THREE CENTS.

# ORDER CUTS LONDON FARES; CARS WILL S Britishers Aboard Train Caught Between Battle

# **CITY PLEA GRANTED** BY RAILWAY BOARD

### Modern Clothes Become Hamlet

Associated Press Despatch. Birmingham, England, Dec. 11 .lamlet in modern costume has been such a success in England that Faust is to be tried next. Mephis-topheles will be seen in a dinner

Faust in twentieth century attire Faust in twentieth century attite will be presented during the Christmas holidays by the Birmingham Grand Opera Society, which has an active membership of 209.

Modifications have been made in the plot to fit the cast and occasion

# CARS GO TO BARNS WHEN ORDER COMES

No Operation Under Reduced Fares, Railway Company States.

London stands an excellent chance of doing its Christmas shopping on foot this year, as all street car service may be suspended within the next few days as a result of the hearing before Ontario railway and municipal the Ontario railway and municipal board in Toronto this morning of an application by the city of London for an order compelling the London Street Railway company to revert to seven and nine tickets for a quarter.

The board, as anticipated, decided that it had no alternative but to issue the order in view of the decision of the second divisional court that a

the second divisional court that a higher rate of fares is not legal under the agreement between the city and

The only hope of averting a complete de-up lies in the fact that D. L. Mc-Darthy, who represented the city of Carthy, who represented the city of London in the case, was given time to draft the order which will be brought before the board later for formal approval. In the meantime, Mr. McCarthy said, he would take up with the city the facts put before the board. He expressed the hope that it would be at-

made it quite clear that the moment the order is issued the company will place every street car in the barns. twe do not want to take any such action wihout giving the citizens of London ample warning, but we have said n the past and we say again, that we cannot operate on seven and nine tickets for a quarter and we will not even make the attempt."

### FORMER YORK MEMBER REMANDED FOR WEEK

#### J. A. M. Armstrong and Bank Manager Are Arraigned in Court.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 12 .- J. A. M. Armstrong, former M. P. for North York, and H. H. Coffey, former manager for the Imperial Bank at Schomberg, who arrested some days ago charges of theft were arraigned in county police court this morning, and were remanded for a week. Crown Attorney Moore has not yet completed his investigation into complaints received against the two accused.

Mr. Armstrong is out or Mr. Armstrong is out on \$50,000 bail, but Mr. Coffey has been unable to

#### The Weather

FORECASTS. THE CHANGE OF THE PARTY OF THE Today - South westerly winds; Sunday-Northwesterly winds, colder with snow-

Victoria ..... 54 Calgary ..... 54 Winnipeg ...... 20 Port Arthur ..... 20 Parry Sound ..... 32 Toronto ..... Kingston ..... 38 

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LOCAL TEMPERATURES,
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Highest, 41; lowest, 18.
The official temperatures for the 12
Highest, 36; lowest, 30.
The sun rises at 7:42 a.m., and sets

The commenting on the subbase stars.

at 4:41 p.m. Barometric Readings.

Friday-8 p.m., 28.57. Today-8 a.m., 28.57. Company stated today that the reason casts.'

No Alternative But to Order Seven and Nine Tickets For a Ouarter."

MEANS CARS STOP

'We Cannot Carry On," De clares R. G. Ivey, in Opposing the Move.

Special to The Advertiser by Staff Reporter.

Toronto, Dec. 12 .- The question of London Street Railway fares came before the Ontario rallway and municipal board today, when, on behalf of the city of London, D. L. McCarthy, K.C., made application for an order in accordance with the decision of the appellate court restoring the old rates of seven and nine tickets for 25 cents. In 1922, legislation was passed at tueen's park which gave the railway ompany the right to charge 5 cents for ticket, and this rate prevailed up till March of this year. The city contested the 5-cent rate, but the Ontario railway board decided in favor of the company. An appeal was then taken to the ap pellate division and the city won, the fares in the agreement between the city and the company being restored. There were seven tickets for 25 cents, and nine during workingmen's hours.

