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## DEATH KNELL OF "RACING TIP BUNK" NEAR

### DEATH TOLL IN THEATRE WRECK REACHES 108

#### Rescuers Struggle To Relieve Man Believed Alive in Ruins.

#### HARDING VOICES SORROW

#### All Washington Grieved at Tragedy in Well-Known Playhouse.

Washington, Jan. 30.—With a total of 108 dead and 133 injured removed from the ruins of the Knickerbocker Motion Picture Theatre up to an early hour today, the rescuers were still struggling with the heavy wreckage left, when the snow-laden roof of the structure collapsed during the showing of a comedy feature bill on Saturday night. Brig.-Gen. Hollis, commander of the federal troops in the district, in personal charge of the rescue work, said it might be another twenty-four hours before it could be definitely said there were no more dead or injured in the wreckage of twisted steel and concrete, which yet remained to be cleared away of the mass that was hurled down without warning on the pleasure-seeking hundreds below.

It was believed, however, that the section now being explored would yield few additions to the awful list of dead and injured, it being near the rear and under the part of the balcony which held up when the front of it crashed down to the theatre pit under the impact of the falling roof. A party of the rescuers early today had been struggling for hours to release from the part of the wreckage now being overturned, one man believed to be yet alive, although imprisoned under the mass for nearly 26 hours.

#### Made Rescues Slow.

The great weight of the steel beams and concrete which crashed with the roof, have in many instances made the rescue of the victims a harrowing and slow and tedious task.

The capital city was bowed in grief today to learn the full extent of the tragedy with the recovery of victims yesterday and last night. This was the more intensely shared by the rest of the country because of the considerable number of victims who suffered in the catastrophe. President Harding, in a statement last night, said the tragedy had left him with the "same indescribable sorrow which has come to all of Washington, and which will be sympathetically felt throughout the land."

A three-fold investigation of the cause and circumstances of the collapse of the theatre roof was in prospect today. In addition to an exhaustive inquiry ordered by the board of commissioners of the district and another to be started immediately by the grand jury, Senator Capper of Kansas, a member of the Senate District of Columbia committee, announced that as soon as the Senate convened he would introduce a resolution calling for an investigation of the tragedy.

The senator said he had received reports that the building code of the district had been violated in more than a few instances during the rush of construction resulting from the rapid increase of population here after the war declaration.

#### Government Officials Injured.

Edward H. Shaughnessy, second assistant postmaster general, who was among the fourteen listed as seriously injured, was still making a fight for life today at the Walter Reed hospital. His wife and two daughters also were injured but not seriously.

Among those prominent in the list of dead as it stood today was former Representative A. J. Barchfield, formerly of Pittsburg, and Mrs. Virginia Farrand, sister of Minister Bianchi of Guatemala.

Most of the dead still lay early today in the basement of the nearby Hamilton Hospital, to which they were removed for identification. Many of the fatally injured also were taken there later to swell the total of victims.

#### THE BOARD OF WORKS

will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday night. Only routine matters are on the agenda.

#### Expect Stewart Will Get Alberta Seat

(Special To London Advertiser) WINNIPEG, Man., Jan. 30.—Hon. Charles Stewart, minister of the interior, will be found in seat in Alberta.

It is reported the former premier of Alberta will have his opportunity in the Lethbridge constituency. The member-elect, Lincoln H. Jelliffe, it is claimed, will be found a post on the board of railway commissioners and as far as the Progressives are concerned Mr. Stewart will have an acclamation.

### Demand Dancing Ban at School Opening

#### MINISTERS OF CITY PROTEST STUDENT PLAN

#### Pass Resolution of Investigating Committee After Keen Discussion.

#### MINORITY DISAGREES

#### Rev. John Crawford Claims Recreation Needed To Maintain School Spirit.

All discussion, investigation and controversy regarding dancing in the schools, so far as the Ministerial Alliance is concerned, came to a head this morning when the body at a special meeting called for the purpose, adopted the resolution of the committee appointed for investigation, and named a committee to recommend to the board of education that dancing be forbidden as a part of the social functions in connection with the collegiate institute.

#### Take Different View.

Rev. W. R. McIntosh, in a preamble to his report, stated that in their investigation the committee, of which he was convener, had found that the students looked upon the question of dancing from a different angle entirely. The broadening process of education brought with it the question of broadened social activity. The nine hundred students in the collegiate institute found some sort of social functions an absolute necessity in order to maintain a spirit of school fellowship and democracy. Such a large number of students were bound to entertain a diversity of opinion. The school must be a center of community life, and provide the necessary amount of recreation which many students are unable to gain elsewhere.

