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HOUSE OR PLAT?

WANT ADS FIND THEM.

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Bank Director Found Guilty Is Liable To Three-Year Term

FOUR FIRES BLAMED ON

Farmer Sees Light and Family Escapes From the House.

GASOLINE FOUND

Two Barns and Manor Park Home Are Mysteriously Destroyed Recently.

The fourth fire of an incendiary prigin in the county of Middlesex his week was nipped in the bud by I farmer in Delaware township at 3 b'clock this morning.

High Constable Wharton, after

making an investigation at 5 o'clock this morning, is convinced that a into four departments — public committee, an important feature of the proposed system described below. In the proposed system

The high constable refused to di-tulge the name of the farmer whose hat he preferred to investigate the iffair more fully before giving out inv more information. The farmer was awakened shortly fter 3 o'clock by the reflection of

lames on some trees outside his bed-

Find Gasoline. Other members of the household joined him quickly and aided in

nuenching the flames which in a few minutes would have been beyond. tontrol. Investigation showed that the stone foundation at the corner of the house had been torn away and a can be gasoline and a quantity of dry forncobe had been inserted in the ppning and deliberately lighted.

and the investigation is proceeding. It is stated that the owner has suspicions in the affair and every possible effort will be made by Mr. Wharton and the county police force to land the individual responsible. It is pointed out that had the farmer not been a light sleeper, that the entire household might easily have been burned in their beds as the fire, fanned by a howling wind, would be a farmer of the conducting the education of London's children. The changes are listed in detail in

Barns Destroyed. two nights ago the barns of Austin Norton on the second concession of Westminster township went up in the system now practiced by the skip constable, Philip Lawson, who planned in the proposed city council resides in the house on the Norton changes on which vote will be taken property, had been in bed but a short time when neighbors awoke him to tell him of the fire.

On Monday night last a home in

of the same type as John Vincent Grant, and George F. Copeland, with the task of studying and reporting on Ison, now serving a term in Kingston penitentiary for a number of fires started in London over a year the recent survey made for the board Please See Page 4, Columns 2and 3.

Ison, in his confession made Sergeant Birtwhistle of the R. C. M. P., stated that he set fire to buildings because he liked the excitement of seeing the flames and the hurrying crowds of people and fire fighters.

HAMILTON OFFICIALS ARE HELD RESPONSIBLE

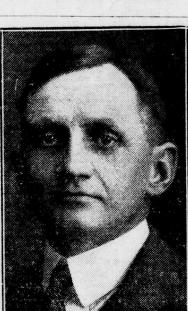
Treasurer and Auditor Blamed for Loose Methods That Led to Thefts.

Canadian Press Despatch. Hamilton. Nov. 7.-The final report of C. S. Scott & Co., auditors who examined the city's books following the discovery of defalcations in the tax office and treasurer's office, was presented to the board of control to-day. It was released for publication, but the meeting at which it was discussed was closed to the press. The report fixes responsibility for the looseness in the two de-partments, through which large sums were stolen, equally upon City Treasurer Davis and City Auditor Dempster. Regarding the theft of \$50,000 by Harold Forbes, the missing cash-ier. Mr. Scott says:

"The present situation is almost wholly the result of insufficient supervision by the treasury department, and the failure of the auditor adequately to check the department. The loss to the city occasioned by Forbes, was wholly caused by omissions of importance, so that he was perfectly free to omit, falsify or mis handle as he pleased.

NEW ONE-MAN CARS.

Canadian Press Despatch. onto, Nov. 7.—A on street car, in which the passengers the Toronto transportation commission shortly.







EXECUTIVE HEADS OF THE FOUR DEPARTMENTS IN LONDON'S NEW EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM.

The changes approved by the board | Here are the four men who will head | Inspector Greer, who will become | responsible for all collegiate adminiof education at yesterday's meeting these departments and who will conmean a division of administration in stitute the new advisory executive into four departments and who will consider these departments and who will consider these departments and who will consider the seals of office at the new system adopted yesterday in these departments and who will consider the seals of office at the new system adopted yesterday in these departments and who will consider the new advisory executive charge of all public school, who will be in price to an interval of the charge of all public school, who will be in public attention. The crowd, which into the charge of all public school affairs and the new advisory executive charge of all technical and vocation. mean a division of administration stitute the new advisory executive charge of all public school affairs and

LAWRASON WILL

The high constable refused to dispulse the name of the farmer whose bouse was fired this morning, stating that he preferred to investigate the TO FOLLOW YESTERDAY'S ACTION

Jumping out of bed, he dashed jutside the house to find flames licking up the side of the house.

