

THE WEATHER:
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TRAGEDY VICTIM WILL DIE SAY DOCTORS

Double Shooting In York Street House Early Today

LONG ARCTIC NIGHT HOLDS NO TERRORS FOR CREW

Capt. Donald B. MacMillan
States Wireless Relieves
Endless Monotony.

LIKE EVENING PAPER

Explorers in Far North Pleased
To Get the Outside
News.

Special to The Advertiser.
Prince Rupert, B. C., Nov. 23. —
Wireless reports have been received
from nine different countries and
communication with a station in
Hawaii has been established by the
radio operator of the vessel Bowdoin,
now 80 miles from the North Pole.
Capt. Donald B. MacMillan,
explorer, aboard according to
message received here last night
on the exploration party.
Captain MacMillan said in his mes-
sage that "News of the world was
received like an evening paper" from
the two European wireless stations.
"The Bowdoin wireless," the message
declared, "made a record for itself
last night, when Mr. our operator,
talked with Amateur Station 6001
in Hawaii. This distance of 5,000
miles is possibly the world's record
for short wave stations. We have
heard stations in England, Germany,
Holland, Mexico, France, Japan and
Spain."
"We receive news of the world
from stations in Oxford, England
and Naum, Germany, and look for-
ward each day to our evening paper."
"The long Arctic night, so much
described by explorers of old, and so
vividly described with all its conse-
quences in their narratives, has no
terrors for the crew of the Bowdoin.
Current conditions are vastly dif-
ferent, and all conducive to good
health and happiness."

THINKS VITAL FACTS MAY BE WITHHELD

Mayor Warns That the Utilities
Body Might Repeat Its Action
of Last Year.

In view of the fact that the public
utilities commissioners refused to
submit their pay list to the city
council, it would not be unreasonable
to assume that other information
would be denied, Mayor Wenig
warned today.
"1924 is yet to come," his worship
declared today. "And we did not get
over all the road during 1923. We
may want some more data from the
public utilities commission and the
London and Port Stanley Railway
commission as well."
The city council, by unanimous
resolution, directed the mayor to
secure the pay list of all spending
bodies. The public utilities declared
at first. We finally proved that we
were and still are entitled to that in-
formation as representatives of the
people.
"We finally secured the utilities
pay list, and while it was not actu-
ally placed in the mayor's hand, it
came to the city council, of which
the mayor is a member."

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.
Today—Easterly winds; cloudy, with
light falls of rain or snow.
Saturday—Northwest winds; fair, with
much the same temperature.
The high pressure which was over the
Great Lakes yesterday has passed to
Eastern Canada, and low pressure from
the Southwest now covers the Middle
States.
The weather has become milder again
in the Western Provinces.
Temperatures.
The highest and lowest temperatures
during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m.
today were:
Stations High Low Weather
Victoria..... 50 46 Rain
Calgary..... 46 20 Fair
Winnipeg..... 40 15 Fair
Parry Sound..... 38 22 Fair
Toronto..... 45 30 Cloudy
Kingston..... 42 28 Cloudy
Ottawa..... 40 22 Cloudy
Montreal..... 42 26 Fair
Quebec..... 44 24 Cloudy
Father Point..... 34 15 Clear
St. John..... 48 34 Fair
Halifax..... 58 42 Cloudy
LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures
recorded in London during the 24 hours
previous to 8 o'clock last night were:
Highest, 42; lowest, 31.
The official temperatures for the 12
hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:
Highest, 35; lowest, 28.
Barometric Readings.
Thursday—3 a.m., 29.50.
Today—8 a.m., 29.15.

Principals In Double Shooting Tragedy



Top left is Miss Viola McNaughton, who lies at death's door in Victoria Hospital as the result of a shooting affair at 318 York street shortly after 7 o'clock this morning. To the right of Miss McNaughton is Miss Geraldine Durston, who was

shot twice by her deposed lover, Clarence Topping, whose picture is next that of Miss Durston. Mr. and Mrs. George Cook, at whose home the shooting took place, are on the extreme top right. Below to the left is a picture of the Cook

home, while at the lower right is a picture of the bedroom used by Mr. and Mrs. Cook, where the girls were shot. Miss Durston was half lying on the trunk next to the window with Topping in the corner bending

JEALOUS LOVER RUNS AMUCK; ONE GIRL DYING AND ANOTHER IS WOUNDED IN LOVE TRAGEDY

Viola McNaughton Is Not Expected to Recover, and Geraldine Durston in Serious Condition From Revolver Wounds—
Double Shooting Followed Victim's Refusal to Marry Clarence Topping.

POLICE OFFICER MAY HAVE SHOT ONE GIRL

Topping Quietly Submits to Arrest, Formally Arraigned For Shooting and Remanded For Week, Pending Developments in Condition of Injured Girls—All Principals of Good Reputation.

Miss Viola McNaughton relapsed into unconsciousness early this afternoon and practically no hopes are entertained for her recovery, Victoria Hospital authorities stated at press time.

