HOTEL PEN BARES TRAITS OF MANY

Few Novels as Interesting as One Motley Page of Hostelry Register.

FRILLS AND SCRAWLS

Few pages of any popular novel or latest best seller are as interesting or as full of character as the register list of a big hotel in a city which has its share of travellers.

On one single page you will find the signatures of singers, lecturers, men of business, cranks, corporation lawyers, visiting divines, actresses, civil engineers, travelling members of foreign royal families, commercial agents from all parts of the world, and a general collection of men and women in all ranks of life and from all quarters of the country.

Even in the pages of London's hotels this wide range of life and activity is represented. In the last few weeks there have been, besides well-known members of the church of England in Canada, an author, a singer of renown, a secret service man from the United States—who, by the way, did not register under his own name—a president of a large British corporation, and a number of lesser lights of commercial life.

The signatures in themselves are interesting. As they are all written with the same hotel pen, they have some value as representing the characteristics of their writers. A clergyman with a name of erudition in matters of doctrine and theology, leaves his mark in small neat letters, in a very scholarly style. An artist signs with careless independence in large free letters. There is nothing cramped about his style. There is almost a definite defiance of conventionality in this signature.

Heavy-Lined Name.

Then there is the strong, heavy-lined name of the Britisher, the president of the corporation, a rather gloomy affair with heavy cross lines at the top of the letters, and just as heavy ones underlining it. An actress is next on the list, and she takes up twice as much room as the president. Space is nothing to her, but she leaves out the lines and punctuation. Perhaps she thinks everyone knows her name, and that it doesn't need underscoring.

The secret service man wrote his nom-de-guerre in a back hand, probably the result of a desire for increased secrecy. A European lecturer took two lines to get his name in. He must be somewhat of a pessimist, for he started at the top of one line and fell down to the foot of the line below. But he may have been tired after a long journey, and the trip from Montreal may have left his powers of concentration poor.

A journalist has left his impression in a scrawl that is almost illegible, and one imagines that he could have made a better job on a typewriter, probably the only way he has written everything, except his name, for many years.

Reflect Their Owners.

As for the general mass of the names they are the reflections of their owners. Large letters, and small, heavy and light, long and short, they are as varied as the idiosyncracies of the men and women who wrote them. One wonders who was the man who wrote his name in pencil. He must have been of the race of heroes to have thus snubbed the hotel clerk. Another signature has a lovely thumb impression at the left hand side, a very large and dirty thumb. Perhaps it interested the secret service men.

Some of the names have all the punctuation included, and some have none at all. Sometimes the initials and the name are run with one effort of the pen without any break. On the other hand a few names are very carefully done, as if they had been painted. The initials are properly spaced out, the punctuation is all where it should be, and everything is precise and in order.

There is just one thing that is uniform, and that is the amount of ink used in each case. But this is not a characteristic, for the clerk dips the pen impartially for every newcomer at the big caravansery. Ink is one of the things the hotel supplies. Each visitor gets the same amount. It is left to him to draw his own character with what the clerk gives him.

CASE IS POSTPONED FOR THE NINTH TIME

Crown Attorney Busy and the Defence Counsel Away in Accident Suit.

The automobile accident case brought by Wallace Sutherland against Robert Reardon was postponed for the ninth time by County Magistraie Hawkshaw this morning. The accident took place some months ago on the Ontario hospital side road, the plaintiff claiming he had been run down by a car operated by the defendant.

The latter insists that another motorist was responsible for the accident and that he merely stopped to render Sutherland help.

The case was adjourned till next Friday, owing to the fact that Crown Attorney Albert M. Judd was extremely busy with the voter's list and J. M. McEvoy, counsel for defense was out of the city.

SOUTH HIGH "LIT" WILL ENTER WOSSA CONTESTS

At a meeting of the newly-elected executive of the Literary Society of London South collegiate yesterday afternoon plans were inaugurated for entering the Wossa oratory and debating contests.

The decision was also made to hold a membership drive for the society, beginning the week of Monday, Oct. 13.