The question, which had been raised, was the advisability or inadvisability of using a public building for dancing contrary to the wishes of a great many of the public.

Rev. Mr. Milson, field secretary of the Social Service Council of the Methodist Church, in speaking of the matter, took the stand that although perhaps 50 per cent of the students could come through the temptations of dancing unscathed, yet there was the 5 per cent to be considered who would receive harm. "Most decidedly I do not think that those of us who dance are going to the law-ways," declared Mr. Milson, "but I do think that it is absolutely the duty of the 5 per cent to forego what pleasure they receive from dancing in order that temptation may be removed from the paths of the 5 per cent who are weak enough to succumb to it morally. 'Jazz' is to blame. There can be no question of properly supervising a dancing floor. It is an impossible task."

The notoriety which the question has gained through the medium of the press has focussed the eyes of Western Ontario upon us, and it is necessary that we take a definite stand upon the subject. If we are to live up to Christian principles, we must deny the many that the few may be saved.

#### Opposes Resolution.

Rev. John Crawford offered the only opposition to the resolution, stating that he had been placed in a position where it was most difficult to maintain the school spirit de corps owing to the scattering of the various classes. Something was necessary to hold them together, and if they considered dancing necessary it would do less good to completely forbid it than to see that it was regarded as a legitimate amusement and properly supervised.

The report of the committee of investigation reads as follows: "It is a fact at the modern trend in the amusements of our young people, which seems to be, for the great numbers, becoming apparently the chief end of life, an end in itself, instead of a factor in character-building, dissipating their main purposes for education and work."

"That this is especially true of the modern dance which makes such an attractive appeal to young folks and which is regarded by many of our citizens as most questionable and dangerous."

"It feels a just resentment against the schools lending their sanction to a form of amusement of which they cannot conscientiously approve, and which weakens and breaks down parental authority at a time when this is greatly in need of being strengthened."

#### Eliminate Dancing.

"It therefore recommends that the board of education be recommended to consider the advisability of eliminating the dancing from the ceremonies in connection with the opening of the New Collegiate and from subsequent official programs in the life of the school."

"It would also request that all public institutions would set themselves against the undue multiplication of social functions."

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### Does Not Favor Dividing Fund Among Jobless

#### County Clerk John Stewart Declares Money Needed for Deserted Wives.

#### MANY ARE ASSISTED HERE

#### Mothers Not Eligible For Pensions Helped by Association.

County Clerk John Stewart, who administers the patriotic fund for the County of Middlesex, in an interview Monday morning, declared that if the fund was used for the benefit of unemployed returned soldiers, as suggested by the A. and N. veterans, it would be for but a short time and would leave nothing for the wives deserted by soldiers.

In Canada, Mr. Stewart stated, there were about 700 deserted wives and mothers who were dependant on the patriotic fund and must be looked after. These were women whose husbands had left them, within six months of being discharged from the army.

The fund for Canada was being distributed at about the rate of a million dollars a year.

In London \$7,000 was expended in January by the association and similar amounts were checked out each month.

The fund was giving assistance to about 30 deserted wives here, whose husbands, it is said, are living with other women overseas, and who never returned to Canada. Ten aged mothers, whose sons were their only support, and who have since died, are also looked after by the fund, but are not eligible for pensions.

#### CLAIMS OTHERS IN POISON MYSTERY

#### Printer of Circulars Believes James Buchanan Not Only One Implicated.

Hamilton, Jan. 30.—Claude McCarthy, the printer who identified James Buchanan as the man who left the order for the "beauty powder" circulars, thinks that the whole mystery of the poisoning of Anderson Buchanan has not been solved. When asked as to what was now mysterious about the case he said: "Who composed the original sample from which we printed the circulars? Buchanan might have done the actual composing of the circulars, but he certainly did not do the typesetting. It was the work of an expert typist. No, there is someone else connected with the mystery yet to be discovered."

It was suggested to Mr. McCarthy that it would be a simple matter for Mr. Buchanan to secure the services of a public stenographer for this work, but he replied that in such a case the work would be unusual for a stenographer and the matter would be stamped so indelibly in her mind that the minute she read of the case in the papers she would have communicated to the police what she knew of it.