Mr. Ivey Appeals. R. G. Ivey, vice-president and solicifor of the company, when the matter came before the board today, said he regretted that the city should have ound it necessary to make this appli

he said, 'we have carried on this road solely for the benefit of the citizens of London, with the exception of one dividend of 7 per cent which was paid to the shareholders during that period.' "Apart from that dividend the earnings of the road have gone back to the citizens in the form of service. We have struggled on as best we could under these conditions. It was impossible when the contract was made in 1895 to anticipate those world wide events which increased the cost of operation. We have come to the stage where under present conditions it is impossible for us to continue at a five cent fare, and therefore it is much ing of a demand for an investigation more impossible to operate at the old into the manner in which relief has been

pressed the hope that it would be attended with results in coming to an agreement.

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mpossible for us to carry on.' No Alternative.

Vice-Chairman Ingram, in the absence of Chairman MacIntyre, said he supposed the board had no alternative but to issue the order. "I may say we have had some experience our-selves as a board in regard to the management of this rallway," he said, "and, speaking for myself, I feel quite confident the company cannot carry on with seven and nine tickets for a

on with seven and nine tickets for a quarter."

D. L. McCarthy, for the city of London, will draft the order and it will be presented to the board later for formal approval.

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Mr. Ivey, speaking afterwards, said he could not see how the railway could remain in operation if they had to give seven and nine tickets for a quarter. It was an impossibility. The revenues the railway to the railway could not be parts, Dec. 12.—A frenzied rush to buy foreign stocks listed on the Bourse caused a further sharp decline today in the franc, which during the morn-

reaped fortunes. One firm is believed tions to have amassed a profit of a million.

### Ready For the Christmas Rush



LON DON POSTAL STAFF ON THE JOB.

Canadian northwest, a party of Longreater than that of past seasons, slown postal workers is here shown ready though promise has been given that the speed of a conjurer. The picture shows circular brackets in the sorting-room of the postoffice the last-minute rush will be somewhat which hold hundreds of mail bags desto handle an immense volume of mail relieved through the postal departing time. Postmaster T. C. Duncan has substantially increased his staff for the anticipated Christmas rush. Sorters are experienced men who actually many contents are experienced men who act

CLAIM PROBE NEEDED

INTO RELIEF ACCOUNTS

Rumor of Demand For Investi-

gation Into Manner Money

Was Disbursed.

Among supporters of the new broom

that is about to sweep clean at the city

hall, reports were current this morn-

Even on the part of those who know

nd of whatever part of the public is

FRANC AT LOW MARK.

The demand has almost exceeded the

PRESIDENT OF AUSTRIA

troubling about it.

STOCK BROKERS REAP GOLDEN

One Firm in Old London Has Amassed Profit of Million Pounds

in Last Few Months-Several Decide To Retire

After Making Fortunes.

tonight that several prominent rubber brokers have decided to retire, having that the demand, especially in America, has reached unprecedented propor-

Preparing Christmas mails for the which this year is expected to be complish a surprising amount of work

### Mennonites Find Mexico Far From Promised Land

### Dying Woman Hopes to Marry

Newton, Mass., Dec. 12 .- A lifelong friend is waiting at the bedside of Mrs. Eunice J. Esten, 75, anxious to lighten her last hours by fulfilling her expressed wish that they be married. He is Alonzo H. Blood, 76, of New York, and he is grief-stricken in the fear that the wedding cere-mony may never take place. Although physicians advised that eemed only a matter of hours nothing in detail of the allegations there is said to be a tendency to launch an impartial inquiry that would satisfy the cense, and is hopeful that Mrs. Esten may recover sufficiently to who is in readiness to officiate.

### WANTS TO FIGHT DUEL PRIVY COUNCIL ACTION PERILS ONTARIO PLANS

Provincial Authorities Fear Quebec Opposition to Railway Will Be Upheld.

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Dec. 11 .- The privy council having heretofore usually safeguarded provincial rights in references coming would obtain would not be suf- ing reached the record figure of 27.42 before it, the possibility of it reversing the decision of the supreme court, made yesterday, is being considered here The matter is expected to come to the privy council when Quebec ap-peals the decision which granted the HARVEST IN RUBBER DEALINGS Nipissing Central Railway the right to traverse Quebec crown lands in order to feach the Rouyn goldfields.

