

MONTREAL EXECUTIVES JOIN DRIVE ON VICE

All Factions Join to Clean the Metropolis of Commercialized Vice.

BIG MEETING IS HELD

Delegates and Officials Meet Committee Behind Closed Doors.

Special to The Advertiser.

Montreal, Jan. 20.—The members of the committee of sixteen met this morning at an amicable interview both have agreed to work together towards the betterment of moral conditions in our city.

This was the official statement given out at the close of the two-hour conference yesterday afternoon between eleven members of the committee of sixteen, including the specially-appointed delegates to the Montreal Kiwanis Club and the representatives of the executive committee of the city administration, who met on conditions existing in Montreal in the matter of commercialized vice.

Press Not Admitted.

It had been anticipated from statements made previously by members of both committees that the conference would be one to which the press would be admitted, especially in view of what had been stated at the city council meeting last Monday, when Ald. Brodeur, the chairman of the executive had spent considerable time in discussing the statements that had been made at the Canadian Club by Dr. Haywood, one of the members of the committee of sixteen.

A full complement of newspapermen were on hand for the meeting, together with photographers, but they were not permitted to enter the room after the smoke of anticipated battle had drifted away.

But despite the efforts of the president of the committee of sixteen and some of the members, the conference was held behind closed doors, as Mr. Brodeur would not allow any reporters to be present, not even an official stenographer, who had been requested by the committee of sixteen to attend, so that they would have an official record of the proceedings for future reference.

Committee Protests.

"This is a private meeting, no reporters," announced Ald. Brodeur directly to the committee of sixteen, Dr. A. Lorne C. Gilday, the president of the committee of sixteen, immediately rose and said that they were anxious to have the press representatives present.

Ald. Brodeur came back with the report that the executive committee wanted to hear the side of the story, and that if it was only publicity that was wanted, they could get that elsewhere.

Dr. Gilday bowed to the decision of Mr. Brodeur for the meeting was taking place in his private office—and asked if the official stenographer could remain, so that they might have a record of the proceedings.

Ald. Brodeur just as promptly decided that there should be no stenographer present. The committee of sixteen were meeting the city executive to have to turn to their memories. The newspapermen and the stenographer withdrew.

Wanted Record.

J. N. Dupuis, one of the members of the committee of sixteen emphasized that they wanted to have a record for reference. Mr. Brodeur did not see the need of it, and so the committee of sixteen said they would have to turn to their memories. The newspapermen and the stenographer withdrew.

BAPTISTS DISCUSS BUYING NEW MANSE AT DURHAM

Special to The Advertiser.

Durham, Jan. 20.—Durham Baptist annual meeting was well attended. The five former deacons, Thomas McCann, Duncan, James Ritchie, William Moffat and Anthony Holmes were re-elected, and three others were added, namely: James Brown, Charles Ritchie and William Moore.

Mrs. George Thompson was re-elected clerk, Anthony Holmes, treasurer, and Mrs. William Moore, recording treasurer.

The Durham congregation alone raised over \$1,000 for the general fund and nearly \$1,800 for all purposes, including Glenzie Centre's contribution of \$111. With increased expense there was a small deficit at the close of the year, which is now wiped out.

Considerable discussion took place regarding the building of purchase of a manse, but no definite action was taken.

SOUTHWOLD

Special to The Advertiser.

Southwold, Jan. 20.—The annual meeting of Burns Presbyterian Church, Southwold, was a very successful gathering. The reports showed all departments in a good state of progress. A congregational meeting was also held for the purpose of considering a call to a minister.

Rev. Mr. Malcolm, moderator, was in the chair.

Rev. Mr. Gilmore of London was the unanimous choice of the meeting, and he will be inducted on February 1 at Payne's Mills charge. A large number of the ministers of London presbytery will take part.

Miss Lyall Walker spent the weekend at her home in Yarmouth. Miss Hathaway spent a week at her home in Appleton.

Mrs. William Leach has returned from visiting relatives in Canada. Mrs. Janet McAlpine is visiting friends in Port Burwell.

SEIZE BOOZE WORTH \$1,800 IN KINGSVILLE RESIDENCE

Special to The Advertiser.

Kingsville, Jan. 19.—A liquor valued at \$1,800 was seized today by License Inspector Stone of Essex, at the home of G. W. Hall, resident on Main street. According to the license, the booze was not provided with warrants. The case will be heard next week.

FINED FOR "WASH."

Canadian Press Despatch.

Brantford, Jan. 20.—Ira Baker, Onondaga farmer, was fined \$200 for having a "wash" (not wash) suitable for liquor manufacture. He claimed it was boiled hersef with the coals done out in the open.



An intimate picture of Stanley Baldwin, British chancellor of the exchequer, and his wife. Mr. Baldwin has been in Washington conducting negotiations regarding the British debt.

