

THE WEATHER:
FRESH WINDS; PARTLY CLOUDY.
TOMORROW—PARTLY CLOUDY; COLD.

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CITY'S RAILWAY REFUSES TO CANCEL COAL RATE

Citizens Terrified As Gangsters Rule Michigan Town

BIG ROADS STRIKE SNAG IN THROTTLING OF L. & P. S.

Representatives of C.P.R. and C.N.R. in Western Ontario Find Unalterable Opposition to Plan of Cancelling Coal Rate to Kill Business of City-Owned Electric Railway.

MAY DROP MATTER, COAL OFFICIAL THINKS

Representatives of the C. N. R. and C. P. R. are in the district getting first-hand opinions as to what is thought about their proposal to cancel existing coal rates on the L. & P. S. R. to points east of Woodstock.

These representatives have already ascertained in no uncertain manner that Western Ontario is unalterably opposed to their contemplated action.

A. Leslie of Walkerville, manager of the Lake Erie Coal Company, who is vitally interested in the matter, states that he is now of the opinion that from information these men received they would not care to enforce the demands made by the L. & P. S. R. and would not risk their case before the railway board.

"If they went to the commission there would be some statements that they would have to withdraw," said Mr. Leslie, "and I hardly think that the matter will go any further."

L. & P. S. Refuses.
Manager J. E. Richards of the L. & P. S. R. stated that letters had gone forward to both C. P. R. and C. N. R. refusing to cancel existing rates, as requested by the steam roads.

"They want us to cancel our rates east of Woodstock, leaving us a strip from Owen Sound to Port Burwell,"

which, with the exception of London, cuts us out of manufacturing centers. "We know if the rate is cut off the ferry service is cut off. We would still have a rate for the district, but no boat."

"The rate to Buffalo and Port Stanley is the same, but from Buffalo to London via rail it is \$1.40 per ton, and from Port Stanley via L. & P. S. it is 90 cents, a saving of 50 cents a ton."

This is a saving of from \$50,000 to \$75,000 a year for London each year.

Much Opposition.
"I don't know what action the railroads are going to take in the matter, but I do know that every council and board of trade in Ontario should protest at the contemplated action of the big railroads, whether it affects them or not. If they get away with this thing here, they will try it elsewhere, in my opinion."

"Our coal rates are the same now, but it is our faster service that counts with our customers. Our service would be negligible if we were forced to put coal on a commodity basis, for we simply wouldn't get the business."

"If the coal rate on the L. & P. S. were cancelled, as the big railways demand, it would simply mean the road would have to carry coal at the same rate as ordinary merchandise, which would mean none would be carried."

22 Qualify With Only 6 Hours To Go

Fifteen Aspirants For Aldermanic Seats Have Taken the Necessary Steps.

LOT MORE TO COME

G. A. Wenige Qualifies, But J. M. Moore Has Yet To File His Papers.

A total of 22 candidates for various municipal offices had qualified at the office of City Clerk Sam Baker at 2:30 this afternoon. Candidates have till 9 o'clock tonight to file qualifications.

John M. Moore, who is expected to make it interesting for Mayor Wenige in the majority contest, had not qualified at press time. The mayor has already filed his papers.

Fifteen aspirants for the eight aldermanic seats have visited the city clerk's office and signed their names on the dotted lines signified by Mr. Baker and there are a lot more to come.

At noon the board of education list was quite blank, but after lunch L. R. Cairncross, G. F. Copeland and Rev. H. D. Mess, all members of the present board, signed qualifications.

Nineteen were nominated for the board of education and a large field is expected by the time the city clerk locks his desk and calls it a day.

Philip Pocock and Jared Vining of the public utilities commission will again have to contest an election. Last year R. J. Webster and T. W. McFarland were given acclamations, but this brand of luck does not follow Messrs. Pocock and Vining.

C. R. Smith has signed up for this race, which means an election. Two years ago, D. J. Tallant and P. J. Watt ran against Pocock and Vining.

Ex-Ald. George Drake is not superstitious. He was the thirteenth candidate for aldermanic honors to sign the slip this morning.

"I'm a lucky number, and I'm hoping that the 7th of December will be lucky seven for me," he said.

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Before Parachute Opens



LEAPS INTO SPACE 2,000 FEET UP.
This remarkable photograph, regarded as one of the greatest pictures of the year, shows Chief Petty Officer Lyman Ford, navy United States navy parachute jumper and former member of the crew of the ill-fated Shenandoah, in a sensational 2,000-foot leap. The photo was taken two seconds after he left the plane and shows the parachute still unopened.

Zurich Doctor Pays \$25 Fine As Penalty For Negligence

Car License Is Also Suspended by Court For Fifteen-Day Period.

