MURRELL MURDER TRIAL IS ON THIS AFTERNO

Will Vote In December On Commission Government

TRIAL OF MURRELL AND SLIM WILLIAMS OPENS AT ASSIZES

Courtroom Crowded as Opposing Counsel Prepare For Battle With Human Lives as the Stake-Sixty-One Jurors Summoned From Which to Pick Trial Jury.

JUSTICE WRIGHT'S FIRST MURDER CASE

Sid Murrell and Slim Williams were brought into the prisoners' box at 2:45.

Sidney Ernest (Curly) Murrell and Henry Jack (Slim) Williams, alias William Henry Baughan, are on trial for their lives at the court house this afternoon, facing charges of murdering Russell Campbell Melbourne war veteran, at Melbourne, on April 16,

1921.
Although it was expected at first

Although it was expected at first there might be some delay, Crown Prosecutor T. J. Rigney, K.C., of Kingston, was willing the case should proceed at once.

When court opened at 2:04, two provincial policemen stood guard at the prisoner's box. Sid Murrell and Slim Williams had not appeared.

The grand jury list was called, and the grand jury instructed to retire to pick a foreman.

Murrell showed no sign of the tried separately first. Several city men a he entered the prisoner's box he glanced about the room. After being legs, and attempted to rold his arms. Handcuffs prevented him from doing

Both prisoners had a neat appearance. They had washed and brushed their hair immediately before leaving

The crowd began to assemble a the courthouse at 1 o'clock.
J. M. Donahue, counsel for Murarate trials. It is not expected the rell and Williams, is asking for crown will raise serious objection to

Refuses Jury Lists.

This morning Sheriff Donald A. Graham refused to allow the press to copy the jury lists. Even the grand jury list was denied the papers, the sheriff stating: "You can get the names when they are called in the courtroom." It has always been cus-tomary for the papers to obtain the lists on the day the court opens. All morning telephone calls were being received at the various courthouse offices, lawvers and other citizens inquiring as to the time Murrell

From all the back concession county constables flocked to the courthouse to guard its portals against the invasion of a curious crowd. At noon, when they discovered that the crowd did not arrive as early as was expected, they dispersed for lunch, returning at 1 o'clock.

Murrell and Williams ate the regular prison lunches with great gusto

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.

Tuesday-Winds, mostly easterly; fair, not much change in temperature.

Pressure is high over the eastern half of the continent, and depressions are centered in Alberta and over Southern

Since Saturday night a few showers have occurred from Ontario to the fair, and in Saskatchewan and Alberta

Temperatures.
The highest and lowest tem
furing the 24 hours previous
today were:
Stations. High, Low. Port Arthur.... 44 Parry Sound.... 54 Toronto 58
Kingston 54
Ottawa 56
Montreal 54

St. John 50 LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

John Osborne, veteran prospector, who came to London in quest of his son Jim, only to discover that the latter was dead, is making valiant efforts to secure a job, in spite of his 77 years.

Last Sufday Osborne, penniless and hungry, went to a Salvation Army meeting where Alfred Fields, and the old man has reached his last resources. All he has in the world it and offered shelter. It was readily accepted, and the old man has readed with his Good Samaritan for the past week, brooding over the futility of his long hunt for "Little Jimmy." This morning he scoured the city for a job. If he falls to get one he does not know what he oget one had an auture of rough work. Unless he gets a position as janitor or some such occupation, he will grobably go to the Old People's Home.

Destitute When Home Burned
In his old age, Osborne, made destitute when his British Columbia home was burned to the ground, cloudy The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 59; lowest, 43.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 44; lowest, 32.

Barometric Readings.
Sunday, 8 p.m.—29.35.
Today, 8 a.m.—29.29.

On Trial-Sidney E. (Curly) Murrell and Henry Jack (Slim) Villiams. Trial Judge—Hon. Mr. Justice Wright.
Crown Counsel—T. J. Rigney, K.
C., Kingston.

C., Kingston.

Defense Counsel—J. M. Donahue, London.

Sixty-one jurymen, including thirteen grand jurymen summoned. Forty witness expected. Court opened at 2 p.m. Murder of Russell Campbell alleged to have been committed at 11:45 a.m., Monday, April 10, 1921.

