

THE WEATHER:
TODAY—MODERATELY COLD.
TOMORROW—LIGHT SNOWFALLS.

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LEAGUE BACKS BRITAIN IN DISPUTE WITH TURK

Murderer's Bullet Ends Wild Career of "Battling Siki"

Irak Goes To Britain In Decision

Geneva Reports League Decides Against Turkey During Secret Session.

ATROCITIES DECIDE

Christian Men, Women and Children Are Shot or Reported.

Associated Press Despatch.
Geneva, Switzerland, Dec. 15.—After an hour's secret session of the league of nations council today a report was circulated that it had been unanimously decided to fix the provisional frontier of the disputed territory to the British mandate state of Irak.

As conditions, the reported decision directed that economic treaties favorable to Turkey be negotiated and that Great Britain formally engage to extend her mandate over Irak for 25 years.

There was no official confirmation of the report. However, it was accepted as a fact in some circles, where it was openly declared that the council logically had been driven to it through the impossibility of handing over Mosul to Turkey in consequence of an additional report by Gen. Laidoner, the league's investigating agent.

This report, issued today, presents a terrible picture of massacres of Christians by the Turks. The report was prepared in Mosul by three assistants of Gen. Laidoner of Spanish, Italian and Estonian nationalities. The report charges that the massacres were committed by officers and soldiers of the 62nd Turkish infantry.

The report estimates that 24,000 Catholic Chaldeans have been deported from the Mosul-Turkish frontier. It accuses the Turks of violating and slaying Christian women. All Christians were deported from the Mosul-Turkish frontier of the provisional line, which was fixed at the Brussels conference pending definite demarcation of the frontier.

Five aged women who were unable to keep up with the marching columns, are declared to have been buried alive under piles of stones and left to their fate.

According to Christians who escaped, those remaining in the Turkish concentration camps are not supplied with food by their captors, and are forced to live on acorns.

At Jajilo alone, the report says, 40 women were shot in a village. During marches from one village to another, the deportees were given no food for ten days, and those falling by the wayside were immediately killed by the soldiers who used their bayonets and rifle butts.

LUMBERMAN LOSES WAY. FOUND FROZEN TO DEATH

Canadian Press Despatch.
Causapauque, Que., Dec. 15.—The frozen body of Ernest Beaudoin, who left his home on Tuesday last and had not been seen since, has been found in the woods about 60 miles from here. Mr. Beaudoin, who lived at Canton Blais, near Anquet, and was employed by the Chateaux Bay Mills Company, had left his home as usual to go to his lumber camp and when he failed to return after a couple of days a search party was organized. J. M. Bouchard and Louis Levesque, two of the hunters, found the body on Saturday night. The man must have lost his way and died of hunger and exposure. Beaudoin was 36 years of age and is survived by a widow and eight children.

VANCOUVER DEFEATS CALGARY

Canadian Press Despatch.
Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 15.—Vancouver won last night's hockey game against Calgary 3 to 2. It was the Tigers' first appearance on local ice, and they made a great effort to break into the winning column of the western hockey league.

The Weather

FORECASTS.
North-east winds, cloudy and moderately cold, with light snowfalls tonight and Wednesday.

Stations.	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	42	42	Cloudy
Calgary	40	22	Fair
Winnipeg	32	12	Cloudy
Port Arthur	20	4	Fair
Toronto	28	19	Cloudy
Montreal	24	12	Cloudy
Quebec	20	14	Cloudy
Halifax	24	22	Cloudy

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 29; lowest, 25.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 28; lowest, 24.
Sun rises at 7:44 a.m., and sets at 4:42 p.m.
Barometric Readings.
Monday—8 p.m., 29.44.
Tuesday—8 a.m., 29.36.

COUNCIL GRAPPLES WITH RAILWAY CRISIS TONIGHT



H. J. Childs, who has received authority to act as issuer of motor licenses for 1926 in London and district.

LICENSE PLATES FOR MOTORS READY

H. J. Childs Expects 1926 Plates Before Night—Gets Appointment.

Londoners will be able to begin securing their automobile license plates for 1926 today or tomorrow. H. J. Childs, who has again been appointed as local issuer of licenses, so announced this morning.

Mr. Childs' appointment, which was confirmed in a letter from Hon. George S. Henry, provincial minister of highways, sets at rest any uncertainty as to whether Mr. Childs would continue in his present capacity or whether the London Motor club would issue the licenses for the coming year.

