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Fierce Rioting and Reprisals at Londonderry and North Belfast

BECK ACCEPTABLE IN LIBERAL RANKS, DEWART DECLARES

Hydro Chieftain Would Have Had No Opposition in By-Election.

N. E. TORONTO VIRTUES

Ward politics colored predominantly the closing Liberal meeting of the Northeast Toronto campaign held on Saturday evening in St. Barnabas' Church hall. Major W. H. Kippen, the candidate, was notable as the only speaker who failed to congratulate the audience on its intelligent appearance. His supporting platform men made unstinted use of this and other wiles of the politician, one speaker even quoting statistics showing Northeast Toronto to occupy the smallest space in police records of any Toronto constituency, and another apologizing for his failure to remove his overcoat, by declaring that he "did not have to take off his coat to lick a Tory"

The candidate, furthermore, secured but brief recommendation from the majority of the speakers, who appeared concerned principally with the justifying before the audience, of the Liberal party and Hartley Dewart, or the denunciation of the campaign waged by a local evening journal. Possibly for these reasons, the meeting, which was well attended, noticeably lacked enthusiasm.

Major Kippen prefaced his address by an appreciation of the fairness of the campaign waged against him by his opponents and the press, and continued: "If you should select me at the poll on Monday as the best man, I hope that you will be able to come to me at the end of three years and

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EXPRESS SAFE ROBBERY AT PRINCE ALBERT, SASK.

Prince Albert, Sask., Nov. 6.—Between 10.45 p.m. on Thursday night and 9 a.m. on Friday morning, the safe at the Canadian National Express office here was robbed of $1,300, according to police announcement today It is claimed that the safe was opened by some one who knew the combination.

CERTAIN SPRACKLIN MUST LEAVE CHARGE

One of Rules of All Churches—Case May Be Heard at Sandwich.

Windsor, Ont., Nov. 7.—(By Canadian Press).—Congregations of all Methodist churches in the border municipalities Sunday passed resolutions pledging financial support for Spracklin's defence. Whatever may be the outcome of the case, it is practically certain, church officials said, Spracklin will have to resign his charge at Sandwich.

It is one of the rules of all churches, they explained, that a pastor who has taken a life, whether in self-defence or not, cannot again occupy a pulpit.

May Sit at Sandwich.

If the coroner's jury finds Spracklin's life was not in danger when he shot Trumble, an effort will be made, Barrister Brackin said, to have the trial brought on at the assizes now in session at Sandwich.

Trumble's body rests in an oaken casket at the home of his father, Hamilton Trumble, former Windsor alderman, Giles boulevard. Scores of floral tokens—many of them from Detroit friends and sympathizers—were received Sunday. The funeral will be held Monday afternoon.

JAPANESE TALK OF RETALIATION

Big Meeting at Tokio Recommends Firm Attitude Towards United States.

Tokio, Nov. 7. — A firm attitude toward the United States was recommended by speakers at a public meeting held Friday evening for discussion of the situation created by the adoption of the California legislation affecting the Japanese. The audience of about a thousand persons heard the speakers, who were journalists, minor politicians and student orators. One of the men urged that "anti-Japanese discrimination" in the United States be met with anti-American discrimination in the Orient. War talk was deprecated by the speakers.

In an interview in the Hochi Shimbun, Viscount Kentaro Kaneko, of the privy council, expressed confidence that the negotiations at Washington would result in a settlement of the question at issue with United States.

LONDONDERRY SCENE OF FIERCE RIOTING BATTLE IN BELFAST

Five Policemen Shot in Former City and Reprisals Follow—The Unionists With Stones as Arms Fight Sinn Feiners Armed With Firearms in North Belfast — Arms and Munitions Stolen in Glasgow.

Belfast, Nov. 7. — Wild scenes were witnessed in Londonderry Saturday night as a sequel to a sudden attack on policemen there. Five policemen were shot, two of them so seriously that they are not expected to recover, two shops were burned to the ground and several others were wrecked. All the property belonged to the Sinn Feiners.

The attack on the policemen was directed against the officers who were guarding the customs house, and a brisk exchange of shots followed. The fray occurred at nine o'clock in the evening in a busy neighborhood, and so terrified the crowds of shoppers that they fled homeward in a panic. Afterwards the police and the military raided a large section of the city, holding up and searching every one they found outdoors and invading and searching numerous houses.

Later in the evening a hostile crowd assembled in Waterloo Square, a Sinn Fein thoroughfare, and had to be dispersed by the military. Even after the curfew hour there was almost unceasing revolver and rifle fire for two hours or more, with occasional sounds like explosions of bombs.