The officers of the new executive are: Honorary president, E. R. Dennis; honorary vice-presidents, Howard Hartry and Edgar Jeffery; president, Allan Riddell; vice-president, Isabel Love; secretary, Dorothy Upshall; treasurer, Leslie Pickles; form representatives, Jean Houston, Donald Seabrooke, Malcolm Campbell, Harold Jackson, Oswald Brown, Paul Rechnitzer, Isabel McCracken, Curtis Embleton, Margaret Corliss and Fred Reed.

O'CONNOR WILLS ALL TO ONE WHO ORDERED EXECUTION

Kevin O'Higgins Was Ever a Friend, Though They Fought on Opposite Sides.

STORY IS TOLD

Home Minister Collapsed in Chair Where He Signed Death Warrant.

London, Oct. 2.—Through the days of Sinn Fein war with Great Britain and the weeks of negotiating the Irish treaty there were no closer friends than Kevin O'Higgins and Rory O'Connor.

The treaty was accepted and Sinn Fein split in half. O'Higgins became home minister in the Free State cabinet; O'Connor elected to fight that cabinet, but still the two men remained friends. O'Connor led the men who held the Four Courts in Dublin against Free State besiegers, but still the two were friends.

Finally O'Connor was captured. Republicanism was still strong and the Free State decided on strong measures. O'Connor was sentenced to death, and the warrant for his execution came in due course to the desk of the best friend he had in the world. All manner of pressure was brought to bear on O'Higgins, but he replied: "He must die tomorrow morning," and closed his lips tight as he signed.

O'Higgins remained seated at that desk all night, alone. At eight in the morning messengers brought him word that his friend was dead. O'Higgins was not thinking of him any more as "Gory Rory," but only as the chum who six months before had stood up for him at his wedding. The home minister collapsed in the chair where he had signed the death warrant.

Last night in the House of Commons, Colonial Secretary Thomas told the sequel to this story. When O'Higgins was able to return to his office, he was informed that the dead rebel's will left his entire estate to the friend who ordered his death.

FOREST CITY BOASTS REAL "NO LATE" EXPERT

Thomas Willis, Wortley Road Teacher, Establishes Perfect Year's Record.

Thomas Willis, teacher of Grade 7 in Wortley road school, holds an enviable record for his class as to the number of lates during the year.

Perhaps the number of lates is not the correct way to refer to it, rather the almost perfect record of no lates on the part of the pupils.

During the school year 1922-23 there was but one late recorded in Mr. Willis' class. During the year 1923-24 there was not a single late during the ten months of school.

Thus far this year, Mr. Willis reports that last year's record is being maintained since there has not been one late chalked up since the opening of school a month ago.

Mr. Willis points out that during September this year the attendance of his class was 98 per cent, and that for the entire term last year it was 94 per cent. There are 33 pupils in the class this year, of whom 11 are boys.

On the bulletin board Mr. Willis has the notice: "Last year's class completed the year with no lates. What is this year's class going to do? Pick up the torch. Don't pull down; build up!"

Mr. Willis gave an interesting paper before the London Teachers' Institute at its annual meeting last year on the subject, "How To Avoid Lates."

BIG THEATRE NIGHT NOW EAGERLY AWAITED

Program in the Capitol Will Climax Field Day of Collegiates.

On Friday, Oct. 10, the secondary schools of the city will hold their third annual theatre night in the Capitol theatre.

Theatre night is being held on the evening of the annual field day, and the awards to the schools and individuals will be presented for the honors won during the afternoon's program of sports.

Theatre night is the big night of the year for the students of the secondary schools, since it affords an opportunity for the four schools to celebrate together. The theatre will be reserved for students only, and a definite section set aside for each school. Since the Capitol can hold only about 60 per cent of the students of the four schools participating, those arriving first on the scene will be accommodated.

There will be singing and school cheers from each of the schools represented.

Those in charge of the arrangements are: General chairman, I. Goldstick; Central collegiate representative, John H. Dolan; Technical high school, T. W. Oates; South collegiate, Mrs. M. Carr-Harris; East collegiate, Miss M. M. Taylor.