In his letter Mr. Henry announced that the plates would be in London today. They had not arrived up to noon but they may be ready for distribution before night. The color combination this time is black figures on a light gray ground.

Ever since the Ontario government refused to allow the local motor club to handle the licenses any longer and vested this authority in Mr. Childs there has been a more or less constant effort on the part of the club to effect a return to the former arrangement under which the office of the club was the only place in the city from which licenses could be secured. A feeling in favor of this plan has been apparent of late.

A short time ago the club sent a delegation to Toronto to wait on the minister of highways in an effort to secure an understanding in the matter. According to C. E. Bernard, secretary of the club, they were led to believe at the time that Mr. Henry was considering returning to the former arrangement.

"It's hardly right that an individual should have this post," Mr. Bernard said today. "I don't know of another city in the province in which this system prevails. The motor club is the logical place from which licenses should be issued. We have made every effort to secure a return to the previous system, but apparently this is not to be the case."

MANY DIE OF STARVATION. RESULT OF CHINESE WAR

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 15.—A despatch to the Daily Express from Peking says access to the sea from the capital still remains blocked. As a consequence the poor are suffering, many persons dying from starvation. General Feng Yu Hsiang's wife heads the Red Cross.

STORM ABATES.

Associated Press Despatch.
Denver, Col., Dec. 15.—Winter's bitter onslaught yesterday on western states abated in intensity last night after submerging points in Colorado and Nebraska under 18 inches of snow and hampering railroad and air mail traffic in the Rocky Mountain region.

Severe Cold, \$1,300 and Fiancee All Disappear At Same Time

Associated Press Despatch.
Lynn, Mass., Dec. 15.—The next time Austi Krulik, of Beverly, feels the matrimonial urge he is going to select his bride-to-be from the beauties of his home city, he told the police today. It cost Austi \$1,250 in hard-earned cash and a \$50 Liberty bond to learn the lesson that the old home-town girls are as good as any.
The police are looking for Miss Anna Jankovic, the woman in the case. It was her "dad" in the matrimonial paper that started Austi's heart galloping. He answered and she came on last week.

Bus Company Stands Ready With 100 Buses If Trolleys Are Discontinued.

SERVICE MAY GO ON

Tickets Being Sold at Seven and Nine For Quarter To All Comers Today.

A full dress rehearsal of London's street transportation woes and their possible remedy will take place at the city hall this evening when the present city council and the newly elected council meet in joint special session to consider the situation brought about by the city's action in pressing its claim to seven and nine tickets for a quarter, as a result of which the Street Railway Company has announced that it will suspend service entirely at midnight tomorrow night.

The session gives promise of being a lively one and will most likely be a protracted meeting, as there is a great deal of ground to cover. The street railway will be represented by its vice-president, R. G. Lavelle, and the Metropolitan Bus Company of Toronto will be represented by its president, C. A. Kamm, who is coming to the city for the purpose, proffer the council a complete bus service with 90 or a hundred buses in operation to take the place of the street cars when they stop.

The Metropolitan bus company of Toronto is prepared to put in operation in London a fleet of from 90 to 100 buses on short notice to provide London with street transportation service if the London city council will grant the necessary authority.

This was the statement of C. A. Kamm, president of the company, this morning. Mr. Kamm will attend the special joint session of the old and new city council at the city hall, and will submit a proposition whereby, he says, the citizens of London will receive a better service than they have been getting from the street railway company in the past.

"Will you be able to bring into London a sufficient number of buses to tide over the emergency?" The Advertiser asked.

"Undoubtedly we can," he replied, "if the city council will grant us permission to go on. We may be able to provide all the buses in a day, but I have been in touch with the manufacturers, and we can supply sufficient buses on very short notice to give London a good service."

Service With 90 Buses.

"How many buses do you estimate would be necessary?" was the next question. "We would figure on operating between ninety and a hundred buses," replied Mr. Kamm. "That is an outside figure. With that number, we feel that we could give the parts of the city a satisfactory service."

Mr. Kamm stated that he would like to look over the local situation in detail after his arrival here, before making any further statement as to what his company is prepared to do.

One thing now appears certain, and that is that the council at tonight's special session will have placed before it a definite proposal for an adequate bus service as an alternative to its street railway system, which has announced that it will cease operation at midnight Wednesday.

The Unread Letter.

Had the Street Railway Company's letter of Dec. 8th to the members of the London city council, been read at the council meeting which took place on the evening of that date, the chances are that the impasse in the street transportation with which a special meeting of both old and new council will attempt to deal tonight, would never have occurred.