A number of armed men passed along William street, smashing shop windows with the butt ends of their

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HAMILTON MINISTERS DEBATE SPRACKLIN

Report Methodist Divines Are Likely to Go on Record Pledging Support.

Hamilton, Nov. 7.—(Special.)—When the Methodist Ministerial Association holds its regular meeting tomorrow morning in the Centenary board room, the Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin case will come before the members for consideration, and it was learned that the local body will likely place itself on record in the matter. The local ministers, or the majority of them, are not anxious to talk of the affair, yet they are of the opinion that Mr. Spracklin was exercising his duty when his life was threatened, and was at liberty to kill the hotelman, who threatened him, and for this reason they think he should be supported by his brethren.

Request for Assistance.

In one city church a note was read from a member of the congregation, in which it was asked that the congregation do everything possible to secure the release of the unfortunate minister.

Rev. F. M. Wootten, secretary of the association, said he had not been informed that the matter would be discussed.

FOUR PERSONS HURT IN AUTO COLLISION

George McKee, Driver of One of the Motor Cars, Taken in Custody by Police.

Four persons were injured yesterday afternoon in a collision between two motor cars at Dundas and Sackville streets, and George McKee, 72 Glendale avenue, driver of one of the autos, was arrested on a chorge of crimal negligence.

The injured were: Vernard Head, 102 Hegdewood avenue, who was driving the other auto, his wife, Dorothy, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Andrews, 39 Corley avenue who were also passengers in the car. All sustained slight injuries to head and body. Mr. and Mrs. Head were attended by Dr. St. Charles, 317 Sherbourne street, while Mr. and Mrs. Andrews were taken to the General Hospital, where their injuries were attended to and they were able to proceed to their home.

According to the police, Head was proceeding west on Dundas street, when at Sackville, the auto he was driving, was upset when struck by the other car, driven by McKee south on Sackville. McKee reported to the police and was held on the above mentioned charge.

Lewis and Hydro Have the Call.

The electors in Northeast Toronto will vote today for the real issue, that of Adam Beck and Hydro radials. The canvass shows that is the main issue.

ARE SEEKING TO AVERT FRENCH MINERS' STRIKE

Paris, Nov. 7.—The government has obtained an agreement from mine employers to meet representatives of the National Federation of Miners in an effort to avert the threatened strike for enforcing the men's demands for higher wages and nationalization of the mines, it was learned today.

The men are demanding that the maximum pre-war scale be multiplied by five, as the cost of living, they represent, has been increased more than six-fold. The federation represents all the underground workers in the coal and other mines and in the quarries.

START INDUSTRIES TO GET FINANCES

United States Farmer-Labor Party to Open Factories Thruout Country.

BEGIN IN CALIFORNIA

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 7.—Parley P. Christensen, late candidate for president on the Farmer-Labor ticket, today told an audience at the Labor Temple here, that his organization was already making plans for the 1924 campaign, and that he hoped to be its standard bearer.

As a means toward educating the public and also towards financing the campaign, he said, the party would immediately embark in industrial enterprises, starting its work in Southern California by buying hides, erecting and operating a shoe factory and selling the output thru its own stores. The plan, he said, would mean that the party would actually direct these enterprises, altho they would be handled under another organization, and the net revenues, he said, would be used for the advancement of party interests.

Similar enterprises would be started at once in various parts of the country, he said.

ROME INTERESTED IN IRISH QUESTION

Declaration of Irish Bishops Has Attracted Considerable Attention.

Rome, Nov. 6. — The declaration of the Irish Catholic bishops, who several weeks ago met at Maynooth and signed a resolution denouncing "terrorism, partiality and failure as characteristics of the present Irish government," has attracted considerable attention here.

Its publication in The Corriere d'Italia has elicited a remarkable letter from Deputy Mauri, one of the leaders of the Catholic party, who declares that "Italy cannot remain indifferent to the desperate cry of martyred Ireland," and adds: "The time has come for Italy to know and realize the cruelties of the English troops serving as police and their systematic work of destruction."

The same issue of the paper contains an appreciation of the late lord mayor of Cork, Terence MacSwiney.

CHALLENGE TO FIGHT CREATES RUMPUS AT CONSERVATIVE RALLY

Major Lewis Gets Good Hearing After the Excitement Calms Down.