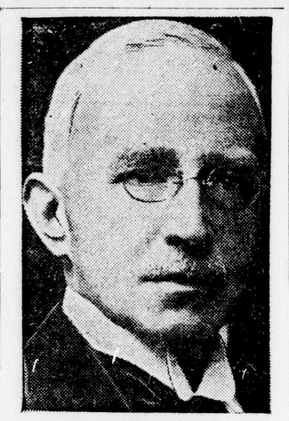
PENSION APPLICATIONS ARE PASSED BY BOARD

Two applications for pensions were passed by the mothers' allowance board of Middlesex county at a recent meeting in the office of County Clerk John Stuart.

One application was refused, as the applicant was not a bona fide resident of the county, while a fourth one was laid over until such time as more information could be secured.

NO DESTITUTE MAN.

No destitute man 80 years of age has applied to the Salvation Army for assistance in the last few days, said Brigadier McAmnond of the headquarters staff today, denying the report to the effect that such a man charged the Salvation Army with refusing to help him.



SIR JOSEPH COOK,
Australian high commissioner, who, after a session at Geneva, has expressed the opinion that the question of compulsory arbitration at present offers insurmountable difficulties.

LONDON STOCK WINS IN MILWAUKEE SHOW

A. T. and E. S. Little and W. D. Pringle Entries Take Prizes in U. S.

Associated Press Despatch.

Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 3.—B. H. Bull & Son, Brampton, breeders of Jersey cattle, led Ontario exhibitors in this class at the national dairy show here yesterday. There were several entries from Ontario, and prizes were awarded as follows:

Aged bulls—Sixth, B. H. Bull & Son, Brampton.

Three-year-old bull—Fourth, A. T. Little, London, Ont.

Two-year-olds—Fourth, A. T. Little, London, Ont.; fifth, Duncan & Sons, Todmorden, Ont.

Senior yearling bull—Third, Bagg, Edgeley.

June yearling bull—Third, E. S. Little, Delaware; seventh, Bull & Son.

Bull calf—Fifth, Bull & Son.

Cows—Four-year-olds — Fourth, J. M. Dolson, Brampton.

Three years—Second and third, Bull & Son.

Two-year-olds — Third, W. D. Pringle, London; seventh, Bagg, Edgeley.

Yearling heifer—Third, Lieutenant-Governor Harry Cockshutt, Brantford; fifth, Bull & Son; ninth, Frank Chapman, Malton.

Heifer calf—Fourth, Bagg, Edgeley; sixth, Bull & Son.

Wisconsin took premier honors yesterday with the grand champion Holstein bull and was first in state herds for Holsteins, Iowa coming second, Michigan third and Nebraska fourth.

The grand champion Jersey bull at the show, owned by Twin Oaks Farm, New Jersey, is a brother to stock bulls owned by Bull & Son, Brampton. The grand champion cow, Ferns Oxford Noble, was imported by the same firm.

ALDERMEN ARE UNABLE TO NAME OFFICE BUYER

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to do so. It was pointed out that he was late in arriving at the committee session, did not hear Mr. Murphy address the other aldermen, but was present at the close of the session when the tenders were opened.

"I don't know whether he (Mr. Murphy) was acting for the Imperial Oil Company or not," Ald. Douglass admitted. He was jubilant that the property had been sold at last and that a high price had been secured for it.

"The impression might have been that it was the Imperial Oil Company which was making the purchase. However, that doesn't matter."

"Is the Imperial Oil Company the purchaser of the property?" Mayor Wenige was asked.

"Oh, I don't know. There's nothing in the tender, is there, about that?"

"Was the impression given out the other evening that such was the case?"

"I don't believe it was quite understood just exactly what oil station would be located there."

Nothing Definite.

"No, I wouldn't say that anything definite was said which would show the Imperial Oil Company to be the purchaser for whom Mr. Murphy was acting," Ald. Frank McKay said in answer to The Advertiser's query. "I had the impression at first that it was the Imperial Oil Company which was the real purchaser. One of the aldermen, I just forget who it was, said, 'Oh, that's likely the Imperial Oil tender' when the matter came up. I didn't really know for whom Mr. Murphy was acting."

