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Conflict of Evidence at Inquest on Victim of Niagara St. Tragedy
Hon. G. H. Ferguson Makes Hot Arraignment of Drury-Raney Regime

SAYS BALLOONISTS IN PITIABLE STATE AT MOOSE FACTORY

Eye-Witness Declares One Day More Would Have Killed Them.

EXCITED IN COCHRANE

Cochrane, Ont., Jan. 7—(By Canadian Press).—The small army of newspaper correspondents, basing their movements on headquarters here at Cochrane, while combing this section of the Dominion of Canada as far as is possible for news of the three American balloonists making their way thru the northern Ontario bush from Moose Factory to the United States, were still pursuing a policy of watchful waiting this evening. Up to a late hour today absolutely no news of the proximity of the naval officers and their escort to the Canadian National Railway west of here had been received in town, altho the journalists with most of the resident population are all keyed up with scarcely repressed excitement. All indications tonight pointed to the eagerly sought news becoming at the earliest a Monday "story."

Described By Eye-Witness.

Montreal, Jan. 7.—Interviewed by the Canadian Press tonight, at 215 Chatham street, this city, S. A. Bradbury, employe of the Hudson Bay Company, at their post at Moose Factory, on the shores of James Bay, who is at present on leave of absence in this city, stated that he was responsible for the arrival of the news at Rockaway Beach, Long Island, of the rescue of the United

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ALLIED PREMIERS MEET JANUARY NINETEENTH

London, Jan. 7.—The conference of the allied premiers will be held in Paris, January 19. The primary object of the discussions will be the situation caused by Germany's failure to disband her self-defence organizations. Mr. Lloyd George and Earl Curzon of Kedleston, secretary for foreign affairs, will represent Great Britain at the conference.

CHANGED TO "LIKELY," SAYS W. F. O'CONNOR

More Positive in Attitude Toward Candidature in West Peterboro.

BURNHAM STILL INSISTENT

Peterboro, Ont., Jan. 7.—(By Canadian Press).—G. W. Hatton, representing H. Burnham in a legal capacity, has addressed a communication to T. E. Bradburn, president of the Liberal-Conservative Association, calling on that body to call a meeting for the purpose of nominating a candidate. He concludes by hoping it will not be necessary to make application for a mandamus. The Liberals will meet early next week with a view of nominating a candidate, unless they decide to throw their support to R. Denne, the government candidate, which is not improbable.

Question O'Connor.

W. F. O'Connor, of board of commerce fame, was still in the city today, but was just as reticent about the purpose of his visit as he was yesterday. Asked as to whether his presence had any political significance, he replied, 'Maybe' has changed to 'likely.' You might say that if you wish."

This morning he took a seven-mile constitutional walk around the city, which he said impressed him by its beauty and the striking absence of signs of poverty. His conversation was interrupted by the appearance of J. H. Burnham further down George street, whom he hurried off to meet. "Have you anything special to discuss with Mr. Burnham?" he was asked.

"No. I know him quite well, and simply would like to have a chat with him," Mr. O'Connor replied.

CAR THIEF IS SENTENCED.

Ottawa, Jan. 7.—Gustave Demara, who was found guilty in the Hull police court of the theft of an automobile belonging to Mederic Londreville, of Ottawa, was sentenced to two years in St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary by Magistrate Miller.

$19.75

Men's Overcoats selling at nearly half-price today at Dineen's, 140 Yonge street. Good serviceable coats. This season's make. Ulsters form-fitting and plain, Chesterfields and many others. Regular price of these coats were from $32.50 to $45.00. All the stock of higher price coats reduced in like proportion.

Bargains in Men's Hats also. The finer lines greatly reduced—$7.00 hats only $4.95; Stetson, Borsalino and Christy $10.00 qualities, only $7.00. If you want a bargain in either an overcoat or hat call into Dineen's, 140 Yonge street, and look over the stock and take advantage of this special sale.

SIR GEORGE AND LADY FOSTER

Their marriage took place at Geneva on December 9 last, while the minister of trade and commerce was attending the meeting of the League of Nations. Lady Foster is a daughter of the late Sir William Allan and is known as a traveler and writer. She was given away by Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour, and the wedding ceremony, which was very quiet, was attended by Hon. N. W. Rowell and Capt. Chester Payne, Sir George's secretary. Sir George and Lady Foster and Hon. Mr. Rowell were expected to reach St. John last night. This exclusive picture was taken in London just previous to their leaving for Ottawa, and is the first to arrive in Canada.—British and Colonial Press photo.