HYDRO MAIN ISSUE

Beginning with a few innocent accusations by ex-Alderman C. W. Mogridge, Saturday night's largely-attended meeting held at Foresters' Hall, on behalf of the Hydro-Conservative candidate, Alec Lewis, developed into an exciting session, and at times almost reached the proportions of a free-for-all. All political parties were well and strenuously represented, especially the soldiers, and these were not by any means all united as to either principle or party. Some apparently were proud to claim themselves as Bolshevists; others were equally proud to claim themselves anti-Bolshevists, and during the course of one heated debate (there were about a dozen debating club fests held while the speakers on the platform got in their say), one redoubtable champion of the Conservative party, whose ten sons had served in France, offered an opponent a few rounds in the ante-room. "You're a Bolshevist and proud to be one, are you?" was his flash. "Well, you just come out into the ante-room and I'll Bolshevist you." There was no reply.

On another occasion an ardent supporter of everything and nothing permitted his enthusiasm to carry him onto the top of his seat, whence he audibly, but rather thickly, addressed those assembled. A lady in the audience pointed out that she had just arrived from Boston and knew that Great Britain financed most of the war and that the United States made most of the money.

Candidate Well Received.

On the whole, the candidate was very well received, and answered most of the questions put to him freely and

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GRANTS PREFERENCE TO THE DOMINIONS

Trinidad Revises Her Tariff on Foodstuffs and Other Commodities.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Nov. 7.—The local government yesterday announced a revision of the customs tariffs under arrangements made with Canada for granting preference to her products, acording to the decision reached at the recent Ottawa conference. Under the new revision all foodstuffs and cattle feeds produced in the British Dominions are made free of duty, as are also British-produced machinery and certain cotton goods and glassware. The duty on United States foodstuffs is now fifty per cent. more than that on similar Canadian products. The duty on motor cars, jewelry and plated ware has been increased by ten per cent., and foreign-made machinery by 2½ per cent.

The new tariff provides for the imposition of duties ad valorem, the goods being assessed for duty at the exchange rates instead of at par.

YELLOW AND WHITE.

Tomorrow morning's World will contain the third of Billee Glynn's amazing series of articles on the Chinese in Toronto.

SPRACKLIN'S STORY UNSHAKEN, TRUMBLE WAS NOT ARMED SWEARS WIDOW AT INQUEST

Mrs. Trumble Declares Husband Approached Officers Demanding That the Intruders Show Badges, and That Shooting Followed Quickly—Pastor Testifies on Oath That Trumble Pressed Revolver Against His Stomach and Said, "I'm Going to Shoot You"—Material Witness to Testify at Resumed Inquest Tonight.

Windsor, Ont., Nov. 7.—"'Babe' Trumble pressed his gun against the pit of my stomach. '——, —— you, Spracklin,' he said, 'I'm going to shoot you.' I knew then that it was his life or mine," was the dramatic testimony simply given by Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin, special license inspector, at the inquest, held in the Sandwich courthouse, Saturday night, into the shooting of Beverley ("Babe") Trumble, proprietor of the Chappell House, in his hotel early Saturday morning.

Trumble's widow gave directly contradictory evidence. "My husband had no gun. He had only a cigaret in his hand when he went out to meet Mr. Spracklin," she swore.

Two witnesses, both Mr. Spracklin's aides, corroborated the pastor-inspector. Mrs. Trumble's testimony was not corroborated. None of those in the hotel before the shooting saw Trumble with a revolver. They did not see the shooting.

Searched for Weapons.

Everyone of the crowd which filled the court room to capacity, was searched upon entering, for a possible concealed weapon. There was a heavy police guard in the court room and about the building. The crowd made no demonstration, hearing the evidence in absolute silence.

The inquest was delayed until nine o'clock to secure a full panel of jurymen, and lasted to within a few minutes of Sunday morning.

Coroner La Belle adjourned the inquiry until Monday night, in order to secure the testimony of Edward Smith, in whose arms Trumble died. Smith was absent Saturday night, owing to a misunderstanding about the time. His evidence, as to whether Trumble was armed or not, will be of a vital character.

Crown Attorney Rodd conducted the direct examination of witnesses, R. L. Brackin appearing for Mr. Spracklin, and W. H. Furlong for Mrs. Trumble.

Mrs. Trumble Testifies.

Mrs. Trumble, widow of the man shot, was the first witness. She stated that she had been ill during the night before the occurrence and that she had retired at 7.30. Her husband had spent a great deal of time in her room during the night. He was filling a hot-water bottle at the time a knock came on the door of the living-room adjoining the bedroom and a voice announced that Mr. Spracklin wanted to see Trumble.

