

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE OF "PAT'S" IDENTITY

Why Does Sir Adam Wait?—Asks Leader Ferguson

NEW IMPORTANT FACTS ADD TO EVIDENCE THAT "M'GREGOR" IS NORTON

Advices From West Say Man Arrested With Sidney Murrell Has Divorced Wife Living in Nevada—Mrs. Ernest "Pat" Norton Admits Her Husband Was Also Divorced.

OTHER CITIZENS RECOGNIZE M'GREGOR

A new and possibly important clue in further establishing the identity of Pat Norton was secured today.

"George McGregor," who lies in jail at Susanville, California, and whose photograph was yesterday identified as Pat Norton by Chief Birrell and Sergeant of Detectives Down, has a divorced wife, living in a small Nevada town.

Ernest Pat Norton has also a divorced wife, whose present whereabouts The Advertiser has not yet discovered.

This further parallel evidence seems to have important possibilities in confirming the confident opinions stated by the local police authorities yesterday when they inspected the photograph of McGregor, secured by The Advertiser from Susanville.

As matters stand now it may be a woman who will prove the final undoing of the man who has baffled the police of the continent for over two years.

This morning The Advertiser received from Susanville a telegram stating that Sheriff Carter, the man who arrested Murrell and "McGregor" in this country several years ago, and that "he has a divorced wife living in Nevada." The telegram requested The Advertiser to make inquiries regarding Norton's matrimonial ventures.

Norton's Previous Wife. Acting on this information, The Advertiser learned from Pat Norton's present wife, who is living at Lambeth, that the bandit has a previous wife, whom he divorced some years ago. Where she is now is not known. The present Mrs. Norton has not had a happy life. She married Ernest Norton with love and confidence. For long months he deceived her with stories of his work on the railway, and his previous marriage was kept secret from her until after the birth of the little son, whom she is now trying bravely to bring up in honesty and independence. After the child was born, however, she learned that she was Norton's second wife, and pictures of the first Mrs. Norton were shown her by Pat's mother.

The Advertiser has telegraphed this information to Sheriff Carter at Susanville.

London police have nothing to add to the declarations made yesterday. Chief of Police Birrell and Sergeant Harry Down were equally positive that the photograph of "McGregor" was the face of the long-wanted Pat Norton. Other members of the force were uncertain, and some declare that it is not Norton; but the chief and the sergeant are positive in their opinions.

May Be Delay.

It may be some time before their opinions are either confirmed or denied with authority. Photos of the real Pat Norton, obtained locally, have been sent to Susanville for comparison with McGregor, and final identification now seems to be with Sheriff Carter and his officers. In the meantime, according to telegrams received by The Advertiser, the sheriff is giving McGregor no inkling that he is suspected of serious crime. He prefers to let "McGregor" rest in false security until indisputable evidence can be secured.

"George McGregor" sits these days in deep thought, behind the bars of the little village jail in California. At this moment only he himself knows positively whether or not he is the bandit whom London has wanted since April, 1921. If he is really Norton, as the present evidence indicates, one wonders what must be his emotions as he thinks of the trains and telegraph messages which he knows must be speeding across the continent searching for proof of his guilt.

Whether Chief Birrell and Sergeant Down are right or wrong, one thing at least seems certain. The man "George McGregor" has at some time lived in London.

Several people, among them a prominent merchant, declared to The Advertiser today that they recognized yesterday's picture of "McGregor" as that of a man whom they have seen in London, although



GEDDES MAY RETIRE. The early retirement of Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador at Washington, is forecast. Sir Auckland is said to be threatened with blindness, the same affliction which overtook his predecessor at Washington, Viscount Grey.

SOME UNION MEN ARE DISAPPOINTED WITH NOMINATION

"Sim" Thompson, Secretary for Barbers, Displeased With Stevenson.

SELECTED McKAY Fails To Understand Why Other Nominees Withdrew Names.

Some of the union men find it hard to swallow Dr. Stevenson. It seems a pretty bitter dose for "Sim" Thompson, secretary of the barbers union and one of the delegates from that organization to the Labor convention last night.

"Sim" is none too well pleased with the outcome, although he feels that he will have to support Dr. Stevenson "as he was the party choice." The secretary is sorely disappointed, nevertheless, and is not at all backward when giving vent to his feelings today.

