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THE WEATHER:
MOSTLY CLOUDY TODAY.
THURSDAY—COLDER.

BAIL GRANTED DIRECTORS PENDING APPEAL Coolidge in Annual Message Backs St. Lawrence Project

DIRECTORS RELEASED ON BAIL

Barnard and Smith Convictions
Will Be Appealed to
High Court.
MULOCK'S REASONS
Chief Justice Declares Men
Should Have Every Chance
To Prove Innocence.



LEADING FIGURES AT SENSATIONAL ENGLISH TRIAL.

The above layout shows Charles Ernest Robinson, alias Bloomfield, a former English bookmaker, who sized the Mulock Bank for the sum of \$125,000 which, he claimed, was wrongfully paid out to an attorney, William Hobbs, after Hobbs had deposited a total, in Robinson's name, of \$150,000. This money had been obtained from an Indian rajah, who wished to avoid undesirable publicity in connection with his friendship for Robinson's wife. This woman, Mrs. Maudie Robinson, is the daughter of

a meat salesman, and married her bookmaker husband at the age of 21. The Indian potentate, shown above in the turban, is Rajah Sir Hurri Singh, 29-year-old son of Lieut.-Gen. H. H. Sir Pratap Singh, British Montague Neel Newton, who testified

at the recent trial that he was a member of the gang which extorted \$150,000 from an Indian potentate, which newspapers declare was Hurri Singh. Justice Darling, in charge at the hearing, dismissed the case against the bank.

Penalties imposed totalled \$2,195. Of this amount, \$2,485 was collected, there being only \$710 registered as unpaid fines. The federal government collects \$250 and the municipality \$500.

Thirty-nine convictions were registered under the highway traffic act, and speeders contributed the greater portion of the fines.

Under the Ontario temperance act, 26 paid fines or served short jail terms for being intoxicated. Six were convicted for having liquor in a place other than a private dwelling, and fines ranging from \$200 and costs to \$500 and costs were imposed, as well as reformatory sentences. Only one conviction was registered under section 40 of the act for having liquor for sale.

Two persons paid fines under the inland revenue act for failing to affix stamps to receipts for money. Seven were found guilty of a breach of the Lord's day act.

On charges of theft three were allowed to go on suspended sentence, while two served short jail terms. Convictions were registered against two keepers of a disorderly house. Several criminal cases were transferred from the local court to the county court.

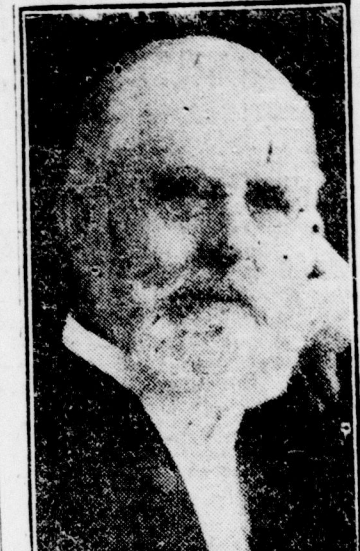
CRIME ON DECREASE IN LONDON

Police Court Statistics For
November Best in Several
Years.

MOSTLY TRAFFIC

Criminal Cases Few — Total
of \$2,485 Is
Collected.

Crime in the city during the past month shows a material decrease according to police court statistics. The number of convictions registered in London for November, 118 in all, is considerably less than for the same month of other years and for other months of this year.



SIR WILLIAM MULOCK,
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Ontario, who allowed bail pending appeal against their sentences to C. E. Smith, convicted Home Bank directors.

ECONOMY URGED BY COOLIDGE

U. S. President Presents His
Annual Message to
Congress.

OPEN SEA ROUTE

Opposes Cancellation of Debts
Owed by European
Powers.

Associated Press Despatch.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 3.—President Coolidge, in his annual message to congress, today advised United States adherents to the world court of international justice, declared the United States was not disposed to join the League of Nations, and repeated his declaration that the United States was opposed to any cancellation of debts owed to the United States by foreign governments.

HERRIOT ASKS AN EXPLANATION

French Premier Wants To
Know What Spanish
Admiral Means.

Associated Press Despatch.
Paris, Dec. 3.—Premier Herriot has asked the French ambassador at Madrid for further information concerning a declaration supposed to have been made by Admiral De Magazne, acting Spanish premier, to the press the other day to the effect that a Spanish revolution was being planned in France with the approval of the French government.

