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Steel Tug Rammed and Sunk; Captain Is Dead At Buffalo

LIQUOR ACT FURTHER COMPLICATED

CAPTAIN GOES DOWN WITH SHIP

Steel Tug Craig Goes to the Bottom in Niagara River.

ENGINEER RESCUED

Master Sticks to Helm and Sinks to Bottom With Vessel.

(By Canadian Press.) Buffalo, Nov. 28.—The steel tug Craig was rammed and sunk early today in the Niagara River opposite the Grand Ferry Landing by the steamer Zillah of Bay City, Mich.

Captain Frank Roncker, Jr., Tonawanda, stuck to the helm and went down with his ship when the steel tug keeled over from the impact. Howard Slover, fireman, and Leo Kropp, engineer, were rescued by the ferryboat Long. Captain Roncker's body was not recovered.

Loaded With Lumber.

The Zillah, loaded with lumber and carrying a cargo of 100 tons, was on a line to the Grand Ferry Landing when it was rammed by the Craig. The latter was on the port side and went down immediately.

EVIDENCE IN DR. NEVE CASE ALL IN

Sheriff Tells of Doctor's Disappearance While Serving Capias.

"Dr. Neve left me to call his solicitor on the telephone and I have not seen him since." These words by Sheriff A. A. Wilson, giving evidence in the Chancery Court case of Fleming Blanchard, F. B. McCurdy & Co., Ltd., and others, against Dr. F. H. Neve and Mrs. E. Winifred Neve, described the sheriff's attempt to serve a capias on Dr. Neve following a summary judgment for \$27,855.62, for which the present action is brought. The sheriff said that he learned afterwards that Dr. Neve had left the country and he could not find any property to satisfy the judgment.

Hearing of evidence was completed this morning and the court took recess until this afternoon when argument will be heard. Mrs. Neve completed her testimony and was followed by Mrs. Sophia Long, who told of sale of a lot in West St. John on which Dr. Neve subsequently built a house. Mrs. Neve told of paying \$200 towards the purchase of the lot and \$800 for the erection of the house. W. J. McAlary, manager of the McLaughlin Motor Car Co., Ltd., and J. A. MacNeill, accountant for the same company, told of a purchase of a motor car in Dr. Neve's name in 1918 and of another in the name of Mrs. Neve in 1920. Mr. MacNeill denied that any payments were made to his company in 1919 as claimed by Mrs. Neve.

J. F. H. Reed is appearing for the plaintiffs and B. L. Gerow for the defence.

More Treasures From Tomb of King Tut

Luxor, Nov. 28.—Six more show-cases containing rare and beautiful treasures from Tutankhamen's tomb have just been added to the collection of seven cases already on display in the Cairo Museum, giving visitors an admirable idea of the artistry of the eighteenth dynasty craftsmen.

Probably the finest piece in the collection of which almost every object is a masterpiece, is the little jewel box of the Pharaoh, of solid ivory, yellowed with age, with knobs, hinges and feet of solid gold, inscribed on the front with the king's name and on the back with the lotus symbol of upper Egypt.

Wife Sues Clergyman After Forty Years

New York, Nov. 28.—Mrs. Gertrude K. Mortenson, 62, of 1584 East Fifteenth street, Brooklyn, applied to Justice in Manhattan in Supreme Court in Brooklyn yesterday for alimony and counsel fees pending trial of her suit for separation against William A. M. Mortenson, a Lutheran clergyman.

The couple were married forty years ago and have eight children. Mrs. Mortenson alleged that her husband abandoned her in 1914 and has given her only \$12 a week since. Recently, she added, he set up a fictitious residence in Philadelphia and sued for divorce. She said:

"It is apparent that my husband desires to rid himself of me now that I am elderly and feeble."

The defendant said he was justified because of her cruelty in leaving him.

FLAMES RAGE BUT PHONE GIRL STAYS

Eastport Operator, Nearly Overcome, Gives Alarm and Saves Building.

Eastport, Me., Nov. 28.—Fire here caused much damage to the stores of E. S. Martin & Son and the State Hardware concern, which are housed under one roof on the east side of Water street. The losses are about \$25,000, and would have been much greater had it not been for the prompt action and courage of Miss Lucy Stevenson, a telephone operator, who discovered the fire, called for the firemen and police and stuck to her instrument until the store was nearly overgrown by the smoke which was very thick in the offices of the New England Telegraph and Telephone Co., on the second floor of the building.

Miss Stevenson was awakened by a ringing telephone at 10 o'clock and called the chief operator, Mrs. Fred Spar, and notified the fire department. The blaze was in the room between the two buildings and finally broke through into the office of the Maritime telegraph department. The office was destroyed and much damage done to goods by the water and smoke. Losses in the State Hardware concern.