"The impression was given that the Imperial Oil Company was the purchaser," Ald. Gordon Drake vouchsafed. "That was the impression given at the committee meeting. I think it was stated in the tender."

P. B. FETTERLY REPORTED TO BE MUCH IMPROVED

Word has been received in the city by a friend that P. B. Fetterly, inspector of the Huron & Erie Mortgage Corporation, who has been operated on in Philadelphia for appendicitis, is getting along nicely, and that the surgeons are well satisfied with his condition. It will probably be two weeks before Mr. Fetterly can leave the hospital. He was on a holiday in Philadelphia when he was taken ill, and the operation took place on the advice of doctors called in.

HEDJAZ COURTS SOVIET.

Associated Press Despatch.

Moscow, Oct. 3.—The arrival here of a diplomatic mission from the Kingdom of the Hedjaz is announced by the official Rosta news agency.

CABINET TO TALK UNEMPLOYMENT

London Given Lead in Move by Minister of Labor Godfrey.

MAYOR ELATED

Unemployment problems of municipalities in Ontario will be discussed on Wednesday afternoon next at Toronto, when the provincial cabinet and representatives of cities will be present.

Information contained in a letter from the Hon. Dr. Forbes Godfrey, minister of labor, to Mayor Wenige today calls a conference for Toronto on Oct. 8 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Mayor Wenige has been asked to confer with 11 other municipalities which were represented at Wednesday's conference with the minister. In this way all will be informed of the meeting through London, which has led in the movement to get government action.

Nothing is promised in Dr. Godfrey's letter except the desire of the cabinet to have the matter thoroughly discussed. No offer of what the government may be ready to concede it made.

"This shows that we've been able to get action of some sort, anyway," declared Mayor Wenige enthusiastically at noon today. "At any rate I'm calling a meeting of all interested municipalities for 3 o'clock on Wednesday in Toronto. We are going to organize and put up the best possible discussion on the matter.

From Ottawa to Windsor, 12 cities are keenly interested in securing a 25 per cent concession from the government in all relief work undertaken during the winter, and they hope to secure the same percentage from the Ottawa government.

MILLER DENIES HE SAID SPORT GRANT IN DANGER

Central Collegiate Principal Contradicts Report in Free Press.

Principal E. A. Miller of the London collegiate institute, in conversation with the Advertiser this morning, took exception to a report in the Free Press yesterday, which quoted him as saying that the athletic spirit had so far disintegrated the London collegiates that the collegiate committee of the board of education threatened to cancel the grant for athletic equipment, amounting to over $1,000 annually, unless the pupils took a greater interest in school sports.

What he had said, Principal Miller intimated was that there had been some criticism by the members of the collegiate committee, in passing the special grant for the interschool field day on Oct. 10 next, that those students who did not themselves participate in the different events did not turn out as they should. Keen regret had also been expressed by the committee with the fact that the parents of the students failed to attend the sports on field day.

As to the number actually participating in the events, Principal Miller took occasion to comment upon the increasingly large number this year and to congratulate those who had come forward to swell the entry list as compared with previous years.

AGREEMENT IS REACHED ON EGYPTIAN QUESTION

Premiers MacDonald and Zagloul Pasha Reach Definite Understanding.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Oct. 3.—The conversations between Prime Minister MacDonald and Said Zagloul Pasha, the Egyptian premier, on the Egyptian and Sudanese questions were concluded today, and it was understood the two statesmen had arrived at an understanding which would form the basis for future negotiations on the question of the removal of troops from the Cairo district and from the imperial communications system in Egypt.

Premier Zagloul declared, after today's conference, that he had made no demands on the British government, but that his suggestions had met with Mr. MacDonald's approval. He will return to Egypt tonight and it is expected he will submit the results of his conversations to parliament, which will convene in November.

DORIS TANNER RECOVERS FROM AUTO ACCIDENT

Miss Doris Tanner, who was taken to St. Joseph's hospital several weeks ago suffering from injuries received in a motor accident, was discharged from that institution yesterday and taken to her home.

