

### EVENTS OF THE WEEK IN HAMILTON

By JACK LIVINGSTON

Well, folks, it's no trouble to pick out the star act this week. Whether it is due to the mercury jumping clean out of its tube or merely to the fact that the atmosphere has been slightly bunched, Hamiltonians for some reason or other have been intensely interested in the actions of a group of "superannuated gentlemen" called the senate. It has been said that when the cliff that towers high above the Ambitious City was discovered there was mild excitement, but it certainly could not have held a straw to the commotion that has been caused throughout the length and breadth of this burg as a result of the senate refusing to withdraw its prohibition bill amendment.

Some of the bolder and more hopeful spirits—I use the word advisedly—are hailing the second coming of "John Barleycorn," while others are sanguine enough to forget that there is such an individual as a Rowell, and already feel the rail beneath their number tens, and the odor of chewed-up pine in their nostrils. If there is to be a deluge, they want it to come before the hot weather arrives in order that they may be sufficiently acclimatized to withstand any sudden change in the temperature.

The news that William Hohenzollern will face a tribunal in London, England, has not caused a tear to be shed in Hamilton. Mayor Booker was delighted that he immediately set about writing out a few mild forms of punishment for "Mad Bill," and will likely forward them to Lloyd George, with the suggestion that they all be given a try-out. Anything German is about as popular in Hamilton as a certain little striped animal at a Sunday school picnic.

Hamilton is going to have the pleasure of entertaining the Prince of Wales, but as his royal highness has already accepted the invitation of the Canadian Club to visit this little village in the shadow of the mountain, it is likely that the city fathers will have to wait in the rear with their rubber-necks and polished tiles. It appears that the club got its bid in first, tho, to square matters, Aid. J. A. McIntosh has been sent to Ottawa to find out what time his royal highness will desire his "afternoon tea," and whether he will want a ten-course dinner or simply have an address by Mayor Booker. Between you and me, people, the city fathers would not worry if the royal train pulled right thru to Dundas, as there is absolutely no money in the civic purse to put on a big spread. If the prince would send word that he was bringing his own launch, the corridors at the stately stone pile on James street north would ring with loud and joyful hurrahs.

Adam and Eve might have spent some of their years in the Garden of Eden, tho, a stranger with good eyesight would hardly believe it if he happened to visit Hamilton and

Grimsby beachers now or in the future. What you see when you haven't a gun is as nothing compared to the daily performances on either of the sand stretches. Men and women—the majority of whom are old enough to vote—don their water togs under the shade of a mulberry bush or behind the toothpick-like trunk of a sun-bleached willow. It is an exhibition that does not cost a nickel and has got "September Morn" placed in the same class as a label off a salmon can. To make matters worse—or, if you like, more interesting—a Venus and Apollo parade follows, in which the participants are principally clothed in atmosphere and outlines.

The authorities are not asleep at the switch—by gosh—and it is rumored that they will arm themselves with Scotch thistles and red pepper, with the object of forcing the swimmers to swim in the lake and not along the piers or promenades. If they don't, why, good night!

Hamilton is faced with the prospect of losing Highfield school. After a glorious record of eighteen years the beautiful old building and grounds have been sold and unless the citizens get busy and start another institution under the same name and management, there is no doubt Highfield will be no more a centre of learning. But its fame and achievements will always linger in the memories of Hamiltonians, and to them it will be an immortal Highfield.

A group of business men have formed a committee to go thoroughly into the question and it is to be hoped that they will interest a sufficient number of citizens in order that the institution may become a living monument for the making of virtue and God-fearing gentlemen. Such a school is needed in Hamilton and none is more worthy than Highfield to carry on the work.

Some weeks ago we mentioned that the Hamilton police were keen and hot on the trail of a number of gun-carrying-Italians who had shot up and held up a like number of Austrians. I also mentioned that the gunmen riddled four of their victims, secured \$1,000 in real money and then sauntered back to Hamilton for the purpose of spending their pokes on ice cream cones. Well, people, pug your ears close to the old hemlock. Three foreigners have been pinched in connection with it, but as to whether they merely read an account of it in the papers or were in Canada when the crime was committed, is a secret that the sleuths are keeping under their bonnets. However, an innocent man is just as good as a guilty man when it comes to filling the cells at Barton street castle.

The Tigers are getting along nicely, thank you. For the past week it has been the same old story in the same old way, but the Shagmen made a horrible mistake on the holiday when they presented both ends of a double-header to Saginaw. However, they've got to let the other fellows win a game now and then to keep up the excitement in the league. While I am on the pleasant subject of "hit and run" it might not be amiss to mention that because I picked the Tigers to win the bunting. It now begins to look as if

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—that is we—were endowed with the peculiar art of picking a winner before the rope drops. Let's hope so.

Western members of the Canadian house of commons spent a few hours in Hamilton over the week-end. They owned up that the many large plants "opened their eyes" and that the Toronto-Hamilton highway was something that the west was badly in need of. Well, all that we have to say is that the west can take the highway anytime it feels like it. Until it gets a few more yards on its various sides it will never be any more than a cow path. It is so narrow that a motorist has as much difficulty keeping on it as an inebriated rope walker has in "breaking mother's back" on the lines in a cement walk. In fact, it is so narrow that it is positively

While Hamiltonians were running around with parched tongues glued to the roof of their mouths, two first-class whiskey stills were operating right in the heart of the city. Somehow the police found out that there was underground work going on—some say that Chief of Police Whatley located the plant by the odor—at 22 Vine street and 29 North Caroline street, and rounded up a fairly good outfit for the making "squirrel brew." Exhibition No. 1

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#### DEATHS.

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consisted of 300 gallons of half-intoxicated whiskey, while there was also a quantity of wort and a rectifier. At the former place it was said that Mike Corne was the tenant, so it's a safe bet that they were making corn whiskey.

### FINANCE MINISTER TO ENTER BUSINESS

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to loan to Canada, has not been forgotten. The United States has a very definite obligation towards its second best customer. If we are to continue to purchase in that country, we must have monetary assistance, and it should be quite possible for Canada to make a loan of \$250,000,000 to \$300,000,000 which would look after maturing obligations and help very materially to adjust New York funds.

The crop situation perhaps is the most serious of all. The United States have fixed prices at \$2.25 per bushel. Canada has a free market. It is possible, therefore, that the United States government may sell its entire surplus production, which would just match Europe's requirements and thus leave Canada without a market for her grain, except in the United States.

Canada is in the unhappy position of a possible drop between two stools. The Americans would be quite within their rights to sell all their surplus wheat at the prevalent high prices, and, in turn, sell their own requirements by purchasing in Canada, also at their own prices.

It must be admitted that this is a reasonable contingency. Even Great Britain might be induced to accept such a proposition. She might be very glad, indeed, to buy all her requirements in the States on the credit terms the Americans could well afford to make, considering the high prices obtaining for wheat. Great Britain would be immensely relieved if she could buy such quantities of foodstuffs on the promise to pay basis, and it is an open question whether Canada is in a position to give the necessary credits to assure a definite market for our crop surplus. It also is a question whether Canada can afford not to grant credits in order to find a market.

The Americans hold the trump card. They can squeeze Canadians into their own pockets with no apparent intention to do harm. They can flood the European markets with grain, and they can assume an ultra-conservative attitude towards our own financial requirements.

The possible relief measures we have are an immediate arrangement with the British authorities for our wheat at a fixed price; substantial borrowing in New York; and a big national reconstruction loan at home in the early autumn, say, about the end of September.

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