E. S. Martin & Son estimate their loss at \$15,000 to \$20,000, while that of the State Hardware is from \$4,000 to \$5,000. The losses in the latter company were small. All the losses are partially covered by insurance.

Wire Briefs

Munich, Nov. 28.—Mrs. Alice Urban, nee Fleury, an operatic star of two generations ago, is dead here at the age of 80.

St. Blasien, Baden, Nov. 28.—Mrs. Olga Vorovsky, widow of the Russian Soviet envoy, who was assassinated during the second Lausanne conference, died here today after a brief illness.

London, Nov. 28.—In view of the general election the local veto polls under the Scottish temperance act, is stated here, aiming at the transfer of the Regina detention home from Glasgow on Dec. 4, have been postponed for a fortnight.

London, Nov. 28.—Mrs. Enrico Caruso, formerly Miss Dorothy Park Benjamin, of New York, and Captain Ernest Ingram, of London were married this morning in Brompton Oratory.

Ottawa, Nov. 28.—Father Gustav Legalski has been appointed superior of the College of St. Alexander at Inneside, in succession to Father Placentali. Father Legalski was born in France and there distinguished himself as a theologian and educationalist.

London, Nov. 27.—Winston Churchill, speaking at Leicester today said: "Whether we get Baldwin off the front bench I don't know, but I am certain we will get MacDonald off the front opposition benches."

Ottawa, Nov. 28.—New oil recovery methods, which may lead to the development of the Tar Sands of Alberta, have been reported to Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior, by Dr. Charles Cammell, Deputy Minister of Mines.

Geneva, Nov. 28.—An extensive project is being studied and plans have already been submitted in part to the Swiss government. It is stated here, aiming at the transformation of the nearby port of Vado into a sea outlet for Swiss commerce.

Duesseldorf, Nov. 28.—The international Rhine-Ruhr high commission, it is officially announced, has concluded an agreement with the Solingen Cutlery Industry in the British zone for exports along the line of the contract reached with the other industrialists.

TRIANGULAR CONTESTS IN ENGLAND

Liberals Predicting Defeat in Many Ridings for the Labor Candidates.

SEEK AGREEMENT

Conservatives Being Hard Pressed in Four Seats in Essex.

BY HARRY N. MOORE (British United Press.)

London, Nov. 28.—The increased number of triangular contests at the coming election is lending pignancy to the contest; in no less than 265 constituencies will at least three candidates be balloted for. The Liberals are already predicting the possibility of Labor defeats in many of these ridings, owing to the presence of Labor in the Liberal and Conservative camps.

The Liberals are fighting the Conservatives in four seats in Essex. In Kent, three in Surrey and three in Sussex, while the Labor party candidates are fighting the Conservatives in four seats in Essex, three in Surrey and three in Essex.

The Conservatives openly allege that both Liberals and Labor definitely and deliberately withdrew their candidates in many other constituencies so as to avoid these triangular contests.

In London there is practically no election excitement because the Liberals in representation are anticipated.

The Protectionists of the metropolis, however, received a severe check yesterday when Sir H. Norris, formerly Conservative member for East Finsbury and also in the House of Commons, announced that he would support the Liberal candidate, stating that he found it impossible to support a number of Liberal proposals owing to the difficulty he found in discovering just what these proposals involved in certain districts, and there is no doubt that his defection will swing a number of votes to Liberalism. Other big business men are definitely criticizing Premier Baldwin's policy, especially his decision to place the country into an election at the busy retail shopping season. Several large importers have notified their customers that "from next Monday all orders must be accepted subject to the usual conditions of sale."

This announcement has naturally been given the widest publicity by the Liberals.

This Arouses Ire of Car Drivers

Paris, Nov. 28.—Automobilists are up in arms over a little bill slipped into the Chamber of Deputies by Minister of Public Works La Trocquer, whose department controls the highways. The measure provides that gendarmes and village constables will receive a "gratification" of 25 francs for every summons issued to violators of the motor laws that results in a conviction.

Woman Accused of Murder Is Insane

Yorkton, Sask., Nov. 28.—At the opening of the King's Bench Court here yesterday, Mrs. Hattie Ordinal, of Pelly, accused of murdering her husband, was adjudged insane and will be committed to a mental hospital.

Last July following an altercation, Mrs. Ordinal threw a kettle of hot water over her husband who she claimed had been abusing her and immediately after the fourteen year son, now in the Regina detention home fired a gun which caused the death of Ordinal.

