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## GOVERNOR BRINGS LIFEERS TO CANADA

### CRUSHED TO DEATH BY MOVING ELEVATOR

Perrin's Employee Loses Life When Leaving Elevator

### CRUSHED BETWEEN CAR WALL OF SHAFT

Tragedy Occurred in Downtown Plant Shortly After 2 o'Clock

George McKay, 32 Wilson avenue, an elevator operator at the D. S. Perrin company, met death at an early hour today afternoon when his head was crushed in the elevator gate, causing him to be drawn underneath the ascending shaft. He fell two floors to the bottom of the shaft.

### SPECIAL SESSION TO APPOINT BECK

Mayor Will Call Council Together This Week Probably

### MAJORITY IN FAVOR

Three Aldermen Oppose, McKay Wants Arbitration

On request of Ald. Douglas, Mayor Weizel is arranging for a special meeting of the City Council, to be held as soon as possible, to consider the report of the transportation committee, appointing Sir Adam Beck to negotiate with the London & Port Stanley Railway with reference to the purchase price. It is probable the session will be held on Thursday or Friday, but the members of the Council, including Mayor Weizel, have expressed themselves as favorable to the appointment of Sir Adam Beck.

### PRESIDENT ON WAY TO RECOVERY

Harding's Physicians Issue Optimistic Statement.

### HAS EXCELLENT SLEEP.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 1.—President Harding woke shortly after 6 o'clock today having had almost a normal amount of sleep. His rest, which was described as the most of his life, began before 11 o'clock last night.

### DANGER OF STRIKE IN DETROIT IS AVERTED

DETROIT, Mich., August 1.—With the selection of Judge Harry J. Dingman, presiding judge of the Michigan Circuit Court, as the third member of an arbitration board, it was believed in city hall circles to-day that the danger of a strike vote being taken by platform men of the Detroit Street Railway is ended.

### Papal Official Separates Sheep From Goats Before Women Visitors See Pope

Bare Arms and Bare Necks Barred At Vatican—Black Dresses and Veils Necessary.

Rome, August 1.—Monsignor Marmaggi, of the papal retinue, stepped into the anteroom of the Vatican library on Tuesday to where a party of women from St. Dorothy's Parish was awaiting audience with Pope Pius XI. Moving swiftly among the cluster of them into two groups on opposite sides of the room, instructing them to remain as they were he disappeared into the inner room again. None realized

### L.&P.S. Train Held Up On Bridge Near St. Thomas While On Way To London

Collie and Fox Terrier Dogs Are Bad Bandits That Stop Express.

A train hold-up that outclasses anything even in the primitive days of stage coach robberies and such like occurred this morning while the 8:30 London and Port Stanley passenger train was crossing the trestle bridge just south of St. Thomas. That there were no casualties or heavy losses is due entirely to the presence of mind of the motorman who quickly stopped the train and without inconvenience to any of the passengers made short work of the hold-ups.

According to several of the passengers who assailed the train in making short work of the bandits the train had proceeded from Port Stanley according to schedule until the trestle bridge was reached. On reaching the bridge in question, the crossing Kettle Creek trestle, the passengers were suddenly given a severe jolt as the motorman hurriedly applied the emergency.

Next minute the conductor was rushing through the train to the head end, and before the grinning, gripping air brakes had brought the car to a standstill several dozen passengers were on their feet.

What had happened? That was the question on all sides. Some thought that perhaps a life had been taken. Thoughts of a possible rent in the tracks assailed others, and for a few moments there was considerable excitement until one or two of the braver ones decided that perhaps the conductor and motorman might need assistance.

Without further ado they rushed hurriedly to the front of the car. The door to the motorman's quarters was locked. They tried to break the window but could see little or nothing. The majority of the passengers refused to exit the train, but a few, however, in such a section of the country and right in daylight. There, across the green hills, not a hundred yards away, was Alma College. At the other end of the bridge were scores of homes, and no doubt there were a couple of policemen.

Vivid thoughts of the recent newspaper accounts of daring hold-ups and robberies with hundreds of dollars and one thing of like character cropped up in the minds of the more imaginative ones.

And then there was a loud yelp and a couple of squeals! The passengers again began to crowd towards the doors. They could not get out, but a very few minutes the motorman and conductor appeared on the edge of the car, accompanied by the two "BANDITS OF DOGS."