It was stated in a Paris despatch of Dec. 2 that Le Matin's Madrid correspondent announced that Admiral De Magazne recently summoned Spanish newspaper editors and journalists to them patriotically to defend King Alfonso, declaring that a revolution was being planned abroad, and that the revolutionaries counted on the support of France or rather the French government, which only represented a section of the most numerous of French opinion. The acting premier added, according to the correspondent, that he did not ask the editors to attack France, but to defend the king, as the representative of the country.

SEASON'S CROPS LOST IN EARLY MORNING FIRE

Harry Gilroy, Brooks Township,
Suffers Heavily When
Blaze Sweeps Barns.

Special to The Advertiser.
Alvinston, Dec. 3.—Fire which originated in the drive shed of Harry Gilroy, Brooks township, near Alvinston, completely destroyed the barns, drive shed, implements and all the season's crops at an early hour this morning.

QUEBEC LEGISLATURE WILL HAVE FULL HOUSE

All Seats in the House To Be
Occupied For First Time
Since February, 1923.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Quebec, Dec. 3.—When the legislative assembly gets down to business on Jan. 7 next, all seats in the house will be occupied for the first time since the election was contested, while in the second session, the successful candidate at the start of the session, was not living to occupy his seat in the assembly.

As a result of the six by-elections held during the course of the last four weeks, the opposition has made gain of one seat, Quebec county, where a Conservative was elected.

When the house meets the parties will be lined up as follows: Liberals 52, conservatives 30, Labor 1.

ARTHURQUAKE DESTROYS TOWN.

Associated Press Despatch.
Batavia, Java, Dec. 3.—The native town of Manet Joloreto, in Kediri, has been destroyed in the recent earthquake shocks, and it is feared the death toll will reach ninety.

Roman Singers Tell Judge They Must Sing or Starve

Egyptian Rail
Strike Feared

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 3.—A general strike, including railroad men is threatened in Egypt, says a despatch to the Daily Express from Cairo.

The despatch adds that a strike on the railroads would be serious because it would affect the transportation of cotton to the ports.

LONDON BOY NAMED CHIEF IN BIG MERGER

Gordon Fairgrievs Is New
Head of Murray Auto
Body Company.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 3.—J. Obed Smith, who recently retired from the position of superintendent of Canadian immigration in London, was the recipient of a complimentary dinner here tonight. Lord Burnham, owner of the Daily Telegraph and president of the Empire Press Union, presided at the dinner, which was attended by more than 200 men representing Canadian banking, steamship and commercial agencies here. The guests included Hon. P. C. Larkin, Canadian high commissioner in London, and Lieut.-Col. L. C. Amery, colonial secretary.

Warm and sincere tributes were paid to the unselfish and loyal work which Mr. Smith had carried on in London during the last eighteen years. Especial mention was made of the heavy labors which he had performed so satisfactorily after the repatriation of Canadian dependents of soldiers. It was largely through his organizing ability that so many soldiers were able to return to the dominion in the company of the soldiers to whom they were related.

An illuminated address and a gift from the staff of the emigration office, a warm testimonial to his position of the excellent relations which existed between the retiring superintendent and those who worked under him.

Man To Blame For Separations

Dr. Marie Munk Says Hus-
bands Too Fond of
Variety.

Associated Press Despatch.
Berlin, Dec. 3.—Many unhappy marriages are caused by the fact that men are too fond of variety, in the opinion of Dr. Marie Munk, the first woman in Germany to be admitted to the bar.

"My experience has been that the man from mere desire for a change will abandon his wife as he becomes older, and even leave the children to her, that he may tie up with a younger woman," she observes.

Man is not the only offender in this respect, she concedes, as in her law practice she has come across many women who were just as anxious for a change.

Dr. Munk believes, incidentally, that the German divorce laws are too stringent, and that mutual consent to separate should be sufficient cause to prevent abuse of the law, how-ever, granted a request should be granted only after the couple have been married for at least three years.

CRUSADE OPENED AGAINST VICE

Schenectady Citizens Combine
to Stamp Out Wave of
Lawlessness.

Associated Press Despatch.
Schenectady, N.Y., Dec. 3.—A crusade against vice gripped this city today when citizens and police, alarmed by the boldness exhibited by underworld characters, combined to sweep the city free of crime.

Efforts against crime reached a climax following a meeting of the common council last night. Developments included:

The designation of Police Chief James W. Rynek, who has controlled the police force for 42 years.

The purchase of three armored motor cars to be used in the vice-infested districts of the city.

The offering of a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the man who killed Captain Albert Youmans of the police force last Friday night. Youmans was actively leading a district drive against vice.