The letter definitely requested the Continued on Page 13, Column 2.

PLOT IS DISCOVERED AGAINST DE JOUVENEL

Authorities in Syria Uncover Plans To Kill French Leader.

Beirut, Syria, Dec. 15.—A plot against the life of Henry De Jovenel, French high commissioner in Syria, and other high officials has been discovered here. The police say they know the organizers of the conspiracy.

SIR RICHARD D. POWELL, KING'S PHYSICIAN, DIES

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 15.—Sir Richard Douglas Powell, physician-in-ordinary to the King since 1910, and an expert on diseases of the lungs and heart, died today, aged 82.

Sir Richard was physician to three monarchs, Queen Victoria, King Edward VII, and the present king. He was one of England's greatest specialists in diseases of the lungs, and was a firm believer in sputum as an aid to recovery. This pudding, covered with syrup, is one of the favorite dishes in the old country.



"BATTLING" SIKI, who was found murdered this morning in New York. He was shot twice from behind. Siki was much in the limelight through his many startling escapes since coming to America from France.

PETER SMITH ILL, SAYS DEPUTATION

Minister of Justice at Ottawa Hears Plea For Release.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Dec. 15.—The release on parole by Christmas of Peter Smith, former provincial treasurer of Ontario, now incarcerated in Portsmouth penitentiary, and the remission of the fine of \$100,000 imposed upon him by the appellate division of the supreme court of Ontario, in connection with the Ontario bond scandal, were urged by a delegation which waited upon Hon. Ernest La Pointe, minister of justice, this morning. Careful consideration of the request was promised by Mr. La Pointe.

While the representations were heard by the minister of justice in camera, and no official statement was forthcoming following the interview, the members of the delegation, it was stated afterwards, felt that "an early release of Peter Smith on parole would be granted."

The members of the delegation included W. E. Raney, former attorney-general of Ontario; Senator J. P. Rankin; Wellington Hay, former Liberal leader in the Ontario house; Senator John Lewis, W. D. Euler, M. P., and Fred Sanderson, M. P.

The grounds for the release of Peter Smith advanced today, it was stated, were that the former provincial treasurer was now in a state of ill health, and that public sentiment was favorable to his release. In so far as the payment of the fine of \$100,000 was concerned, it was asserted that it was impossible for Peter Smith in his present financial circumstances to pay such a fine, and that to hold him in prison for a further term of five years in default of payment would work a severe hardship upon him.

Irish Will Try Atlantic Flight

Free State Airmen Will Endeavor To Reach New York.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 15.—The Star's Dublin correspondent says the Irish Free State air force contemplates a flight to the United States about next April.

A seaplane with two officers will start from Cranmore Bay, Galway, and the destination of the flight will be New York.

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FRANK A. MUNSEY ILL. Special to The Advertiser.

New York, Dec. 14.—Frank A. Munsey, newspaper publisher, suffered an attack of acute appendicitis and peritonitis on Saturday. It became known today. An operation was performed last night, and Mr. Munsey was later reported resting comfortably.

Siki Slain By Gunman In N. York

Life of Notorious Senegalese Fighter Is Ended by Bullets in Back.

BODY LEFT IN STREET

Meets Death Near Place Where He Was Knifed Last July.

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Dec. 15.—"Battling" Siki, the Senegalese pugilist, whose turbulent career in the prize ring and elsewhere has given him wide notoriety, was mysteriously murdered early today in West 41st street in the district known as "Hell's Kitchen."

The one-time light-heavyweight champion was found lying face down on the sidewalk on Forty-first street, about 100 feet east of Ninth avenue, in the district known as "Hell's Kitchen." A revolver with two exploded shells was found in the gutter not far away.

The police could find no one who witnessed the killing.

The body was found lying face down on the sidewalk on Forty-first street, about 100 feet east of Ninth avenue, in the district known as "Hell's Kitchen." A revolver with two exploded shells was found in the gutter not far away.

Policeman John J. Meehan, a friend of Siki's, who found the body.

An examination of Siki's body showed that he had been shot twice from the rear. One of the bullets had penetrated the pugilist's left lung, and another had lodged in his kidneys. Dr. Bassano said that Siki had died of an internal hemorrhage.

Siki's wife was notified, and she went to the police station, where she identified the body as that of her husband.

Patrolman Meehan said he had met the Senegalese fighter a short distance from where the body was found a little after midnight, and that they had exchanged greetings. Siki, Patrolman Meehan said, shouted that he was on his way home. The Senegalese lived on West Forty-second street with his wife and a pet monkey.