"When I was in Toronto on Saturday morning," continued Mr. McCarthy, James Buchanan's daughter said: 'I never saw daddy using a typewriter. I don't think that he could.'"

Mr. McCarthy said that he had no trouble on Saturday morning in identifying James Buchanan as the man who placed the circular order with him although the identification had to be made over a lifeless body.

"I was robbed of the best means of identification that I had," he said, "because his voice was peculiar and would have betrayed him in a minute. He had a slight accent. They said it was a Scotch accent, but I don't know about that. I would have been able to recognize that accent anywhere."

#### OTTAWA BOY KILLED BY HORSE WHEN SLIDING

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—Ernest Kenny, aged 6, died in a local hospital last night from injuries received last Friday when he was knocked down and trampled on by a horse driven by Albert Tremblay while sliding down a hill on Yonge street on a toboggan. An inquest will be held.

#### RESIDENTS PROTEST AT HOSPITAL NEGLIGENCE

Hamilton, Jan. 30.—Some residents on the mountain near the Mount Hamilton Hospital complain that dressings from sores and wounds of patients are thrown out with ashes from the furnace, and besides being a disgusting sight are a menace to health. Children have been seen handling such dressings innocent of the danger of infection.

### Electing Pontiff



THIS picture, taken at the time of the election of Pope Benedict in 1914, gives a definite idea of the ceremonies that will attend the election of his successor Thursday. As soon as the new pontiff is chosen a proclamation is read to the multitude gathered before the Vatican and the new pope makes his first appearance on the balcony.

#### LEADS SERVICE OF PRAISE FOR SON'S RELEASE

#### Rev. James Bullock Preaches Thanksgiving Sermon in Hamilton A.M.E. Church.

#### GRATEFUL TO CANADA

#### White-Haired Minister Finds Text in Story of Daniel and Lions.

Hamilton, Jan. 30.—Speaking yesterday afternoon in the A. M. E. church, at a service of thanksgiving for the release of his son, Matthew Bullock, Rev. Jas. Bullock drew attention to a fact, which he regarded as a particular act of providence.

For the past few years, he said, he had been unable to continue his church work during the winter owing to illness. Every October he would have to consign himself to couches, bedside chairs and beds until well on in April and leave the care of his flock to other hands. This winter, in a most strange way, he seemed to have returned to normal health just when his services were required for the protection of his son. So far he had not been compelled to miss a service until coming up to Canada last Monday.

The service itself formed an impressive and picturesque climax to the Bullock case, which has excited two countries for several weeks.

Rev. James Bullock is 59 years of age, white-haired and with a feeble frame that makes him appear far older. Rising to preach the sermon, in a weak, shaky voice, that at times was almost inaudible, he said:

#### Recalls Daniel's Escape.

"Brothers, had I my desire now at the end of my great anxiety, I would rather be on my knees in solicitude to my God and thanksgiving to you people for saving my boy."

Mr. Bullock took as his text the words, "Give God Time," and compared the fight to save his son from the Carolina mob with the people in the Old Testament and the miraculous escape of Daniel from the lions' den.

As he went on his fervor overcame his weakness and his sermon became the impassioned oration of a much more youthful speaker. Bullock, in the Barton street jail, waiting to be delivered to the Carolina authorities, was as Daniel thrust to the lions, and the same heavenly power that had saved Daniel of old had saved his son. The power of God was too broad, too deep and too high to permit the return of his son to Norlina.

#### Thanks Canadians.

Mr. Bullock interspersed his address with emphatic expressions of thanks to the Canadian people and to Rev. Mr. Howell, who, he said, would be remembered by colored folks far and wide, through his strenuous fight to save an unknown negro from a terrible fate.

"This is the first time in my 57 years that I have ever done an 'adrian soil,' he added. "If it is any better farther on than it is here I want to go on."

In conclusion Mr. Bullock appealed to the congregation to look only to their Heavenly Father. "Turn neither to the right nor to the left," he urged, "stay away from the card table, the gambling den and the ball room."

#### WILL STAGE 120-MILE DOG RACE

Berlin, N.H., Jan. 30.—The snow-packed notches and trails of the White Mountain country will provide the course and four teams of huskies the contestants for a 120-mile dog race beginning here next Thursday. The contest will take three days. It will carry with it the eastern championship.

In the running will be dogs of both Canada and the United States, among them Eskimo dogs that are descendants of those which took Peary to the Pole.