ADJUST LAUNDRY CASE WITHOUT COURT AID

St. Thomas Action Involving Alleged Breach of Agreement Amicably Settled.

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, Jan. 20.—The case of Marshall vs. Hunter, which was to be heard by Judge Ross in the county court house Friday morning, was amicably settled out of court.

The matter involved an agreement between J. H. Marshall and D. M. Hunter, dated February 3, 1919, when the plaintiff, J. H. Marshall, purchased from the defendant, St. Thomas Steam Laundry, the agreement restricted the defendant from re-entering the laundry business for a specified number of years.

The defendant, D. M. Hunter, acquired the City Laundry at Curtis street last year, after which the plaintiff asked for an injunction restraining the continuation of business by the defendant, and \$500 damages, on the ground that he is an agent for an outside laundry, claiming his business was being injured by the operation of the City Laundry.

Judge Ross approved of the settlement made out of court, congratulating both parties, and informed them that they had acted wisely in settling the matter out of court.

C. St. Leitch, K.C., St. Thomas, appeared for the plaintiff and W. H. Barnum of Aylmer for the defendant.

MYSTERIOUS DEATHS

BETOKEN POISONING

Police Find New Glasgow Girl Dead and Two Men in Great Agony.

Canadian Press Despatch.

New Glasgow, N.S., Jan. 20.—Her face showing the traces of great suffering, a blood-covered, a woman, aged 21, was found dead in a rooming house, the cause of death sustained in the writhings of death, Margaret MacDonald, an unusually young girl, was found dead in her room on Archibald street this evening, and beside her were the unconscious bodies of her brother, Duncan, and a companion, Chippie Reid, who had apparently been stricken with the same mysterious malady which had caused her death.

It was said at the Aberdeen Hospital tonight, that MacDonald had a slight change of color, and that she had been dead some hours when found.

The room in which the three were lying on the floor was in the second floor, and the floor was covered with vomit and blood, consisting of the blood of the three who had died. The room was a small one, and the three were lying on the floor, and the floor was covered with vomit and blood.

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300 DEPOSITORS LOSE WHEN BANKS SUSPEND

Canadian Press Despatch.

Saskatoon, Jan. 20.—Approximately 300 depositors are affected as a result of the closing of the Outlook and Glenzie, Saskatchewan, branches of the Universal Securities Corporation, private bankers.

The business of the corporation is reported to be considerably involved, and their closing has been forced by the refusal of the Dominion Bank of Canada to extend their credit.

J. P. Kennedy, manager, an old-time resident of Outlook district, has been a member of the Universal Securities Corporation for a number of years. Today he declared the failure of the concern to be due to business conditions generally and the closing of credit by the bank.

Most of the sufferers are small depositors. Kennedy's reputation in the home town was good, and no charges are pending against him. Most of the stock is held in the United States.

ELGIN COUNTY TRUSTEES TO CONVENE IN ST. THOMAS

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, Jan. 20.—The twelfth annual meeting of the Elgin County Trustees' Association will be held here on Thursday and Friday of next week. It is expected that some definite action will be taken regarding the consolidated school question, which has been under consideration for the past three years.

Although the opinions of the members are divided on the school matter, it is thought that the views of J. L. Burger of Southwold, who is a strong advocate, will likely enlighten the matter before the association.

A list of speakers on educational problems is now being arranged from the city and outside authorities.

J. J. McCrae of Wardville is president of the association, and D. B. McPherson of Port Stanley, secretary.

ELECT DOBSON CHAIRMAN.

Special to The Advertiser.

Tilbury, Jan. 20.—At the inaugural meeting of the Tilbury Public School Board held Wednesday night, Rural School Division No. 1, J. L. Dobson was elected chairman, and James Foster re-elected secretary-treasurer. The following committees were appointed: Grounds, Dr. Sharp, R. Shaw and Rev. S. M. Bradford; building, H. Sloan, Rev. G. Kersey and the chairman.

BODY OF YOUNG DANCER DISCOVERED ON BEACH

San Diego Chief of Police Has Suspect Face Girl's Mother.

WORKING ON CASE

Police Have Theory That Admirer of Miss Mann Is Implicated.

Special to The Advertiser.

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 20.—Roger V. B. Clark, Los Angeles movie director, yesterday was brought to San Diego to face the mother of Fritz Mann, 20-year-old dancer, whose mysterious death is being investigated.

Clark was brought here immediately after Los Angeles police found he had established an apparently complete alibi, and had released him. Chief of Police Patrick of San Diego, however, desired that Miss Mann's mother see him, because of her frequent charges at the opening of the inquest yesterday against him.

The probe into the mysterious death of Miss Mann, whose semi-nude body was found on the beach at Torrey Pines, took an unexpected turn today.