LAWBREAKERS THRIVE UNDER RANEY'S SWAY, SO CHARGES FERGUSON

Ontario's Attorney - General Spends Great Sums in Professing to Enforce the O. T. A., While More Serious Crimes Are Winked at, Says Conservative Leader—Drury Accused of Gross Extravagance and of Maintaining Vicious Patronage System.

"Law and order has been set at defiance more under the present provincial government than ever before," declared Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, leader of the Ontario Conservative party last night to The World in outlining a part of the Conservative program for the coming session of the house. "This is mainly because the attorney-general has arrogated to himself the position of general overlord of all the police forces, a position he is not qualified to fill. He has continuously interfered with the men who understand the enforcement of the law and has succeeded in causing confusion and inefficiency.

"Look at the way that the Ontario temperance act has been enforced. They have made a spectacular stand at Windsor, Ont., but have neglected virtually all the rest of the border. Miles and miles of border along the St. Lawrence and west along the Great Lakes are not being properly watched, and millions of dollars' worth of liquor is being shipped across. Also more serious crimes are being simply winked at while great sums of money are spent to enforce the O. T. A., the breaking of which is virtually a minor offence."

Great Extravagance.

"The present government has talked a lot about economy and at the same time has simply thrown money away on things which were not even practical. I make it as an unqualified statement that the expenditures of the U.F.O. party are just 50 per cent. higher than those of the Conservative administration at any time while they were in power. At that, too, the results fall far short of what were accomplished under Conservative rule and inefficiency reigns. Hon. Peter Smith, provincial treasurer, is at present up in the air over his budget,

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SOVIET MAY REJECT POLITICAL TERMS

Envoy Leaves London With Trade Agreement Officially Approved.

London, Jan. 7.—Leonid Krassin, the Russian Bolshevik representative here, is leaving London tomorrow for Russia with a trade contract, approved by Sir Robert S. Horne, president of the board of trade. So far as the purely commercial stipulations of the contract are concerned, it is believed they will be acceptable to Moscow, but the political conditions, which are an inseparable part of the agreement, it is feared here, will meet with rejection by the Soviets. If the contract is agreed to it will mark the conclusion of the negotiations for the present.

It was indicated to the Associated Press today by M. Krassin that he expects to return in three or four weeks either to formally conclude the pact or wind up the affairs of the Russian trade commission's offices.

WAR TANKS TO CLEAR BRITISH COLUMBIA LAND

Victoria, B.C., Jan. 7.—Importation of numbers of war tanks from England and France to tackle the job of clearing up thousands of acres of land for farmers of British Columbia is being placed before the government by members attending the convention of farmers' institutes here.

The convention decided in favor of a wholesale house for farmers, conducted along the lines of the California system, without share capital and with all returns pooled. This was referred to the board for statistics.

NEW CHAIN STORES OPEN IN TORONTO

City Will Soon Have Two "Dollar Stores" Open on Yonge Street.

March 1 will see the opening on Yonge street of the first of a new chain of dollar stores, which will, in time, stretch all across Canada. The Woolworth property on the east side of Yonge street, just above Queen, has been sold to the Gay Stores, Limited, and will be the first of the chain to be opened. The stores will handle goods selling at five cents to one dollar. The firm is connected with W. S. Grant & Co., which now operates a chain of dollar stores thruout the United States. The Gay firm is also proprietor of Almys, Limited, big department store in Montreal. The directors are Mrs. Almy, Salem, Mass.; J. D. Chesney, D. S. Emerton, H. S. Munro and Mrs. H. G. Munro.

Mr. Munro was in Toronto recently arranging the deal, which has given the Yonge street property to his firm. It is probable that another store of the chain will soon be opened on upper Yonge street, near Bloor.

On February 1, the Gay Company will open a store at Brantford and one at St. Hyacinthe, Que., one at Stratford on April 1, and one on St. Catharines street, Montreal, on May 1. In two years, the company plans to have five others open in different Canadian cities, and in ten years it is expected this number will have increased to fifty.