The grand jury list was called, and the grand jury instructed to retire to pick a foreman.

During their absence, a civil jury cases was added and two jury cases adjourned to the next court.

J. M. Curry was chosen foreman of the grand jury. Edmund Weld, clerk of court, cautioned the foreman of the jury as to his duties.

The following grand jury were then sworn: Alex. Armstrong, William Bawden, George Brooks, James A. Carruthers, Hugh McNeil, George Slade, Arthur W. White, Dougall W. Gillies, William E. Lee, Byron Marsh, Ben. F. Nolan, Edwin Powell. The judge then addressed the jury. Practically all the witnesses for the crown and defence are seated in a special section of the court reserved for them. They will be excluded as soon as the case gets under way. Hon. Mr. Justice Wright is on the bench. This is the first murder case he has been assigned to since his recent appointment.

Murrell and Williams were calm when they were brought into the box. They came up the stairway which leads from the jail directly to the courtroom. Williams glanced nervously about the room, but did not seem to recognize anyone in the room, with the exception of a few of the reporters seated directly in front of him at the press table.

Showed No Sign Of Strain.

Murrell showed no sign of the strain under which he labored. As he entered the prisoner's hox he

Several city men are on the petit jury, and there are quite a number from Ekfrid and Caradoc Townships, who may or may not have taken part in the hunt for the fourth man, Robert Ernest (Pat) Norton, who with William Murrell is still at large.

Selection of a jury is expected to take some time, as it is believed to the defence will evapour all of its eight. defense will exhaust all of its eigh-

teen challenges allowed.
Witnesses from points as far away
as Ottawa, began arriving at noon.
Special seats were reserved for them and the jurors.

BELIEVE TWO FRENCH AIRMEN MET DEATH

Associated Press Despatch.
Paris. Oct. 15.—Two military airmen, Sergeants Leveque and Gautier of the 34th Aviation Corps, left the camp at LeBourget in a biplane at 9 o'clock, Saturday morning to take o'clock, Saturday morning to take photographs over Mantes, 30 miles away, and have not been seen since. They should have been back before noon. The aviation authorities benoon. The aviation authorities be-lieve that the machine either fell in the midst of a forest or into a river and sank with its occupants.

HIS SON DEAD, AGED MAN

STARTS LIFE OVER AGAIN

John Osborne, After Futile Search For Son, Scours City For Job

To Keep From Starving.

Murder Trial In a Nutshell

Are Unable To Make

Their Escape.

PROBE IS ORDERED

Associated Press Despatch.

to death, and a seventh, a woman,

suffered grave injuries in leaping from the flames in a fire which early

today destroyed a frame three-story dwelling in the Bensonhurst section

The dead are: Mrs. Lillian An-

drews, her nephew, Charles, and niece

Margaret; George Kyne, playwright;

Francis Poncho Fowler, Mrs. Roberta Wigert. Mrs. Anna Andrews,

who was trapped with the others in the attic of the building, leaped through a window, suffering internal

injuries which may prove fatal.

Neighbors, seeing smoke rolling from the basement of the dwelling-

from the basement of the dwellinghouse, rushed to the spot just in time to see Mrs. Anna Andrews leap from a window of the attic apartment.
Two hours later firemen found the charred bodies of the six victims, where, apparently, they had been overcome after escape had been cut off by the flames.

A dozen occupants of the first and second floor apartments of the burn-

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second floor apartments of the burn-ed building were awakened and led through the flames to safety by Dr. Thomas McNickle, a dentist, and his

prother, whose four nieces were

among the rescued.

Heads of the fire department have

ordered an investigation to deter-mine the origin of the fire.

POST REVISED LIST THIS

WEEK.

City Clerk Baker expects that the revised voters' list for the December election will be posted this week in the usual places in the city hall and

Brooklyn.

New York, Oct. 15 .- Six persons

vere trapped in an attic and burned

Occupants of Attic Apartment Fatal Accident Occurs Early



FOUR IMPORTANT WITNESS ES AT MURDER TRIAL.

This Morning on Detroit

River.

BEING SMUGGLED

Associated Press Despatch.

Canadian pilot also was drowned.

