

ONT. GOVT. OFFERS REWARD FOR CAPTURE OF GARFIELD

JAIL OFFICIALS KEEPING CLOSE WATCH ON THE MURRELL BOYS

Will Not Have Chance To Emulate Norman Garfield.

IN FINE CONDITION

Wrestle With Each Other Every Day To Keep in Shape.

After having been at loggerheads for a week, William and Sidney Murrell, prisoners in the county jail, who are charged with murder, have patched up their differences with Henry Jack Williams, who is also to face a murder charge when the fall assizes commence.

Some time ago Williams objected to the treatment that he was receiving from his cell-mates, and asked to be put in a separate cell. Since that time the brothers have decided to accord him better treatment, and he has returned to their ward. The trio are charged with the murder of Russell Campbell at Meibourne on April 11.

Although the three men are in the pink of condition from daily wrestling and boxing, officials at the jail promise that they will not be allowed to follow Garfield's example and escape. Garfield, it is said, is not in good condition, for he has taken little exercise since his confinement first began.

The three local prisoners are not so boisterous as they were when Murphy and Wafer, who are serving two years each at Burwash for their part in an auto theft, in which the Murrell brothers participated, were with them. The officials say that the departed prisoners were responsible for much of the mischief. Murphy, it was said, was not unlike a circus clown, for he had a habit of practicing all kinds of acrobatic stunts.

WESTERN UNIVERSITY ANNUAL CONVOCATION DINNER



Flashlight photo of members of the graduating class in arts and medicine of Western University, with speakers, taken in the Tecumseh Hotel on Wednesday evening. The graduates in arts are in the foreground, while the medical students are arranged on the left side of the table in the background. Dr. J. E. Saunders of Ottawa and Prof. W. D. Henderson of the University of Michigan, who addressed the guests, are seated at the left centre of the table.

POLICE IN ALL PARTS OF PROVINCE ON WATCH FOR ESCAPED MURDERER

HOW GARFIELD SUCCEEDED IN GETTING AWAY

Overpowered Guard and Took Keys From Him.

MINISTER'S EXPLANATION

Declares He Was Dumb-founded—Forgot To Raise Alarm.

[Special To The Advertiser.]

WOODSTOCK, May 26.—Norman Garfield, murderer of Ben Johnston, condemned to die on June 2, is tonight a free man. He made his escape from the local jail at 5:35 this afternoon, and at a late hour had not been located, although the country has been scoured by police and auto parties for miles around. The escape was effected in a comparatively simple manner when it is considered that Garfield was a condemned man, under guard continuously.

The story, as told by officials and others tonight, runs as follows: This afternoon, Rev. Mr. Gaetz, Garfield's spiritual adviser, was paying the condemned man his usual afternoon visit. About 5:20 the minister decided to go,

Dragnet Has Been Spread For Miles In All Directions — Garfield Was Last Seen Driving the Stolen Ford Car Through Hickson Village At a High Rate of Speed—Spiritual Adviser, Rev. Mr. Gaetz, Relates the Circumstances in Connection With Getaway—Inspector Dunlop Opens Probe At Woodstock Jail.

Toronto, May 26.—The Government decided today to offer a reward of \$1,000 for the capture of Norman Garfield, who made the sensational escape from his death cell at Woodstock last night. The cabinet council met this morning to deal with the case, and arrived at its decision towards noon.

The attorney-general decided also to apply for a postponement of the hanging, which was to have taken place next week.

Previous to the meeting of the council the provincial police marked time. Commissioner Elliott had had no report on the case and waited instructions.

Afterwards, however, the attorney-general called the commissioner to his office, where they had a long conference. One inspector then left for the scene of the hunt, though his name was not given.

[Special To The Advertiser.]

Woodstock, May 26.—Notwithstanding the fact that a police dragnet has been spread for miles in all directions, there is no trace of Norman Garfield, the condemned murderer, who escaped from Woodstock jail yesterday afternoon. Garfield was last seen driving at high speed through Hickson, eight miles north of here, in a Ford car stolen from Elmer Hossack of this city. The tank of the car contained five gallons of gasoline, enough to carry Garfield at least 100 miles.

The investigation into the circumstances surrounding the escape was opened this afternoon by Inspector Dunlop.

ATTEMPT MADE TO KILL KING OF BULGARIA

Bomb Thrown From Window Injures School Children.

Sofia, Bulgaria, May 26.—A bomb was thrown from the window of a house near the royal palace today as King Boris stood on the balcony of the palace reviewing a procession composed largely of school children. The explosion injured ten of the schoolboy paraders.