NORTHERN ELECTRIC SOURCE OF PROFITS, SAYS BELL COUNSEL

Also Declares Measured Service for Phone Users Was Success in Halifax.

HEARING IS ADJOURNED

Ottawa Jan. 7.—(By Canadian Press).—Evidence seeking to show that the Bell Telephone Company was profiting to a great extent by its relations with the Northern Electric Company, under which the latter acted as purchasing agent for the Bell Company, and also to show that in Halifax, where measured service has been made effective, there was a substantial saving to the telephone user, was adduced by counsel for the Bell Company at today's session of the railway committee.

The hearing adjourned at 4.20 this evening until 10 o'clock on Monday morning, when further witnesses for the Bell Company will be called. A host of telephone experts and legal luminaries are taking part in the case,

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QUAKE IN ALBANIA COST MANY LIVES

One City Almost Razed and Six Hundred People Were Killed.

Paris, Jan. 7.—Despatches to the Albanian authorities indicate that the recent earthquake disaster in the Elbassan district was far more serious than was shown by earlier reports. The shocks were especially heavy in the area between Tepelini and Elbassan. The latter city was almost completely razed.

Near Tepelini, which is about 50 miles south of Elbassan, mountains crumbled away. Six hundred persons are said to have been killed 15 villages were destroyed, and 30,000 persons have been made homeless.

Thanks have been expressed by the Albanian government for the aid given to the earthquake sufferers. It is suggested that food, clothing and medicines be sent rather than money.

PAY HIGH CAR FARE.

St. John, N.B., Jan. 7.—It is definitely announced that, commencing on Monday next, street car fares here will be ten cents, three tickets for 25 cents, 14 for a dollar. The present rates are six cents single.

Year's Toll of Casualties From Outrages in Ireland

London, Jan. 7.—Two hundred and sixty-one persons were killed and 446 wounded in Ireland in 1920 as a result of what are described in an official report "as serious outrages." These figures do not include eighty-two civilians who died as a result of the riots in Ulster from June to September.

The casualties are divided as follows:

Policemen killed, 165; wounded, 225; soldiers killed, 53; wounded, 118; civilians killed—death said to have been due to Sinn Feiners—43; wounded, 103.

The report says the number of court houses destroyed was 68; Royal Irish Constabulary barracks destroyed, 530, and damaged, 163; raids on mails aggregated 998; raids on coast-guard stations and lighthouses numbered 46; raids for arms aggregated 2,801, and raids on revenue offices number 119.

Minor outrages are not included in the report.

New York, Jan. 7.—The British Library of Information, an official British organization with headquarters in this city, today issued a statement giving statistics on "outrages committed in Ireland."

For the two weeks ending January 1, 1921, the statement placed the number of police officers killed in Ireland as six, and the number wounded at twelve. During the same period four British soldiers were wounded.

MAIL SERVICES IN THREE DISTRICTS TO BE SUSPENDED

Dublin Castle Announces That Constant Raids Render Action Necessary.

MILITARY REPRISALS

Dublin, Jan. 7.—Dublin Castle today announced its intention to destroy houses in the vicinity of scenes of outrages, which are definitely known to be occupied by militant Sinn Feiners. This action is to be taken as a deterrent to further outrages and as an example to other districts.

It was announced by the Castle that, owing to the persistent interference with mail cars in Tipperary, Sligo and Donegal, the mail services in those districts will be suspended, effective Monday.

According to the Castle statement, some mail routes have been raided as many as 15 times. Thruout the country last week there were 35 raids on mails, an increase of 15 over the previous week. Outrages during last week numbered 73, as compared with 43, the preceding week.

With reference to the military re-

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CIVIC COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN NAMED

Will Discontinue Practice of Giving Any Alderman a Second Term.

The newly-elected controllers and aldermen in caucus yesterday made a distribution of the committee chairmanships and directorates, which, if precedent is followed, will be confirmed at the first meeting of council on Monday.

The following selections were made: Works committee—Ald. Birdsall. Property committee—Ald. Burgess Parks committee—Ald. Whetter. Legislation committee—Ald. Honeyford. Board of health—Ald. Maxwell.

Directors of the Exhibition—Aldermen Baker, Blackburn, Johnston, MacGregor, Ryding, Sykes and Winnett.

