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STARTING DISCLOSURES MAY BE MADE AT REQUEST JAMES LARNE'S DEATH

Prisoner Will Be Given a Hearing Next Friday—Has Only Been Married a Few Months—Alleged Motive Is Disagreement Over Farm.

[By Staff Reporter.]

SIMCOE, Ont., July 30.—Lorne Helmer, 20-year-old Norfolk farmer, is incarcerated in the county jail here charged with the murder of James A. Larnie, whose body was found on the Helmer farm in North Wainingham Township, early Thursday morning by a search party composed of district farmers. Helmer, who was married nine months ago, was arrested by County Constable Roy Marshall in company with Provincial Detective John Miller this morning. He was taken into custody at the farm of a relative a few miles south of the scene of the alleged murder.

The accused youth, who is an overseas veteran, having enlisted at an early age in the 133rd Norfolk Battalion, was brought before J. S. Abel, Justice of the Peace, at Silver Hill, and was remanded one week on a charge of wilfully murdering James A. Larnie. He will appear at the inquest to be held at Silver Hill on Friday morning when starting disclosures will likely be made, and new evidence introduced by the crown.

The prisoner was brought to the office of Crown Attorney T. R. Slaght about noon today, and after a conference there was taken to a local cafe for luncheon. A further conference was then held in the attorney's office, after which Helmer was locked up in the county jail here. He calmly submitted to his arrest, making no attempt to escape, and has observed a cool demeanor ever since. Counsel has not yet been retained in his interests, but this matter will be attended to before the inquest is resumed next Friday.

Motive For Murder.
Learned by the authorities to have been murdered about July 13 last, and the motive, according to Crown Attorney T. R. Slaght, is the fact that he was preventing Helmer from retaining possession of certain lands in the township. The victim disappeared about this date, on the day that Lorne Helmer was served with a writ issued by the crown to evict the accused youth from the Helmer farm, which was held for a term of years by a claim from the mother of the prisoner.

The body was discovered cleverly concealed in a trench dug some time ago by hunters in search of a skunk. The trench is about twenty feet long and was filled with earth and stones on the side of a ravine in a secluded spot. The remains were covered with earth and stones, and in addition the trench was filled with earth and stones.

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LUCAS REMOVED IRON BARS TO MAKE ESCAPE

British General Gained Liberty From the Sinn Feiners.

Dublin, July 31.—(By Gen. O. H. T. Lucas, commander of the Fermanagh military area, who has just reached the Tipperary military barracks after having been held prisoner by the Sinn Feiners, since he was kidnapped late in June, made his escape Thursday night by removing bars guarding the window of the room which served as his prison. The location of the building is not divulged. Neither is it known how Gen. Lucas spent the night. He encountered the lorry which brought him to the Tipperary barracks at 9 o'clock the next morning, near Dole, between Limerick and Tipperary. He was wearing civilian clothes, but was able to convince the soldiers of his identity. Shortly after he was taken into the lorry it was held up by a party of Sinn Feiners and two soldiers were killed and three others wounded. The holdup seems to have been merely a customary attempt to capture arms. Gen. Lucas is not suspected of the presence of Gen. Lucas.

There are several versions of the details connected with the escape, according to one of them, the lorry was stopped by a felled tree and fifty men opened fire from both sides of the road. The soldiers were killed and maintained a fight for half an hour until a second lorry appeared, when the assailants fled. The soldiers were killed and maintained a fight for half an hour until a second lorry appeared, when the assailants fled. The soldiers were killed and maintained a fight for half an hour until a second lorry appeared, when the assailants fled.

Gen. Lucas is good, and he had no complaint to make of the treatment accorded him while he was held prisoner by the Sinn Feiners.

"CIVIC HOLIDAY" IN MANY ONT. CITIES ON MONDAY NEXT

Custom Originally Came From England.

Toronto, July 31.—By the Canadian Press.—Next Monday is Civic Holiday in Toronto, and most of the other cities of Ontario. Winnipeg, Man., is also taking the day off as the result of the mayor's proclamation. Outside of the provinces of Ontario and Manitoba, however, cities of Canada have not yet contracted the habit of regularly making the first Monday in August a municipal mid-summer holiday.

In Ontario some exceptions in the matter of dates are Kingston and Belleville, who had their Civic holidays on July 26 and 27, respectively. Chatham will make it a holiday on August 1, and Galt on August 9. Edmonton, Alta., has also chosen August 9 for the day. The holiday was first introduced in Vancouver, although some other western cities are said to be considering the matter.

The custom in some cities of Canada of proclaiming a Civic Holiday came from England, where in many towns the merchants and the town council decide on a day in mid-summer to cease work.