Four hours later Patrolman Meehan was walking through Forty-first street, when he saw the body of a man lying on the sidewalk. He turned the body over and recognized Siki. An ambulance was called, but Dr. Bassano pronounced Siki dead.

A revolver was found in the gutter a short distance from where the body was found. It was a .38 Smith & Wesson, and it was believed by the police that the weapon was used to commit the murder, and then thrown away as the slayer fled from the scene.

Siki was well known throughout the neighborhood where he met his death. It is the theory of the detectives working on the case that he went into one of the numerous night clubs nearby and became involved in an argument, and that he was followed into the street and murdered.

Only last July the Senegalese was struck down with a knife in the same spot. His body was found on the sidewalk, and he was unconscious from loss of blood, and for a time his recovery was in doubt, his wound having become infected.

COWBOY LAYS CLAIM TO CHICAGO MILLIONS

Alberta Ranchman Declares He Is Nephew of Eccentric Millionaire.

Associated Press Despatch.
Chicago, Dec. 15.—One more claimant of the \$6,000,000 estate of the late Edwin B. Jennings, eccentric millionaire, has appeared to add his name to the long list of persons claiming to be relatives of the wealthy recluse, who died two years ago.

Charles Edgar Morris of Lake Louise, Alberta, came yesterday garbed in the dress-up clothes of a western cowboy, and brought a will along. By the terms of the will, which he says was drawn by Jennings, and which is dated Sept. 25, 1923, Morris must marry before he is 45. He says he is now 44. He also has to dispose of the claims of the other relatives.

Morris claims to be a nephew of Jennings, and says the millionaire sent him to Canada to manage a ranch.

PREMIER WILL CELEBRATE 51ST BIRTHDAY THURSDAY

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—Right Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King, prime minister of Canada, celebrates his 51st birthday next Thursday. On Dec. 17, 1874, he was born at Berlin, Ont., now the city of Kitchener.

SASKATCHEWAN MAY ASK FOR CANADA BLUE SKY LAW

Regina, Sask., Dec. 15.—A request for the enactment of blue sky law by the dominion parliament was made in a resolution to be discussed by the Saskatchewan legislature.

Hon. J. A. Cross, attorney-general, gave notice of his intention to introduce the subject.



VISITS CANADA IN JANUARY. Madame Aino Kallas, wife of the present Estonian minister in London, England, who visited Canada last spring with the delegates attending the quinquennial of the International Council of Women at Washington, is returning to the dominion in January.

UNIVERSITY WILL REQUEST \$250,000 PROVINCIAL GRANT

Delegation Will Go To Toronto Thursday To Ask Continuance of Subsidy.

PREMIER IS OPPOSED

Col. Brown and James Granger Arrange Conference With Hon. G. H. Ferguson.

A quarter-million dollars in provincial government grants will be sought by the University of Western Ontario on Thursday. Two members of the board of governors will visit Toronto to confer with the Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, premier and minister of education, to arrange to have the usual sum placed in the estimates.

Grants to the University of Toronto are set by provincial statute. Those to the University of Western Ontario and Queens are set year by year. They are therefore subject to change if the government so decides. The provincial grants to Western amounted to \$250,000 last year. There were of similar amount two years ago.

The importance of government subsidy is stressed by Londoners who are interested in the university. Yesterday, London citizens who were in Toronto discussed the matter of grants with the premier.

Mr. Ferguson's attitude, expressed to the legislature last winter, was unfavorable toward endorsement for smaller grants to the province. Support for the subsidy policy in other directions is believed to be sound.

A conference with the premier will be arranged for Thursday of this week. Mr. Ferguson and other members of the cabinet were not in Toronto today.

Lieut.-Col. Walter J. Brown, executive secretary of the University of Western Ontario, and James Granger, member of the board of governors, will represent the university at Toronto.

NORTH BATTLEFORD CITY VOTES TO CHANGE NAME

Canadian Press Despatch.
Saskatoon, Dec. 15.—The city of North Battleford will change its name. It was decided by the voters yesterday, 500 polling for change, 500 against. The object of the change is to avoid confusion with the old town of Battleford, situated on the other side of the river, and to be dissociated from the general term of "The Battlefords." What the new name will be is to be decided later.

