable as to remove it from agricultural practice entirely."

"Even if you have never found a corn borer on your place, the destruc-tion of corn remnants in field and garden as outlined above an an-nual practice."

SWEDEN'S DOWAGER QUEEN IS ILL WITH PNEUMONIA

Associated Press Despatch.
Copenhagen, Oct. 12.—Dowager Queen Louise, who was stricken with a severe attack of bronchitis on Sat-urday, was declared last night to be suffering from pneumonia. Her tem-perature was high and the bulletins regarding her condition vague.



RICHARD A. MANN,
prominent St. Thomas railroadman,
30 years an employee of the M. C. R.,
who was killed in the yards at Mont-
rose on Saturday.

YOUTHS GET FOUR YEARS, 12 LASHES

Marlatt and McGraw Given Heavy Sentence For Attack-
ing Aged Couple.

Special to The Advertiser.
St. Thomas, Oct. 13.—Found guilty of robbery with personal violence of an aged Vienna couple on the evening of Saturday, Sept. 15, Henry Marlatt and Robert McGraw were sentenced by Magistrate Maxwell in county court this morning to four years in Portsmouth penitentiary at Kingston with 12 lashes each.

Marlatt is 20 years of age, and lives in Port Burwell, while McGraw is 18 and resides a short distance west of Griffin's Corners, north of Vienna.

Sentence was suspended on the charge of robbing the C. P. R. sta-tion at Vienna on the same night.

Before passing sentence, the magis-trate delivered a scathing lecture to the youths on their misdeeds, point-ing out that a murder charge was narrowly averted, as Samuel Palmer and his sister Catherine nearly suc-cumbed to the injuries received.

Marlatt pleaded not guilty to the charges in Port Burwell court on Wednesday last, but was found guilty. McGraw admitted the crime.

ACQUITTAL OF SQUIRES CONFIRMED BY COURT

Canadian Press Despatch.
St. Johns, Nfld., Oct. 13.—The New-foundland supreme court, in a deci-sion handed down today, confirmed the legal status of a grand jury which last Thursday reported "no bill" in the case of Sir Richard Squires, for-mer premier, charged with larceny of public money.

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ZEPPELIN FAR OVER ATLANTIC

Giant Airship Making Good Speed on Way to the United States.

USES WIRELESS

Latest Communication Was With Station at Azores Islands.

Associated Press Despatch.
Paris, Oct. 13.—The zeppelin ZR-3 this morning was well out over the Atlantic, having covered 1,000 miles of her journey from Friedrichshafen, Germany, to Lakehurst, N. J., accord-ing to the latest advices.

The next definite word as to her progress is expected to be in the form of wireless communication, either from some vessel sighting her at sea, or from the Azores Islands, over which she is expected to pass in following the southern trans-Atlantic route. This route was chosen be-cause of the adverse conditions re-ported over the shorter northern route.

The ZR-3 left Friedrichshafen, where she was built on the war reparations account of the United States.

Now that the ZR-3 has really left, French opinion is interested in the fate of the great zeppelin works at Friedrichshafen, which, in conform-ity with the treaty of Versailles, must be demolished, since, according to the ambassadors' council's note of April, 1922, Germany is only entitled to build dirigibles under 30,000 cubic metres capacity.

The French press is urging the gov-ernment to keep strict watch to see that this provision is complied with. No time limit is set, but the ZR-3 no longer gives an excuse for main-taining the zeppelin works, this watchfulness is considered vital to the interests of France.

FOUR ARE CHARGED WITH GIRL'S DEATH

Doris Johnston, 14, Killed by Automobile Forty Miles From Halifax.

Associated Press Despatch.
Halifax, N.S., Oct. 13.—Doris John-son, 14, a resident of the colored settlement of Five-Mile Plains, 40 miles from here on the road to Wind-sor, was almost instantly killed near her home yesterday afternoon when struck by an automobile, and her two companions were seriously in-jured. The occupants of the car, a white man and three colored people, were arrested here last night charged with manslaughter.

The three were walking along the road when their attention was at-tracted by a wildly-careening car approaching them. The car struck another auto a glancing blow in passing, and without slowing up, swerved across the highway and struck the party of pedestrians who had taken to the ditch, according to eyewitnesses.

After the accident the car stopped and a girl came back to investigate. She remained only long enough to see what damage was caused and re-turned to the car, which started away toward Halifax. The girl died five minutes later.

Information was telephoned to Halifax and Murphy, owner of the car, and Charles Davis, driver, both of Halifax, and Edith Jones and Doris Croxton, Windsor, were arrested. Murphy was the only white member of the party.

Communists Sing Red Flag As Cop Warbles Anthem

British Policeman Seeking To Keep Order, Denounced in Court.

PROVOKED ROW

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Oct. 13.—In connection with a disturbance at a communist meeting in Trafalgar square yester-day, a policeman who had arrested four men was himself bound over by the magistrate at Bow street police court today to keep the peace.

The policeman in question told the magistrate that he heard one man at the meeting say that a fascist badge calling the crowd dirty dogs. The man refused to go away when the policeman ordered him to do so, and the offender was arrested.