SOLDIERS LOSE ARMS.
Dublin, July 30.—A military patrol was ambushed and relieved of its arms twelve miles from Dublin early this morning. There were no casualties.

ATTACK ON HALL.
Delfest, July 30.—Sinn Feiners attacked the Lylester Orange Hall, near Stranorroy, County Down, early this morning. The windows and doors were smashed and property inside was damaged.

EDWARDS GETS DECISION.
Milwaukee, Wis., July 31.—Law Ed. Edwards, chairman of the Wisconsin State Bar Association, was last night given the newspaper decision over Jack Lawler, Tennessee, at the end of a ten-round bout.

IMPORTERS OBJECT TO PREPAYMENT OF FREIGHT FROM U. S.

American Firms Taking No Chances On Losing Money.

Washington, July 31.—Canadian manufacturers and importers are objecting to the requirement of railroads that they prepay freight charges on goods shipped from the United States to Canada. The department of commerce was advised today by Felix Johnson, consul at Kingston, Ont.

The Canadians complained, according to Consul Johnson, that United States railroads are objecting to the recommendation of the interstate commerce commission, that prepayment of freight charges be required only where it was customary in the past.

To secure goods from the United States, Canadian buyers say they must forward funds for freight payment, and according to advice received here, the yield is expected to run from 25 to 35 bushels to the acre in this district.

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BOLSHEVIK FORCES ADVANCE TO EAST PRUSSIAN BORDER

Line Extends To Point Sixty Miles North of Warsaw.

London, July 31.—Continued successes for the Bolsheviks are announced in an official statement issued Friday by the Russian Soviet Government at Moscow and received here today by wireless.

Paris, July 31.—(By the Associated Press).—Bolshevik cavalry forces have advanced to the East Prussian frontier, according to a report from the French military mission in Warsaw to the French foreign office.

The Allied troops in Allenstein and Marienwerder, which are mostly French, will be held there until the situation clears, though the plebiscite under the terms of the first Polish army, which suffered most severely in the vital region north of Warsaw, was not supported as warmly by the chieftains as by the bandmen and other members of the musicians' union, it is said.

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Guelph, July 30.—Claiming that he was a representative of the Hyatt Manufacturing Company of London, a well-dressed young man about 25 years of age visited Guelph last Saturday and after passing worthless checks for \$90 on three local merchants, has not been heard of since.

It was not discovered until today that the stranger, who went by the name of George B. Shea, was a bogus check artist, when the Bank of Toronto London notified the local Royal Bank that one of the checks forwarded to them for payment was a forgery.

The checks were false certifications, but were so cleverly camouflaged that the artist experienced little difficulty in defrauding the merchants.

JILTED LOVER KILLS WOMAN APPOINTMENT

Chelsea Man Attempts Suicide After Committing Murder.

Cambridge, Mass., July 31.—Harry W. Douma, 31, was charged today with the murder of Mrs. Grace Rowan Cummings, 35, who lay in bed in her apartment on Mount Auburn street last night. He was charged with the murder of Mrs. Cummings, who was found dead in her bed last night, and while he was talking with a young woman visitor Mrs. Cummings had turned away from him and he had entered her room and the shooting followed.

Friends of Mrs. Cummings said that the two had been planning to be married in September, but a few days ago Mrs. Cummings told Douglas that she had changed her mind and had refused to marry him. Last night she was talking with a young woman visitor Mrs. Cummings had turned away from him and he had entered her room and the shooting followed.

MANAGERS SAY DEMANDS UNFAIR

Object To Being Forced To Employ Stated Number of Musicians.

Definite assurances that all local theatres will continue to employ musicians were given by the managers today, although they are facing the prospect of a strike at midnight tonight unless some settlement is reached.

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SCOTLAND FIELD CAUSING TROUBLE

Fire Chief John Aiken has returned from the international convention of fire chiefs at Toronto and will attend the Dominion convention at St. Thomas on August 2.

"We were treated well at the Dominion convention," he said. "It was only named by the fire chief of St. Thomas, Ontario, who was invited by Fire Chief Kenyon of New York, which in the end amounted to nothing more than a social gathering."

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 87; lowest, 67. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 73; lowest, 63.

LOCAL BUILDING FIGURES PASS THE MARK

Big Advance Shown Over Same Period a Year Ago—Permits For Residences Continue To Be Issued Steadily.