Miss Geraldine Durston's chances for recovery are brighter than those of her friend. Complications are liable to set in, physicians state. The bullets have not yet been extracted.

Driven into a fit of jealousy because his former sweetheart, Miss Geraldine Durston, 18 years of age, would have nothing more to do with him, Clarence Topping, age 23, formerly of Strathroy, but who has been working in the city, went to Miss Durston's boarding house, 318 York street, shortly after seven o'clock this morning and shot the girl twice in the lower abdomen with a revolver.

Her friend, Viola McNaughton, age 19, who tried to help Miss Durston in the sharp struggle that preceded the shots, was shot through the chest, the bullet going through her body, and little hope is held for her recovery. Victoria Hospital authorities state there is a chance that Miss Durston may recover.

Constable Walter Harpur was in the kitchen of the York street house, having been sent for by George Cook, owner of the house, when three revolver shots were fired in the bedroom. He rushed through the living room to the door of the bedroom and in the dim light saw Topping point his gun in his direction. Harpur states he and Topping fired almost together.

CONSTABLE HARPUR SAYS TOPPING FIRED AT HIM.
"Miss Durston was in a half reclining position on a trunk in the far corner of the room and Topping had his revolver pressed against the girl's side when I first saw him. He pulled back his arm and fired in my direction, and I fired almost at the same moment," Harpur told The Advertiser later in the morning.

"Mr. Cook says he thinks you fired the shot that went through Miss McNaughton," The Advertiser reporter stated to Constable Harpur.
"I can't say. I don't think I did," was the reply. "She came right round the corner of the door and maybe I did hit her. I can't tell you. It was pretty dark in the room."

There is a chance that the bullet fired by Harpur was the one that grazed Topping's coat and was imbedded in the wall. If Harpur did fire the shot that went through Miss McNaughton, it might have glanced along the young man's clothing before piercing the wall, for when Harpur fired both Topping and Miss McNaughton were in a direct line with his gun, according to Mr. Cook.

In a statement at the hospital after she had been told she was liable

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Has New Plan To Prolong Life

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Nov. 23.—Discovery of a method of blood transfusion, which not only rejuvenates aged patients submitting themselves to it, but prolongs life, is claimed by Dr. Frederick Heyman, a German consulting surgeon.
The method of transfusion adopted, Dr. Heyman told an interviewer, revitalizes the blood of the patient, and can be practiced on both sexes. In cases where a direct transfusion is not desired a serum may be injected.



P. C. WALTER HARPUR, Police officer called to the George Cook residence, 318 York street, this morning when Geraldine Durston and Viola McNaughton were shot.

LICENSE INSPECTORS ARE BADLY HURT IN ACCIDENT

Canadian Press Despatch.
Windsor, Nov. 23. — License Inspector M. N. Mourreau, 58, received three fractured ribs and severe bruises, and Provincial Inspector of Hotels W. K. Snyder, 71 years old, of Toronto, was badly bruised, when the car in which they were riding was struck by a Sandwich trolley car in front of a hotel in Sandwich yesterday afternoon. Both inspectors are in the hospital, where they have been suffering considerably from their painful injuries.

PREMIER KING BEGINS TRIP HOMEWARD

Crowds Cheer as Canada's Prime Minister Leaves British Capital.

PLEASED OVER PARLEY

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Nov. 23.—Premier Mackenzie King was cheered by a crowd of about fifty Canadian patriots and representatives of British government departments and private friends when his train drew out of Euston station this morning in the midst of wintry weather on the beginning of his journey homeward. The premier is accompanied by Commander Hogg, director of the Canadian naval service, and Professor O. D. Skelton, dean of the faculty of arts at Queen's University, who acted in an advisory capacity to the Canadian delegates to the imperial conference.

Premier King had no set sentiments to offer as a farewell. He told the reporters that nothing could be more satisfactory to him than the general results of the imperial conference. The present British election, he said, were entirely a domestic matter, and whatever the results of the elections might be the relations of Canada with the mother country would remain exactly as they are at present, most cordial.

GIRL RETURNS TO FATHER, SUIT DECIDED OUT OF COURT

Robert Liddy, Montreal, Wins 8-Year-Old Daughter—Action Complimented by Judge.

PAYMENT OF \$500

Mary To Be Allowed To Visit Grandparents in This City at Reasonable Intervals.

By a settlement arrived at this morning out of court, Robert Glenn Liddy, of Montreal, is given custody of his little daughter, Mary. The child is to be allowed to visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Allister, 888 Queen's avenue, London, at reasonable intervals, and Mr. Liddy agrees to pay the grandparents \$500, as payment of past expenses for the child's keep.

Justice Kelly complimented counsel in the case when they showed him the settlement reached out of court. "I think you two gentlemen have rendered the interested parties a very great service in this matter," he said.

The settlement was brought about by a suggestion from the judge yesterday afternoon, when he advised the counsels to consult their clients with a view to a settlement.

Fighting desperately for the possession of his pretty 8-year-old daughter Mr. Liddy late yesterday afternoon told Mr. Justice Kelly how the child's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Allister, 888 Queen's avenue, London, had clung to his little daughter, Mary Ethel Jean Liddy.