Attributing the outrage to Communists, a mob ransacked the Communist Club and set the building afire.

LET ALD. DRAKE RAVE, SAYS ALD. W. WILSON

"We Shall Not Touch Street Railway Tracks On Stanley Street," He Declares.

WILL PAVE THE STREET Up To Street Railway To Take Care of Own Property.

"We shall not touch the tracks of the street railway on Stanley street," declared Ald. W. A. Wilson, chairman of No. 2 committee, emphatically today. "No matter how much Ald. G. B. Drake may rave about it, we have no money to do it, and secondly, we are certainly not going to take any chances on a lawsuit."

"We will go ahead with the paving of the street on both sides of the curb to 18 inches on each side of the curb, and it will be up to the street railway company to take care of their own property. I don't suppose that they have any money to spend on paving their tracks, but they can fill in with gravel properly packed."

"I have no doubt at all that the company would be only too pleased to see us do their work for them. We shall certainly not interfere with the tracks, we have no money to buy rails, and we are not going to take the risk of claims for damages which might follow any accident that might happen after we had changed the rails, as Ald. Drake would have us do."

The tracks belong to the street railway, and they are responsible for the keeping of them in proper condition, and on the company lays all responsibility for any accidents. If we interfered with the tracks all these responsibilities would be shifted onto our shoulders, a condition that we are not prepared to accept."

Ald. Wilson added that another piece of paving which would have to be done this summer was that on Richmond street north, which had been held up pending the construction of the sewers. This has been completed and the paving can now be done.

WINS GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S MEDAL

CATHERINE M. SABINE, London girl, graduating in Arts at Western University this week, who captured the Governor-General's medal for fourth year English and History.

EXONERATED FROM RESPONSIBILITY IN MOTOR ACCIDENT

[Special To The Advertiser.]

Lucan, May 26.—James Ward, of this village, was exonerated from all responsibility in connection with the death of Mrs. Walter Sovereign, also of this village, who died as a result of being struck by a motor car driven by him on the evening of May 19. Twelve eyewitnesses were heard and after their testimony had been taken the jury rendered the following verdict:

"That Edith Sovereign came to her death from injuries sustained by being struck by a motor car on the evening of May 19, 1921, on Main street, Lucan, said car being driven by James Ward of Lucan, and from the evidence submitted we are agreed that the accident could not have been avoided, and that the driver of said car, James Ward, was in no way to blame for the accident."

Crown Attorney J. B. McKillop, of London, conducted the case for the crown.

BUYS B. C. TOWN; WILL CONVERT IT INTO MODEL PLACE

Nikola, B. C., May 26.—The town of Nikola has been sold to Major Charles Sydney Goldman, former member of the British Parliament, and a well-known South African capitalist.

It is shortly to be converted into a model English town, a perfect village green to replace the present business section. The purchaser is living in the court house, and among the other large properties taken over by him are the postoffice building, the entire A. E. Howes estate and the store buildings.

Major Goldman in addition has secured upwards of 20,000 acres surrounding the town, and among other projects under contemplation is an up-to-date summer resort for tourists, to be located along the Nicola Lake. Some thousands of acres of land will be put under cultivation at once, an irrigation system to be installed from the several small lakes on an elevation some distance from the town. These will be dammed, and a storage has been provided. On the remainder of the outside land several thousand head of cattle will be allowed to run.

Major Goldman is well known in Canada and the United States through his many publications.

BELIEVE GARFIELD SPENT NIGHT IN CLUBHOUSE OF LONDON ROWING CLUB

Caretaker William Giles Accosted by Stranger in the Growing Darkness—Positive That Man Was Escaped Murderer —Door Broken Open During the Night and a Bed of Towels and Jerseys Prepared.

That Norman Garfield spent the night in London after his spectacular daylight escape from the Woodstock jail, and not unlikely had breakfast at a certain house on Bathurst street, is the firm conviction of William Giles, caretaker of the London Rowing Club.

Speaking to The Advertiser today Mr. Giles stated that he was so impressed by the actions of a strange visitor to the clubhouse last evening that he acquainted the police with the details.

"I was working quite late last evening," says Mr. Giles, "and it was nearly dark when I heard some person approaching from the direction of the bowling green. I was on my knees at one of the flower beds, and merely turned my head to see who it was, but did not rise to my feet. The man passed me after a slight hesitation, as though he was somewhat confused by finding any person around the building. He volunteered the explanation hurriedly, however, that he was 'expecting a call,' and continued to the extreme west end of the grounds and seated himself on one of the benches."