The election of Ald. Birdsall and Ald. Honeyford as chairmen of the works and the legislation committees, respectively, were made unanimously. For the property committee there were three candidates, Aldermen Burgess, MacGregor and Ryding. Ald. Burgess won on the second ballot. For the parks committee chairmanship, Aldermen Whetter, Sykes andn A. M. Johnston were the candidates, the first-named getting the majority. Aldermen Blackburn and Maxwell tied for the chairmanship of the board of health and Ald. Blackburn withdrew. Aldermen Cowan, Maxwell and Phinnemore were named as the council members of the board of health.

At the suggestion of Ald. Whetter and on formal motion by Ald. Blackburn there was a unanimous show of hands in favor of discontinuing the practice of giving a chairman of any committee a second term.

WHEAT TO EUROPE BY PANAMA CANAL

Three Thousand Tons of Alberta Yield Shipped as Experiment.

Calgary, Alta., Jan. 7.—Approximately 3,000 tons of Alberta wheat was shipped from Calgary to Vancouver a few days ago, en route for Liverpool and French ports, by the Panama Canal route. This is the first important shipment to be made from this province by the Pacific and Panama Canal, altho a few small shipments were made prior to 1914. One boat load of wheat has either left Vancouver now or well do so within the next day or two, and the other will be shipped from the government terminal elevator at the Pacific coast port shortly afterwards.

The shipment of wheat to Europe is in the nature of an experiment. In view of the prevailing high ocean rates the cost will be somewhat greater than would be in the case of grain consigned by the old route by rail across Canada.

MRS. A. E. McCARTHY DIES.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 7.—Agnes Elizabeth McCarthy, aged 82, widow of the late Dalton McCarthy, Q. C., M.P., died at her home here today. She will be buried in Toronto.

Why Travel Is Falling Off.

Said a commercial man yesterday: The high passenger fares, including sleeping berths, are preventing people from traveling. The trains are light. Letters, telegraphs and telephones are used instead. Let the railways get back to the old rates. And this is true also of increased hotel rates.

CHARGES OF PERJURY TO FOLLOW INQUEST SAYS CHIEF CORONER

Evidence Given Last Night Regarding Circumstances of Fred Bonniwell's Death on Niagara Street Disagrees in Some Instances With the Stories Told Police After Shooting—Leoni, Accused of Crime, Reported to Be in Hamilton.

Evidence given last night at the inquest on Fred. Bonniwell, the youth who was fatally shot in front of William Morrison's house at 243 Niagara street during a New Year's celebration, was of so conflicting a nature that Chief Coroner A. J. Johnson intimated steps would be taken against certain of the witnesses.

Following the adjournment of the inquest until January 14, Dr. Johnson said to The World, "As soon as this inquest is concluded, I intend to bring the matter of perjury before the department. The stories told by some of the witnesses are not satisfactory."

It is reported that Sam. Leoni, the Italian who disappeared after the shooting, is in Hamilton. He has been traced there, and it is thought that he may surrender himself.

Morrison's Testimony.

William Morrison, to whose daughter, Mary, Bonniwell was engaged, told the police that he came down Queen street with Sam. Leoni, who is wanted by the police in connection with the shooting. He said that the statements he made to the police were true and that he had signed his name to the statement after it was read aloud to him, yet he declared last night that he left Leoni just south of Queen and ran down the street ahead of him.

Wm. Bonniwell, the dead youth's father stated in the box that the day after Morrison was let out on bail the latter went to his house and told him that he did come down the street with Leoni and started to run just as he reached the house. Bonniwell ran out on the street to shake hands with the two men and as he re-entered the house he threw up his hands. The next time he (Morrison) saw him he was lying on the parlor floor. Last night Morrison declared he heard no

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QUEBEC NATIVE DIES IN HIS 108TH YEAR

Quebec, Que., Jan. 7.—A remarkable case of longevity is reported from the parish of St. Patrick's de Beaurivage, Lotbiniere county, where John Corrigan, a native of County Tyrone, Ireland, passed away at the age of 108 years. In spite of his great age, Mr. Corrigan retained all his faculties up to the end and had only taken to bed a week previous to his death. He was a tailor and worked at his trade in this city as far back as 1832. He is survived by seven children.

RAMSDEN IS BITTER BIDDING FAREWELL TO OLD COLLEAGUES

Claims He Was Vilified and Misrepresented During the Elections.

