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SEWER DEFECTS LIKELY TO COST CITY \$1,000,000

Engineer Brazier Ordered To Begin Survey of Causes of Flooding.

BLAMES OFFICIAL IN PAST

Present Sewer Trunks of Insufficient Size To Cope With Feeders.

Blunders of past administrations in London will cost the city upwards of a million dollars to remedy, according to City Engineer H. A. Brazier, who, acting under instructions from No. 2 committee of the council, is about to commence a comprehensive survey of the city's storm sewers.

Not only are defects in these sewers, which have caused repeated flooding of cellars, confined to the downtown area, but they are spread in residential districts, and Mr. Brazier reports that the city can easily spend one million dollars in making them function properly.

One chief bone of contention with the ratepayers is the storm sewer accommodation on Central avenue from Colborne street east. On summer and spring days after heavy rains, residents of this district are provided with miniature lakes, and ideal boating facilities are added to the troubles which accompany flooded cellars.

City Engineer Brazier, who conducted a tour of inspection during the heavy rain Tuesday afternoon, reports that this state of affairs is due to a restricted outlet of Carling's Creek, through Hyman's tannery, which causes the creek to back up, and the sewer to fail to function.

In South London similar complaints have been repeatedly brought to the engineer's attention.

Downtown Need Great. Possibly the greatest expenditure for defective sewers will be involved in the downtown area, where several storm sewers, including the main one on Dundas street, empty into the Richmond street trunk sewer, which, owing to the fact that it is of the same size as the feeders, fails to carry away the rainwater of heavy storms.

The city engineer explains that the official supervising the construction of this system is responsible for such a state of affairs, including flooding of store cellars, and attributed the blame to the fact that the sewer trunks are of insufficient size to cope with the situation.

A similar nuisance exists on Talbot street, near the market, and King street, with proprietors of business establishments fronting these thoroughfares as victims. In some cases the elevation of the sewers is of such a nature that the flow of storm water is halted with subsequent flooding of cellars.

The city engineer will commence his survey of storm sewers at once, and will present a report on the estimated cost of eliminating defective drainage facilities to the city council.

In the opinion of the city fathers spending of odd amounts of money, "piecemeal" to repair or replace storm sewers in various parts of the city is not in the interests of economy and that the whole system should be overhauled at one time, thereby providing a more permanent solution for the problem.

DOUKHOBORS GAIN GREAT PROSPERITY AT NELSON

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 2.—So prosperous have become the Doukhobors settled around Nelson, B. C., under Peter Vargentin, that they have paid up in cash \$700,000 of the \$1,000,000 capital of the company they formed on June 24 to carry on their buying and selling. The Doukhobor Corporation is registered as Christian Community of Universal Brotherhood, Limited, \$1,000,000.

TO HOLD YUKON ELECTION. Dawson City, Y. T., Aug. 2.—By Canadian Press.—The election of a new legislative council for this territory will be held in the Yukon on Sept. 11 next.

Kenzie issued a proclamation fixing that date for polling, and naming Aug. 12 next as official nomination day.

HUNT ABDUCTOR OF MISSING CITY GIRL

Property Sales For July Prove Realty Boom In City Gains Momentum Daily

PRESS EVINCES DISAPPROVAL OF BALFOUR'S NOTE

London Times Fears Settlement Prospect Not Improved by Statement.

ANXIOUS AS TO EFFECT

London, England, Aug. 2.—The bulk of the criticism directed at the Balfour note to the Allies concerning war debts is adverse, though based on varying grounds. It is conceded that the document framed by the Earl of Balfour is masterly in its lucidity, suavity and logic, but here unanimity ends.

Foremost among the causes of dissent is the fear that the note will be regarded across the Atlantic as being addressed to the United States rather than to any European country, and where this view is taken, almost solely in respect to the impression it is likely to make there.

The Times, which understands that the policy the note embodies was adopted against the view of the British treasury and authorized financial representatives, fears that the prospect of settlement is not improved by the note.

"Whether the policy it suggests proves sound or unsound, wise or unwise, must largely depend upon the effect produced in America," the newspaper declares. "We should rejoice were it to meet there the response which the government evidently anticipates."

The paper, however, does not conceal its anxiety as to the effect on United States opinion, and also expresses misgivings at the proposals that Great Britain forego her claim to reparations from Germany, fearing this may prejudice other British interests.

