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Border Police Arrest Alleged Bank Robbers

NEARLY \$250,000 CHANGES HANDS IN RECENT PROPERTY TRANSFERS MADE IN CITY

Largest Deal Involved Sale of London Cold Storage Building and Land On Bathurst Street For \$60,000 — Richmond Street Cafe Property Included in \$35,000 Deal-Former Bank of Montreal Site Fetches \$50,000

Property transfers listed during the past few weeks show several im portant real estate deals here. Considerations involved totalling approximately one-quarter million dollars.

The largest sale is that of the London Cold Storage and Warehousing

Company building on Bathurst street, by that firm to George A. and W. L. Phinn, for \$60,000. This property is situated at 78-90 Bathurst street, on the north side, between Talbot and Ridout streets. A portion of the land and buildings is listed as later transferred to Phinn and Henry for a consideration of \$25,000.

E. L. Guillemont has sold the property known as lot 10, south Queen's avenue (which is the site of and includes Wong's Cafe on Richmond street), to Morris White for \$24,000. According to the transfer list of ten days later the purchaser in turn has sold this land and buildings thereon to Henry and Philip Kestis, restaurateurs, for \$35,000, the \$11,000 profit on the deal being acquired by Morris White.

The Bank of Montreal property at the corner of Fullarton and Richmond.

The Bank of Montreal property at the corner of Fullarton and Richmond streets, upon which the main branch of the bank, now dismantled, formerly stood, has been purchased by Benson-Hines Company for \$50,000. The Bank of Montreal is named vendor in this transfer, and the proposed

new million dollar hotel for London is to occupy this site and adjoining lands upon which the Merchants Bank now stands.

William Morrison has purchased the store at 123 Dundas street, from the Verschoyle Cronyn estate, for \$29,500. The purchaser will utilize the premises as a shoe store.

E. A. and J. Towe have purchased buildings and lands on the north side of Dundas street, a few doors east of Richmond street, from Maria McBride, for \$28,750. These buildings include stores on the ground floor and office buildings above.

Dr. George McNeill has purchased the terrace dwelling, 244-248 Queen's avenue, situated between the building formerly occupied by the Great War Veterans' Association and the Masonic Temple. He has announced that he will remodel the building to be used as his office in the near future. The building and property was purchased from Thomas H. English of this city, and the price was not made public.

BATHERS STUNG

BY "STINGAREE"

Boston, Mass., July 29.—More than 150 bathers were treated at a hospital, and thousands more were driven from Nantasket and adjoining beaches yesterday, when a school of red jellyfish drifted inshore and severely stung all who came in contact with their tentacles.

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This species of red jellyfish is commonly called the "stingaree," and sometimes the "Australian stingaree," because it is commonly found in the Australian waters. The feelers exude a poisonous substance which infects the skin and causes swelling and pain.

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Capt. William C. Sparrow of
the coastguard station at Hull
said that never before in a lifetime spent on New England
shores had he seen red jellyfish
along this coast. He attributes
their presence to the unusually
hot weather.

uted to the King concerning the Gov-ernment's Irish policy in a reported in-terview in the United States by Lord Northcliffe, who controls the London Times, are "a complete fabrication."

ALLEGED AUTO THIEVES CHANGE PLEA TO GUILTY

Two Young Men Must Face Second Charge With Companions.

SENTENCE RESERVED

Magistrate Must Impose a Prison Term, Under Recent Amendment to Act.

George Langridge and Orville Restorick, who a week ago in police court pleaded not guilty to a charge of auto thefts, changed their plea this morning to one of guilty. They were remanded until Wednesday for sentence on this offence. According to a recent amendment of the criminal code, Deputy Magistrate P. H. Bartlett cannot suspend sentence on these two young men or fine them, but must commit them to jail.

The theft took place more than a week ago, a car owned by James Lucas being stolen from the market square and recovered by the police on a sideroad east of the city, stripped of tires and accessories.