FINAL COUNCIL SCENES

The farewell session of the 1920 city council was held yesterday afternoon, when three of the members who will not be in the 1921 council were told how sorry everybody was to see them go. The three present were Controller Ramsden and Aldermen Plewman and Johnston. Controller Cameron and Aldermen Maher and Miskelly were absent owing to illness.

Controller Maguire, in moving a motion expressing appreciation of the services of those retiring, said he viewed their departure with sincere regret. It was a fact that the public sometimes had a short memory, and many worthy acts of members of council and votes recorded in the public interest were forgotten while one wrong vote was generally remembered.

Mayor Church said his relations with the controllers and aldermen who were dropping out had been most cordial. He held them all in high regard as colleagues in the city's service. He was only sorry they could not all win.

Gibbons Sympathetic.

Controller Gibbons was sorry the old members of council had not been

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Farmers and Tobacco.

Essex Growers Want the U.F.O. to Start Tobacco Factories.

Windsor, Jan. 7.—Some of the tobacco growers here, while they have hope of getting a market in Britain for their leaf, are also considering a plan for them all to join the U.F.O. and get the farmers to start a farmers' tobacco manufacturing company to turn out good and cheap smoking and chewing tobacco and domestic stogies. They say that one great tobacco trust dominates not only the States and Canada, but Europe, including Britain, and that no real fair price for raw leaf will ever be in sight until the leaf growers control a big manufacturing plant to turn out all kinds of smokes and chews for the common man. They talk of making an appeal to the labor unions of Canada to back up a farmers' tobacco plant, turning out fair-priced goods. This, they say, would make raw leaf worth twice what it brings today, and reduce prices of smokes and chews and cigars by one-half to consumers.

ENGINE RUNS OVER G.T.R. SECTIONMAN

George Poydok, While Walking on Tracks, Killed at Little York Yards.

George Poydok, aged about 45 years, address unknown, who was employed as a section man by the G.T.R., was instantly killed late yesterday afternoon when he was run over by a light engine about 100 yards west of the coal chute in the Little York G.T.R. yards, East Toronto. The body was removed to the morgue in the police ambulance, and Chief Coroner A. J. Johnston notified. An inquest is probable.

Poydok, according to the police, was working on the track when the light engine, which had just finished taking on coal at the chute, backed onto him and three of the wheels passed over his body as it lay on the south rail of the south track. The first Engineer R. J. Millen, of Belleville, Ont., knew of the accident was when he heard the man scream, and he immediately applied the brakes. The engine was traveling at a slow rate of speed, as was evidenced by the short distance in which it was brought to a stop after the brakes had been applied. W. J. Dallaghan, also of Belleville, was fireman on the engine. Neither were detained by the police of Main street station, after their version of the accident had been given to Sergt. Johnson.

NO SECRET DIPLOMACY M'CLELLAND'S SLOGAN

Prominent Defeated Trustee Declared to Have Pocketed Building Estimates—New Chairman Issues Rush Orders on School Building Requirements for Presentation at Special Meeting—Some Acute Conditions.

Chairman McClelland, of the Toronto board of education, opened the throttle and ordered full steam ahead on his first day of office.

The new head of the school board also made it clear to the executive officers that the slogan for 1921 was "Hundred per cent. efficiency," and "no secret diplomacy."

Chairman McClelland yesterday afternoon held a lengthy conference with W. W. Pearse business administrator, and was given a complete insight into the present school situation, in particular with respect to the question of accommodation.

In this connection there is an interesting insiders' story going the rounds in relation to the school building estimates.

According to some sources of information W. W. Pearse wanted to lay all the cards on the table early in November in accordance with the request of Mayor Church. It was even authoritatively stated that the estimates were practically ready for submission to the standing committees:

Were Estimates Pocketed?

Then something happened.

The lid was closed down.

Word went round that, by order, the building estimates were to be concealed from all but one very prominent trustee who was defeated on New Year's Day. It was even said that the estimates were pocketed by the prominent trustee concerned.

Rush orders in school building requirements were issued by Chairman McClelland yesterday afternoon for presentation at a special meeting of the management committee on Monday afternoon.

Acute conditions are said to require adjustment at some of the schools. Some adjustments are said to have

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