Why didn't some of the other nominees allow their name to go to the convention? I still think that that one of them—or at least some good union man—should have been tendered the nomination. I don't mind acknowledging that I am disappointed with the decision.

While Secretary Thompson hastens to explain that this is his own personal conclusion, he feels, nevertheless, that there are many in the Labor ranks in this city who feel as he does. He believes that while Dr. Stevenson may have been sufficiently sincere in his convictions and intentions, he has not shown to the best advantage during his four-year sojourn within the confines of the Ontario legislature.

The secretary feels that the workers would have acted wisely if they had chosen as their standard bearer one from their ranks, not of the professional classes, however well-meaning their attitude may be.

The Labor interests would be better served, he believes honestly, by a bona fide Labor representative—"one of the workers," and he was prepared to vote accordingly last night.

The Canadian Labor party, asserts the secretary, is faced with the inevitable—sooner or later, the principles and methods of the British Labor party must be followed, he warns. And in the old country, he states, the leaders are men from the actual ranks of Labor.

"I believe," Mr. Thompson concluded, "that we have union men in London sufficiently brilliant and able to carry our fight to the legislature."

QUEBEC IS IN GRIP OF FOREST FIRES; HELP SUMMONED

Messages Pouring In State Many Sections of Province Affected.

FORTY ACRES BURN

Expect Conditions Will Be Very Serious Within Few Days.

Special To The Advertiser.

Quebec, June 1.—Once more the Province of Quebec is in the grip of forest fires, and today messages are pouring into the forestry branch announcing one after the other that all the sections are more or less affected.

The most important one, reported in the eastern section of the province, is that of l'Anse St. Jean, in Saguenay County, where 40 acres of beautiful timber are now the prey of the flames, and 200 men are working to prevent its extension.

The fires are rapidly spreading, and forecasts and expectations are that the conditions will be very serious within a few days. Instructions are being wired from the forestry branch here, and arrangements are completed to obtain complete co-ordination of the various services. Several fire reported under control last evening, but new started again, and many are spreading from Ontario to Quebec, notwithstanding attempts to check them.

The permit regulations are being insisted upon. Sportsmen and fishermen are again blamed for the numerous outbreaks, and another appeal is being made today.

NORTH BAY MURDERER BURIED THIS AFTERNOON

Bishop Scollard Refuses Dead ex-Convict Rites of the Church.

Special To The Advertiser.

North Bay, Ont., June 1.—Leo Rogers was buried at 2 o'clock this afternoon "outside the fence" of the Catholic cemetery, in a plot where the unbaptized children are interred. Rogers was a member of a Catholic family. His sisters were good church attendants. He himself had been to St. Mary's Cathedral on various occasions, but he had not made his Easter duties and he had not taken communion.

Despite the entreaties of Mrs. Rogers and her husband, Bishop Scollard refused the dead ex-convict the rites of the Roman Catholic Church.

TO VISIT ST. THOMAS.

Members of the London Branch of the Canadian Institute of Engineers will visit St. Thomas tomorrow, and on the invitation of City Engineer Miller of that city will inspect the new reservoir ponds and other civic establishments. Mr. Miller will give an interesting paper on this work at a dinner in the Central Hotel in the evening.

Driving Wind Wrecks Crop and Takes Roof Off Cars

Storm Near Regina Smashes the Windows in Homes—Almost Approaches Cyclone.

Canadian Press Despatch. Regina, June 1.—Braking windows, driving young crops into the ground, tearing the roofs from six freight cars in motion, and accompanied with gusts of rain, a hailstorm which broke to the north of Balgonie, near here last night, for a time approached the proportions of a cyclone. Telegraphic reports state that rain

SOUTH SECTIONS WILL DETERMINE ELECTION RESULT

Campaign Leaders Concentrating Their Efforts on the Western Peninsula.

CASUALTIES HEAVY

Overthrow of Andrew Hicks Greeted With Pleasure by Drury Supporters.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, June 1.—Election month opens up with the battle for power in the provincial government being carried to the populous and prosperous peninsula of Southwestern Ontario. In this section of the province every county has two or three and sometimes four seats in the legislature. Undoubtedly the casualties will be heavy, and the returns from these ridings must bulk decisively in determining the issue of the present campaign for the election of the sixteenth legislature of Ontario.