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This afternoon these same two men are on trial at the court house before Squire W. H. Chittick, along with Geo. Grant, Clarence Greason and Chester Roe, three of their companions on another charge of auto theft. This second theft is alleged to have taken place in Westminster Township.

Auto stealing has been very prevalent in the city this year, and a gang of five juveniles were sent to the Industrial School for two years just a week ago.

FALSE ALARM OF

The chief drove down to the river and met the boy who sent in the call tor help. On being questioned the boy informed the chief that "one boy tried to swim across the river there" and this was the only answer available.

A Serious Matter.

While the lads may not realize the seriousness of their prank, and just look at it in the light of "having some fum" at someone's expense, the chief remarked it was a very serious occurrence as there is only one pulmotor available in the city for accidents, such as this might have been, and if there had been a call received from some other part of the city during his absence it would probably have been to no avail as this point is in the extreme eastern section and by the time the pulmot? could have reached another point it would be too late.

M.O.H. REFUSES **ACTION AGAINST** RAT COLONIES

Dr. W. S. Downham Absolves Rodents of Disease-Carrying Charge.

PIED PIPER OF HAMELIN

Only Cure For Conditions at City Dumps, Doctor Claims.

Following complaints received relative tto colonies of rats overrunning a dump on Cheapside street, The Adver-tiser this morning interviewed Dr. W. S. Downham, medical officer of health, who informed the reporter that in his opin-tion there is no remedy for the nuisance. "We received complaints regarding this dump some time ago," he stated, "and further placing of garbage and refuse there has been prohibited. This applies to all dumps in the city, and the garbage people have ceased dumping on these sites. Once in a while, however, some private party sneaks in a load. "As for the rats, they are present in almost every dump, and we cannot do anything. A Pied Piper of Hamelin is about the only cure that I know of at present."

The recorder suggested posting a sen-

The reporter suggested posting a sentry on each dump, with a .22-calibre rifle to finish off the rodents, but Dr. Downham, who declares that these pests are not instrumental in this part of America in spreading disease, refused to recommend such procedure. He pointed out that rats are blamed for spreading the bubonic plague in the Southern States, and serious diseases in the Far East, none of which are known o exist in Canada.

aplainant, who objects to the Cheapside street dump, informed The Advertiser, that the rats in that vicinity, as a result of continual rushing about among tin cans, have patches of hair scratched off their bodies, and are covered with sores. He jocularly threat-ened to report the matter to the Hu-mane Society, in an effort to prevent such cruelty to dumb animals.

TILLSONBURG TO GIVE KING A **REAL WELCOME**

Liberal Leader to Arrive in Early Evening.

time spent on New England shores had he seen red jelijfish along this coast. He attributes their brosenee to the unusually Hospital physicians asserted last night that none of these tunners would suffer more than the content of the Suth Coxford Reform Association will address the annual meeting of the South Oxford Reform Association will include J. A. Robb. M. P. Huntington, Quebec, Liberal party whip, who is accompaning Mr. King on this tour. J. A. Hayden of Ottawa, general secretary of the Reform Association. C. H. Denton, secretary, states that there is no doubt whatever that a liberal candidate contesting the riding at the next Dominion will be reduced upon encourages the hope here that the negotiations will prove fruitful.

No application has as yet been made for the release of those members who are still in prison, but the freeing of these men is declared to be certain once the date of the meeting is fixed. The general disposition of the civil authorities is to facilitate that there is no doubt whatever that a liberal candidate contesting the riding at the next Dominion will be released from prison of all Dail Eireann members necessary to secure a responsible decision by the entire Sinn Fein representation.

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To Montreal To see The Films

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Thursday afternoon Fire Chief John Airken received a telephone call from Airken receiv to results of a study of 1,057 prospective made public today by the department of ment upon the decision, other than such a mined, 65.7 per cent had physical decist.