Capt. Louis Jacobs of the Camp Keener, friend of Miss Mann, who was dramatically arrested yesterday, has apparently established as well as Clark an iron-clad alibi.

With the establishment of these alibis, officers turned to another clue, and are seeking to locate in Los Angeles, a man connected with the motion picture industry, who is said to have met Miss Mann while she was dancing at a cabaret in Culver City.

Spent Saturday with Friend.

The ill-fated dancer spent last Saturday with a friend, Miss Ethel Whitney. She told Miss Whitney, according to police, that she was expecting a number of motion picture people, Sunday, for a house party at Del Mar.

The following day she left home at about 3 p.m. She told her mother she was going to Del Mar to a house party. About 5:30 she called up, and told Mrs. Mann they had changed their plans and were going to La Jolla, near San Diego.

The theory of Chief James Patrick of San Diego, who has been working on the case, is that the house party did not materialize, but that an admirer of Miss Mann came from Los Angeles to San Diego alone, driving his inclosed roadster. He met Miss Mann in San Diego and drove to the Blue Sea cottages in La Jolla, where he had a cottage for the night from A. E. Kern.

Pale and Nervous.

The man was between 26 and 30, pale and nervous. Kern has positively identified the girl as Miss Whitney. The two had been staying for some time, then left in the auto, and returned the second time. They stayed about an hour this time and left on orders.

The theory of the officers now is that while in the cottage Miss Mann may have become violently ill, and fainted from the effects of the liquor, and her companion believed her dead. Frightened, he drove away with the body and left it on the beach, speeding on to Los Angeles.

Clark has proven that he was at the home of Al Flowers, prominent San Diegoan, from 8 p.m. until midnight Sunday. It was during these hours that the girl was thrown into the sea. Dr. Jacobs was not the driver of the roadster.

The police are still convinced that the girl did not commit suicide.

BIG MONTHLY REVENUE FROM BREWING FIRM

Hydro Commissioner Claims \$30,000 Earnings From Company's Switch Line.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Jan. 20.—There is \$3,000 a month revenue from the switch line of the Sandwich, Amherstburg and Windsor Railway from the British-American Brewing Company. Mr. Gaby told Gregory commissioners today during an investigation of the acquisition of the S. A. and W. Ry. by the Hydro Commission.

Commissioner Harris asked if the freight handled was liquor, and Mr. Gaby replied that it all depended on the time.

Sir Adam Beck said there had been a strong demand that the business be handled, and as trustees for the municipalities the commission could not refuse.

"Is it legal?" asked Mr. Gregory. "The courts have declared that it was legal," said Sir Adam. Mr. Gregory then reviewed a former inquiry, and asked, "Can you handle all these railroads as well as the hydro?"

"If it were not for these commissions I would have more than ample time and give some recreation as well," said Sir Adam.

"Haven't your men got enough to do?" "It depends on what you want them to do," said Sir Adam, who did not think the railways had interfered with his hydro duties. The municipalities thought the H. E. C. could handle the work better than anyone else, he said.

"At any stage did you propose to co-act with a competing railway?" Detroit Union said that if they didn't they would have to meet competition? Chairman Gregory asked Mr. Adam.

Commissioner Lloyd Harris tried to force Mr. Gaby to admit the lighting plant acquired in the deal had been sold to Windsor, at a loss of \$190,000. Mr. Gaby said the figures quoted were memoranda and not authentic.

Mr. Beck said he had warned the municipalities the fares must meet all expenditures.

M. CATER IS PRESIDENT OF INDUSTRIAL AREA

At the inaugural session of the Industrial Area Committee held this afternoon, M. Cater was elected chairman.

STEAMER ARRIVALS.

New York, Jan. 19.—President Wilson, Copenhagen, Jan. 18.—United States, New York.

LENINE AND TROTSKY ARE EARNING \$12 A WEEK

Moscow, Jan. 20.—Nicolai Lenin, Leon Trotsky and M. Kamenoff are earning \$12 a week. The council of labor and defense decided today that no Russian official's salary may exceed 2,000,000 rubles, or \$55 a month.

DEFENDANTS IN HERRIN RIOTS GIVEN LIBERTY

Miners Accused of Murder in Massacre of June Last Are Acquitted by Jury.

MANY SLAUGHTERED

Williamson County Is Scene of Blood Strife During Great Coal Strike.

Special to The Advertiser.

Marion, Ill., Jan. 20.—The five defendants in the first Herrin massacre were acquitted yesterday of the murder of Howard Hoffman. The verdict was delivered at 1:50 p.m. after the jury had deliberated 26 hours and 40 minutes. The accused men—Otis Clark, Peter Miller, Bert Grace, Leva Mann and Joseph Carnaghi—were brought to trial on charges of murdering Hoffman during the riots in and about the Lester strip mine last June.

Twenty-two men were killed in the Herrin massacre on June 21-22 of last year, when union sympathizers and non-union workers clashed in one of the bloodiest industrial battles in the history of the United States.