Sweeping Changes Approved by Board Without by Board Without Dispute.

ONLY FIVE TRUSTEES

Board Will Be Reduced and Executive Methods Simplified.

Yesterday afternoon's meeting of Te farmer got in touch with the high constable as soon as possible and the investigation is proceeding. stone in the history of school affairs

fanned by a howling wind, would have enveloped the house in the space of a very few minutes.

The changes are listed in detail in the next column. Their effect as a whole is to sweep away a great deal of cumbersome machinery to about the complicated and overlappi At almost the same hour yesterday the barns of Homer Knapton, conression five, London township, were destroyed with a loss of \$15,000, while the same hour yesterday the forming of plans by a smaller and more practical board and the execution of such plans by perman-

flames at the midnight hour. Town- public utilities commission, and

Credit To A. R. Cairneross. The board has conducted its in-Manor Park was burned to the ground by a firebug.

Farmers throughout the county are thoroughly aroused by the actions of the firebug whom they believe is of the same type as John Vincent being B. N. Campbell. Dr. Alfred

The Proposed Changes And What They Will Do

Five important changes in the handling of London's school affairs were approved last night by the board of education. These changes were recommended by the special survey committee under the chairmanship of A. R. Cairneross, based on the report submitted by Dr. Horace L. Brittain, director of the Citizens' Research Institute of

The changes will require sanction of the provincial department of education, and the following men have been given the task of executing the changes: A. R. Cairneross, B. N. Campbell, George F. Copeland, Dr. Alfred Grant and S. F. Laurason

Reduction of the board of education from 14 (12 trustees and 2 Reduction of the board of education separate school separate school representatives) to 6 (5 trustees and 1 separate school

2 Establishment of an executive committee with power to act between board meetings, to handle matters referred by the board, to initiate

3 Establishment of an advisory executive committee to revise budget estimates and to advise on general policy, consisting of the heads of the four departments, public school, collegiate institute, technical school

Creation of new official known as senior inspector-administrator, who 4 Creation of new omicial known as selled would combine duties of secretary of the board and public school would combine duties of secretary of the board and public school would combine duties of secretary of the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and public school would be selled to the board and be se inspector, thus co-ordinating both business and educational administra-

Revision of the board's regulations to implement the changes contained in the above four recommendations.

The general purpose of these changes is to simplify, economize and make more efficient the operations of the board. The new plan is devised to leave the deciding of policy in the hands of the board and to five the execution of such policies to permanent paid executives. The elimination of cumbersome and overlapping committees is perhaps the most important single feature in accomplishing this object.

ORANGE ORDER THANKS

Pastor in Regard to

The following letter commending

Sermon.

Rev. Dr. Bowley Green's sermon.

preached at the Talbot street Baptist

church last Sunday before members

District No. 1, has been forwarded

to the pastor by members of that

organization. The letter is in refer-

ence to a sermon in which Mr. Green

alluded to certain opponents of the

O. T. A. as being "beer-soaked Eng-

lishmen," to which phrase members

of the G. W. V. A., Sons of St. George and C. N. R. shopmen have strongly objected to.

London, Ont., Oct. 3, 1924 Rev. Bowley Green, D.D.

"I am directed by resolution un

No. 1. London, Ont., to convey to you reverend sir our appreciation and sincere thanks for the appro-

priate and very able address which we were favored with on the occa-sion of our attending Divine service

in Talbot street Baptist church on the evening of Nov. 2.

the noble work in which you are en-gaged, and trust that you may be long spared to continue to propagate

We wish you every success in

O. Association of District

The letter follows:

124 Albert street. Reverend Sir,-

REV. BOWLEY GREEN

Buy a Poppy For Your Soldiers

Today and Tomorrow Are Poppy Days-They Are to Help Soldiers of Canada Left Disabled by the War-Buy a Poppy and Wear It!



HELP WITH POPPY DAY.

Here an Advertiser photographer shows Miss E. Eccleston (right) and Miss V. Stevens (left), two of the many London girls who are helping to sassengers make Poppy day a success. Tomorrow the downtown section will be visited by dozens of pretty workers asking the help of Londoners for this cause.

Here an Advertiser photographer shows Miss E. Eccleston (right) and religion.

Yours respectfully.

(Sgd) W. J. Hodgins, Co. Mas.

Joseph Murray, P.C.M.