The magistrate stated, and when they saw the witness' police badge they sur-rounded him (the policeman) rather uncomfortably. Thereupon the po-lice-man sang the national anthem, he told the magistrate, and the com-munists sang the 'Red Flag.'

The magistrate remarked that the policeman's actions had been provo-cative and therefore the magistrate bound him over to keep the peace.



THOMAS VIEN, M. P.,
who, a Quebec report says, is to be
appointed deputy-minister of militia
and defence.

SETTELL IS SENT DOWN FOR TRIAL

Sir Adam Beck's Secretary Is Committed on Theft Charge.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Hamilton, Oct. 13.—E. Clarence Set-tell, former secretary to Sir Adam Beck, chairman of the hydro-electric commission, was committed for trial on a charge of stealing \$29,925 from the hydro-electric commission by Magistrate Jeffs today. The charges of forgery and defrauding the hydro-electric commission by causing W. H. Childs of Hamilton, to endorse the check for \$29,925, have been formu-lated against Settell, but he was not arrested on these today.

Evidence was given to the effect that he cashed the check at the head office of the Canadian Bank of Com-merce here, after having reported that the money was for the purpose of purchasing right-of-ways. Edward A. Huggill, who has charge of land buying for the commission, swore that Set-tell had no authority to purchase land for the commission.

George Ballard, crown attorney, presented the case against Settell, and C. W. Bell, K.C., defended the prisoner.

NEW INTERNAL CRISIS REALIZED BY HERRIOT

Compares Workers' Ultimatum to London and Geneva Conferences.

Associated Press Despatch.
Paris, Oct. 13.—"The London and Geneva conferences were easy com-pared with this," Premier Herriot re-marked to friends the other day, just after he had received an ultimatum from a half-million government employees who had taken the organization of the civil service into their own hands and fixed the minimum salary they are willing to accept.

The employees announced that if the government refused to accept their ul-timatum a strike might be called, cul-minating in the suspension of telephone and telegraphic communication, the closing of the schools, the non-collec-tion of taxes, and the upsetting of things in a good many other ways.

The government's dilemma seems to be this: If it grants the increase in pay demanded by the employees, it must make a levy on capital, at the risk of splitting the Radical party; if it does not, it must risk the loss of the support of government functionaries in future elections. If it gives in to the demand it will increase the deficit of the 1925 budget by four billion francs.

GLUTTONY OF WAHABI TRIBE BRINGS CHOLERA PLAGUE

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Oct. 13.—Ibn Saud, leader of the Wahabi tribesmen, who forced the abdication of King Hussein, the Hedjaz, has withdrawn his men a considerable distance from Mecca, owing to an outbreak of cholera in their ranks, according to a special despatch from Jeddah.

This information says that the Wahabis, on arriving in Taif from the desert, gourmandized on fruit and veg-etables to such an extent that an ep-demic of cholera started. The situation was aggravated by the fact that the bodies of 300 persons massacred in Taif remained unburied.

MISS MARGARET BONDFIELD CUTS CANADIAN TOUR

Canadian Press Despatch.
Edmonton, Alta., Oct. 13.—Miss Margaret Bondfield, parliamentary secretary of labor in the MacDonald government, cut short her mission to Canada on child immigration yester-day, when she started her return journey to Great Britain for the purpose of participating in the general election.

Following a public meeting here Saturday night, Miss Bondfield concluded the arrangements made for all other cities in Canada.

PORT LINE SHOWS CUT OF \$21,000

Reduction of Income of L. and P. S. Is Blamed on the Adverse Weather.

WOULD JOIN LINES

Beck Favors the Purchase of Street Railway For \$750,000.

Unseasonable holiday weather and adverse business conditions were blamed at a session of the London railway commission today for a drop of some \$21,000 in gross income in the August operating account of the L. and P. S. railway. The holiday crowds had been greater than similar occasions last season, but the ordi-nary days showed a noticeable falling off in traffic on the railway and patronage of port attractions.

If the London street railway could be purchased for a half million dol-lars less than the present price of \$1,250,000, purchase of the street railway could be made at a cost of \$750,000, fusion with the L. and P. S. would do much to cut down overhead and operating ex-pense of both lines and make the economic and efficient system of both.

Revenue Drop.
With revenues for the summer months showing a noticeable drop in all departments of the railway, se-rious business conditions are faced by the L. and P. S. Revenue for Au-gust, \$68,080.95, as compared with \$88,259.64 for August of 1923.

Managers of the time General Richards reported that operating ex-penses had been cut as much as pos-sible, and instead of expenses of \$62,092.03, as in August last year, this August showed expenses of only \$52,232.63.

There was a decrease of 22,116 in number of passengers carried during the month, and 26,122 tons less of freight were carried. The cafeteria at Port Stanley made money, some \$10,000 in all, but the bath house and incline railway barely met expenses.

Mayor Wenige asked the council to gain by leasing the lines to the Canadian National Railways, but feeling was that the city should re-tain its management of the road.

On the request of the city council, names of employees of the L. and P. S. R. who live outside of London will be supplied to City Clerk Baker. Copper wire for a new telegraph line to St. Thomas was ordered purchased at a cost of \$1,300.47. One of the present and future needs