#### GRAIN IN STORAGE IN CANADA DECREASES

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—According to returns received at the Dominion Bureau of Statistics for the week ending Jan. 29, 1922, the quantity of grain in store at the different elevators throughout Canada has decreased by 4,424,738 bushels, made up as follows: Wheat, 3,869,849 bushels; oats, 362,434 bushels; barley, 184,478 bushels, and rye, 7,955 bushels. Flux indicates an increase of 15,852 bushels.

The quantity of United States grain in store was 4,177,694 bushels, compared with 1,112,399 last year. The bulk of the former was made up of wheat and corn, viz., 1,002,085 and 2,842,234 bushels, respectively.

In the United States lake ports, decreases are shown in wheat, oats and barley of 3,219,723; 73,065 and 233,601 bushels, respectively.

The United States Atlantic seaboard ports show decreases in wheat of 227,679 bushels and rye, 29,127 bushels.

### Postoffice Inspector To Take Action

#### D. J. MacLean Declares Newspapers Containing Selections Cannot Be Mailed.

#### PROMISES QUICK ACTION

#### Will Clamp Lid Tight On Early Morning Newspaper.

Disregarding common decency and the best interests of the youths of the city, a London morning newspaper in its desire to cater to that which is illegal in "the sport of kings," continues to publish camouflaged racing tips, and as a result, the postal authorities have decided to take a hand in purging the columns of the newspaper in question of "selections." This was the pledge given The Advertiser today by D. J. MacLean, district postal inspector.

It was pointed out to the inspector that despite the condemnation of practically every minister of London, the paper in question has continued to publish racing "tips," which inveigle youths of the district to rashly bet their money in vain hopes of "making a killing." However, when the condemnation was at its height, some ten days ago the paper hesitated to brazenly continue open publication of tips, but bracketed the selections, such as marking the best selection (1), the next best (2), and so on.

#### Order Forbids "Selections."

Inspector MacLean states that an order has been issued expressly forbidding racing selections to be published by newspapers or dopeshoots in this surreptitious manner. He asserts that the order forbids the mailing of papers practicing this evil on the grounds that according to the Postal Department such practice is fraud.

One or two instances of this order being disregarded have been brought to the attention of the department which is determined that they must cease. He stated that this is the third ban on mail matter carrying racing tips within the last two months. One circular printed this month has taboored the "Think Un," and a racing sheet from across the border, and in December a dopeshoot printed in Baltimore was eliminated from the Canadian mails.

"We will go into the matter with them," said Inspector MacLean, referring to the publishers of the London morning newspaper. When the ban was first put into effect many publications which carried racing information immediately complied with the law.

#### Hard To Detect Methods.

However, such is the technique of the gamblers, armed with an intricate vocabulary and hosts of wily schemes, that it became a serious task for the postal authorities of Canada to detect their methods and clamp the lid on tight. For this reason, delay has been experienced in the enforcement of the ban, but undoubtedly within the next few days, Western Ontario's youth will no longer be menaced by "racing tips" published under various guises, now that the main source for the district, MacLean, who promises immediate action.

#### The Weather

#### FORECASTS.

Northeast and east winds; fair today and Tuesday; not much change in temperature.

The disturbance which was near Cape Hatteras on Saturday morning has moved east to the Atlantic, and pressure is light over the continent, except near the South Pacific coast.

The weather has been fair and temperature moderate from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, while in the West it has turned colder, with light local snow.

#### Temperatures.

The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

| Place      | High | Low |
|------------|------|-----|
| Victoria   | 34   | 22  |
| Calgary    | 30   | 14  |
| Winnipeg   | 30   | 16  |
| Edmonton   | 30   | 14  |
| Saskatoon  | 29   | 14  |
| Regina     | 30   | 14  |
| Toronto    | 35   | 20  |
| Kitchener  | 28   | 14  |
| London     | 32   | 22  |
| Ottawa     | 32   | 22  |
| Montreal   | 24   | 13  |
| Quebec     | 24   | 13  |
| St. John's | 24   | 13  |
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#### LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London for the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 32; lowest, 24.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 26; lowest, 15.

#### Barometric Readings.

Sunday—8 p.m., 29.72.  
Today—8 a.m., 29.77.

Military honors and decorations are held by more men in France than in any other country.

First mention of natural gas was made in 1647 in a letter to the Royal Society of England.