Abedes Godoshian, 40, of Delray,

Mich., was the only one saved. The dead are: Elmas, 22; Ozis-

anna, 18, and Hasgart, 18, children of Abedes Godoshian; and Haig, 14, and Vageney, 16, children of Godoshian's brother, and the unident declaration of Godoshian's declaration of the control of t

LONDON POSTOFFICE STAFF

The postoffice Weekly Bulletin,

local department z local office and surrounding rural departments have been printed in this week's issue. Members of the Lon-don postoffice staff compiled seven

and for the betterment of the postal

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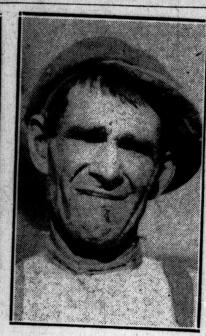
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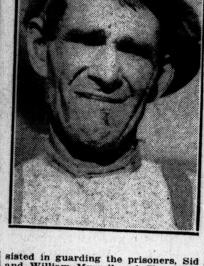
At least four thousand people saw the Yanks beat the Giants on The Advertiser's playograph Saturday afternoon. Here is a glimpse of the crowd at the corner of Richmond and York streets. Some fortunate fans had box seats on the balconies of the Grigg House, while the bleachers consisted of the Grand Trunk fence along York street. The playograph repeated the game to another crowd Saturday evening, and Sunday's game was replayed at noon today. Today's game followed and was in progress when the first edition went to press.

EDITS WEEKLY BULLETIN



Four of the important witnesses in the trial of Sid Murrell and Slim Williams at the courthouse today, upon whom crown depends much for its case are left to right: Erna Wright rushed out of the bank when the robbers entered and spread the alarm through the village. Manager with the alarm through the village. Manager McCandless refused to give up the Campbell, and Burley Robinson, two Melbourne villagers, who is manager of the bank; Stuart Campbell, and Burley Robinson engaged Sid Mur-





London's Traffic Cops Say Girls Can't 'Vamp' 'Em

City's Bluecoats Are Adamant Against "Goo-Goo" Eyes at Busy Corners.

MOSTLY MARRIED

Won't Give Wives Chance To Catch Them, and Besides. They Respect Law.

Detroit, Oct. 15.-Six person, five "The burning challenge of her eyes of these Armenians, in a rowboat, piloted by a Canadian whose identity is not known, were drowned in the Detroit river between River Rouge and Ecorse, Mich., early today when an unidentified steamer struck the small craft and precipitated its hold out no hope of paradise." human cargo into the water. The habitually "vamped" by automobiling Cleopatras is vigorously denied by members of London's police force. "They have no more effect on me than water on a duck," one handsome

oliceman informed The Advertiser today.

The traffic expert admitted, howrne trame expert admitted, how-ever, that the girls were using every feminine wile imaginable to "get the cops' goats." They smiled, winked, smirked and some actually shimmied in the hope that local policemen would overlook mild violations of traffic regulations. regulations.
"But the law is the law," the of-

Canadian pilot.
Government immigration authorities and Ecorse police expressed the belief that the Armenians were being smuggled into the United States from Canada. This belief was strengthened when it was learned that the Armenians had made application to be admitted into this councation to be admitted into this council. ficer added sagely, "and we don't make any discrimination in favor of cation to be admitted into this country a few weeks ago, but due to the Here the sheik of the force is backed up by his colleagues Inde d, the majority of them being married the majority of them being married Claim they are, if anything, Turn to Page 7, Column 3.

try a few weeks ago, but due to the Armenian quota being filled, their application was refused. The lake steamer was moving down the river when the accident happened. The rowboat was traveling without lights and was undistinguishable in the dense fog that hung over the water. The steamer struck the boat and hurled its occupants into the river. It kept on its course apparently unaware of the accident. RIVAL THOROUGHBREDS **GET LIGHT WORKOUTS** accident. Abedes Godoshian was pulled from the river by Mike West, a resident of a houseboat on the United States side of the river, who heard the frantic cries of the floundering persons. He went to their rescue in a motor iaunch, but when he reached the scene of the collision only Abedes was on top of the water. The bodies of the other six were not recovered.

