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WIDESPREAD PLAGUE

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Madame Caillaux's Trial Begins In Paris Amid Great Excitement---Bosses Fire Upon Strikers In Virginia Coal Fields---English Earl Who Refused Title Dies On Humble Farm In West---Hotelmen Said To Be Preparing Request for More Licenses.

TWO LONDON YOUTHS VICTIMS OF DOUBLE DROWNING AT PORT

Irving Penny, 642 Waterloo Street, and Jack McPhail, 9 Grafton Street, Lose Their Lives When Canoe Upsets Half a Mile East of West Breakwater In Rough Sea.

Two Londoners, Irving Penny, 642 Waterloo street, and Jack McPhail, 9 Grafton street, are believed to have lost their lives in a double drowning accident at Port Stanley yesterday, when the canoe in which they were paddling capsized a half a mile east of the new breakwater, and an equal distance south of Orchard Beach.

Identity is still doubtful, as the bodies have not yet been found, but the fact that Messrs. Penny and McPhail are still missing, and also that they answer the description of the two who rented the canoe, has led their friends and relatives to give up all hope.

HAT IS McPHAIL'S.

A Panama hat, with a plaid green band, which was washed ashore at the time the drowning occurred, has been identified as Mr. McPhail's. The hat was picked up by a launch owned by J. H. Chapman, of this city, and is now in the custody of Chief of Police Fulton, of Port Stanley.

Despite the fact that the accident occurred yesterday afternoon it was late this morning before even a semblance of identification of the two victims was made possible. The hundreds of summer cottagers and week-end visitors at Port made it impossible to say just who the missing men were.

WORST FEARS REALIZED.

When, however, Mr. McPhail, an employee of the City Hydro-Electric Department, failed to report for duty, and Mr. Penny, one of the Bell Telephone employees, also failed to report, suspicions that they were the two were confirmed. Both were expected home last night, and their non-arrival, coupled with the story of the Port Stanley accident, caused the gravest fears for their safety. These fears grew to positive acknowledgment of their death this morning.

Ed. Penny, a brother of the missing Irving Penny, together with Floyd McPhail, a brother of the other supposed victim, left for Port Stanley the first thing this morning. By noon they gave up all hope of their brothers' safety, and shortly after 1 o'clock made arrangements for dragging to start.

BEACHES AND LAKE PATROLLED.

All morning the beaches were patrolled, while nearly a score of launches and tugs scoured the lake seeking a trace of the bodies. None were found. As a last recourse dragging was started.

Rumors of the discovery of one of the bodies on Orchard Beach reached London at noon, but proved false. Since the tragedy of Sunday the wildest of stories have been in circulation. Among others was a story that a young man had fallen off the dock last night in the excitement following the double drowning. This story received

The victims are described by Sam James, the boat-house man, from whom they rented a canoe at 2:30 in the afternoon, as being both young, one was tall and slight, and had light hair. The other was of medium height. Mr. James does not make a practice of taking the names of those who rent boats, and had no record of their names. The description of the tall, fair-haired man tallies perfectly with that of Jack McPhail. Coupled with the identification of the hat, it has confirmed the worst fears of his friends.

The youths, it is stated, were warned not to venture out, as the lake was very rough. However, they apparently did not heed the warning, as they went a long distance out, and were watched by hundreds of people along the beach, and from summer homes.

Trouble in Turning. According to Col. W. Green, of St. Thomas, who saw the canoe upset at Orchard Beach, and who watched the youths for some time, they got along nicely until they apparently tried to turn around to come back. They no sooner tried to turn, than their light craft went over.

Instead of clinging to the overturned canoe, and waiting for help to come, both boys were seen to start to swim ashore. The waves were running very high, and those watching lost sight of the swimmers several times. Apparently they only got about forty or fifty yards when both went down.

Col. Green, as soon as he saw the canoe upset, jumped into his automobile, and rushed to the life-saving station to call help. When he arrived he found no one there, and then went to get tugs.