The common council approved the appointment of three additional police captains and 20 additional patrolmen.

At the same time a meeting of citizens was held and organization of a committee of 100 citizens carried out. The committee will be organized in every ward of the city to take action in regard to suppression of crime.

WASHINGTON WORRIED OVER HEAVY AUTO TOLL

Associated Press Despatch.
Washington, Dec. 3.—Plans are afoot to have President Coolidge call a big conference of governors and state highway officials to secure uniform legislation to check the enormous toll of deaths and injuries caused by automobiles and other vehicles.

Representative Dowell, chairman of the house roads committee, declared that 22,600 people had been killed during the last year and 600,000 maimed and said the "terrible slaughter must be stopped."

Methods of regulation in Canada are being studied.

THREE THEFTS TRACED TO CITY BANDIT GANG

Watford Merchant Identifies
Shoe Found in House in
London.

Thieves responsible for the robberies at Belmont and Kerwood have now been linked up with the robbery at Watford, when a store in that village was robbed of groceries and boots and shoes.

The proprietor of the store noticed that in their haste the burglars had left one shoe of a nice pair behind, and determined to keep it for future reference.

Reading of the goods captured at the home of Mrs. Margaret McCulley a week ago, the Watford man came to the city today and positively identified one of the shoes at the police station as being stolen from his store.

This means that the gang of thieves who operated by motor cars have been identified as having connection with three robberies in the stores at Belmont and Watford and the Kerwood creameries.

CHRISTMAS CHEER PLANNED BY SALVATION ARMY HERE

Salvation Army lassies in charge of the Christmas pots hanging from tripods will soon be seen again on the busy corners of the city. Arrangements are being made to dispense Yuletide cheer to the destitute this winter.

BOBBED BANDIT 'Working' London

Police Hear Many Reports of
Blonde's Activities.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 3.—London has its own "bobbed-hair bandit," according to police reports from many parts of London. These reports described the woman as about 23 years of age, a blonde with bobbed hair, and say she is working in conjunction with a man, allegedly her husband, and another woman.

The trio pose as actors who make short stays in boarding houses and leave in a motor car with the jewels and other valuables of guests. The man, the police say, uses numerous aliases. He introduces the bobbed-hair woman as his wife and the other woman as her companion.

At the Masonic temple several days ago Salvation army members were robbed of a small sum of money, and the New St. James church vestry was entered and searched while members of the choir were attending church services.

PERMITS NOT NECESSARY BUT QUANTITY LIMITED

Saskatchewan Liquor Law Will
Differ From That of Other
"Wet" Areas.

Associated Press Despatch.
Regina, Sask., Dec. 3.—Unlike government control measures now in force in the "wet" provinces of the dominion, the purchasers of liquor in Saskatchewan will not be called upon to buy permits, according to the new liquor bill introduced and given first reading in the provincial legislature yesterday.

Permits will not be required, but the amount to be sold to an individual purchaser in a single day is limited. The amount is four gallons of spirits in a city store and one quart of spirits in a city store and one quart of spirits in a city store and one quart of spirits in a city store.

General liquor stores will be established in the city and one of the country stores will sell only beer.

The method of delivery is not set. The purchaser will be able to walk into a store, buy a bottle and walk out with it in his pocket or whether it must be delivered to his residence by mail or otherwise will be determined by the liquor board, this being one of the measures proposed to confer upon the board.

FRANCE, BULGARIA OBJECT TO OTTOMAN DEBT DEAL

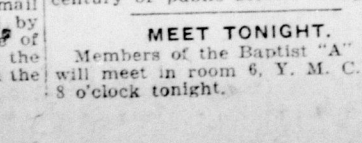
Associated Press Despatch.
Geneva, Dec. 3.—France and Bulgaria, like Greece, have appended the council of the league of nations for arbitration on the allocation of the pre-war debt of the former Ottoman empire among the successor states. France objects to the amount allocated to her on account of Syria and Lebanon. It was announced today that Greece has appealed for arbitration under the terms of the Ottoman treaty provision. It is presumed that the league council at its Rome meeting beginning next week will be asked to appoint an arbitrator.

FIREMEN ARE OVERCOME IN BLAZE AT TORONTO

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Dec. 3.—Five firemen were temporarily overcome by smoke and eight others were affected slightly while fighting a fire in the basement of the Confederation Life building here this morning. Damage to the building is estimated at about \$2,000, but the loss to the tenants because of stocks destroyed will be much greater. The principal sufferers are a cigar store and the Upper Canada Trust and Life Society. The whole loss is covered by insurance.