Miss Tanner is the daughter of W. H. Tanner, secretary of the board of education. During fair week she was struck by an automobile on Richmond street and suffered several broken ribs. Her condition was at first regarded as serious, but with steady improvement her physicians pronounced her well enough to leave the hospital yesterday.

WAR TABLET PLANS NOW NEARING COMPLETION

County Clerk John Stuart, Lieut.-Col. Walter J. Brown and Architect Roy Moore were in Hamilton yesterday making final decisions in connection with the tablet to be unveiled in the hall of the University of Western Ontario by Gen. Sir Arthur Currie.

The names of 280 soldiers of Middlesex county who lost their lives in the great war will be found on the tablet.

Unearths Coin Minted In 1819

Special to The Advertiser.

Mildmay, Oct. 2.—While digging around his home at Bieman's corner, Henry Hertzberger discovered three old copper coins. They are larger in size than those of the present day. They are U. S. one cent, 1819, U. S. one cent, 1847, Bank of Upper Canada token halfpenny, 1852.

TEMPERANCE FIELD DAY IS PLANNED

Sunday, October 12, May Be Devoted to General Appeal in City Churches.

Rev. J. Bruce Hunter, pastor of First Methodist church, as chairman of the speakers' committee of the London plebiscite campaign committee, has in mind a grand temperance field day on Sunday, Oct. 12, when the pulpits of all the city churches, with the exception of the Anglican, will be occupied by speakers on the temperance question.

Dr. Oaten, Dominion alliance official, Toronto, was in town this week looking over the situation and its requirements. He has in charge the securing of speakers for the occasion. Definite information as to the personnel of the speaking squad will be available, it is expected, early next week.

W. D. Bayley, ex-M. L. A., Winnipeg, is coming to the city to address a public meeting, the date of which is to be arranged later.

The committee is also endeavoring to secure Hon. H. H. Stevens, Vancouver, minister of public works in the Meighen government, for a meeting.

Lines are out for other speakers as well, so that London is assured of having the question placed before them in first-class manner by the ablest speakers obtainable in the province.

CONVICT DROZDOSKI ON SHOOTING CHARGE

Hamilton Man Found Guilty After Jury Deliberates Two Hours.

Special to The Advertiser.

Hamilton, Oct. 2.—John Drozdoski was convicted of manslaughter in supreme court this afternoon by a jury under Justice Kelly. He will be sentenced later.

Uspinski was shot and killed by Drozdoski during a christening at 47 Princess street on July 20.

The prisoner on the stand declared that he had warned Uspinski to keep away from his wife, but Uspinski paid no attention to him. The "unwritten law" was the plea for the prisoner's life submitted to the court through Orville M. Walsh, his counsel.

The jury returned its verdict at 6:10 o'clock after being out two hours and forty minutes. Drozdoski remained cool and collected when the jurors filed into the room.

After hearing the decision he was unmoved, and as he was taken from the courtroom smiled at friends in the back benches.

ALLEGED RUMMERS CAUGHT AFTER CHASE IN TORONTO

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Oct. 2.—After a chase through numerous city streets tonight, plainclothesmen eventually overhauled a motor car driven by John Durno, and after a show of revolvers took Durno and Duncan Martin, Grafton, Ont., into custody. Durno is charged with illegally transporting liquor and reckless driving, and Martin is charged with illegally transporting liquor. Search of the motor car driven by Durno, the police say, revealed a fairly large quantity of gin, whiskey and alcohol.

BRITISH GOVT. TO LAUNCH 48-HOUR WORKERS' WEEK

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Oct. 3.—John R. Clynes, lord privy seal, replying to a question in the House of Commons today, said it was the British government's intention to give effect to the Washington labor convention calling for a 48-hour week for workers, irrespective of what other European countries might do.

PRIZE SCHOOL ESSAYS TO SOON BE PUBLISHED

The essays being written at the different public schools of the city on the various flag days assigned are nearly all in the hands of Inspector V. K. Greer.

The first essay to appear in the newspapers will be that from Simcoe street school on the subject, "Queenston Heights," which will appear on Oct. 13.