The train had been held up by nothing more than a large collie dog and a fox terrier. The collie was a hundred and a very few minutes the motorman and conductor appeared on the edge of the car, accompanied by the two "BANDITS OF DOGS."

### ADOPT UNIT SYSTEM FOR SECONDARY EDUCATION

Principal Miller Will Effect This Fall Long Debated High School Plan

### DROPPING PHYSICAL INSTRUCTION JOB

Many Other Changes Being Contemplated In Reorganization Plans

Organization work and preliminaries for the opening of London's new high school system are now about complete, according to information obtained today. E. A. Miller, who will occupy the position of chief principal of London's secondary schools, has returned from his vacation and is busy himself in getting last minute details arranged, and on September 1 he will be prepared to set in motion what is believed to be one of the most efficient high school systems ever organized in any municipality.

Under the new arrangements, South London Collegiate, which will form a branch of the Central, will still be recognized as an individual high school insofar as examination standing and general training is concerned. A similar branch will also be opened at the old Petrosawa avenue public school, to be known as the East London Branch High School.

The general supervision of the entire system will, however, be entirely in the hands of Principal Miller, who will have his headquarters at the Central Collegiate. He will be supreme so far as control and government of secondary education is concerned, and the Board of Education high school committee will be largely governed by his recommendations.

A revision of curricula on a university basis has also been put into effect by Mr. Miller and accommodation for an additional 100 pupils has been provided at the Central Collegiate so that even the long drawn out controversy over classroom accommodation has been overcome for the time being.

Changes in the handling of physical training are also included in Mr. Miller's newly arranged system. Under the new plan physical training work will be divided between members of the staff, who are specially qualified for such work and the services of a physical instructor will be dispensed with entirely.

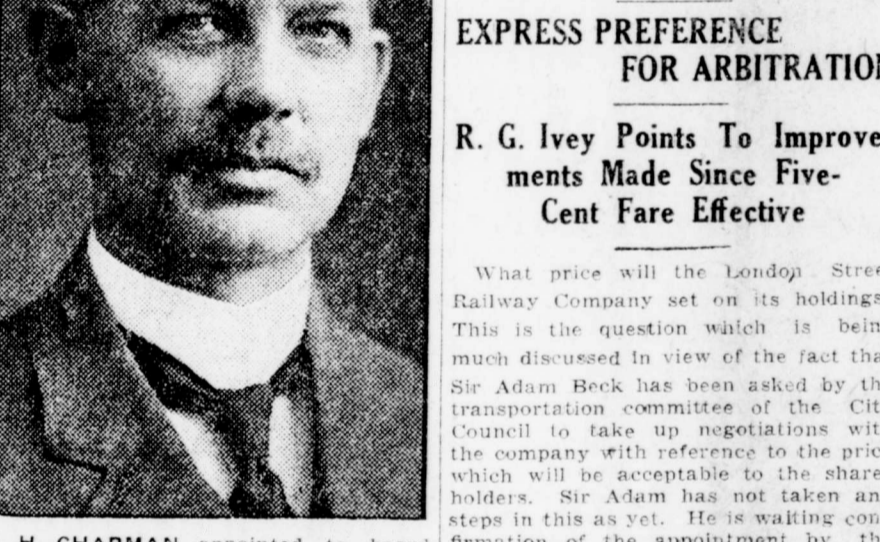
The changes are unique in that London is the first city to adopt the new system inaugurated by Mr. Miller. They are officially approved by the department at Toronto, however, and Mr. Miller is quite optimistic as to the future, so that there appears to be little doubt as to the success of the system.

### STREET RY. OFFICIALS WON'T VALUE PROPERTY

Refer to City Valuation in 1919 Which Was Approximately \$1,250,000

### EXPRESS PREFERENCE FOR ARBITRATION

R. G. Ivey Points To Improvements Made Since Five-Cent Fare Effective



What price will the London Street Railway Company set on its holdings? This is the question which is being much discussed in view of the fact that Sir Adam Beck has been asked by the transportation committee of the City Council to take up negotiations with the company with reference to the value of the property which is being held by the shareholders. Sir Adam has not taken any steps as yet in making confirmation of the appointment by the Council.

Street railway officials are not at all eager to talk on the problem now. It is practically certain that some price will be named by Sir Adam, but what that price will be is not known. Vice-President R. G. Ivey stated that he could not say whether the company would name a price or not. He was willing to let the valuation be made by the valuator made for the city, some of the valuation he pointed out that he could not say anything.