TRAFFIC OFFICER HIT

Dr. Harvey Cowan of Zurich, convicted in police court a week ago of negligently driving his motor car by striking and injuring a traffic officer, was fined \$25 and costs when he appeared before Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon for sentence today. In addition to imposition of the fine, Dr. Cowan's license to drive an auto will be suspended for 15 days.

"Having regard for the straightforward manner in which Dr. Cowan gave the evidence last week, I am imposing what I think is a light penalty," Mr. Graydon said. "But I must come to the conclusion that, however unintentional, what I think is a light penalty."

J. M. Donahue, Dr. Cowan's counsel, pointed out after the reading of the sentence of the court that his client realized his civic responsibility and was willing to do the right thing in regard to the injured policeman, P.C. Alex. Towle.

Cancellation a Hardship.
"It was an unfortunate occurrence," Mr. Donahue said. "But in view of the fact that Dr. Cowan conducts a professional practice in Zurich and Dashiwood and that it is necessary for him to drive a motor car to visit his patients, I would point out that cancellation of his driver's license would go hard."

"It is unfortunate that autoists do not realize their responsibility," the court replied. "Where accidents do occur as the result of negligence it is necessary to impose a penalty and the license must be cancelled for some length of time."

Evidence given in court last week that Dr. Cowan, unfamiliar with the street traffic regulations and blinded probably by a heavy mist and the glare of headlights of other cars, disregarded traffic signs at the corner of Dundas and Clarence streets on Saturday, Nov. 7, and drove his car directly upon Constable Towle, who was seriously injured and confined to his home for several weeks.

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The three women are living in New York and working in shops, their attorney said, but he would not give their addresses or their occupations.

Town Held By Bandits In Big Raid

Cassopolis, Mich., Remains For Three Hours in Hands of Armed Gang.

PEOPLE TERRORIZED

Bullets Greet Citizens Who Venture On Street—No One Hurt.

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Cassopolis, Mich., Nov. 24.—Armed bandits terrorized Cassopolis for nearly three hours early today, firing at every resident who dared to appear on the street, and finally roared out of town to the staccato accompaniment of their own revolvers after failing to rob the First National Bank.

Their number was variously estimated by excited Cassopolis residents from five to ten. According to various accounts of the raid this is what happened:

Tie Up Watchmen.
The bandits entered Cassopolis shortly after 2 a.m. today. They bound the night watchman and three other men who were in two all-night restaurants, cut telephone and telegraph wires leading out of the city, and for two and one-half hours owned the town.

At 4:45 a.m., after an ineffectual attempt to break the vault of the First National Bank, the bandits left in an automobile, heading toward Niles.

During the time they held undisputed possession of this Cass county seat town, the bandits fired between 100 and 150 shots. The accounts on this are also at variance, and only one shot was fired in return. Revolvers and left shotguns were used, but no one appeared near the business section.

George Jones, a stock broker, was the only casualty. As he emerged from his home he was greeted with a volley. A shotgun slug struck him in the neck and he retreated into the house.

Work Methodically.
The gunmen worked methodically. Immediately upon arrival two of them took guard positions outside Patrick Wallace's all-night restaurant. The others entered the place and forced Wallace, Clyde Benham, the night watchman, and Harvey Cooper to line up against the wall. Each prisoner's hands were bound behind his back. Leavitt, a guard over the men, the other bandits went to another restaurant and treated its proprietor, John Burney, similarly.

When the wires were cut, only one strand being overlooked—the wire connecting Cassopolis with Niles—and it was over this wire that a telephone alarm soon afterwards sounded the alarm.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
ASKS HELP FROM PUBLIC

Associated Press Despatch.
Washington, D. C., Nov. 24.—For the first time since its foundation, nearly 80 years ago, the Smithsonian Institution, whose valuable contributions to science heretofore have been financed from its endowment and special gifts, will carry an appeal direct to the people for \$100,000,000 to enable it to undertake many new major projects and to continue its publication.

GEM DEALER AND FORTUNE
IN JEWELS ARE MISSING

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New York, Nov. 24.—The disappearance of E. D. Knowles, 65, dealer in ancient stones, and jewels valued at between \$50,000 and \$100,000, was disclosed by police yesterday, six weeks after the disappearance of the dealer from his office in Manhattan. Most of the missing gems belong to wholesale jewelers from whom Knowles had obtained them on consignment.

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LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
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The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 26; lowest, 20.
Sun rises at 7:35 a.m., and sets at 4:46 p.m.
Barometric Readings.
Monday—8 p.m., 29.13.
Tuesday—8 a.m., 29.12.