The Morning Post says: "Behind its logic and appeal to abstract justice is a distinct threat to the United States. The ordinary American will see in it merely an attempt by Great Britain to escape her debt and place upon America a debt which America is unwilling and unable to bear."

Deplore the Note. "We deplore the note. We ought to have expressed to America our unconditional readiness to play the debt, and at the same time to have notified the allies we were prepared to offer them, if not complete remission, at least very generous indulgence."

The Daily Chronicle, contending that a general plan for dealing with the international indebtedness could turn to Page 11, Column 5.

WET WEATHER DAMAGES HAY CROPS IN ENGLAND

London, August 2.—(Canadian Press cable)—July, which has been unusually wet, played havoc with the hay crop in most parts of England. There has also been a lamentable deficiency in the amount of sunshine but farmers, however, are not unduly pessimistic concerning the harvests as a whole.

The rain has benefited the root crops and helped corn, but the excessive dryness of May militated against the growth of grass. Hence there is considerable delay in harvesting hay.

FUMES OVERCOME FIREMEN

Montreal, Aug. 2.—Five firemen were overcome by smoke and chemical fumes while fighting a small fire this morning at the foundry of Talpiss & Kerr, 125 Nazareth street. The damage is estimated at about \$4,000.

The injured firemen are J. Pavette, J. Ouellette, G. Brunelle, P. Duce and Louis Deblenne.

LATE NEWS BULLETINS.

RAILMEN ACCEPT HARDING PROPOSALS.

Chicago, August 2.—Leaders of the striking railway employees voted today to accept President Harding's proposals for ending the strike and appointed a committee to draft the letter of acceptance of the program and forward it to President Harding at once. This action was taken by the more than 100 chiefs of the federated shopcrafts.

Timothy Healey, president of the stationary firemen and oilers' union, the only other organization on strike, announced that his organization would concur in the shopcrafts action.

PASSAGE OF U. S. TARIFF BILL CERTAIN.

Washington, August 2.—Passage of the administration tariff bill by the Senate this week seemed to be almost certain today as a result of agreements reached separately by Republican and Democratic leaders.

ART O'BRIEN IS RE-ARRESTED.

Belfast, Aug. 2.—Art O'Brien, former representative of the Daily Elreann in London, has been re-arrested by Free State authorities, according to a dispatch from Dublin today.

MANY RAILMEN APPLY FOR JOBS.

New York, Aug. 2.—The New York Central Lines announced today that more applications for positions in their shops had been received within three hours at division points this morning than for many days past. According to the announcement, many applicants were strikers, who stated they had been waiting to see what action the railway executives of the country would take on President Harding's settlement plan.

Seize Liquor At Fernie, B. C., Worth \$200,000

FERNIE, B. C., Aug. 2.—The entire stock of two liquor importing houses, valued at \$200,000, has been seized and held by the provincial authorities in the warehouses under guard, following charges of infringement of the British Columbia liquor act, against the Fernie Liquor Exporters Limited and the British Export Liquor Company.

The companies are charged with selling liquor contrary to the act, and with keeping liquor for the purpose of such sale.

FEEL ACT NEEDS TO BE AMENDED

Social Service Officials Would Change Definition of Desertion.

Say Hardship Under Present Mothers' Allowance Ruling.

Further amendments of the mothers' allowance act are recognized as a necessity by social service officials in the city. At present the law requires a five-year term of desertion by the husband before the wife can become eligible for an allowance under the act.

"It is difficult to secure the mothers' allowance act for deserted wives," stated Rev. T. D. McCullough, district secretary of the social service council.

"As the law stands at present, if a woman, who has been deserted by her husband, should see him at any time during the five years, even if it were merely as a passer-by on the street, she loses all claim to the allowance. Measures are, of course, necessary to prevent collusion, and there is also the fact to be considered that if the allowance were made too easily obtainable, there is a certain contemptible type of man, who would have no hesitation in abandoning his wife and children."

"However, it seems as if some clause should be inserted in the act, whereby a wife who had been deserted and receives absolutely no support from her husband should be protected, in case the man, although having no intention of offering her support, should seek at any time to see her."

"We have come across cases in the city where a woman, although she is deserted by her husband and receiving absolutely no support from him, loses her claim to the allowance by the fact that at some time during the five-year period she has encountered the man."

HELP REPAIR PUNCTURE, THEN STEAL CASH AND CAR

Highwaymen Force W. Lawton of Montreal To Walk Home After Daring Robbery.