The second in the series will be that from Trafalgar school on Oct. 21, on "Trafalgar Day."

AVON W. M. S.

Special to The Advertiser.

Avon, Oct. 2.—The W. M. S. held their September meeting at Mrs. Anson Chambers' on Thursday. A large number attended. Mrs. G. Johnson gave the book study. Mrs. D. Groat and Mrs. Bowes were heralds on the watch tower. Mrs. Elston Dafoe and Mrs. H. Wyatt gave readings. Mrs. Murray Smith of Ingersoll, who was present, presented her two daughters, Mrs. W. H. Johnson and Mrs. G. W. Goble, with life member certificates. Mrs. Smith was a former resident of Avon and took an active part in all church work.

Rev. Mr. Ball gave an address on the coming election.

A parcel post bazaar was then conducted. Also ice cream and cake were sold.

LONDON MAY ENTER GASOLINE BUSINESS

Mayor Wenige States Question Too Broad For Quick Decision.

FAIR PRICES HERE

Toronto, Oct. 3.—If the board of control finds that the city has the necessary legal authority, Toronto may engage in the gasoline business. Today Ald. Claude Pearce assured the board that he was in a position to lay down gasoline in Toronto, with all charges paid, at a price of 14½ to 16 cents per imperial gallon. He suggested that the city sell the gasoline to independent dealers, who would thus be in a position to break the ring, which he charged existed.

The mayor stated that he had already arranged for a report on the feasibility of Toronto entering the field. This report would be presented to the council on Monday.

Ald. Pearce charged that the gasoline consuming public was being robbed; that the topmost retail price under present conditions should not be more than 21½ or 22 cents per gallon.

London may, or may not, go into the gasoline business. Asked this morning what the prospects were, Mayor Wenige did not finally commit himself. The move is supported today in an effort to break what is alleged to be a "ring" of gasoline dealers.

"I don't know as that is a thing for the city to get mixed up in," was the mayor's first remark. "It is a broad question. I received a letter from Mayor Hiltz of Toronto on the matter. We merely quoted, in answer, what the price was.

"It's a broad question. Conditions there might be different to what they are here. We shouldn't interfere with retailers if the prices are all right. They are not high here."

Murder Victims Are Laid to Rest

Mother and Two Daughters Buried in Ottawa Cemetery.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Oct. 3.—The funeral of Caroline Pirie and her two daughters, Kathleen, aged 7, and Joan, aged 6, victims of the triple murder here early Wednesday morning, took place here today in the burial plot of the Canadian Patriotic Fund in Beechwood cemetery.

James Buchanan Pirie, crippled war veteran, who has confessed to slaying his wife and children because he was in financial difficulties, will be arraigned in police court next Wednesday.

Hundreds of persons, men, women and children, visited the funeral parlors where the bodies of the victims lay yesterday. The funeral arrangements were in charge of St. Andrew's Society.

DUCK HUNTER KILLED BY COMPANION'S GUN

Florent Danis Accidentally Shot in Back, Near Cobalt.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Cobalt, Oct. 2.—Twenty hours after he had been shot in the back by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of Dr. Aitken, Timmins, Florent Danis, also of that place, died of his wounds.

A party of duck hunters was returning up the Mattagami River, and Dr. Aitken had fired at some birds passing nearby. He was replacing the gun in the bottom of the boat when it went off, the charge passing through the seat on which Danis was sitting and entering his back. A coroner's jury exonerated Dr. Aitken and brought a verdict of accidental death.

JAP COMPROMISE ALL RIGHT, AUSTRALIA NOW THINKS

Associated Press Despatch.

Tokio, Oct. 3.—The Japanese press generally welcomes the Geneva protocol agreement reached by the League of Nations upon the insistence of Japanese delegates, characterizing the result as a diplomatic victory for Japan.

Kokumin Shimbun, an independent daily, asserts that the agreement marks progress towards a realization of Japan's stand for racial equality, while the Jiji Shimpo, another independent sheet, says that objection of the Japanese delegates at Geneva to the original draft was not intended to bring up the question of immigration as it relates to Canada, Australia or the United States.