With Hon. Howard Ferguson at Sarnia and W. F. Nickle at Owen Sound, the Conservatives last night opened up the speaking tours of their leaders. Today Mr. Ferguson is speaking at Aylmer and St. Thomas, and tomorrow the Conservative leader will campaign in Perth County. Mr. Peter Smith, the provincial treasurer in the United Farmer Government, who held the seat for South Perth, Mr. Hay and other Liberal stalwarts have already done some preliminary campaigning in southwestern Ontario, and the Liberal leader will return to that district after his present tour in the north.

It is expected that Premier Drury and the U. F. O.-Labor leaders supporting the government will make an intensive campaign in Southwestern Ontario during next week and the remaining period before the election on June 25. Much of the support for the government in the last legislature was brought from this section of the province. Government supporters this morning express gratification at the turn of events yesterday in the United Farmer nominating convention for South Huron, when W. G. Medd was elected to the place of Andrew Hicks, former member and government whip, whose defection from the government party and sensational speech in the legislature during the closing days of the last session helped to hasten the general elections.

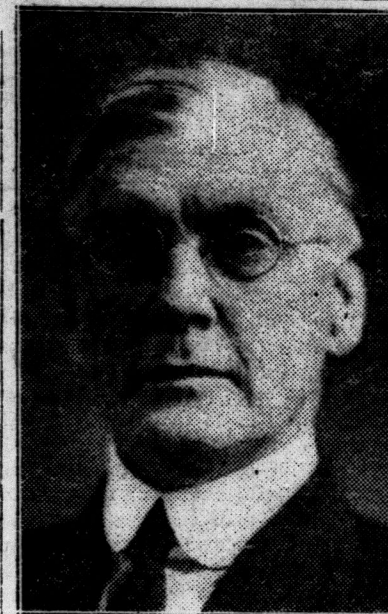
FRENCH EXPEL FOURTEEN OFFICIALS OF DYE WORKS

Associated Press Despatch. Berlin, June 1.—The French are reported to have expelled fourteen of the leading officials of the Hoechst dye works. A despatch to the Voiesche Zeitung says that the police of Bochum yesterday raided Communist headquarters and arrested sixteen of the leaders. Documents relating to the Communist organization were seized. By means of these, arrests of conspirators and the seizure of explosives in other towns were made possible.

SCHOOL STUDENTS GIVE DRURY BIG RECEPTION

The Premier, Like Children, Is Looking Forward to End of June.

Smith's Falls, Ont., June 1.—Premier Drury received the greatest reception of the campaign here yesterday. It was from the local school children as, after addressing them for a few minutes, he announced a half-holiday. The premier joyfully remarked that he, like the children, was looking forward to the end of June. He said he wished the schools could go along with fewer examinations, and that there could be more subjects such as pupils liked to learn.



HEADS LONDON CONFERENCE. Rev. Walter E. Millson of London, elected president of the London Methodist Conference, succeeding Rev. J. E. J. Millyard of Sarnia.

VANCOUVER GETS LARGE CONTRACT IN SOUTH CHINA

Sun Yat Sen Gives Order to Northern Construction Company To Build Railroad.

LINK UP PROVINCES

Estimated Cost of Huge Project Will Run Between \$25,000,000 and \$35,000,000.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Vancouver, June 1.—A contract for the construction of a 1,200-mile railway in South China has been let by the Sun Yat Sen administration to the Northern Construction Company of this city. The contract was signed during the recent visit to the Orient of C. V. Cummings, vice-president of the company. Mr. Cummings tacitly admitting the accuracy of this information when interviewed today, but stating that he could not discuss the matter at this stage.

At the office of the Canada Morning News, the Chinese Nationalist daily published here, it was stated that the railway is part of Dr. Sun's scheme to link up the province, passing en route through Kwangsi and Yunnan provinces.

When construction can begin is problematical. The South China government has some heavy financing to do before the work can be entered into, as the Canton government is still engaged in warfare consolidating its territory in the south, this financing being faced with difficulty.

It is estimated that the work will cost between \$25,000,000 and \$35,000,000. One section of the line will pass through mountainous territory.

AN INDEFINITE TERM ON CHARGES OF THEFT

Albert McKeown Sent to Reformatory For at Least Three Months.

Albert McKeown, who was remanded a week ago when brought up on two charges of theft, was sentenced in police court today to three months to one year less one day on each charge, to run concurrently, in the Ontario reformatory. McKeown admitted he had been using drugs, and blamed their use for the thefts. He has appeared several times before on various charges, and the court in passing sentence said that it was more of a kindness to place him in the reformatory than to let him out into the world to face a temptation that was seemingly too strong for him.