Montreal, Aug. 2.—After kindly assisting him to repair a punctured tire, which had necessitated him stopping his automobile nine miles from St. Lambert, on the La Prairie road yesterday afternoon, three men who had driven up in a seven-passenger touring car, forced W. Lawton, 69 Congress street, to hand over the \$55 he had in his pockets, after which one of the "good Samaritans" stepped into the astounded citizen's car and drove off, closely followed by his companions in their own motor.

Mr. Lawton was compelled to walk the nine miles to St. Lambert, where he reported the matter to the police. The strange car had a New York license number.

ASSIST 7,000 IMMIGRANTS OUT OF UNITED KINGDOM

London, Aug. 2.—Canadian Press Cable.—A Reuter dispatch from Wellington says that Hon. William Massey, minister of agriculture, and immigration to parliament, that during the last year 7,000 immigrants have been assisted in coming from the United Kingdom, and that 99 per cent of them carried out their obligations. The new arrivals, with few exceptions, he said, settled down and proved themselves a valuable asset to the Dominion.

TO AVOID CONTACT WITH ALLIES.

Athens, Aug. 2.—According to the newspapers, the government has instructed the commander-in-chief of the Greek army in Asia Minor, and Thrace to avoid all contact with the Allied troops.

TRANSFERS FOR MONTH DOUBLE PREVIOUS YEAR

Reach Aggregate For Thirty Days of 1922 of \$424,198.

FEW BIG DEALS NOTED

Sale by Merchants Bank of Property at King and Talbot Streets Leads.

Almost doubling the total considerations involved in real estate transfers in July, 1921, property sales registered in London last month reached an aggregate of \$424,198.

That realty is booming in London is evidenced by the fact that the figures for property transfers in July, 1921, here totalled but \$248,463, in comparison with the much larger figure this year.

The total number of real estate deals consummated in London during the month of July, according to figures received from the city registry office was 136.

In the same month of 1921 the transfers totalled 121.

A significant feature of this year's report for July is the fact that few of the sales registered were big deals, the largest consideration of the month being \$28,000. This means that many average transfers were put through and indicates a brisk real estate market in London for the month.

Was Largest Deal.

The largest deal registered during the month was the sale of the old Bank Hotel property at King and Talbot streets to E. W. and Suzanne Moore by the Merchants' Bank for \$28,000.

John W. McLaughlin has purchased property adjoining the City Creamery on Dundas street, south side, east of Waterloo street, from Fred W. Daly. The consideration involved was \$36,000, and the land will be utilized for an auto salesroom. A house now stands on the site.

Purchase of a house from George F. Galloway by the Salvation Army for \$12,000 is also registered. This dwelling is located on Kent street, and will be used as a girls' boarding home, details of which have been published.

R. H. Dowler sold his residence at 564 Colborne street to Fred W. Gidd, a local solicitor. This house, which is located on the east side of the street, south of Central avenue, was sold for \$10,000.

Another deal registered during July was the sale of the Gwalchmai Bakery on Pegler street to Purify Products Company for \$7,500. The sale was made by Annie Gwalchmai, and the purchasers will continue to use the premises as a bakery.

LEAGUE TO MEET SOON.

Paris, Aug. 2.—The next meeting of the council of the League of Nations has been definitely fixed for Aug. 30 to Sept. 4.

Says Car Not Assembled When Charged With Speeding

MOTORIST ANNOYED.

ANOTHER perplexing speeding case confronts Squire W. H. Chittick in the Middlesex County court, and if the defendant's alibi is finally adjudged "air-light" county constables who were implicated in the affair will have just cause to consider themselves "hum-dingers, by crickets."

Charged in court, Wednesday morning, with exceeding the speed limit on the Wellington road between London and the lakeside, a representative of a local automobile firm was loud and vehement in his unqualified declaration that he was falsely accused.

While the constables charged that a machine bearing his number was speeding at the spot designated on July 13, the defendant claims that his license was not issued until July 17 and the car in question was not actually assembled until July 19.

That there has been a mistake made in the number of the car by clerks or officials at the provincial department of highways, who check up all members is the explanation offered by the authorities and in the meanwhile the defendant has been directed to consult the local issuer of licenses in order to insure that no mistake has occurred there as well. Hardly a day now passes but that "speeders' court" is held at the Middlesex court house, and scarcely a day passes without peevish citizenry appearing before Squire Chittick, hotly proclaiming their innocence and offering to produce witnesses to prove that they were miles from the alleged spot indicated by the police.