Victim of Gunman Dies at Buffalo

Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 28.—Frank Genovese, shot by a gunman Monday night, died in a hospital here last night. Joseph Perrigo, owner of a soft drink place with whom Genovese had previously clashed, will be charged with the murder, the police say.

He was arrested four hours after the murder and is said to have been identified by Genovese.

Camden's Coroners Rush For Business

Camden, Nov. 28.—The one who teaches the corpse first gets the job. That is the gentleman's agreement between the rival Coroners of Camden, Dr. William H. Pratt and Robert Schroeder. The latter was elected this month by the Non-Partisan party. Dr. Pratt is a Republican. Each has sent cards to his friends.

Coroner Schroeder put a large advertisement in the newspapers announcing he now is Coroner. That caused Dr. Pratt to take equal space to say he still is doing business at the old stand. The Coroners get no salary, but receive a fee for each case.

PROPERTY SHARKS CLEAN UP MILLIONS

Swindle Foreigners Out of Cash in "Drawing" of Lots Near New York.

BY CARL D. GROAT (British United Press.)

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BLAST KILLS SEVEN

Twenty are Injured When Ammunition Dump Explodes in Germany.

(British United Press.) Heligoland, Nov. 28.—Seven were killed and twenty injured when an ammunition dump exploded last night at Zhitomir in the province of Volhynia.

Steamer Majestic Is On Last Trip

Fredericton, Nov. 28.—The steaming Majestic for St. John this morning on what is said will be the last trip by a river steamer on the Fredericton-St. John route this season, although there is still no indication that the season of navigation is about to close.

The water in the river is now 4 feet 10 inches above summer level, having risen 3 feet 4 inches during the last few days as a result of the frequent rains.

Salesman Held On Charge of Murder

New York, Nov. 28.—Anthony Platona, young Brooklyn salesman, was arrested early today as the third figure in the murder and robbery of two bank messengers on November 14. He was charged with homicide and robbery while in concert with Barlow and Joseph Diamond.

Platona, a bond salesman, formerly employed by the West End Bank, whose messengers were killed, was the "tip off" man for the actual slayers. He was understood to have told the gunmen that the messengers were quick on the draw and that they had better watch their step.

\$1,500,000 Fire Sweeps Buildings in Detroit

Detroit, Nov. 28.—Fire starting from an overheated stove in a watchman's shanty early today destroyed the Detroit and Windsor Company dock, housing United States immigration and customs offices, spreading to the six-story Munger building, which was burned to the ground and then destroyed a four-story warehouse and several small buildings on Woodward avenue, and Bates street.

When the fire was brought under control a few minutes after five a. m. the total loss was estimated at \$1,500,000.

Premier Warren Is Received by Prince

London, Nov. 28.—The Prince of Wales yesterday received Premier Warren of Newfoundland, who has been in London for several weeks attending sessions of the Imperial Conference and filling other engagements.

MAY NAME BAVARIAN CHANCELLOR

Adam Stegerwald Tries to Knit Together a Stable German Cabinet.

ABLE ECONOMIST

Berlin Seethed With Imposing Array of Police and Bayonets.

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HOLDS FARM SINCE EIGHTH CENTURY

French Family Leads 750 in Qualification for Order of "The Leek."

Paris, Nov. 28.—The Government announcement that it would accord with the Order of Agricultural Merit, respectfully referred to as "the Leek," the honor of all families which could produce documentary evidence of having farmed the same land continuously for at least three centuries, has brought to the fore no fewer than 750 families with the necessary qualifications. The decorations will be posted in an early issue of the Journal Officiel.

The record is held by the La Fargues de Couste, near Molieres. This family has lived on its present estate since the year 772, or the time of Charlemagne.

Girls Promise Not to Wed For 12 Months

Southampton, Nov. 28.—Forty girls who sailed for New Zealand aboard the steamer Athenic, made a promise that they would not become brides for at least twelve months. They are going out in charge of a matron under the domestic help scheme and the "wedding" clause in their contracts necessary because of the rush of suitors these girls from the mother country are attracting.

About fifty per cent. of the two thousand five hundred girls sent to New Zealand—with a free passage and £2 pocket money—during the last three years have already been married and a large number of others are engaged.

Establish City; Call It Lenine

Berlin, Nov. 28.—A new Russian city, to be called Novgorod Lenine, in honor of the Soviet Premier is planned in the Mugan district of the Caucasus according to a newspaper report.

The city will be laid out in the pattern of the Soviet star, the spaces between the points to be filled with parks and public gardens.

Wheat In Ear

Two grains of wheat found their way into one of 8-year-old Helen Jean Turner's ears at threshing time on her grandfather's farm near Hillsboro, O. One was removed last summer. Recently, when she complained of an ear-ache, her parents again took her to a specialist. He took out the other grain, which already had begun to sprout in the drum.