J. W. Carson, P.C.M.

Signed on behalf of the committee. will operate the exit door by stepping make Poppy day a success. Tomorrow the downtown section will be on a treadle device, is to be tried visited by dozens of pretty workers asking the help of Londoners for this

Mr. Lawrason made this definite

Further consideration has resulted in his decision against the mayoralty contest and the board of education resignation will now be withdrawn, leaving Mr. Lawrason free to continue his efforts in accomplishing the changes in London's geheal wet.

changes in London's school system. BRITISH ARCHAEOLOGIST

Associated Press Despatch. London, Nov. 7 .- Dr. Gann, archaelogist nd expert on the Mayan

REPUBLICANS WILL SEEK

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, Nov. 7.—It became and his friend.

Fournaire summoned Biagioli.

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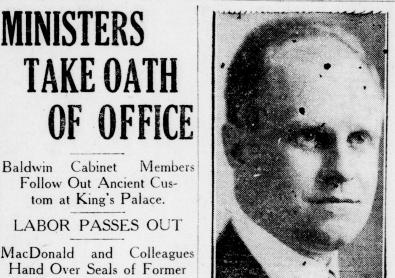
BREAD PRICE REDUCED.

of the Loyal Orange Association of two weeks. to 10c yesterday. It has been 11c for to office was officially announced

TO EXPLORE MAYAN CITY Frenchmen Settle Affair in a Vacant Pittsburg House.

COMMANDER PROMOTED.

of the admiralty, has been appointed parliamentary secretary of the treas-ury. Commander Eyres Monsell is Y.



who as chairman of the special survey committee is chiefly responsible day received the ministers of the retiring Labor government, who for the clear and energetic prepara-

is usually present in the vicinity of Buckingham Palace, displayed more interest in the changing of the bright uniformed guards than the arrival and departure of the fallen cabinet Later the King held a council with Premier Stanley Baldwin and the members of his cabinet, at which the custom of kissing the sovereign's hand was carried out.

The new cabinet gets on the whole a very favorable recention from the

School Trustee Definitely Declines to Seek Mayor's Chair.

S. F. Lawrason will not be a candidate for the office of mayor in December.

The new cabinet gets on the whole a very favorable reception from the London morning papers, even the opposition organs finding grounds for approval of many of the appointments. It is universally remarked that the ministry is much stronger than Mr. Baldwin's last administration, although the Times, while admitting this, regrets the inclusion of so many former office-holders, and says: "The public is looking with almost pathetic anxiety for the emergence of new leaders."

ministers.

MINISTERS

TAKE OATH

Follow Out Ancient Cus-

tom at King's Palace.

LABOR PASSES OUT

MacDonald and Colleagues

Hand Over Seals of Former

Offices to King George.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Nov. 7 .- King George to-

ence of new leaders." appointment of Winston The statement to the Advertiser at two-thirty this afternoon, and added that his decision is increased. his decision is irrevocable.

Last night Mr. Lawrason tendered his resignation from the board of education. This action was merely to conform with regulations, and to leave him eligible as mayoralty candidate should he so desire.

Further consideration has result.

Instructly arrests the main attention of the courage and independence shown by the premier in disregarding the inevitable hostility which the selection will provoke among a consideration because it is nowhere condemned, and by several papers is

Two Are Found Dead After Duel

Associated Press Despatch.
Pittsburg, Nov. 7.—A vacant room
in a Forbes street house here was rivilization of Honduras and Yucatan, is on his way to Jamaica, whence he will go to British Honduras to explore the ruins of the ancient Mayan city which he and a number of companions discovered early this year.

Pittsburg, Nov. 7.—A vacant room day and the providence that sent it, and found a dozen ways to turn it of account. Probably, take it all round, the day did London a good turn and achieved its share in getting them out of whetever rut they happened to be in at the time. year.

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Pierre Biagion, happened to be in at the time. High temperatures in other years are: Nov. 8, 1916, 67; Nov. 8, 1915, 64; Nov. 9, 1920, 60.

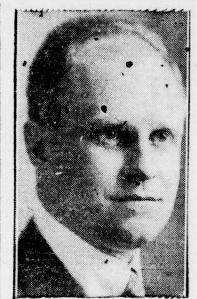
GERMAN FOLTORS DERATE of two children. Fournaire spent the GERMAN EDITORS DEBATE last two months in jail on a charge lodged by a 14-year-old girl. He was TO REVISE TAX LEGISLATION lodged by a 14-year-old gar. and returning home he is said to have turning home he is said to have heard whispering between his wife

be brought on President Coolidge to call an extra session of the new congress next spring to revise tax legislation. One section of the Re-legislation. One section of the Re-legislation are congressed to the congress of the congress next spring to revise tax legislation. One section of the Re-legislation to the congress next spring to revise tax legislation. One section of the Re-legislation to the congress of the congress next spring to revise tax legislation. One section of the Re-legislation to the congress of the vacant of the vacant of the vacant of the congress next spring to revise tax legislation. One section of the Re-legislation to the congress of the vacant of the vaca

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Nov. 7.—The price of the commons for the Evesham division accept the call which he recently re26-ounce loaf of bread was reduced of Worcestershire. His appointment ceived from Zion church, Brantford,

day.