Statistics Show Fewer Strikes For Month

OTTAWA, Aug. 2.—Twenty-five strikes, involving 10,155 work people, were in existence in Canada in June, according to a report just made public by the department of labor. The estimated loss of time during the month is put at 254,134 days.

This shows a decrease in the number of strikes as compared with both May this year and June of last year, though the loss of time was greater this than last June.

PHONE INVENTOR DIES IN CANADA

Dr. Alexander Graham Bell Passes On Estate Near Nova Scotia.

Famous Scientist, While Long Unwell, Was Not Confined to Bed.

Sydney, N. S., Aug. 2.—Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, died at two o'clock this morning at Beinn Bhreagh, his estate near Baddeck.

Dr. Bell's death came suddenly, for though he had been somewhat unwell for several months he had not been confined to his bed. He became seriously ill about five o'clock on Tuesday afternoon and was immediately attended by Dr. Ker of Washington, D. C., a cousin of Mrs. Bell, who has been visiting at Beinn Bhreagh, and by Dr. J. J. Roy of Sydney, who was also there.

His condition grew rapidly worse, however, and death came early in the morning.

Mrs. Bell was with her husband when death took him, as were also one of the daughters, Mrs. Marian Hubbard Fairchild, and her husband, David, Fairchild of Washington. The second daughter is Mrs. Elsie M. Grosvenor, wife of Gilbert H. Grosvenor, editor of the National Geographic Magazine, Washington.

Dr. Bell will be buried on the top of the Beinn Bhreagh Mountain at Baddeck, in a spot chosen by himself. Cause of death was progressive anaemia.

News of the death of Dr. Bell came as a shock to the scientist's many friends and associates, although they knew he had been failing for several months. At a birthday luncheon some months ago, Dr. Bell's friends were surprised to see that he had become feeble from age during the last year and that his remarkable vigor was fast disappearing.

Officials of the National Geographic Society, in which Dr. Bell was prominent, received word of his death in private advices from Baddeck. Dr. Bell's home here is located for the summer.

Dr. Bell was born in Edinburgh, Turn to Page 2, Column 3.

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BRITAIN REPLACES U. S. AS CANADA'S BEST CUSTOMER

American Tariff Upon Canadian Commodities Contributes Largely to Reduction of Exports.

New York, Aug. 2.—(By Canadian Press)—In an analysis of Canadian trade with the United States for the twelve months ending June, issued by the Canadian trade commissioner in New York, it is pointed out that Great Britain has replaced the United States as Canada's best customer, and that while the effect of the United States' emergency tariff upon certain raw materials has been to reduce Canadian exports to the United States to \$296,000,000 from \$502,000,000 in the previous twelve-month period, the reactive effect has resulted in the reduction of United States exports to Canada to \$302,000,000 from \$767,000,000.

The declines noted have resulted in the reduction of Canada's adverse balance of trade with the United States from \$265,000,000 in the twelve-month period ending June, 1921, to \$207,000,000 in the corresponding period ending June, 1922.

SEEK TO AVERT COAL SHORTAGE FACING LONDON

Mayor Wilson Sure Anthracite Can Be Bought To Tide Over City's Needs.

WHITE HOUSE BIDES TIME

Determined that citizens of London shall enjoy the heat of their furnaces this winter, and doubting the ability of coal dealers to supply homes with their product, owing to the widespread strike in the United States, representatives of the city council, chamber of commerce and coal dealers of London will meet at the city hall Friday morning in an effort to find a solution of the acute shortage looming.

In all probability the city will follow the lead of Toronto and other centers by placing an order with coal magnates in Wales for thousands of tons of the best yielding product. However, it is understood that bituminous coal only is available at the Welsh mines, and that anthracite coal, which is desired by Londoners, will be at a premium.

Mayor Cameron Wilson, who announced Wednesday that the meeting would be called, declared that citizens of London would not be compelled to face a coal shortage this winter, strike or no strike.

He pointed out that Wales can supply only bituminous coal, which is of the soft variety, but expressed the hope that the co-operation of the city council, chamber of commerce and coal dealers would result in locating a supply of anthracite coal in the United States or England, available for this city.

May Spend \$100,000. He will introduce the subject to members of No. 1 committee of the city council, which meets Wednesday night, and it is likely that this body will recommend that \$100,000 at least be spent in obtaining a temporary supply of coal for London stoves and furnaces.