The slaughter occurred at the Lester strip mine near Herrin, a typical mining town in the heart of the southern Illinois coal fields. "Bloody" Williamson County, scene of the violence and bloodshed which has earned its nickname from more than a century.

The trouble at Herrin started when non-union miners were shipped in to mine the Lester strip mine, owned and operated by W. J. Lester, president of the Southern Illinois coal company. Union miners were on strike at the time. The miners were protected by armed guards, who, according to testimony at the trial, "fired, assaulted and robbed" farmers and miners living near the mine.

Feeling always strong against non-union men, was fanned to fever heat by the alleged actions of the guards. The miners arranged a meeting in the woods, near the mine, to discuss the situation. As they were talking an auto, bearing non-union miners from the railway station, came along the road, the truck was fired on, and three passengers wounded.

The news of the bloodshed spread rapidly, and a mob quickly formed. A few hours later hundreds of miners and their sympathizers marched down upon the non-union miners. Two miners who attempted to effect a truce were fired upon and one was killed.

Angered by the attack, the mob rushed to the mine, and in the volley of shots. The firing reports of the clash brought scores of reinforcements to the miners as the battle continued throughout the afternoon and night.

U. S. STOUTLY PROTESTS SLAYING OF COLTMAN

Washington Demands That Chinese Government Punish Guilty Soldiers.

Special to The Advertiser.

Washington, Jan. 20.—The slaying of Charles Coltmán, an American citizen, by Chinese soldiers at the Kaigai gate of the Great Wall or China has been vigorously protested by the government of the United States to the government of China.

The American legation at Peking, it was learned here officially today, is insisting that punishment be directed against officials responsible for the outrage instead of individual soldiers who were acting on orders.

The killing of Mr. Coltmán, which occurred last December, has aroused great indignation among Americans residing in China, because of the unusual circumstances surrounding the shooting. The American, who was a member of the Chinese Red Cross, was in an automobile with American Consul Sobokini, who, providentially, was not hit by any of the bullets fired by the Chinese guards.

Wanamaker Leaves THOUSANDS TO CHARITY

Leaves Large Amount To Build Homes For Underprivileged Boys.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Philadelphia, Jan. 20.—The will of the late John Wanamaker, filed yesterday, leaves \$200,000 to the trustees of the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. for Bethany College, Ohio.

Gifts of \$50,000 each were made to the Friendly Inn, Philadelphia, and the Bethany Brotherhood, which is connected with Bethany Church, of which Mr. Wanamaker was a member. A million dollars in trust is given to each of his two daughters, and the residue of the estate, after disposing of other bequests, is to be used "for the building of a home for orphans in Philadelphia, whose misdeeds have subjected them to the law."

The total amount of the estate was not announced.

CAVEN PRESBYTERIANS STAGE GOOD DEBATE

Exeter U. F. O. Branch To Consider Forming Shipping Association.

Special to The Advertiser.

Exeter, Jan. 20.—The young people of Caven Presbyterian Guild held a meeting Wednesday evening, when they debated on the subject, "Resolved, that heretofore done more for people than environment."

The affirmative was taken by Misses Jeckell, Murray and Dorrance and the negative by Messrs. Hann, Howard and Miller. The debate was a close one, and the decision was given in favor of the negative.

The next meeting of the U. F. O. Farmers' Club of Exeter will be held Wednesday at 2 o'clock. Mr. Scott, livestock shipper of Dublin, will address the meeting with the object of forming a shipping association.

MITCHELL SCHOOL BOARD APPOINTS 1923 OFFICERS

Special to The Advertiser.

Mitchell, Jan. 19.—At the organization meeting of the public school board for 1923, Trustee R. J. Keeler was appointed chairman, and William Martyn named secretary-treasurer.

The committee was as follows: Management, W. R. Cole and W. A. Stuart; finance, R. J. Keeler and J. B. Brooks; property, W. Stone and J. B. Brooks.

Dr. Burritt was appointed a member of the public library board, and W. Stone was re-elected to the high school board.

RICH SAPPHIRE MARKS ENGAGEMENT OF PRINCE

Associated Press Despatch.

London, Jan. 20.—The Duke of York presented to Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon, his fiancée, an exquisite sapphire ring yesterday afternoon as a token of their engagement.

The ring is known as the half-hoop variety, is set with a single large sapphire of true cornflower blue, on either side of which are two diamonds, somewhat smaller in size. The stones are mounted in platinum.



MAY COMMAND IRISH ARMY. General Sir Brian Mahon (left), who commanded the column which relieved Mafeking in the Boer war, and who supervised the evacuation of Gallipoli in the recent war, may be appointed commander-in-chief of the Irish Free State army. The position is at present held by Richard Mulcahy (right), who is also minister of defence.

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