The Nichi Nichi says the league has been saved for the service of the whole world by listening to the Japanese claims and thereby it has prevented its decline into a purely European organization dealing with local questions.

VANCOUVER AUTHORITIES PLAN CHINESE CLEAN-UP

Canadian Press Despatch.

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 2.—Gambling must be stopped in Chinatown; selling of narcotics must cease; tong activities must be curbed; that all fear of safety of life and limb will be removed; sale of liquor in chop suey houses and blind pigs must be suppressed and the civic bylaws must be rigorously enforced according to orders issued police officers by the police commission today.

BRITISH GOLF CHAMPION SUCCEEDS AS BARONET

London, Oct. 3.—Ernest Holderness, the present holder of the British amateur golf championship, has become a baronet through the death of his father, Sir Thomas Holderness, a former under-secretary of the India office.

This is the first time the championship has been held by a titled golfer.

CAPT. JEROME MAX PHAFF,
who yesterday pleaded not guilty when he appeared before a French naval tribunal at Brest to answer a charge of having committed piracy in connection with the looting of the Mulhouse, off the Canadian coast.

SMITH'S SENTENCE AGAIN DEFERRED

Judge Coatsworth Decides To Postpone Decision Until October 31.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Oct. 3.—Senior County Judge Emerson Coatsworth did not sentence Ocean G. Smith, former chief accountant of the Home Bank of Canada, when he appeared in court this morning. His honor deferred his decision until Oct. 31.

Smith was found guilty last Friday of negligence in compiling monthly and annual returns on the bank for the department of finance.

It is assumed that the judge wishes to hear more of the trials and to get a longer perspective on the entire case before he passes sentence. By hearing the cases of Sidney Jones, the auditor, and one or two of the directors, he will then have a wider knowledge of the relative responsibility for the failure of the bank in August, 1923.

IRISH MEASURE PASSES READING

Bill Survives First Appearance in House of Lords—Boundary in Question.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Oct. 3.—The House of Lords today gave first reading to the Irish bill providing for a commission to adjust the boundary between Ulster and the Free State, which yesterday passed its third and final reading in the House of Commons.

The Marquis of Salisbury pointed out that several members of the lords desired to address their compeers on the matter and suggested that the debate in connection with the second reading be taken Tuesday or Wednesday. To this proposal the lord chancellor assented on behalf of the government.

TO MAKE NEW ARRESTS IN TAX OFFICE SCANDAL

Many Hamilton Citizens Are Implicated by Former Tax Clerk.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Hamilton, Oct. 2.—More arrests are promised in the civic scandal. Police and auditors today were closeted in the jail for an hour with Ernest King, former tax clerk, facing trial.

Several ledgers and other records were taken to the jail. King was asked to explain certain entries. These entries, it was learned, implicated the names of additional citizens alleged to have paid their taxes on a 50-50 basis.

Private detectives in the service of bonding companies are said to have uncovered some startling information which will show how the several alleged embezzlers lost the money they are said to have stolen.

The names of several alleged operators of handbooks are mentioned.

King, Saunders and Hartley will next appear in the police court on Oct. 6. Fisher will appear on Oct. 8. He was admitted to bail in the sum of $2,000.

UNITY CONFERENCE HAS CONCLUDED SESSIONS

Associated Press Despatch.

Delhi, British India, Oct. 3.—The unity conference, attended by 300 representatives of all the religious communities, including Hindus and Moslems in India, which had been in session since last week, concluded its work today in an atmosphere of mutual good will.

Leaders of both the Hindus and the Moslems said they realized the adoption of resolutions would not solve the problem of the differences between the sects, but they expressed the hope that the declarations made at the conference of the rights of the various religious communities on questions which often led to dissensions and riots, would make the aggressors hesitate before precipitating trouble.

PEACH "HOUND" EMPLOYS BOYS TO CARRY PURCHASES

A carload of Elberta peaches of excellent quality were offered by a local fruit merchant this morning.