Ontario legal and constitutional au-horities are said to be doubtful of the tcome of the appeal to the privy ouncil, having this in mind. It is held that the application of section 183 of the federal railway act constitutes a violation of the principle of provincial

#### Canadian Press Cable. for the phenomenal increase in the London, Dec. 12.—The news comes tured article during recent months is COMMERCIAL CONGRESS

Associated Press Despatch. New York, Dec. 11 .- The active parpounds in the last few months and is credited with handling as much as two ticipation of Canada in the work of the Pan-American commercial congress and a half million shares in a single day.

Congo and other parts of Africa have refused to strip their stocks in order will be the most important issue be-fore the congress when its annual An instance of a huge over-subscription was offered when a rubber company issued two-shilling shares for £350,000, and the amount was subscribed thirty times over. The opin-scribed thirty times over. The opin-scribed thirty times over. meeting opens Monday, it was an-

ounced today.

Ten Canadian delegates will attend the meeting for the first time since ion expressed a fortnight back that many folk spend a portion of the Sabbath thinking of rubber has been confirmed, for the last three Monday bars. the congress was formed ten years ago. Dr. Clarence J. Owens, president, predicted the congress would

ALL OF CREW SAFE.

Associated Press Despatch.
Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 12. — All nembers of the crew of the steamship creases during recent months. Although indications point to stability in the coming months, it is, however, not Havana and the ship is lost, said a In commenting on the rubber situation on the old London stock market, a local official of the Dunlop Rubber matter about, which to make any fore-Fuel company here yesterday.

#### People Who Emigrated From Canada Have Hopes Rudely Blasted.

NOW ON WAY BACK

of a "promised land" in the valley of the Rio Grande have faded and the Mennonites, who sought to colonize in Mexico, are yearning for their native destitute. Theirs is a story of a land They were in imminent danger. of milk and honey that failed to materialize.

The weary people two years ago followed a great hope into the southern they scooped away bits of brick and republic where they expected to prosper they are homeward bound, longing to renew the more conservative life in the land where once they lived.

How they were beset with crop failures and famine was explained by half a hundred downhearted members of the religious sect who changed trains here yesterday on their journey to Manitoba. They predicted that more of the people will follow from the valley to which they said they were lured by roseate promises of abundance in a colonization enterprise. Several groups of Mennonites have passed through here recently on their way

### JAPAN DEEPLY STIRRED

By J. RUSSELL KENNEDY. pecial Cable to The Advertiser and The Chicago Daily News. Copyright.
Tokio, Dec. 11.—Opposition groups
oth in and outside the diet are marshaling their forces against the government's Manchurian policy. They are

erally, with the exception of two papers | charge of the case. which were suppressed this morning for articles allegedly inflammatory, counsels caution, arguing that hostilities on Chinese territory in Manchuria do not warrant the attitude that Japan's interests are threatened.

#### BRITISH COAL SUBSIDY MAY REACH \$105,000,000

Associated Press Despatch. ion expressed a fortnight back that many folk spend a portion of the Sabhath thinking of rubber has been confirmed, for the last three Mondays have witnessed scenes on the rubber market resembling a rugby football match.

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Associated Press Despatch.

NEW MUNISTER TO BRITAIN.

Special to The Advertiser.

Santiago, Chile, Dec. 11.—It is expected here that Ernesto Barros Jarpa, retiring foreign minister, will be named minister to England, succeeding Miquel

Cruchaga Tocornal, who is expected to be the new ambassador at Washington.

Associated Press Despatch.

Southampton, England, Dec. 12.—A wireless proposal to Miss Catherine Cherbourg, and while the vessel was sto the small number of delinquents in Forbes were married yesterday by John L. Stewart of Detroit, who was minister to England, succeeding Miquel

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Mr Stewart joined the Leviathan at Cherbourg, and while the vessel was formed to province compares favorably with any other province of state in the union as to the small number of delinquents in Forbes were married yesterday by Captain Herbert Hartley of the steamer. The captain had breakfast served in this cabin and also surprised the couple by producing a wedding cake for their benefit.