IRELAND CELEBRATES AS CARDINAL IS NAMED

Associated Press Despatch.
Belfast, Ireland, Dec. 15.—The hills of Donegal blazed with bonfires last night to celebrate the elevation to the cardinalate of Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, archbishop of Armagh, who, from a cottage, has risen to the rank of prince of the church.

Mr. O'Donnell was only 32 when he became bishop of Raphoe, Donegal, in which he succeeded the late Cardinal Logue. The diocese soon came to know him as a masterful spiritual leader.

SHOT WHILE RESISTING.

Associated Press Despatch.
Newark, N. J., Dec. 15.—Four armed men held up directors of the Bell Building and Loan association in their offices in the second floor of the Commercial Investment Building late last night and shot Komauldo E. Marzullo through the stomach when he resisted. They escaped with \$6,000 in money and jewelry.

Wedding Bells Make Break In Agriculture Classes

Wedding bells have cavorted merrily sixteen times during the past year as a direct result of the activities of Midwestern farmer clubs, according to R. A. Finn of the Ontario agricultural department's offices here.

Young farmers and farmwives throughout the county combine pleasure with business, and when learning to cook and sew and to raise superior varieties of corn, potatoes and horses, form romantic attachments that end in marriage for the preachers, says Mr. Finn.

Mr. Finn hastened to assure the public that he was not running a matrimonial bureau, but attributed the alliances contracted during the year only to the social activities of the clubs.

Klan Hunts Young Kip's Negro Wife

Ku Kluxers Raid Florida Hotels, Seeking Mrs. Leonard Rhineland.

SEARCH IS FAILURE

Prepares To Battle Husband's Attempt To Set Aside Court Verdict.

Associated Press Despatch.
Fort Pierce, Fla., Dec. 15.—Members of the local K. K. K. last night invaded four local hotels in quest of Mrs. Kip Rhineland, negro wife of a wealthy New Yorker who figured in the recent sensational marriage annulment suit, who was reported to have arrived here from New York.

When a report that the wife of the New York society leader's son had registered in a local hotel the local K. K. K. officers immediately called a meeting and four committees were named to visit the hotels. Rhineland's wife was not found.

Special to The Advertiser.
New York, Dec. 16.—It is not believed here that Mrs. Leonard Kip Rhineland of New Rochelle is now visiting in Florida.

Yesterday she was staying with relatives at Brewster, N. Y., pending action of former District Attorney Davis, her mother-in-law is expected to seek Wednesday in opposition to the motion of counsel for Rhineland to set aside the verdict.

Mrs. Rhineland will not bring her suit for separation, charging abandonment, until Supreme Court Justice Morschauer has passed on the motion. Mrs. Rhineland is expected to seek a large increase in alimony. She is now receiving \$300 a month. Her counsel will also move for an additional counsel fee.

WENIG'S EVASIVE ON UPSET RUMORS

May Protest Election—Asserts He Has Not Interviewed Voters.

Mayor Wenig may yet throw a bomb into the 1926 city council by protesting the election. The rumor still persists that the mayor has gathered enough material in the way of sworn declarations to upset the majority election, and that in his own good time he will take the necessary steps.

The mayor refused to confirm or deny the report when interviewed this afternoon. "Will you make any attempt to upset the election?" he was asked. "I am told you have pocketful of declarations."

"I'm not going to answer your question," replied the mayor. "Of course you have six weeks to think it over, but if you're going to start something why not now?"

"Six weeks is a long time, and anything can happen," came back the mayor. "I tell you I won't answer that question."

"We hear that you have had a number of interviews with voters who have told you of alleged irregularities."

"I've never had an interview in the matter," said the mayor.

It is known, however, that a voter by the name of Thompson, residing on Maitland street, complained to Frank Parker, D.R.O. at 424 Nelson street on election day that the poll clerk had, in the absence of the D. R. O., marked his ballots and placed them in the ballot box. The poll clerk denied this statement, and declared that Thompson marked the ballots himself. Thompson complained to the mayor the day after the election, and the D. R. O. made a report to City Clerk Baker.

Whether or not the mayor will use this occurrence to have part of his appeal to upset the election is known to the mayor only and as he states, he's not broadcasting his intentions either by radio or from the house-tops.

The mayor has, however secured a list of all deputy returning officers and poll clerks and is perusing them at his leisure. Now that the election is a thing of the past, such material would not be very interesting reading unless it was to be used for some purpose later on.

OVERDUE SHIP IS SAFE.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Port William, Dec. 15.—The freighter Thomas Barium, reported last night as 48 hours overdue at this port, arrived here at midnight last night.