"In a short time, as it was rapidly growing dark, I had decided to leave the premises when a member of the club noticed the stranger, and asked me who he was. We talked the matter over for two or three minutes while we were on the front lawn of the club. When determining to ask him his business we turned toward the rear of the building only to discover that the man had disappeared. A thorough search of the outbuildings and grounds failed to reveal his presence, and as he did not pass out by the front entrance, and could not cross the river he must have hid himself along the bank."

Arriving at the clubhouse this morning, Mr. Giles discovered that a door had been broken open by some individual, who evidently spent the night there. Towels and jerseys, the property of the club members, had been removed from the lockers to prepare a comfortable resting place on the floor, while a pair of shoes also removed from a cupboard had apparently been tried on and discarded as useless.

Mr. Giles does not know Garfield by sight, and as he was afforded only a fleeting glimpse of the stranger over his shoulder, he did not get a full view of his face. His clothes, however, he says fitted the description given, and he wore a soft hat. Mr. Giles did not know at that time that Garfield was at liberty.

The police are inclined to believe that the latter would hardly dare to return to London, but the fact that a certain woman acknowledged as a friend of his, and not unlikely to aid in his escape, with money and clothes, has for three or four nights past maintained a lonely vigil on the riverbank in the vicinity of the clubhouse, lends considerable weight to Mr. Giles' story.

FACING FAMINE BUT STILL GAY LIFE PREVAILS

Constantinople, May 26.—Although gay life prevails in nearly all the cities of the Caucasus region, the people are said in advice received here to be literally dancing on the edge of a volcano. Famine is expected in June or July, and under the surface there is a deadly fear of a reign of terror.

Theatres, concerts, lectures, dancing parties and other places of amusement are wide open everywhere, but bread is costing 6,000 rubles per pound, while 12,000 rubles is required to purchase a pound of sugar.

M. Pankrakov, who was installed as commissary at Baku by the Bolsheviks, and who is alleged to have been responsible for a veritable reign of terror, has been transferred to Batum.

REV. B. H. ROBINSON IS PRESENTED WITH A PURSE OF GOLD

Annual Report Shows Church To Be In Flourishing Condition.

A pleasant feature of the annual meeting of the Memorial Methodist Church, held on Wednesday evening, was the presentation of a substantial purse of gold to Rev. B. H. Robinson, the pastor, who leaves the latter part of June to take up a charge at Leamington. Mr. Robinson having filled his four-year term at the Memorial Methodist Church. The purse was accompanied by an address read by John Francis, R. T. Hardy made the presentation.

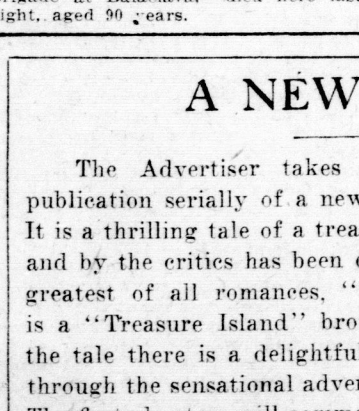
Mrs. Robinson was also presented with a lovely bouquet of roses on behalf of the ladies of the congregation by Mrs. J. Scandrett.

Regret was expressed at the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Robinson from London, the church having flourished exceptionally well during Mr. Robinson's pastorate. A new organ is one of the many improvements to the church during the four years. Refreshments were served afterwards by the ladies of the congregation. Excellent reports of all the departments of the church were submitted, showing the church to have improved financially as well as in membership.

GENERAL WRANGEL TO LIVE IN JUGO-SLAVIA

Belgrade, May 26.—Gen. Baron Peter Wrangel, former anti-Bolshevik leader in the Crimea, is expected here by the end of next week with his staff. He will take up his residence at Karlovo, on the Danube, 30 miles from Belgrade. The Belgrade Government recently gave Gen. Wrangel and his staff permission to reside in Jugo-Slavia.

LONDON STUDENT WINS EDWARD BLAKE PRIZE



CECIL C. CARROTHERS, of this city, a member of the graduating class in Arts at Western University, who has been awarded the Edward Blake prize.

FIVE OUT OF SEVEN BUILDING PERMITS WERE FOR DWELLINGS

Total For Month Now Stands At \$317,625.