Defective teeth were found in 72.5 per cent of the cases studied.

PLAN TRAINING

OF COLLEGE CADETS

BY AIR FORCE

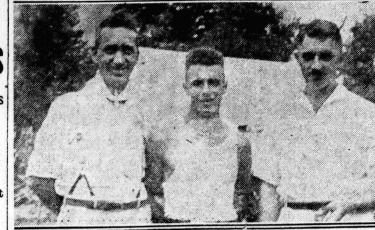
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OF GOVERNMENT

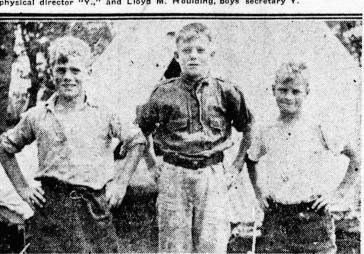
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Quebec, July 29.—An interesting and quite unusual ceremony took place and the Empress of Britain yesterday when in the Right Hon. Sir Louis England, when the sum of the Empress of Britain yesterday when has Just and the Right Hon. Sir Louis England, when the sum of the Empress of Britain yesterday when has plast and the sum of the Empress of Britain yesterday when has plast and the sum of the Empress of Britain yesterday when has plast and the sum of the Empress of Britain yesterday when has plast and the sum of the Empress of Britain yesterday when has plast and the sum of the Empress of Britain yesterday when has plast and the sum of the Empress of Britain yesterday when has plast and the worn in scandinistrator of the Government of Canada until the arrival of the new governor-general. The certain mony took place in the smoking-room, and the new governor-general. The certain mony took place in the smoking-room of the Empress of Britain yesterday when has plast and the sum of the Empress of Britain yesterday when has plast and provide and the present place that the west sum of the Canada until the arrival of the new governor-general. The certain mony took place in the smoking-room, and the new governor-general. The certain mony took place in the smoking-room was a mined and the present place when the p





Three Instructors at the Boys' Ki-Y Camp, Sage's Farm. Reading to right: W. Casson, S. A. C. representative; A. ("Curly") Norwood, a physical director "Y.," and Lloyd M. Houlding, boys' secretary Y.



"Irish Republican Parliament" Will **Assemble Shortly**

All Members of Dail Eireann Now in Prison Likely To Be Released at an Early Date-Officials Optimistic That Negotiations Will Result in Permanent Irish Peace.

Dublin, July 29.—It now seems certain that the summoning of the "Irish Republican Parliament" to consider the British terms will be one of the very next steps to be taken in connection with the peace negotiations. Although the calling of the Dail Eireann for this purpose is not likely to occur immediately, no date having yet been fixed, the apparent fact that such a session has been

No application has as yet been made for the release of those Pleaded Guilty To Passing of

City Engineer H. A. Brazier announced this morning that sanitary sewers are to be constructed at once on Thames street, Bathurst street and Horton streets west; Ridout street, from Bathurst street to Ingleside Place, and Stanley street for two blocks east of the river, estimated to cost approximately \$50,000. This system is to be known as a low-level interceptor, and will be linked up with the London West sewage pumping station via Thames street across the river Thames and along Dundas street west to Wilson avenue.

The city engineer exhibited plans (by request), showing this new system serving an important central area of the city this morning, and stated that work on it will be commenced in the near future. The interceptor system from London West will proceed as above to the river, which it will cross near Dundas street bridge. City Engineer H. A. Brazier announced this morning that

NO UNWRITTEN LAW, DECLARES CITY TREASURER

Claim of Assessor Martir O'Sullivan Not Accepted at City Hall.

PROMISES EXPLANATION

Grant Asserts Whole Thing Will Come Out.