MEET TONIGHT.

Members of the Baptist "A" league will meet in room 6, Y. M. C. A. at 8 o'clock tonight.



HERBERT W. ASQUITH,
Liberal chief minister and former British premier, who was defeated in the recent elections, may now be elevated to the peerage as the result of a widespread drive to have his half century of public service recognized.

LOSS IN HOLDUP IS NOW \$40,000

Figure Lowered When Moose
Jaw Postal Officials
Check Records.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Moose Jaw, Sask., Dec. 3.—Insurance companies and banks will lose approximately \$40,000 as a result of the depredations of a bandit who robbed Moose Jaw postoffice Monday night, securing seven registered packets of bank notes and making a clean getaway after holding six members of the postal staff under the threat of revolvers. So far no clue has been secured by the police as to the perpetrators of the crime.

Estimates made following the robbery Monday night were that between \$80,000 and \$90,000 had been taken. In the excitement the clerk checking the losses overlooked the fact that two of the largest packets secured by the gunmen were restored to the postoffice by the postal staff.

After a recheck and communication with banks and financial institutions for whom the packages were consigned, the contents of all but one package were definitely ascertained. The aggregate loss is placed between \$37,500 and \$40,000.

SNEAK THIEVING CRAZE HITS CITY, SAY POLICE

Many Public Meetings Visited
and Coats of Attendants
Searched.

Sneak thieving has become prevalent in the city within the past two weeks, according to the police. Reports received at the detective division indicate that much money has been stolen at public meetings and gatherings from coats and purses left in cloak rooms.

Last Wednesday \$30 was collected when overcoats belonging to members of the London garrison badminton club at the armories were searched. Again last night a similar theft was reported to the police. Newsboys meeting at the armories were robbed of change amounting to several dollars.

At the Masonic temple several days ago Salvation army members were robbed of a small sum of money, and the New St. James church vestry was entered and searched while members of the choir were attending church services.

Enactment of such legislative remedies for agricultural crime as are worked out by the recently appointed agricultural commission and exertion of all efforts "by government activity and by private agencies to restore and maintain agriculture to a normal relationship with other industries."

Amendment of labor sections of the transportation act so as to embody a plan "which, while retaining the practice of systematic collective bargaining with conciliation and voluntary arbitration of labor differences, could also provide simplicity in relations and more direct local responsibility of employees and managers," and at the same time recognize that the public "has a right to be heard when there is danger that the nation may suffer great injury through interruption of operations because of labor disputes."

Such action as will maintain "the policy of constantly working toward the full treaty strength of the navy."

Enactment of legislation changing the new immigration law so as to make the administrative features "a little more human in their operation, of permitting those already here a greater latitude in securing admission of members of their own families."

Open St. Lawrence Route.
Development of navigation from the Great Lakes up the St. Lawrence river and of improvements generally to harbors on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

Noting that the government provides that the president shall report to congress on the state of the union, Mr. Coolidge said: "The present state of the union is such that it may be regarded with encouragement and satisfaction by every American."

"Our domestic problems are for the most part economic," he added. "We have our enormous debt to pay, and we are paying it. We have the high cost of government to diminish, and we are diminishing it. We have a heavy burden of taxation to reduce, and we are reducing it."

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Barometric Readings.
Tuesday—8 p.m.—29.58.
Today—8 a.m.—29.25.

The Weather

FORECASTS.
Today—Fresh
soot with east to
northwest winds,
mostly cloudy.
Thursday—
Northwest
north winds,
partly cloudy and
somewhat colder;
local snow flurries.
The pressure is
high to the south
of the great lakes and over Manitoba,
and relatively low to the northward of
the Ottawa valley and over the south-
west states.

The weather has been fair in nearly
all parts of the dominion.
The temperature has risen in Ontario
and fallen somewhat in Manitoba.

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

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	52	44	Clouds
Calgary	35	19	Fair
Winnipeg	28	12	Clouds
Port Arthur	30	22	Fair
Perry Sound	32	20	Clouds
Toronto	34	22	Clouds
Kingston	34	20	Clouds
Ottawa	30	28	Clouds
Montreal	30	26	Clouds
Quebec	30	20	Clouds
Father Point	34	22	Fair
St. John's	30	22	Fair
Halifax	30	22	Clouds

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest tempera-
tures recorded in London during the
24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last
night were: Highest, 31; lowest, 1.
The official temperatures for the
12 hours previous to 8 a.m. tod-
ay were: Highest, 32; lowest, 30.

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