Papyrus and Zev Given Moderate Exercise For Race

Classic. New York, Oct. 15 .- Today was one of comparative rest for Zev and Papyrus, rival British and United States thoroughbreds in their prop states thoroughbreds, in their preparation for the \$100,000 international classic next Saturday at Belmont Park. Both were out on the tracks for light exercise, but, following their The postoffice weekly Bulletin, a small paper printed each Saturday by the postoffice department at Cttawa, was this week edited by the local postoffice. Suggestions for improvement in the efficiency of the gallops of yesterday, did not attempt real time tests.

Trainer Basil Jarvis plans to give Trainer Basil Jarvis plans to give the English horse another stiff work-out tomorrow, but Zev's trainer, Sam Hildreth, was undecided what he would ask his charge to do.

CHIEF BIRRELL RETURNS. After holidays of a few days, Chief Robert Birrell of the police depart-ment was back on the job again this



ROBB MEDAL WINNER.

Margaret Gilmore, winner of the Robb medal for highest standing in entrance examinations. Miss Gilmore was a pupil of Alexandra School, and a daughter of Rev. John Gil Tempo, formerly of London. This the second time in succession the medal has been won by a scholar of Alexandra School.

GASPER TRAVELS HOME IN FIRST CLASS STYLE

Friends of Chatham Negro Came to His Assistance With Railway Fare.

Gasper Parker, the young colored race track because the work was too tices regarding this that have been "rough" for him, is now on his way received. to Chatham in a day coach of the C. N R

pest circles of the county jail prisoners' union, wrote a pathetic and urgent letter to friends, relatives and acquaintances in Chatham town, the acquaintances in Chatham town, the acquaintances in Chatham town, the result being that enough money arrived in London over the week-end to purchase a ticket for Mr. Parker to the old home town.

Canvassing and speeches by the various office seekers. Party patronage will be abolished completely in the election, no favors being promised to those who cast votes beyond that of faithful service.

to the old home town.

"Gasp" showed a set of pearly white teeth in a wide grin when Sergeant Mackie of the local police told him he was about to shake the dust of London from his tan oxfords.

Mr. Parker arrived in London from Toronto on the blind herwest of Toronto on the blind baggage of a C. P. R. train and was "pinched" at the station by a special Canadian Pacific constable. He preferred to continue his journey today on any railroad but the C. P. R.

MILITARY ORGANIZATIONS FORBIDDEN IN SAXONY

Associated Press Despatch. Berlin, Oct. 15.-General Mueller, ommander of the Reichswehr in Saxony, has forbidden the formation of proletarian organizations of a military character under pain of a fine of 15,000 gold marks. This order is considered a severe blow to the Saxon socialist and communist government, which had been depending on the employment of such bodies in case of necessity.

URGE POLICY IN DECEMBER

Will Be Referred to the People.

WILL WORK FOR IT CECIL HAD OBJECT

Will Formally Submit Proposal Report On World League Be-For Vote and Ask Council To Pass It.

The ratepayers of London will vote municipal administration, Mayor Venige announced today.

"I bring this question before the nembers of the finance committee on I urged, in my inaugural address for the inception in London of the commission form of government. I will submit this proposal formally Wednesday night and ask the members to send it to the council with a rec-

mmendation that we take a vote of the people in December." Several years ago the people of this city approved of the plan to introduce this type of civic management —a small commission of preferably five members. Appeal to the provin-cial government of that day produced tisfactory results, as other com unsatisfactory results, as other communities were asking, at the same time, for different types of the commission government. The provincial authorities sent the proposals back to the different municipalities, advising them to draft a standard form. This spelt the finish of the project. Nothing more was done about the matter in this city until Mayor Wenige urged a re-considera-Mayor Wenige urged a re-considera-tion during the last municipal cam-

Mayor Wenige seems to be favorable toward the latter provision. In her satellite Poland—against this certain cities, after a set period has attitude, she changed her policy, elapsed, the commissioners (elected for two years) can be recalled and a new election granted, if a formal petition is presented, signed by a

TO RUN ELECTION ON PARLIAMENTARY LINE

London East Collegiate Officers Will Wage Vigorous Campaign.

The feature of the fall term at the London East Collegiate will be the man who told Magistrate Graydon election of officers to the Literary last week that he had forsaken the Society, judging from advance no-

Parliamentary procedure will adopted and carried out through all "Gasp," as he was known in the O'Neill. The slate of candidates will be prepared tomorrow, and about ten days later the election will be held, the intervening days being devoted to

THINKS FIRE CHIEF

Ald. Colbert Says Chief Aitken Should Be in Organization With His Men.