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# Workmen Are Saved By Priests

Five Churchmen Pray and Dig Among Ruins Where Death Lurks.

MAN DEAD, 5 RESCUED

Believe Two Men Still Entombed Under Wreckage of

Associated Press Despatch New York, Dec. 12 .- Walking literally nto the valley of the shadow, dauntless n the face of duty, five Roman Catholic priests braved immediate death with iremen and doctors last night to adninister the last sacrament and give aid o eight workmen buried in the collapse of a brown stone residence under reair on 47th street, just off Fifth avenue Once they were called on to close the eyes of a dead man, and for hours they stood by the side of two others, alive. but hysterical, and with only their heads

and bricks. Though five of the eight were rescued almost immediately-all of them with enter the wreckage-three others were pinned, one dead and two alive, within the building for more than six hours Two more men were believed to be entombed in the cellar.

above the mass of fallen timbers, plaster

After seven hours of frenzied labor one living workman and the dead man still had not been rescued. The third imprisoned with them, Joseph Blanco, was taken out six hours after the crash, and rushed to the hospital, critically in-

A priest, described only as Father Caldwell," rushed into the building a few moments after it collapsed and firemen found him picking away bits of

disillusioned and helmets and went into the wreckage.

Firemen were afraid to remove the debris until the remaining walls of the building, which tottered as each beam building, which tottered as each beam was lifted, had been braced. For hours mortar with their hands, unable in any other way to free the men imprisoned.

# Their failure is best told in the halting Spanish of a boy. "We like Mexico," e said, "but nothing will grow—and the failure says we must eat." How they were best told in the halting spanish of a boy. "We like Mexico," e said, "but nothing will grow—and the says we must eat." FATAL MOTOR MISHAP

Probe Cause of Death of Orville Smith-Preliminary Inquest Today.

The police department will conduct motor accident on the Pipe Line road, when Orville Smith was instantly killed and Joseph Dutton and David Field, driver of the car, were injured, BY WAR IN MANCHURIA according to Chief of Police Robert Birrell.

Sergeants have been instructed to obtain as much information as possible oncerning the accident.

The body of Smith was viewed by a coroner's jury at A. L. Oatman's funeral home this afternoon. Coroner Dr. Robert Ferguson has ordered an flooding the papers with views, so that the issue is rapidly becoming a burning question.

Inquest to be held at police station next week. The jury will look over the scene of the accident on Monday. It is noteworthy that the press gen- Sergeant of Detectives Harry Down has

#### FIFTY-ONE NOW KNOWN KILLED IN MINE BLAST

Overton mine No. 2 of the Alabama to purchase the property from the coun-Fuel and Iron Company tonight, the cil and make use if it in the interests of number of identified dead in Thursday's explosion reached 51. The bodies of receded one step from that position."

## CRAWL UNDER COACHES **DODGE CHINESE SHELLS**



the aid of a priest, who was first to Plan To Block Transfer of the

canvassing the legal possibilities of an injunction being issued to prevent the transfer from the city council, and something definite may be forthcoming with the next day or two.

Mayor-elect John M. Moore stated to day that he was approached yesterday debris as he prayed by one of the work-men. Within a few moments he had been joined by Father Joseph McKenna council in the matter. Observing that by a citizen who was anxious and pre Associated Press Despatch.

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 12.—Their dreams of a "promised land" in the valley of the Ric Grands how a land to the Rev. Bernard Mc-Quade of St. Patrick's.

They aided in the second council in the matter. Observing that he favors the public utilities commission, which has offered on more than sion, which has offered on more than other foreigners. Among the property in were M. Mochizuki, 2 member close scrutiny of the whole council an commission proceedings relative to the

commission, expressed the opinion the morning that if the council had pro-ceeded in "the regular way," and b presumed such had been done in th case, no private ratepayer could now stop the sale by having an injunction issued restraining the council.