Although Martin O'Sullivan, city assessor for 21 years, blamed by some officials at the city hall, and Ald. Harley for neglecting to place the names of four local priests on the rolls as liable for statute labor tax, declares in explanation that "an unwritten law," in vogue for years, exempt the clergy from such taxation, officials at the city hall deny any knowledge of such procedure. "It is the first I have heard of this unwritten law," said City Treasurer James Bell, who collects the tax from lists furnished by the assessment department, "and I have been around here a few years. I know that there is a written law which says that every male resident of the city between the ages of 21 and 60 years, not otherwise assessed, should be assessed for statute labor tax."

"Unwritten laws are dangerous things to go by," commented Ald. F. E. Harley, acting mayor, today, who has interested himself in the muddle.

"I have the explanation of the whole thing in my mitt," Assessment Commissioner Stephen Grant informed The Advertiser. "A court of revision years ago made a general decision covering such cases to the effect that priests and other members of the clergy are to be assessed 'as tenants."

Never Thought of it.

"Why did you not mention that before, and save trouble?" queried the reporter.

"I never thought of it," replied Mr. Grant When it was pointed out.

fore, and save trouble?" queried the reporter.

"I never thought of it," replied Mr. Grant. When it was pointed out to him that one of the priests admitted liability to tax and willingness to pay it if assessed, and that four men in one residence cannot very well all be assessed as tenants, Mr. Grant became reticent and said, "Wait until the investigation and that will all come out."
"I do not see why there should be an unwritten law to exempt the clergy of any denomination, when they made me pay this tax within a week of my return to this city, after two years absence." a Londoner complained to City Treasurer Bell Thursday.

"Oh we got you, and we will get all the others liable," retorted City Treasurer Bell. "There are no unwritten laws in this thing, and we are not through with it yet."

MELVIN BURGESS IS SENTENCED TO FIVE-YEAR PRISON TERM

Forged Check.

CONNECTED WITH GANG

Numerous Ontario Cities and Towns Have Been "Worked."

St. Thomas, July 29.—Pleading guilty to the passing of a forged check for \$19.75, purporting to be issued by the \$19.75, purporting to be issued by the department of militia and defence, and which was cashed by a local grocer a week ago, Melvin T. Burgess, aged 20, Toronto, was sentenced to five years in Kingston Penitentiary this morning by Magistrate Maxwell. Burgess confessed to having signed the remainder of the dozen checks passed on St. Thomas merchants. The accused in a rambling story told of purchasing a number of such checks at \$2 each from a party whom he met in the Orde restaurant, Toronto. Bundles of checks were prepared at that city and distributed among confederates, who negotiated the paper at Collingwood, Barrie, Clinton,

Will Come to Middlesex Town Some Time Next Week.

Strathroy, July 29.—Herbert Greenfield, Alberta's premier-designate, will be in Strathroy some time next week, according to advices received by Mrs.
Greenfield, who is visiting friends here.
The U. F. O. of West Middlesex will Manitoba eastward to the Gulf of St. Lawrence

Father Point. 64 50 Cloudy St. John. 78 58 Clear had a narrow escape from death this morning, when the fast G. T. R. expression was crossing the tracks at the first concession west of here. The wagon. will be be in Strathroy some time next week, tender a reception to the western premier during his visit, and arrangements to that end are now going formand alberta it is cool and showery, and
very heavy rainfall is reported from
Edmonton.

RUSSIAN BLACKSMITH IS **HELD FOLLOWING DISCOVERY** OF MONEY IN HIS ROOM

Sam Bodnersky, According to Essex County Police Officials, Has Admitted Complicity in the Petite Cote Robbery of July 20—Arrests of Others Expected at Any Hour.

Windsor, July 29.-Eight days of a dogged search for the bandits who looted the Merchants Bank at Petite Cote of nearly \$20,000 in cash in a daylight holdup on Wednesday, July 20, brought results for Walkerville and provincial police officers Thursday when they succeeded in placing under arrest a Russian blacksmith, who, police say, has admitted complicity in the crime. The man is Sam Bodnersky, aged 27. He operated a blacksmith shop on the eighth concession Base Line road, Sandwich south, a short distance from the Walker road, Walkerville. A search of his room in a boarding house failed to reward the officers until a picture on the wall was moved. A shower of United States and Merchants Bank bills, said to be a portion of the loot, fell at the officers' feet. There was \$3,074 in all.