Rescue Party Upsets. In the meantime, Fred A. Bell, son of County Engineer Bell, of St. Thomas, and Arnold Dillon, of London, had started out to try to reach the swimmers, having seen them upset. They had only gone a short distance when their canoe upset, and they had to swim ashore.

As a result of this second accident, wild rumors spread that one of the drowned boys was Fred Bell, of St. Thomas.

The tug Ada May Bell and the tug Hector, belonging to M. H. Hogan, who is building the new breakwater, went out as soon as possible, but could find no trace of the bodies.

Yacht Was Near. At a yacht, in which P. Beach, of St. Thomas and some other young people were riding, was close to the scene of the accident, but owing to the roughness of the water saw nothing of it, and the occupants of the yacht did not learn of the drowning until they arrived in Port. The search was continued until dark, but the waves were so high that little could be done, and it was finally given up until Monday morning.

Anxiety Widespread Here. There was a big week-end crowd down from London and St. Thomas today, and the wildest rumors spread. The names of a score of young Londoners were mentioned as victims, and reports telephoned caused many parents and relatives to go down post haste by auto, only to find that those who had been reported drowned were all right.

There was a good deal of comment over the fact that the life-saving department was not in evidence when it

VICTIM OF SUNDAY'S DOUBLE DROWNING AT PORT STANLEY



JACK McPHAIL.

TOLD HIS MOTHER NOT TO WORRY AS HE LEFT LONDON

Jack McPhail, One of Drowning Victims, Said He Might Go to Cleveland.

WAS UNABLE TO SWIM

Young Man Could Not Swim a Stroke—Engaged To Be Married.

All hope for the safety of her son had been abandoned when an Advertiser reporter called at the home of Mrs. L. O. McPhail, 9 Grafton street, mother of Jack McPhail, who with Irving Penny, 642 Waterloo street, was drowned at Port Stanley Sunday.

The reporter was tearfully questioned by the family whether any further particulars had been received from the lake resort, but was unable to throw any further light upon the mysterious disappearance of the young Londoners.

Said Not to Worry. "I got left home Saturday afternoon to go to Port Stanley with my chum, Mr. Penny," said Mrs. McPhail. "As he was leaving the house he told me that they might decide to go to Cleveland, and that I was not to worry if they did not return before Sunday."

"Saturday afternoon Jack telephoned home and told me that they had decided not to go to Cleveland and that they would be home that night. When he did not come home we were naturally worried, but we thought that at the last moment they had changed their minds and were across the lake."

"I heard nothing of the drowning at the lake until Floyd, my son, called up this morning and asked if Jack had come home. I asked him what was wrong, but he only said that he was coming home."

"When he got to the house he told us of the double drowning at the lake. It's not Jack, mother," he said, "but I'm going down to see if he is alright."

No Mistake in Band. "I knew right away then that something awful had happened. Ed Penny, a brother of Irving, went down to Port Stanley early this morning. A little while ago he phoned us that he had identified Jack's hat. Jack had changed the band only a few days ago to the 'McPhail' plaid. There could be no mistake, as I don't think there are more than one or two in the city."

Could Not Swim. "I cannot understand what possessed them to go out in a canoe," said Mrs. McPhail, with a catch in her voice. "Jack could not swim a stroke, although he was very fond of canoeing. He was not venturesome, and I do not understand why they would go out into the lake when it was so rough."

Engaged to Marry. "A particularly sad feature in connection with the accident is that young McPhail was engaged to be married within a few months. A sister, who is employed in the office of the McClary Manufacturing Company, did not know of the drowning this morning. Mrs. McPhail did not wish to acquaint either the sister or the fiancée of the tragedy until it was definitely known that her son was one of the victims."

Mrs. McPhail left this afternoon for Port Stanley in an automobile.

MR. ASQUITH ANNOUNCES KING'S CONFERENCE CALL

Leaders of Ulster Unionists and Nationalists Accept Invitation To Confer With His Majesty Over Home Rule Issue—Discussion Amendnig Bill Postponed.

[Canadian Press.]

London, July 20.—Premier Asquith, at the opening of the House of Commons today, announced that King George, in view of the grave political situation, has considered it right to summon a conference of the representatives of the political parties, both British and Irish, to discuss the outstanding points of the problem of Irish Government.