Degrees During the Afternoon.

Yesterday the thermometer at 2 clock registered 68 in the shade, the highest it has been in the past twelve years in November.

The unusual heat was a selfevident proposition. Those unlucky ones who had taken an overcoat to the office in the morning carried it home in the evening as limp on their

arms as they felt themselves.
Elderly businessmen, accustomed to
the quiet and seclusion of their offices, paid tribute to the might of old Sol with perspiring hatbands and wondered why this burst of gen-erosity had not come in June, when

they were prepared for it.

Today it passed 50, and they are still perspiring. Kitchen windows were conspicu-

ously open yesterday and fires con-spicuously low. The coalbins main-tained their own in the great day-

Youth passed judgment upon the obligations.

GREATER RIGHTS TO WOMEN CANADIAN LINERS ARE HELD

Berlin, Nov. 7.—Berlin newspape cussion over the momentous question

HALIFAX MINISTER ACCEPTS BRANTFORD CHURCH CALL

Canadian Press Despatch. Halifax, N. S., Nov. 7.—Rev. John MacKinnon, pastor of St. John's

HOME BANK DIRECTOR Col. Clarence F. Smith of One Charge Only.

Montreal Found Guilty on SENTENCE DEC. 1

Judge Coatsworth, in Lengthy Judgment, Gives Reasons For Entering Conviction.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Nov. 7.—Colonel Ciarence
F. Smith, of Montreal, Que., one of
the directors of the Home Bank, was
today found guilty by County Judge
Coatsworth on the charge that he
"negligently did sign or approve of
a false return" to the government in a false return" to the government in connection with the Home Bank, now in the hands of the receiver. This is the first conviction against a director of the bank, although officials are awaiting sentence.

Judge Coatsworth intimated that e would sentence Colonel Smith on

Smith was arraigned on counts, first, "making a wilfully false or deceptive statement": second, "unlawfully using a false or false or deceptive statement," and, third, "negligently signing, approving or concurring in an account containing false or deceptive statements." Judge Coatsworth finds him not guilty on the first two counts, but guilty on the third.

Lengthy Judgment.

The judgment is very lengthy and ummarizes exhaustively all the evidence and the factors to be considered in deciding the issue. It comments on the fact that directors and their friends and companies in which they were interested had secured loans to the amount of some eight millions from the hank. The director. millions from the bank. The director says the judgment, cannot plead that he did not know of what was going on. It was his duty to know. All the directors, not merely those who were present, were responsible for the statement made to the govern-

ment.

The personal dealings of the accused, says another part of the judg-ment, after he became a director seemed to indicate that he went into

Maximum Penalty Three Years.

brief appearance on verandas, accompanied by their graceful owners, or rather the graceful wives and daughters of their owners, and the household cat consented to dream for a few hours on the front window ledge.

debts, accounts and securities were discussed. There was no evidence of any activity on his part to discharge his duties as director. He was apparently trying to reconcile himself to a very formal fulfillment of his obligations.

The falsity of the statement, his honor remarks, may now be taken for granted. It remains only to fix accused.

The maximum penalty, it is stated, imprisonment on the third charge, on quitted, the maximum penalty is five

BY DENSE FOG ON CLYDE

fog over Glasgow and vicinity the movement of ships on the Clyde was entirely suspended today. The ves-

The Weather

FORECASTS.

COOLER AND CHANGE OF THE PARENCE OF west winds;
cloudy, showers
tonight. Saturda y-The trough of

low pressure across the Great Lakes has moved yesterday, but a change is now prob-able. A snowfall has occurred in

northern Ontario and rain in the middle St. Lawrence valley. The weather con-tinues cold throughout the west. Temperatures. The highest and lowest temperatures previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Stations— High Low Weather Victoria ... 48 42 Cloudy Calgary ... 14 — 6 Cloudy Toronto 66 Kingston 58 Rain Cloudy

Halifax LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 68; lowest, 55. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 65; lowest, 51.

Barometric Readings. Thursday-8 p.m.-Today-8 a.m.-29.13.



PREPARED THE CHANGES IN LONDON'S SC HOOL SYSTEM. Above are the members of the special don's education system. From left survey committee who served with Chairman A. R. Cairncross in preparing the proposed changes in Lon-