Chief J. P. Smith of the Walkerville police stated this afternoon that further developments in connection with the robbery are expected to take place within the next 48 hours. The arrest of at least four of the other men who pulled off the robbery is expected

Would Not Favor Juvenile Court If It Meant a Big Expenditure, Says Ald. Harley

Secretary Ed. Lance Resents "Soft Job" Insinuations of Opponents of Scheme-Secretary of Children's Aid and Secretary of Soldiers' Aid Automatically Become Probation Officers.

There is yet considerable talk about, nated. With the establishment of the e alleged great expenditure that will juvenile court, W. E. Kelly of the involved in maintaining a juvenile dren's Aid Society and myself matically become probation officer ank E. Harley today, "but that is not the alleged great expenditure that will be involved in maintaining a juvenile court in London," commented Ald. Frank E. Harley today, "but that is not so. As I have stated before, if I actually knew that there would be a big expense to the court I would not support it. But expense is to be practically eliminated. In the first place there would be no need to pay a great sum for a building. I proposed that we use the city hall. There is ample space there, and such would only be required for perhaps an hour or so, two or three days in the week.

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"Then, again, it has been repeatedly stated that the court would simply mean the establishment of four or five nice soft berths at big salaries for certain people. Who are they I am sure that no one will entertain for a moment the proposal that Police Magistrate Graydon is job hunting. He has already intimated that he would undertake the duties as juvenile court judge as outlined by our scheme with no remuneration attached.

Not Seeking Soft Job.

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Extracts from the statutes pertaining

linquents' act. 10 Edw. VII, C. 96, S. 3.
"The soldiers' Aid Commission shall have and may exercise and perform all

Not Seeking Soft Job.

"A statement like that appears rather unfair," commented Edward H. Lance, secretary of the Soldiers' Aid Commission, today. "I do not know who is seeking a nice berth, as has been suggested recently. "Know that I have no one to place on the job. And as to the greatly regreted, when the future of expression in the requirement of propagation of youngsters probably hangs." expense in the requirement of probal hundreds of youngsters probably hangs tion officials such will also be elimi- in the balance."

Sees Improved

New York, July 29.—Howard Elliott, chairman of the Northern Pacific Railway, was optimistic today on his return from a 6,000-mile tour of the Pacific Northwest of Canada.

'Everywhere I went." he said, "there was a feeling of hope and belief that conditions would be better, and in few

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 87; lowest, 72.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 3 a.m. today were: Highest, 75; lowest, 66.

BAROMETRIC STANDING Thursday—8 a.m., 29.12; 8 p.m., 29.16. Today—8 a.m., 29.11.

TOMORROW-FAIR AND WARM. Toronto, July 29—8 a.m. Forecasts.
Light winds; mostly fair and warm oday and Saturday; thunder showers

Temperatures. The highest and lowest temperatures

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PREMIERS Conditions Soon AGREEMENT

places did I vnd any feeling of pessimism. The outlook for agricultural production is good."

Present System Regarding the Dominion Defence Is Approved.

> London, July 29.—Canadiah Associ-ated Press Cable.—While no official statement has been Issued, it is under-stood that the conference of imperial premiers reached an agreement on the naval policy of the Empire. The conwhereby each dominion is refor its own defence coastally.

HAS NARROW ESCAPE WHEN FAST EXPRESS TRAIN HITS WAGON

J. D. Horseman of Ingersoll Is Slightly Bruised.

Ingersoli, July 29.-J. D. Horseman, a farmer residing a few miles from here,

loaded with gravel, was cut in two, bruised. The team escaped unhurt.