Seven building permits were issued Wednesday by Building Inspector Piper, no less than five of them being for dwellings ranging in stated values from \$5,000 to \$15,000. The average for each of the seven permits was \$1,700. These permits bring the total issued to date this month to 129, with a stated value of \$317,625, as compared with 180 permits valued at \$266,655, for the whole of May, 1920.

The permits issued were as follows: C. Hodgins, 11 Walnut, garage, \$100; J. H. Chalmers, Rahut, brick veneer, \$5,000; W. C. Giles, Hamilton road, frame dwelling, \$2,000; E. Grant, St. Julien, frame dwelling, \$1,500; F. J. Spettigue, 184 Simcoe, frame dwelling, \$1,600; Mrs. Jacobs, Chester, stucco dwelling, \$1,000; John Wilson, 176 Richmond, frame shop, \$200.

WILL OPPOSE REDUCTION

Ottawa, May 26.—At a mass meeting of over 1,200 members of the different unions engaged in the building trades industry, held here last evening, a resolution was adopted expressing determination to oppose to the limit any movement to bring about a reduction in existing wage scales. The meeting also went on record as being ready at any time to enter into negotiations with the contractors in order to bring about a settlement of the strike, which has now been in effect since the first of the month. Several Montreal and Hamilton men were among the speakers.

REV. WILFRED GAETZ SAYS HE ACTED AS HE THOUGHT BEST

Woodstock, May 26.—Rev. Wilfred Gaetz, spiritual adviser to Norman Garfield, escaped convict, was interviewed today concerning the action he took yesterday when he witnessed Garfield go out the door at the jail without following him and giving the alarm to the people who were across the street on the park. Mr. Gaetz said: "I was not Garfield's guard. It was not my place to follow him out on the street and give the alarm. In fact, after Norman knocked me back, I had not fully recovered before he had unlocked the door, was outside and had slammed the gate shut again. I did what I thought was my duty and ran back to find the guard, for whose safety I was concerned. I did not know what might have happened him. When I reached the stairs I yelled to him, and hearing his voice above, went to him. I found the cell key in the door, unlocked it and released the imprisoned man. I think I took the proper course, and believe the jail officials will bear me out in the action I took."

"I believed Norman Garfield's story that he did not intend to kill Ben Johnson" was his answer to a question as to why he had intervened himself in trying to secure a reprieve for a man convicted of murder in the first degree.

"I thought him guilty of the lesser crime of manslaughter, but surely not of murder."

One 'Call Down' Is Permitted

Jefferson City, Mo., May 26.—Telephone subscribers have a right to use abusive language at least once to telephone operators when connections are not satisfactory. The state public service commission so ruled today in ordering the Carlow Telephone Company to restore service to George H. Oxford, a Davies County farmer. Oxford's telephone had been removed following an altercation with a young man in charge of the exchange at Carlow.

In making the ruling the commission stated that a single instance of abusive language was not grounds for discontinuance of service.

LOYALISTS ELECTED

Belfast, May 26.—Thomas Moles was the first member elected to the new Ulster Parliament for South Belfast. The return of three other loyalists in that section is practically certain.

THE WEATHER

Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 69; lowest, 57.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 66; lowest, 49.

TOMORROW—TURNING WARMER.

Toronto, May 26—8 a.m. Forecasts.

Light to moderate winds; generally fair today and on Friday, with a little higher temperature in some localities.

Temperatures.

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

Station	High	Low	Weather
Vancouver	56	44	Clear
Calgary	50	40	Fair
Winnipeg	50	40	Fair
Port Arthur	70	48	Cloudy
Perry Sound	66	48	Foggy
Toronto	65	48	Cloudy
Kingston	51	44	Clear
Haze	51	44	Clear
Ottawa	56	38	Clear
Montreal	56	48	Clear
Quebec	74	44	Clear
Father Point	56	40	Cloudy
St. John	55	40	Fair
Halifax	64	49	Fair

Weather Notes.

Pressure is highest on the British Columbia and United States North Pacific coast, while shallow depressions are centered in Saskatchewan, Iowa and off the New England coast.

Showers have occurred in many parts in Saskatchewan and more locally in Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

A NEW STORY

The Advertiser takes pleasure in announcing the publication serially of a new story, "Spanish Doubloons." It is a thrilling tale of a treasure hunt in the South Pacific, and by the critics has been declared a close second to that greatest of all romances, "Treasure Island"; in fact, it is a "Treasure Island" brought up to date. Throughout the tale there is a delightful vein of humor, and weaving through the sensational adventures is a charming love story. The first chapters will commence tomorrow and daily thereafter will appear in liberal installments that will be in all editions.