The small child sat in the court room beside relatives, and smilingly exchanged winks with an Advertiser reporter. She didn't seem to realize that her father and grandfather were engaged in a bitter struggle for the right to bring her up and educate her. Little Mary had a piece of gum that interested her much more than court proceedings, and after vigorously chewing for a few minutes she would pull it out of her mouth and stretch it as far as possible.

Mr. Liddy, a successful business man of Montreal, told his case quietly in answer to questions by his counsel, J. M. McEvoy, K.C. He stated that he married Ethel Alberta Allister at Dundas Center Methodist Church here on Sept. 17, 1913. The ceremony was performed by his father, Rev. J. J. Liddy. Their child was born in Toronto, April 11, 1915, and in August

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Lovely Children



FROM THORNDALE.
This is little Violet Langford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Langford of Thorndale, Ontario. She is one of the lovely children in The Advertiser's search for the Loveliest Child in the Western Counties.

EXPECT CITY TO BENEFIT BY NEW CURE

Ontario Hospital Patients Are Likely to Receive Trypamide Treatment for Paresis.

EXPECT SUPPLY

Hon. Dr. Forbes Godfrey Announces Fluid Will Be Sent Here in a Short While.

If trypamide, the new cure for paresis, proves as marvelously effective as advance reports appear to indicate, numerous patients of the Ontario Hospital will receive injections of the fluid.

A great proportion of insane persons are suffering from paresis, it was said, and these will probably be completely cured. This means that instead of anticipating a cruel and agonizing death, these people will be able to look forward to many years of life in comparatively good health.

Officials of the Institute of Public Health, commenting on the announcement before Jan. 1.

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COMMUNISTS OF GERMANY MUST CEASE ACTIVITIES

National Commander of Reichswehr Orders Immediate Dissolution.

CONFISCATE FUNDS

Furious Scenes Enacted in the Reichstag Over Drastic Measure.

Associated Press Despatch.
Berlin, Nov. 23.—Balloting on the motion of confidence in the Stresemann government, introduced in the reichstag by the three government parties, was postponed this afternoon until 7 o'clock tonight.

Associated Press Despatch.
Berlin, Nov. 23.—Gen. Von Secht, national commander of the Reichswehr, today ordered the dissolution of the German communist party and the confiscation of its funds. His decree also prohibited the holding of communist meetings and the publication of communist newspapers.

It was later stated that the dissolution order also applied to all nationalists and national socialist party organizations.

The order "fell like a bombshell upon the reichstag this morning and seemed likely to have a decisive bearing on the attitude of those parties in the present situation towards the Stresemann government."

The communists were especially furious and angry scenes were enacted in the reichstag over General Von Secht's sudden and drastic measure.

The communist organizations are well organized and well supplied with money.

"YOUNGSTERS" FEATURE ELECTION IN BRITAIN

Reginald Hall, 23, and Liberal, Youngest House of Commons Candidate.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Nov. 23. — One of the most striking features of the present elections is the large number of very young men who are candidates for seats in the House of Commons. The Liberals have the youngest—Reginald Hall, 23, of the Hon. C. R. S. 24; Captain V. Cazalet, 24; Lord Erskine, 28; Lord Apsley, 28; Lord Hartington, 28; Captain H. Macmillan, 28; and Lord Stanley, 29. The Liberal roster of "youngsters" includes the 25-year-old son of Sir Alfred Mond, the present member for Swansea West, and Major Lloyd George, who is 28.

In the Conservative list among those under 30 years of age are Sir V. Warrender, 24; the Hon. C. R. S. 24; Captain V. Cazalet, 24; Lord Erskine, 28; Lord Apsley, 28; Lord Hartington, 28; Captain H. Macmillan, 28; and Lord Stanley, 29. The Liberal roster of "youngsters" includes the 25-year-old son of Sir Alfred Mond, the present member for Swansea West, and Major Lloyd George, who is 28.

CANADIAN CATTLE SELLING WELL IN ENGLISH MARKET

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Nov. 23.—Canadian cattle were a feature of the Christmas fat cattle show which opened at Norwich yesterday. One animal which had won championships at Chicago and Toronto, and came over to this country in June, was beaten by a store animal that arrived with the first batch of Canadian cattle at the Norwich cattle market.

ANARCHIST ATTEMPTS TO KILL DR. MANUEL CARLOS

Associated Press Despatch.
Buenos Aires, Nov. 23.—An anarchist last night fired three revolver shots at Dr. Manuel Carlos, president of the Argentine Patriotic League, as the latter was entering a restaurant in the crowded business quarter, but the bullets missed their mark. A passerby, however, was seriously wounded.

Sixty Years Old

Following plans made some time ago, The Advertiser celebrates tomorrow its sixtieth birthday in a special anniversary edition.

The Advertiser wishes also to offer its congratulations to the London Free Press on its timely announcement today that the Free Press is nearly seventy-four years old.