Willie's White Rats Make Kink In Zoo; Father Sells Them To Buy New Clothes

Philadelphia, Nov. 28.—Little Willie Wilson, who is four and lives in Eighteenth street near Green street, did not go with his dad to the Zoo for his usual weekly sightseeing trip yesterday, because dad was afraid Willie would find out what had become of his twenty white rats.

These handsome beasts lived in the pantry in the Wilson kitchen and were the pride of Willie's heart, but alas, now they are nothing but hides in the sinuous length of the big python at the Zoo, the one which has had so much written about him since he went on a hunger strike not long ago.

Willie had only two rats a few weeks ago, or a few months, but they were the right sort of rats, some loving bodies, and they set to work to eat up the kitchen. Willie's father, who is a leader of the Christian Trade Unionists and a writer on sociological subjects, Stegerwald's summons to the Chancellor came at a moment when the cabinet was in a state of confusion, and he was expected to bring a list of names to the Chancellor.

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ANTI-RUM SMUGGLERS IN SESSION

Relaxations of Carriage of Liquor Act in Ontario Causes Trouble.

LAW ULTRA VIRES

Breweries and Distilleries Claim That They are Discriminated Against.

(By Canadian Press.)

Ottawa, Nov. 28.—Relaxations of the carriage of liquor act provided for in an order-in-council just passed by the Ontario government are expected to still further complicate the question under discussion at the international anti-rum smuggling conference in session here.

This law prohibited breweries and distilleries within the province from using public highways to transport liquor or beer to border points. It made it necessary for such concerns to use steam railways or boats making shipments.

Breweries Complain. Breweries and distilleries which did not happen to be located on a railway line or navigable stream claimed they were discriminated against. The county judge of Essex declared the law ultra vires of the province upon the ground that it interfered with international and interprovincial trade. The decision of the Ontario government to modify the restrictions imposed makes it possible to use highways for the transport of liquor under certain conditions between six o'clock in the morning and six at night.

It is understood that delegates to the conference dealing with the rum running problem will discuss the effect likely to follow the relaxation of the carriage of liquor act.

THESE WILL SPEAK AT VENTURE BANQUET

Toast List at Dinner in the Premier's Honor Tomorrow Night.

The toast list for the complimentary banquet to Hon. P. J. Veniot, Premier of New Brunswick, scheduled for tomorrow evening in the Pythian Castle, was announced this morning, as follows:

The King, responded to with musical honors; Our Guest, proposed by Hon. Dr. W. E. Foster, M. L. A., responded to by the Premier; The Parliament of Canada, proposed by Dr. W. P. Broderick, responded to by Hon. Dr. J. H. King, Minister of Public Works for Canada, Hon. A. B. Cepp, Secretary of State, and Hon. O. Turgeon, senator; Our Cause, proposed by W. E. Scully, M. L. A., responded to by Hon. W. P. Roberts, Minister of Health for New Brunswick, and Dr. I. M. Curran, M. L. A. Addresses will also be given by Gen. E. Barbour, president of the St. John 3 arm out of Trade, and others. Arrangements have been made with Black's orchestra to provide a musical programme.

PREMIER BALDWIN OPPOSED BY SON

London, Nov. 28.—Ignoring illal scraps, Premier Baldwin's eldest son, Oliver Baldwin, who professes socialist views, made his first public appearance in Buckingham last night in support of the Labor candidate and denounced his father's government.

Haifair Engineer Is Struck By Train

Halifax, Nov. 28.—Fred W. Christie, civil engineer and land surveyor, Halifax, was seriously injured today when he was struck by a train drawing out from Windsor dock, and carried for some distance.

Mr. Christie had taken the train from Bedford to Windsor Junction and had then walked ahead along the track on his way to Fall River.

Weather Report

Toronto, Nov. 28.—The disturbance which was to the northward of the Ottawa Valley yesterday has moved eastward to Labrador with diminished energy, and another has come in over Northern Manitoba, while pressure is high across the southern portion of the continent. The weather is comparatively mild over the Dominion.

Forecast:—A Bit Cooler. Maritime—West and north-west winds; fair today and on Thursday; a little lower temperature tonight. Gulf and North Shore—Moderate to fresh westerly winds; fair tonight and on Thursday; stationary or somewhat lower temperature. Toronto, Nov. 28.—Temperatures:—

Highest during 24 hours:—

Lowest during 24 hours:—

Victoria . . . 49 46 46

Winnipeg . . . 32 26 26

Montreal . . . 28 42 28

St. John . . . 36 46 36

Halifax . . . 38 50 38

New York . . . 40 52 40