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By The Free Press Photographer. R. Mezza and family captured this event at the public works picnic held at Springbank Park on Saturday. Nine children, with dad and mother, swell the total over see a finer and healthier looking family!

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In the three collegiate units the comparative attendance was also approximately 80 per cent. Many of the students have not returned from their holidays and a large number are also working during fair week, so that the enrollment is necessarily cut down considerably. Nearly 1,600 children are expected to be registered during the term.

THE WEATHER

FAIR AND WARMER

Forecast: Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Northern winds; fair and cool to-night.

Wednesday—Fair with light showers.

TEMPERATURES

Stations	8 a.m.	Yesterday	High	Low
Prince Rupert	48	60	48	
Victoria	52	80	52	
Kamloops	58	82	52	
Calgary	70	82	50	
Edmonton	50	72	50	
Prince Albert	45	76	42	
Winnipeg	52	68	46	
Sault Ste. Marie	52	62	48	
LONDON	67	83	52	
Toronto	55	78	52	
Ottawa	58	74	56	
Kingston	55	78	52	
Quebec	58	78	58	
St. John, N. B.	60	74	54	
Halifax	60	66	58	
St. John, Nfld.	60	66	58	
Detroit	60	74	54	
New York	60	74	54	

WELLAND MAN ROBBED AT POINT OF GUN

ST. CATHARINES, Sept. 2—George Irving, of Welland, was held up by two coastwise motor bandits at the point of a gun last night and robbed of twenty \$45 and \$50 in cash, a number of books and papers and several checks. When motoring to Thorold alone, he observed an automobile across the road, near the junction of the plank road as it turns towards Allanburgh and the stone road leading to Pomhill. Thinking the men were in difficulties, Irving drew in to the side of the road, stopped and got out, and inquired if any help was needed. "Hold up your hands," was the answer, emphasized by a jibe in the pit of the stomach with the point of a revolver.

HEAVY FROST IN WEST

SASKATOON, Sask., Sept.—Crops in the Quappell district suffered on Sunday night under 12 degrees of frost and a number of other points report four degrees. Heavy winds on Saturday also caused slight damage, early oats suffering to the greatest extent.

INITIAL PAYMENT MADE BY GERMANY

Pays Sum of 20,000,000 Gold Marks To Agent-General Under Dawes Plan.

WITHDRAWAL OF FRENCH TROOPS TO BE SECRET

Date For Evacuation of Dortmund and Vicinity Not Yet Definitely Fixed.

BERLIN, Sept. 2.—Germany to-day made her initial payment of 20,000,000 gold marks under the Dawes plan. The payment was received here by Leon Frasier, assistant to Owen D. Young, agent-general ad interim for reparations payments.

MAYOR WON'T SIGN CONTRACT FORM FOR PRINTING

Order For Publishing City Voters' List Held Up Through Stand Taken By Council Head.

Both Parties Confident of Eastern Bye Results.

MONTREAL, Sept. 2.—Two federal bye-elections, one in St. Antoine division, city, and the other in Rimouski, are taking place to-day.

DELEGATES READY FOR WORK PARLEY

Gather at Ottawa For Unemployment Conference.

OTTAWA, Sept. 2.—Delegates for tomorrow's unemployment conference are arriving in Ottawa to-day. The delegation from the Canadian Manufacturers' Association is holding a preliminary meeting to discuss the policy to be followed. The conference will be a large one. It will consist of delegates from the municipalities of St. John, N. B., Halifax, Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa, Winnipeg, Calgary and Vancouver. There will be delegates from the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, Canadian building and construction trades and labor congress, and other organizations.

FATALITY IN CROSSING CRASH

Kitchener Woman Dead After Accident Near Cottam.

WINDSOR, Sept. 2.—When the automobile in which she was driving with relatives was struck by a Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Electric car about 1:30 o'clock this morning, Miss Adelaide Siebert, 54 Ellen street, Kitchener, received injuries which resulted in her death after an hour and a half later. The accident occurred near Cottam, about 20 miles from here, when the party was returning to Detroit from Kitchener. The car was owned and driven by J. Wilfrid Mistle, of 7555 Webb street, Detroit. Mrs. Mistle, a four-year-old daughter, and Miss Dorothy Hahn, of Detroit, were also passengers in the car.

WOMAN AND CHILDREN HELD IN MURDER CASE

Trail Left in Dragging Body Leads From Detroit Woman's Apartment.

DETROIT, Sept. 2.—Mrs. Irene Ballinger, 35, twice divorced, is being held with her two children to-day for questioning in connection with the killing of Monday of Clyde Keller, 45, a butcher employed in a shop in the same building in which Mrs. Ballinger resides. Keller's body was found in an automobile truck at the rear of the shop. He had been struck over the head with a hammer which was found beside him. Police believe the body had been dragged some distance. The trail, they say, led to the stairway of the Ballinger apartment.

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BIGGEST SEIZURE YET MADE IN CITY

Magistrate Graydon Renders Written Judgment In Ordering Seizure of Liquor.

In a written judgment, outlining his reasons for the decision he had reached, Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon to-day formally ordered the three carloads of ale seized here by License Inspector Walter Bolton on July 25 be confiscated. As was the case a week ago, nothing having been heard of W. H. Ferguson, of Windsor, counsel for J. H. Jones, of Niagara Falls, N. Y., who contested the confiscation, nor the application Mr. Furlong said he would make to the Ontario board of license commissioners for the export of the wet goods under O. T. A. officers' supervision.

Evidence in the confiscation proceedings was heard two weeks ago and judgment was reserved. A week at the request of Mr. Furlong, who said he would apply to the license board to have the liquor exported. The ale had originally been shipped by the Carling Export and Mailing Company here via C. P. R. to Tillsonburg, for shipment to Buffalo. The address given was that of J. H. Jones. Five days after the ale reached Tillsonburg, the shipment was sent back to London, and re-recognized by the American Canning Company, a supposedly London concern, to whom the liquor was transferred from the C. P. R. to the licensee inspector.

In his judgment, Magistrate Graydon points out that the ale was consigned by the Carling Export and Mailing Company to J. H. Jones, agent responsible for the shipment, and delivery taken there. He stated that Jones did not own premises at either place, contrary to subsection (a) of section 194 of the O. T. A. Act.

That there was no evidence submitted of change in ownership when Jones, or his agent for whose actions he is responsible, reshipped the consignment from London to New York City, a different address in a foreign country.

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That no customs entry was made when the liquor was shipped as required by section 194 of the Customs Act.

The consignment of ale is the largest that has ever been seized in London and the loss is estimated at \$5,000 for the month of August. Even that figure, however, is not large, as when compared with losses occasioned by fires in previous months of 1924.

There were 23 alarms during the month and for all except three the telephone was used to summon a fire department. In the cases of the remaining three the box fire alarm system was used.

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