Official building figures have passed the million-dollar mark. Permits issued yesterday brought the total for the month to \$188,195. This added to the total of the previous six months, which was \$825,105, made the aggregate figures for 1920 a total of \$1,013,300. This compares with a total of \$719,239 attained by this time in 1919. The figures for the month also exceeded those of July last year, when the total was only \$171,200. This gives an encouraging lead in the race to beat last year's figures, but it is expected that it will be needed next month. Last year in August building figures reached the enormous total of \$897,450, owing to the building of two theatres and other large construction work.

Permits issued Friday were: W. E. Saunders, 2-story brick dwelling, Central avenue, \$5,400; W. Halliwell, 1-story brick dwelling, 88 High street, \$3,000; Dr. Huffman, remodel brick dwelling, 746 Waterloo street, \$3,000; E. Eckert, 2-story brick, kitchen, bath and general repairs, 296 Wolfe street, \$9,000.

STORK HAS HAD A BUSY MONTH

Seventy-Three Baby Boys and Fifty-One Girls Were Brought.

All records for long-distance flying by stork have been broken. The stork has brought 73 baby boys and 51 girls to the city in the last month. The stork has brought 73 baby boys and 51 girls to the city in the last month.

MILLERAND GETS CHAMBER TOOK SPA AGREEMENT

Puts Issue Boldly To Deputies and Wins Support For Pact.

Paris, July 30.—By the Associated Press.—Premier Millerand again won the support of the Chamber of Deputies for his government today in a special arrangement, in the face of an adverse report by the commission on finances. He obtained a favorable vote of 365 to 169 for adoption of the 200,000,000 franc monthly advances to Germany.

"If you refuse to vote this bill," Mr. Millerand said, "then our obligation to make advances ceases, but at the same time the government today in a special arrangement, in the face of an adverse report by the commission on finances. He obtained a favorable vote of 365 to 169 for adoption of the 200,000,000 franc monthly advances to Germany.

SAYS HE HAD 17 CASSES STOLEN

Richard Gray Reports Loss of Whiskey to the Police.

Richard Gray, 15 Rosewood avenue, has reported to the local police that on July 22, while attending a picnic at Springbank his house was entered and seven cases of whiskey were stolen. Gray was fined \$200 and costs in police court July 31 as a result of being taken into custody on a city street with a bottle of liquor in his possession.

THREE KILLED WHEN LIGHTNING STRIKES DYNAMITE SHED

Quebec, July 31.—(Canadian Press).—Last night three men were killed as the result of lightning striking a shed containing dynamite.

BOLSHEVISM AND GERMAN REVENGE BEHIND SINN FEIN MOVEMENT

So Declares Sir Edward Carson and Duke of Northumberland.

LLOYD GEORGE'S VIEWS
Premier Is Disappointed Because No Remedy Is Suggested.

London, July 31.—(By the Associated Press).—An official report concerning the reception Thursday by Premier Lloyd George of a deputation of Sinn Fein peers and members of the House of Commons for a discussion of the support of Ireland, showed that Sir Edward Carson, Unionist leader, both of whom emphasized that the Sinn Fein was part of a great world-wide conspiracy in which Bolshevism and German revenge were playing an active part, aiming at the destruction of Great Britain.

The Duke of Northumberland, who was present, said that he understood that the Sinn Fein was represented at the conference by Dr. Patrick McCartan, the so-called Sinn Fein "ambassador" to the United States, and declared that the Sinn Fein was a part of a great world-wide conspiracy in which Bolshevism and German revenge were playing an active part, aiming at the destruction of Great Britain.

Lloyd George, who was present, expressed disappointment that the deputation had failed to suggest possible remedies for the situation in Ireland. He agreed there was a Sinn Fein party behind anti-British activities in Ireland, and said he would not be surprised if there also were Bolshevist money.

"But," he added, "we should make a mistake if we assumed that the Sinn Fein is purely a Bolshevist conspiracy against Great Britain." He said that he would not be surprised if there also were Bolshevist money.

Mr. Lloyd George concluded by contending that there was need for a decided policy for enforcing the law in Ireland, and that the government should consider the possibility of granting Ireland a measure of liberty and self-government consistent with the security and peace of the United Kingdom.

BRITISH TAXATION MAY FORCE HUDSON BAY TO TRANSFER ITS HOLDINGS

Sir Robert Kindersley Outlines Proposition at Annual Meeting.

London, July 31.—By the Canadian Associated Press.—Sir Robert Kindersley, chairman of the board of the Hudson Bay Company, at an annual meeting today, said that British taxation was compelling the directors to consider the possibility of transferring part of their business to purely Canadian companies.