CONSERVATIVE LEADER SAYS BECK HAS NO NEED TO WAIT WORD FROM HIM

Surprised That Sir Adam Has Not Already Made His Decision as to Acceptance of London Nomination—"He Knew My View Long Ago," Ferguson Adds.

J. CAMERON WILSON HITS AT WENIGE

Sir Adam Beck is a very fine fellow, in the opinion of G. Howard Ferguson, leader of the Ontario Conservatives, who passed through the city at noon today, to put up into a Tory meeting in Aylmer this afternoon.

The only thing that appears to worry the provincial chieftain is to know definitely when Sir Adam intends to come out from hiding and accept the local nomination. There is no danger of hydro being launched into the political arena just because Sir Adam or any other "hydro candidate" might gain a seat in the legislature, Mr. Ferguson argues, adding his view that as a matter of fact it was originally intended that at least one, and if necessary two, members of the legislature should be members of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission.

Why Does Beck Wait. And Howard Ferguson makes it quite clear that Sir Adam doesn't have to wait for the signal for him, although Sir Adam pleaded at the recent Tory nominating convention that he would have to have "another conference" with the leader before he could tender any definite decision.

Mr. Ferguson thinks that Sir Adam ought to be in the field, and dismisses abruptly the suggestion that Sir Adam is waiting for him to say something more about it.

"We must have some information in the house about hydro undertakings," continued the Conservative leader. "This is not projecting hydro into politics at all. Why, during the last administration there has been little or no discussion in the legislature about hydro. This fellow Carmichael knew as much about hydro as I do about the man in the moon."

Will "Survey" O. T. A. The Conservative leader gives assurance that his party is ready to do something for the people that Premier Drury never did, or would, even if returned to power. He refers to the Ontario Temperance act—its enforcement and proposed modification.

Mr. Ferguson declared that when the people evoked a whole-hearted desire for a change, the Conservative party stood ready to direct another referendum.

"The house will consider the entire question," Mr. Ferguson assured, definitely, "and if in our opinion we feel that sentiment is changing sufficiently to warrant another expression of the people we shall see that such is taken."

"That is something that Premier Drury would never do, or promise."

RUSSIAN AUTHORITIES SEIZE JAPANESE SHIP

Imprison Seventy-Two Fishermen Operating Within Seven-Mile Limit.

Associated Press Despatch. Tokyo, June 1.—Russian authorities of the soviet administration in Siberia have seized a Japanese fishing vessel and imprisoned the crew of 72 for operating within the seven-mile limit.

Heretofore fishermen have not been molested, unless they were within three miles of shore.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS. Moderate winds; fair and somewhat warmer today and Saturday.

The high area which has been north of the Great Lakes for several days has drawn southward to the middle Atlantic coast, while relatively low pressure covers the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the western half of the continent.

The weather has been fine from Ontario eastward, and unsettled in the Western Provinces, with heavy rains in the southern districts thereof.

Temperatures. The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Stations. High. Low. Weather.

Calgary..... 56..... 46..... Clear.

Winnipeg..... 50..... 46..... Clear.

Port Arthur..... 62..... 48..... Hazy.

Parr Sound..... 76..... 44..... Clear.

Toronto..... 68..... 48..... Clear.

Kingston..... 66..... 45..... Fair.

Ottawa..... 74..... 50..... Fair.

Montreal..... 66..... 54..... Cloudy.

Quebec..... 66..... 46..... Clear.

Father Point..... 44..... 38..... Cloudy.

St. John..... 58..... 42..... Cloudy.

Halifax..... 48..... 40..... Cloudy.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 78; lowest, 48.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 58; lowest, 43.

Barometric Readings. Thursday, 8 p.m.—29.51.

Today, 8 a.m.—29.32.



LONDON METHODIST CONFERENCE AT SARINIA. The delegates to the London Methodist Conference, who are holding their annual session in the Central Methodist Church at Sarnia. The conference is one of the largest and one of the most important in the history of Methodism in the London district. Every church in the conference is represented by several delegates, in addition to the ministers. Several matters, important to the country as well as to the church, have already been settled, and the effects of the decision will undoubtedly be felt throughout the province in the near future. Rev. W. E. Millson of London has been elected president of the conference.

When this picture was taken 173 ministers and 146 laymen had registered.