The Premier added that the Right Hon. James Lowther, speaker of the House of Commons, would, at his majesty's request, preside over the conference. In view of this development of the situation, Premier Asquith said he would not ask the House to discuss today the bill to amend the Irish home rule bill.

The invitations to the conference have been accepted by two representatives of the Opposition, of the Ulster Unionists, of the Irish Nationalists and of the Government. Premier Asquith said he hoped the meetings of the conference would begin tomorrow.

Andrew Bonar Law, the leader of the Opposition, on its behalf, remarked that

it had "loyally accepted the command" of his majesty.

John Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalists, scarcely appeared to regard the proposed conference as attractive. He said:

"My colleagues and myself take no responsibility for the policy of calling this conference, and I do not think I am called upon to express an opinion as to whether the result will prove useful or the contrary. The invitation came to Mr. Dillon and myself in the form of a command from the King, and as such we at once obeyed it."

Suggests Conspiracy

Laurence Ginnell, a nationalist member, interjected a warning note into the other wise peaceful interchange by asking if there was any precedent for the premier advising the King to "place himself at the head of a conspiracy to defeat the wishes of the house."

The question was ignored and the house then proceeded with other business.

WILL ASK FOR INCREASE IN NUMBER OF LICENSES

Hotelmen Said To Be Preparing Counter Attack to the Proposed License Reduction in London City.

According to statements made to The Advertiser, the hotel and brewery interests of London are preparing to ask for an increase of licenses in this city. It is claimed that the machinery is ready to secure this extension, and that all that is required to put it in motion is the introduction of the proposed license reduction petition of the temperance forces.

It is said that the hotelmen will base their claim for an increase on the fact that London, for a city of nearly 60,000, is insufficiently provided with hotel accommodation, and that there is not provision enough here, in the way of hotel rooms, to adequately care for any large convention or similar attraction that would bring many people to the city.

SAMUEL PRICE HEADS COMPENSATION BOARD

Ontario Govt. Selects a St. Thomas Man for Position at \$10,000 Per Year.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, July 20.—The Ontario Government has chosen Mr. Samuel Price, a prominent barrister of St. Thomas, for chairman of the Workmen's Compensation Commission and his appointment will be officially announced this week. Mr. Price is fifty-one years of age. The salary attached to the position is \$10,000. The other members of the commission have not yet been selected.

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TITLE AND ESTATE REJECTED BY EARL DEAD IN FAR WEST

Head of the House of Caithness Buried Under the Pepper Trees.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, July 20.—A simple monument, arranged for by himself, was reared yesterday over the grave of John Sutherland Sinclair, who was buried under the pepper trees at Hollingwood, a few days ago.

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Drowning Victims Photographed on Port Stanley Beach a Few Hours Before Death



There is pathos in the above picture, taken a snapshot of Irving Penny and Jack McPhail, the two London boys drowned off Port Stanley yesterday, taken by Miss Pearl O'Dell, of this city, only a few hours before their deaths. The two young men, as they posed before the camera of their friend, were enjoying their Sunday outing at Port Stanley. Laughingly they posed for the pictures that proved to be the last ever taken of them.

Packing America To Take to Coast

Lieutenant Porte Will Leave For Newfoundland August 1---Tests Show He Can Carry Fuel For 24 Hours.

[Canadian Press.]

Hammondsport, N. Y., July 20.—Lieut. Porte, R.N., pilot of the Rodman Wampanoag flying boat, expects to start for Newfoundland not later than August 1, and the America will go with him. A series of experiments with the flying boat planned for the next few days were dropped, and efforts are being made to have the machine ready for shipment to New York the latter part of this week. This decision evidently was arrived at late last night, when a review of the past performances of the America was made.

During the last week in June the America flew with an estimated net useful load of eighteen hundred and fifty pounds. Oil for eight hours, various instruments and some superfluous lumber

Balloons Driven Before Fierce Gale

Aeronauts Are Injured When Forced to Land on Coast of Wales.

[Canadian Press.]