Witness said that her husband left the room and laid the hot-water bag upon a table in the living-room. She followed him out and saw several men with revolvers drawn. She didn't recognize Mr. Spracklin at first, but later noticed him standing in the kitchen doorway.

"My husband asked, 'What is the idea?'" she said. "Mr. Spracklin replied, 'We are officers and want to go thru the house.'"

"Beverley said: 'Then why the guns? You never were refused admittance. Who are these other men and how did they get in?' Mr. Spracklin replied that they were his men. Beverley asked if the men had badges to show that they were officers. My husband then walked toward Spracklin. I heard the report of a gun right after that, and that is the last I remember, except that Beverley cried: 'You dog, you've shot me!'"

Spracklin Bewildered.

Continuing, Mrs. Trumble said that Spracklin stood as if he didn't realize what had happened then turned and went out thru the same window by which he entered.

"My husband," she went on, "with the assistance of Mr. Smith, staggered into the bedroom lay on the floor and died. I think it was in about fifteen minutes that he died."

Crown Attorney Rodd then asked: "Did your husband have a gun when he went out to meet the inspector?"

Mrs. Trumble: "He did not. He had a hot water bottle in one hand and a cigaret in the other."

Lied to Spracklin.

W. Morton, an inmate of the hotel at the time of the raid, testified he had lied to Spracklin when the latter asked him concerning Deslippe's condition. Morton told Spracklin there had been a fight. On the stand he explained this was merely to quieten affairs.

Basil Bannon stated he had heard Trumble ask officers on three occasions to produce their warrants. He had seen no gun in Trumble's hand.

Constables Mark Heaton and Frank Bell, Spracklin's assistants, repeated the threat alleged by Spracklin to have been made by Trumble that he would kill Spracklin.

Alleged Threats.

Mr. Spracklin's story, in the early stages, dealt with the general friendly spirit which seemed to prevail until Trumble noticed his assistants in the hotel Trumble, according to witness, threatened to shoot every one of them if they did not produce badges, and that the officers were forced out of the room at Trumble's revolver point. When Trumble first saw Spracklin, who had circled round thru the kitchen door, he then, said

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MESSAGE OF PROTEST INSPIRED BY TRAGEDY

Carruthers Says Shooting Forces Church to Face the Issue.

The World last night received from Montreal the following message signed by T. L. Carruthers, general secretary of the Citizens' Liberty League:

"In the name of humanity and the Christian religion I must enter my protest against the killing of Trumble at Windsor by the Methodist minister, Inspector Spracklin. The Ontario Temperance Act was sponsored and and supported by the Methodist Church and they will have to condone or condemn this shooting by one of their members who undertook to preach the message of peace on earth and goodwill to men as outlined by the lowly Nazarene."

SUGAR "BIG FOUR" HOLD PUBLIC EYE

Deny They Met in Montreal—Orgy of Individual Price-Cutting Continues.

QUOTATIONS VARY

Montreal, Nov. 7.—(Canadian Press) Saturday was a day of counting up in the inner circles of the sugar business and no changes such as had marked the previous three eventful days were recorded. It was reported downtown around noon that the "Big Four," the Canada, Atlantic, St. Lawrence and Acadia sugar refineries, were holding a meeting and many brokers and dealers stayed after hours at their offices hoping to gain some information. If the meeting was held, it did not do much towards restraining the orgy of individual price-cutting which had been going on and the only fact that could be gleaned was the statement of the president of one of the leading refineries that no meeting had been held between the refiners with any reference to prices.

Publish Prices.

On Saturday most of the refineries were still publishing the old price list of 16½ cents a pound, whilst Atlantic listed its sugar at 15 cents, and Dominion Sugar Company quoted at 14 cents. Wholesalers reported they were getting all the sugar they wanted at around 13¾, 14 and 14½ cents a pound.

Retailers were selling at 16 cents, some at 15 cents and others at all kinds of figures from 16 to 18 cents a pound.

WORLD REVOLUTION CHEERED IN BERLIN

Independent Socialists and Communists Join in Celebrating Russian Revolt.

Berlin, Nov. 7.—The left wing Independent Socialists joined with the German Communists this morning commemorating the anniversary of the Russian revolution. The demonstration brought a crowd of 15,000 to the Lustgarten, the former German palace, where the orators lauded a world revolution and the demonstrators cheered the third internationale.

The demonstration passed off in an orderly manner, the police not even being obliged to control the crowds.