Entitled to Sell. "When the old city hall property of Richmond street was sold about 12 years ago," continued Mr. Vining, "a atepayer issued an injunction against he sale, but the court then ruled that I the council followed regular proedings it was quite entitled to sell

the property. The commission has never considered issuing an injunction against the sale of the sulphur springs, though we commission will attempt anything furan investigation into yesterday's fatal ther because it has done all it could.

"The council is in control of the situation," concluded Mr. Vining, "and "The council is in control of the situation," concluded Mr. Vining, "and the council has sold the property and visiting in St. Thomas last night and that seems to me to be all there is to were notified of the accident by phone

> Philip Pocock dean of the utilities emmission, stated emphatically that the commission still stands strongly against the sale of the sulphur springs destroyed, but was partially insured. against the sale of the sulphur springs to private interests, believing that the sale is detrimental to the interests of the citizens as a whole.

Common Interest. "I have been told that a private citizen can stop the sale by having an injunction issued," observed Mr. Pocock, "but I do not know how true that I do know, however, that there should not be any such attack made upon what is manifestly the common interests as to render such a step being made necessary upon the part of any

"The commission is on record as being opposed to the sale of the sulphur Associated Press Despatch.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 11.—With the cons." concluded Mr. Pocock, "and the commission is also on record offering recognize only the Fascist labor union called for Thursday of next week.

### Wedding On Liner Is Result of Proposal Through Wireless

Protest Lodged When Lives of Foreigners Endangered by Fighting.

SEND RELIEF TRAIN

Women and Children Among Refugees Who Hide Between Tracks.

Associated Press Despatch.

Peking, Dec. 12.-Several Britishers nd a score of United States citizens, assengers on the International train which left Peking for Tien-Tsin yesterday, were caught in the midst of a battle between the troops of Feng Yu-Hsiang and Chang Tso-Lin, near Yangtsun, north of Tien-Tsin, last night.

The train also carried 50 Italian marines on their way to the coast after doing guard duty in the capital. The passengers, including some women and children, are reported to have lain be-tween the tracks under the stopped ain to escape the rain of shells. During the night the train was sent back to Lang Fang. A truckload of provisions has arrived there, and it is presumed the passengers are comfortable, although temporarily out of communication with Peking.

The battle was raging furiously at 7 o'clock this morning between Tien-Tsin

clock this morning between Tien-Tsin and Pehtsang, a few miles to the north.

The train was caught between the Plan To Block Transfer of the Sulphur Springs Is Being Considered.

Sale of the Dundas street sulphur springs to Mrs. L. M. Moorehead may yet be stopped. Parties interested are canvassing the legal possibilities of an nerican commandant in Tien-Tsin, is

American commandant in Tien-Tsin, is said to be trying to get a relief train through with food to convey the passengers to their destination.

The foreign legations here are protesting energetically to Feng, pointing out that the protocol of 1901 gives the foreigners the specific right to occupy Yangtsien as a vantage point in keeping communication with the sea open.

Lang Fan, to which the train was withdrawn, is outside the present battle

zone. It is reported that there were no to China, and four league of nations commissioners sent to investigate the

### EXETER HOUSE BURNS AS BELL ROPE BREAKS

Town Sleeps On As Home of Bert Harness Is Destroyed.

Special to The Advertiser by a Staff Correspondent.

Exeter, Dec. 12.—When the rope of the fire bell broke, in response to a the home of Bert Harness at an early The origin of the fire is unknown,

Several neighbors were awakened, bat

#### ITALY ALWAYS AT WAR, MUSSOLINI DECLARES

Associated Press Despatch. Rome, Dec. 12.—Premier Mussolini. considered a war measure "because I consider the Italian nation in a per

manent state of war."

The premier said that the law, ac competent to deal with disputes be

#### PROVINCE COMPARES FAVORABLY IN REFORM

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Dec. 12.—In preparing a report on the reform schools of Ontario for the year ending Oct. 31, the gov ernment inspector, J. J. Kelso, states that in proportion to population, the