London, July 20.—Exciting landings were made on the Welsh seashore by three of the twenty-four balloons which started in Paris yesterday in the annual race for the prize of the French aeroclub. The balloons had crossed the English channel before a fierce gale and were estimated to descend in order to avoid being driven out to sea.

Spir, one of the pilots, in jumping from the balloon fractured a leg and sustained other injuries. Marcel Foucault and Jean Laurence, two French aeronauts, managed to jump clear and without injury, but lost their balloon, which blew away to sea. Ernest Demuyter and Albert Viennet, two others, landed safely with their craft.

NOT FAULT OF TARIFF

President Wilson Says Business Needs To Be Readjusted.

[Canadian Press.]

Washington, July 20.—President Wilson said today that during his recent conference with business men those men who thought business conditions bad, did not think that the tariff was responsible. The consensus of opinion he gathered was that business needed time to readjust itself to the tariff.

KING'S ACTION MEANS PEACE FOR IRELAND

Even Extremists Will Be Compelled to Accept His Solution.

RETURNS FROM REVIEW

His Majesty Goes at Once to Palace for Conference.

LEADERS TO BE PRESENT

Both Sides Will Debate Question—Premier Asquith Is Silent.

[Canadian Press.]

London, July 20.—The news that King George had called a round table conference of the leaders of all the political parties in the United Kingdom to discuss the crisis in the Province of Ulster caused a pleasant surprise today in political circles here.

Means a Settlement. It was felt that the conference under the direct auspices of the King could only result in a settlement, which even the extremists of both parties in Ireland would be almost compelled to accept.

Premier Asquith and the other political leaders returned to town early this morning, but none of them would discuss the latest developments of the Irish situation.

Returns to Palace. The King also deferred his visit to Sphind and returned Monday afternoon, after reviewing the fleet. He went at once to Buckingham Palace, where the meeting is to be held.

MILK DEALERS LAUGH AT BOARD OF HEALTH

Orders to Clean Dairies and Raise Standard of Milk Not Taken Seriously.

The board of health received prompt replies to the last notices sent out to butchers who had failed to file an affidavit showing where their meat was slaughtered. There are six butchers who have not yet filed an affidavit, and unless they do so before the end of the week the board will take out summonses.

In the case of milkmen who are accused of selling injured, several sustained minor injuries and seven cars were derailed when a special train of passenger coaches and six baggage cars carrying condensed milk, left the tracks from Winnipeg Exhibition to the Brandon Fair, left the rails near Pratt station Sunday afternoon. Impson, Roy, chief for M. G. Thompson, of Toronto, was thrown backwards over his seat and is injured internally, possibly seriously.

WRECK AT BRANDON

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SIX CHINESE ARRESTED

ARE LET GO ON BAIL

Arrested in a police raid shortly before midnight last night, six Chinese were arraigned in police court today, charged with a breach of the Lord's Day act. The case was adjourned by Magistrate Judd until Thursday, when the six prisoners, who were let go on bail, will come up for trial.

The Chinese stores, of which there are no grounds for making the charge of gambling. The Advertiser was informed last night by a leading local Chinese businessman that there are fifty Chinamen out of a total Chinese population of 150, who are out of work at present. The Chinese stores, of which there are no grounds for making the charge of gambling. The Advertiser was informed last night by a leading local Chinese businessman that there are fifty Chinamen out of a total Chinese population of 150, who are out of work at present.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 68; lowest, 48.

Forecast. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today: Stations. Weather. Victoria 74 52 Cloudy Calgary 82 52 Cloudy Winnipeg 86 58 Cloudy Port Arthur 68 54 Cloudy Parry Sound 74 50 Clear Toronto 79 48 Clear Ottawa 66 46 Clear Montreal 68 52 Clear Quebec 62 50 Cloudy Father Point 60 50 Cloudy

Weather Notes. This morning is fine throughout the Dominion, except north of Lake Superior, where it is raining. Very high temperature was recorded in Southern Alberta and Saskatchewan, while in Ontario and Quebec the weather was comparatively cool.

"The Million Dollar Mystery" Will Soon Startle London---Watch The Advertiser