Fire Chief John Aitken should be

Mr. Colbert fails to see why the members of one calling should not all be affiliated with or be members of one organization with interests in ommon.

The chief is a member of the Fire

Chiefs' Association, it is pointed out, while the men are members of the International Fire Fighters' Union. This afternoon's World Series game will be played on The Advertiser's Playograph at 7.30 this Evening.

FOR EMPIRE BE BACKED

Mayor Now Certain Proposal British Government Desires That Conference Evolve Satisfactory Plan.

fore Premiers Had Definite

Purpose. By HENRY SOMERVILLE.

December upon commission form Special Cable to The London Advertiser by a Staff Correspondent. Copyright. London, Oct. 15.-The British government is most anxious that the Imperial Conference evolve a foreign Wednesday night," his worship policy which will really have the stated. "It will be remembered that empire behind it. There is no chance of the Dominions identifying themselves with any policy which merely aims at securing a new balance of power in Europe and setting off one combination against another. The entente with France would be a practicable policy if France were disposed to consider other interests besides her own, but she seems bent on a purely self-regarding policy aR l!t,which is ruinous to Europe and Britain alike. What, then, are the possibilities of an empire policy? An inswer is supplied by the League of Nations. It was with a very definite

bject in view that a sessi

ference was devoted to Lord Robert Cecil's report on the league. He was

quoted as saying that the British em-

pire never had any other foreign policy but peace.

It is very certain that the Dominions cannot be rallied for a policy which looks to war for its enforcement, but the British government thinks the Dominions might agree to a policy which looks to the league to settle international disputes. The He feels, however, that the people to settle international disputes. The should be given another opportunity to voice an opinion, after which formal appeal can again be made to the it. If the British Empire gave a mal appeal can again be made to the new administration at Toronto, in company with other communities similarly disposed.

Ald. John Colbert, recently returned from the west, relates that dozens of American cities have already morally isolated. In the Corfu crisis addition deliverage of France and Italy. If they remained recally citant they would find themselves of France and Italy. If they remained recally citant they would find themselves of France and Italy. adopted the city manager form of administration, and certain of them have adopted also the "power of re-The French occupation of Ruhr can be referred to the league of nations France might decide to stay in the Ruhr whatever the league said, but certain proportion of the taxpayers, at any rate judgment by the league would hely to set the situation in its true light. We ought to make the league the cornerstone of our policy said Lord Robert Cecil and Premier Mackenzie King referring to these words said: "Nothing could better express the views that were held in Canada generally. In every particu-lar they would be indorsed with en-

OKLAHOMA CITY HIT BY FLOOD FIFTH TIME

thusiasm from one end of our coun-

Citizens Working at Top Speed in Effort To Put Up Embankments.

Associated Press Despatch.
Oklahoma City, Okla., Oct. 15—
This city's fifth flood of the year already has inundated same territory covered last June, and river is rushing onward to the inevitably record flood crest. the river will have added an additional five feet to its present stage of 14 feet, it is predicted. The stream now is an irressistible force from one-half mile to seven miles wide. Ten miles west of the capital, 60 bagging the embankments of the city waterworks dam since More men were sent there today to wall up the embankments at either end of the dam and to reinforce a by-pass into the huge lake.

NEW ZEALAND PEOPLE SEND

\$125,000 TO THE JAPANESE Fire Chief John Aitken should be a member of the firemen's union, in the opinion today of Ald. John Colting £25,000 to the Japanese Government is remitting £25,000 to the Japanese Government in the control of the same for the ment for the relief of the earthquake sufferers in compliance with the wish of the people of the dominion to give practical proof of sympathy with the

grateful memory of the alliance with MISS AGNES M'PHAIL

Japanese nation and to

AIDS IN CAMPAIGN Canadian Press Despatch.
Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 15.—Miss
Agnes McPhail, Progressive member
of parliament for South Grey, has
arrived in Winnipeg to assist Ald.
A. A. Heaps, Labor candidate in the
North Winnipeg by-election campaign. She announces her intention
of speaking on Tuesday and Wednesday nights.