Sir Robert referred to the disadvantage which Canadian people had over them in not being subjected to the excess profits duty. He said that probably the most important matter, as far as the Hudson Bay Company was concerned, was that under the English law they were not allowed to depreciate their holdings before paying taxes. In an old established country, however, it was not unreasonable in a young country like Canada, where so many buildings were of a temporary character. It would be impossible to develop their town sites while they were an English company, Sir Robert also hinted at the near prospect of further capital being required in view of the considerable expansion before them. If, however, there was a material fall in prices, fresh capital might not be required. The chairman alluded to another year's prosperity in their fur trade, despite the more severe competition in the last few years. The prospect of their farm lands was encouraging, except in certain portions of Alberta, where there seemed to be slight signs of the revival of better class real estate.

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Quebec, July 31.—(Canadian Press).—Last night three men were killed as the result of lightning striking a shed containing dynamite.

The three men, who were standing nearby, were instantly killed, one of them having his head completely torn off.

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New York, July 31.—Disension among the crew of the steamship Baltic, occasioned by the name of Archbishop Mannix, among the list of passengers, today gave rise to uncertainty as to whether the ship would sail for Queenstown and Liverpool at moon as scheduled.

Promiscuous arguments among the crew concerning the Australian prelate's prospective voyage crystallized into formal meetings early today of the National Cooks and Stewards' Union and the Seamen's and Firemen's Union, which were to decide what action, if any, would be taken.

Among the crew are many who are either Irish or of Irish descent, who claim that Archbishop Mannix should make the voyage as an honored guest of the Baltic. There is said to be, however, an equal number who express indignation at the proposed sailing of the ship with a passenger of that name among the passengers they would go on strike, and the latter were equally determined to prevent the sailing of the ship.

Officers of the ship, however, early today expressed hope of reconciling the two factions. They said they would attempt to persuade the men to see that the archbishop's sailing was a matter for the British Government to decide, and that it should not concern the Baltic's crew.

BIG DELEGATION TO BID GOOD-BYE TO ARCHBISHOP MANNIX

New York, July 31.—(By the Canadian Press).—Mgr. John A. Sheppard, vicar-general of the Roman Catholic diocese of Newark, who will head a large delegation to see Archbishop Mannix off when the Baltic sails for Queenstown tonight, issued the following statement last night: "That Archbishop Mannix should be prevented from sailing on English soil is not easily understood. He has done nothing to violate the doctrine of the declaration of independence and emphasize the language of the archbishop's sailing was a matter for the British Government to decide, and that it should not concern the Baltic's crew."

"Were the president of the United States to give out that he was to sail tomorrow for England, it would be just as logical for the English Government to say that he could not land as to forbid the archbishop to set foot on the soil of England."

If Eamon De Valera, "president of the Irish republic," who is said to be accompanying the archbishop, were to board the Baltic baggageless, at noon all his belongings were in his suite at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, where he arrived last night.

HYDRO AGREEMENT WITH GUELPH IS VALID AND BINDING

Toronto Lawyers Declare in Opinions Given To the City Council.

Guelph, July 30.—Legal opinions given by George H. Kilmer, K.C., and C. B. Macdonald, K.C., of Toronto, on behalf of the Hydro-Electric Commission as to the legal authority for the agreement entered into between the city of Guelph and the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission respecting the acquiring of the Guelph Radial Railway system by the hydro commission, were made public today by Mayor Vestoy of this city.

MYSTERY OF BURNING OIL SHIP IS SOLVED

Fishing Schooner Relates How Impression Was Gained.

Atlantic City, July 31.—Arrival here yesterday of the fishing schooner Macintosh solved the mystery of the "burning oil ship" which was sighted off the coast of New Jersey last week. The schooner, which was owned by the Macintosh family, had been sighted off the coast of New Jersey last week. The schooner, which was owned by the Macintosh family, had been sighted off the coast of New Jersey last week.

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VILLAGE INDUSTRIES ARE THING OF PAST, DECLARES REYNOLDS

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GERMANS DECIDE TO RELEASE BELA KUN

Hungarian Government Unable To Secure Former Communist Dictator.

Berlin, July 31.—Bela Kun, former Communist dictator of Hungary, who recently was detained at Stettin while en route to Russia, are to be allowed to depart to "a destination abroad" as chosen by themselves, according to an official statement issued Friday. The Government refers to the fact that Hungary has asked to have Bela Kun released, and that the German Government does not feel justified in "further withholding freedom from the created persons without legal grounds."

SENATOR ROBERTSON IS TO ATTEND CONGRESS

Ottawa, July 31.—(By Canadian Press).—Senator G. D. Robertson, minister of labor, will attend the annual convention of the Niagara District Industrial Association. He will deliver a address at Welland next Tuesday evening.

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TOMORROW—FAIR AND COOL.
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