### NEW TAX RULING NOW IN EFFECT

Dollar Maximum For Stamps Placed On Checks.

### DEFERRED PENALTIES

Unstamped Receipts May Be Put Right Within 30 Days

The amendment to the Stamp Tax Act passed at the last session of the Dominion Parliament, which reduces the maximum tax on checks from \$2 to \$1, is in effect to-day. The change only affects checks made out for large sums which at the old rate would bring the tax payable to over the reduced maximum figure of \$1.

### VIOLATION OF LORD'S DAY CHARGED AT ST. THOMAS

ST. THOMAS, Aug. 1.—Charged under the Lord's Day Act with selling ice cream on Sunday, James O'Brien admitted in police court this morning that he had sold ice cream but that he had authority to do so. He was given until Thursday by the magistrate to obtain the legal opinion he referred to.

### Enshrine Memories of Great Euchre Game On Thistle Club's Walls

Four Veterans Played 62 Hands of "20 Come Down" On April 3, 1923, and Required Expert Bookkeeper To Keep Count of Endurance Test

Enclosed within the confines of a near oak frame hanging on the Thistle Club walls record testimony to the prowess of "Twenty Come Down" enthusiasts hangs the record of the greatest endurance test of the shifting past. The battle has already passed into history one hour and seven minutes, and 42 hands were required to proclaim the winner and end the almost interminable see-saw back and forth. During this time Mr. Morren was by way of being the busiest man in town, scoring and recording the shifting tides of the antagonists. The spectacular finish found Major Slater the triumphant victor with one point between Messrs. Ferguson and McCallum.

Never in the history of the classic game has such a feat been equaled. It is unique and unparalleled in the club's history and the three contestants stand above all things, of unimpeachable integrity. Accordingly, the time honor-

### EXPLOSION STARTS FIRE IN NEW YORK ICE PLANT

NEW YORK, August 1.—An explosion in a Queen's ice plant was reported by police shortly after noon today. Ammonia fumes were reported to be preventing firemen from approaching the blaze started by the blast and from ascertaining whether there were casualties.

### U. Governor BANDITS HAD THEIR OFFICE IN MONTREAL

Detectives Uncover Lair of Men Who Robbed Toronto Bank Messengers

### SHOT GUNS PURCHASED AT NEAR-BY STORE

Job At Toronto Celebrated By Purchase of Bottle of Whisky

Special to The Free Press. MONTREAL, Que., August 1.—A Montreal office building was the headquarters of the gang of bandits who attacked the Toronto bank messengers, and it was in a small office in that building that the immense haul of bank notes was divided. This is the discovery made by private detectives here, but made after the birds had flown.

### NAME GOVERNORS FOR WESTERN U.

Lieutenant-Governor Makes Appointment By Order-In-Council

### FOUR LONDON MEN

First Executive Appointments Since University Reorganized

The University of Western Ontario, through the office of the executive secretary, announces that the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario has named the following to be governors of the University of Western Ontario for the ensuing four years: Hon. Sir Adam Beck, M. L. A.; Philip Pocock, John H. Chapman and C. R. Somerville, LL. D.

All of these were governors of the university at the time of their re-appointment, but this marks the first appointment to the university's governing body since its re-establishment and renaming as the University of Western Ontario.

### RENT PAID IN ADVANCE

The gang for which they were sought, hired the office at the beginning of July and paid one month's rent in advance. They equipped it with some light articles of furniture, including a desk, which are believed to be some illegal occupation. This was first thought to be bootlegging, until it was discovered that they purchased their own personal supplies of liquor of the Quebec liquor commission.

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### THE WEATHER SHOWERS.

PROBABILITIES. Moderate southerly winds, fair and warm. Thunderstorms in some localities to-night. On Thursday warm and showery and cooler by night.

NOTES. The area of low pressure which was centered in Dakota yesterday is moving across the Great Lakes, and the barometer is now high throughout the west. The weather is unusually cool in the Western Provinces, warm in Ontario and Quebec and cool in the Maritime Provinces.

TEMPERATURES. The following are the highest and lowest temperatures registered between 8 p.m. and 8 a.m. Stations. High. Low. Clear.