The crowd on the market square lost no time in buying up as many as possible. One man who evidently had not purchased his supply this year was seen endeavoring to take four 6-quart baskets away with him. This proved rather fruitless, so hiring three boys he at last succeeded in taking them home.

QUARTERS FLAYED BY POLICE CHIEF

Robert Birrell Urges Kiwanians To Boost For New Station.

ROOM LACKING

Outlining the conditions as they exist in London's police court, Chief of Police Robert Birrell spoke to the members of the Kiwanis club at their regular luncheon at the Tecumseh House at noon today.

Chief Birrell told of the 56 members of the police force and their efforts to use the old police building. He spoke of each room, and showed that it was impossible to carry on much longer in the present quarters.

"The clothing worn by the officers costs money, paid out by the taxpayers," said the chief. "The uniforms should last four years. There is no way to look after them. They have to be folded in small boxes 18x12. There is no place to hang the garments.

"In a room 8x10 the capes and waterproof coats hang. The room is far too small, and the condition should not exist in a city the size of London.

"You all know the sergeants' room," said the chief (laughter). "It is no place to pile clothes. There should be a proper room, so that we could give the most amount of service at the least cost to the taxpayer."

"The police magistrate's room is too small, and is not in keeping with such an office. The furniture is dilapidated. Lawyers who come to consult with clients have to use the magistrate's room. They may have witnesses and there is no place for the witnesses to sit down.

"There is a place called the witness room, but there is no place for women unless it is in the magistrate's office. Sometimes half a dozen women are around the building, and they have no place to rest. The male witnesses hang about the halls looking for somewhere to go.

"The seats in the court are always taken early by spectators. They cannot be excluded, because it is a public court. They get there early because they have nothing to do.

"There are no vaults, wherein to keep papers. There is a place about four feet square where people have to go to do business with the police court clerk. Two or three people fill the room and there are no facilities for looking after them."

Chief Birrell said that he had been trying for six years to work up some enthusiasm in the city council and in other channels to get a new police station. If possible he was willing to stir up some interest through such mediums as the Kiwanis and kindred clubs. He knew the members of the Kiwanis clubs were boosters as well as taxpayers.

GOODWILL URGED BY PREMIER KING

Spirit of Humility Essential, Too, He Tells Winnipeg Audience.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 3.—The importance of the spirit of goodwill and co-operation in the solution of national, provincial and municipal problems was emphasized by Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, prime minister of Canada, replying to an address of welcome delivered by Mayor S. J. Farmer, at a public reception tendered the premier here last night.

"There are difficult problems to deal with, but by working in a spirit of mutual endeavor, the solution will ultimately be found," said the prime minister. "The spirit of humility is essential these days, and it should be shared by all. It was certainly shared by all engaged in the administration of affairs at Ottawa, and it would be a strange thing if the people were to have an arrogant spirit in dealing with the great problems that inevitably follow in the wake of war.

Mr. King emphasized the importance of the natural resources, and he thought the public was beginning to appreciate where the solution of the country's great problems from a material point of view really lay. There was untold wealth in them, and all that was required was the application of labor and capital to the natural resources.

JAPS HAIL AGREEMENT AS DIPLOMATIC SCOOP

Delegates Lauded by Press for Work on Geneva Protocol.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Melbourne, Australia, Oct. 3.—Premier S. M. Bruce, in a speech in the house of representatives today with regard to the compromise arrived at with Japan at Geneva on the League of Nations arbitration protocol, said that unless there was something in the protocol which interfered with Australia's rights, there would be no need for Australia to take special action in the matter.

ALPINE SOLDIERS DIE IN AVALANCHE SLIDE

Associated Press Despatch.

Turin, Italy, Oct. 3.—An avalanche has buried a detachment of Alpine troops who were engaged in manoeuvres in Sousa valley. Several bodies have been recovered.

NOTED SPECIALIST DIES.

Associated Press Despatch.

Chicago, Oct. 3.—Dr. O. W. McMichael, noted tuberculosis specialist, died yesterday after an operation in which his left leg was amputated because of blood-poisoning. He was 57 years of age, a native of Canada and had spent years in research and experimentation to combat tuberculosis.