The radical labor soviets today placarded Berlin with posters calling for a general strike in support of the men locked out at the Borsig locomotive works and the striking electrical power house workers. Tho the government has declined to proclaim November 9 as an official holiday, German organized labor, supported by the Social Democratic and Communist parties, voted to make Tuesday a workless day. It is announced, however, that state employes, including the railwaymen, will not lay off on that day.

The government's refusal to fix November 9 as a red letter day on the German calendar, virtually finds the German proletariat the sole applauders of the second anniversary of the German revolution.

The Unloading Brothers!

The Canadian paper profiteers are good enough to say they are fixing the price for next year at six to seven cents for export trade! They'll be glad to get less than four! That is the reason why they are trying so desperately to unload their much-watered shares. **If they believed in their own story of $140 a ton for 1921—the greatest price yet—why the rush to sell their shares?**

THE WAR IN ONTARIO ON ILLICIT LIQUOR

Ontario is now in a great struggle against rum-running across the borders and against bootlegging within the province. This trade is centred in Montreal; perhaps partly directed in New York; and thousands of men, mostly foreign-born, are engaged in it. They have lawyers in their service to help and fight the law and to discredit those who enforce it. The question, therefore, is not whether prohibition is a mistake or whether there should be government sale of liquor, but whether the law of the country is to be upheld, and whether officers of the government are to be safe in enforcing the law!

If we do not enforce the law we will make thousands of perpetual lawbreakers of the thousands of the foreign-born who are now in the business. Once they go into profiteering out of the illicit sale of liquor they are not likely to be good citizens again. They are anarchists in the true meaning of the word. They repudiate and defy and break the law—for profit more than for anything else.

If the people of Ontario want the Ontario temperance act enforced the government and its officials must enforce it. If the citizens want a regulated sale of liquor by the state they must so declare by their votes, or by their members of the legislature. But the greatest menace now hangs over Canada and the States if bootlegging and rum-runnning by thousands of men are to be allowed. No bootlegger or rum-runner will ever be honest again if he can make a thousand dollars a week by lawbreaking! And the voters who voted to abolish the bar and no sale of liquor must turn in and help to enforce the law.

The Drury government did not pass the Hearst and Rowell temperance act, but they must enforce it, or modify it or repeal it. But they can't let it be riddled by the bootlegger and the rum-runner. And the same situation prevails in the States to a still greater degree, where absolute prohibition has been written into the constitution of the country.

There was so momentous an issue in the States and in Canada.

And perhaps Hon. Mr. Rowell may have some advice to give the country on the issue. Sir William Hearst also.

SPRACKLIN IN CHATHAM CONFERS WITH AYEARST

Pastor May Face Trial at Sandwich This Week—Prisoner Smuggled Out of Windsor Because of Open Threats to Do Violence to Him.

Chatham, Nov. 7.—Rev. J. O. L. Spracklin, who shot and killed "Babe" Trumble in a raid on the Chappell House near Windsor Saturday, arrived in this city last evening with an officer. He was accompanied also by his counsel, R. L. Brackin, M. P.

Mr. Spracklin declined to make any statement, stating that everything was in the hands of his attorney.

Mr. Brackin issued the following statement to the press this evening:

"I believe the license board of Ontario will stand behind Mr. Spracklin. Chief Inspector Ayearst was in the city today, and after a short conference with Mr. Spracklin returned to Toronto. I believe it is the desire of Mr. Spracklin to be tried as speedily as possible. The assizes are now on at Sandwich and I will endeavor to have the case brought up this week."

Mr. Spracklin spent today with Rev. Robert Hicks, pastor of the Victoria Avenue Methodist Church.

Returns to Windsor Today.

Mr. Spracklin is in charge of Plainclothesman McNab of the Windsor police force. His presence here may be partly explained by the fact that his counsel, R. L. Brackin, M.P., lives here. It is understood that Mr. Spracklin will be taken back to Windsor tomorrow afternoon. J. A. Ayearst, member of the Ontario board of license commissioners, was also here and conferred with Mr. Spracklin, and there were conferences during the day between the latter and his counsel. Mr. Spracklin refused to make any statement.

Mr. Ayearst returned to Toronto late this afternoon.

Rumors of Violence.

Windsor, Ont., Nov. 7.—Following rumors of intended violence, police

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The New Union Station.

Sam McBride is going to make the early opening of the new union station, also of the Teraulay street extension; also suburban services on the Canadian National and the Canadian Pacific—three big planks in his contest for the mayoralty.

VOTE TODAY FOR MAJOR ALEX. LEWIS, THE HYDRO CANDIDATE