Stations	High	Low	Clear
LONDON	74	53	Clear
Victoria	64	50	Clear
Calgary	56	42	Rain
Winnipeg	74	46	Clear
Port Arthur	66	49	Fair
South St. Marie	54	40	Cloudy
Perry Sound	65	42	Fair
Toronto	63	42	Clear
Kingston	75	44	Fair
Ottawa	78	60	Fair
Montreal	78	62	Clear
Quebec	76	64	Cloudy
Father Point	44	42	Rain
St. John	62	42	Cloudy
Halifax	62	50	Cloudy

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS. From. Steamer. Arrived at. From. Steamer. Arrived at. From. Steamer. Arrived at. From. Steamer. Arrived at. From. Steamer. Arrived at.

### DOMINION TO EJECT CONDUCTORS FROM OHIO

Two Murderers Who Came As Servants Legally Free The Minute They Cross Border

### NOW BEING SOUGHT BY FEDERAL AUTHORITIES

Unprecedented Act of Governor Donahy Rouses Much Criticism

Special to London Free Press. COLUMBUS, Ohio, August 1.—Two men, serving life sentences for murder, accompanied Governor Vic Donahy when he and a party went into the Canadian woods for two weeks vacation. It was revealed to-day, American comment has been raised all over the state by the governor's action, which is said to be unprecedented in the history of the United States.

### CIVIC HOLIDAY HERE AUGUST 5

Will Be Marked By Old Boys' Reunion Opening

### BIG PROGRAM PLANNED

Lake Resorts Will Attract Many For Celebration

This year's civic holiday, which falls on Monday, August 5, has every indication of going down in history as one of London's greatest days. It will be something bigger and better than the customary municipal outing, for on that day the real official opening of Old Boys' Week, for which the city has been preparing for many months, will take place, and a large array of committees and organizations have spent several months in order to make it a day that will live long in the memories of those who are privileged to participate in the various festivities.

First there will be a huge parade of London old boys during the afternoon in which there will be bands galore, decorated automobiles and a host of other features. Then there will be a program at Queen's Park, while all the addresses of the Henry Meyerhoff company will be in full swing on the grounds at that time.

SEAPLANE TRIPS. Port Stanley will, of course, attract its usual quota. Here a lengthy and varied program has been arranged and unless the unexpected happens it will outclass anything in history. There will be seaplane trips during the entire day, provided by the Detroit Cleveland Aeromarine Company, under the auspices of the Port Stanley Municipal Council. There will also be the usual monster baby show, land and water sports of every description, fireworks during the afternoon and at night as well as many other features that will be entirely new.

Every effort has been made to make the day one of the most stupendous in all history and so long as the weather continues on Page Sixteen.

### NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., August 1.—Governor Donahy, of Ohio, and Warden Preston E. Thomas, of the Ohio state penitentiary, crossed the border into Canada here yesterday with C. Zipprian and Carl Jennings, convict trustees, and servants. The party expected to make an extensive hunting trip through the Province of Ontario.

Other members of the party included six of Governor Donahy's sons and a son of Warden Thomas.

TORONTO, August 1.—Questioned to-day as to whether the Ontario provincial police authority had taken any action to extradite the two convicts with life terms who are said to have accompanied Governor Donahy to Ontario, Deputy Attorney-General Bayly stated that the Ontario provincial police were not concerned in the matter in any way.

### LINEMEN HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

Get Shock When Line Hits High Tension Wire

When a line which they were stringing along Trafalgar street accidentally came in contact with a high tension hydro line, Thomas Hayes and John Edwards, linemen employed by the Public Utilities Commission, were thrown violently to the ground and sustained minor injuries about 10 o'clock this morning. That they were not more seriously injured was due largely to the fact that they were on the ground at the time and not up on the near-by poles.

Hayes was taken to Victoria Hospital suffering with burns on one finger.

### Money Printing Is Now Regular Industry In Germany; Strike Spreads Panic Among People

Presses were hitting a high speed of three thousand millings per hour of when word came that they had quit. Without their day and night labor of millings, the German people would literally wear out their fragile currency within a fortnight. The printers' demand for stabilized wages probably will be met, as theirs is now one of the nation's key industries. Their strike recalls the concessions made in South Russia to Bolshevik printers a year ago. The pressmen demanded for use of the presses for two hours daily—to print pocket money for themselves—and got it.

Printers May Be Given Two Hours Daily To Turn Out Pocket Money

Special Cable to The London Free Press. BERLIN, August 1.—A two-hour strike of printers in Berlin spread consternation throughout Germany on Tuesday. With the mark dropping and money at a premium, the nation was faced with reversion to primitive methods of barter unless the printers could be induced to continue turning out paper marks.