An effort will be made to obtain the coal at a price not in excess of that prevalent this season when it was available, so that electors will not be compelled to strain their pockets in order to put a supply in their cellars.

The representatives of the city council who will confer with the Chamber of Commerce and coal dealers Friday have not been selected, but will be named Wednesday night. The Chamber of Commerce and coal dealers of London will then be asked to select their representatives.

AWAIT U. S. MOVE.

Washington, Aug. 2.—Careful study of the United States railway executives' reply refusing to accept President Harding's plan for settling the shompen's strike so far as it dealt with the seniority system and also meeting from the labor leaders' meeting in Chicago was expected to precede any further move by the executive in the strike situation.

There had been no indication of what new step, if any, the government planned to take. It was intimated at the White House that the executive of the rail strike would influence the government's decision as to how the problem would be dealt with from this point.

The government, it is known, views the railroad strike as serious in effect only because of the present stoppage of coal production. That the immediate effect of the rail strike upon freight movement is now confined almost to coal is indicated by all reports of the freight handled by all roads during the week of July 22, issued today by the American Railway Association. The report showed that although coal loadings as compared with the previous week fell off 1,274 cars to a total of 78,060 cars, the movement of all other commodities was "the heaviest for this season of the year of any in the history of the carriers."

GIVE LORD AND LADY BYNG BIG WELCOME AT DAWSON

Dawson City, Y. T., Aug. 2.—(By Canadian Press)—A Klondike welcome awaited Lord and Lady Byng when they stepped ashore yesterday morning from the steamer Whitehorse. The governor-general and his party had come up the river to visit the outpost of Canadian life. He found its citizens awaiting him with cheers and hearty handshakes.

CANDIDATES FOR CONGRESS CHOSEN

Washington, Aug. 2.—By Canadian Press.—Returns received this morning from the five states in which voters yesterday selected candidates for the coming congressional elections by casting their ballots in primaries, show that several of the present members of the senate are practically assured of the re-nomination of their parties. A feature of particular interest in these primaries was the vote of the women, who took part in a primary election for the first time in several states. There were a number of women candidates for nomination, but for the most part they were unsuccessful.

CONCILIATION SUCCEEDS.

Ottawa, Aug. 2.—Five hundred and fifty-eight applications have been received for boards of conciliation under the Lemieux act from the time of its establishment in 1907 until the end of the last fiscal year; and in 34 cases only has a strike not been averted or ended.

Father Sells 7-Year-Old Son To Negro For \$5

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—Sold to a negro by his father for \$5 several months ago, thrashed, starved and neglected in turn, 7-year-old Mortimer Fox has forgotten how to laugh and play. Gnomelike, hunched in the shoulders, the defensive look of a hurt little animal in his brown eyes, he crept into the superintendent's room at the Hebrew Orphan Asylum last night to tell his strange story. His father, who sold him into slavery, is sought by the police.

SAY CITY POOL-ROOMS NOT BAD

Social Service Officials Believe Owners Co-operate With Police.

Suggest That New Legislation Would Add Prestige to Business.

Commenting on the proposed legislation by the Ontario government for a clean-up of the pool-rooms and billiard halls in the province, and the action of Rev. Gilbert Agar, secretary of the social service council, in aiding owners of such halls to put their business on a better basis, social service workers in the city of London state that while conditions in the city may not be in every detail all that could be desired, yet co-operation on the part of the police and pool-rooms owners has prevented to a very large extent the use of these halls as a rendezvous for more or less disreputable characters.

The chapter of hold-ups and small crimes, which occurred in the city not long ago, is not supposed to be connected with the pool-rooms, but a prominent in social service of the city states.

Although there have been complaints from Toronto that the pool-rooms there were a meeting place for thugs, handbook men and bootleggers, it is not supposed that such conditions prevail in the city. The matter of cleaning up the pool-rooms throughout the province and dispensing with a popular type of resort for idlers and no-goods has long been on the mind and heart of the social service council of Ontario.

The International Railway Company today made its first move in the courts to kill off the competition of automobiles which have been handling street traffic for a month.

Justice Pooley granted an order calling upon Mayor Schwab to show cause why a writ of mandamus should not be issued compelling him to enforce state laws relating to vehicle traffic. The order is returnable Thursday morning.

LIKELY HUNGER STRIKE IN FRANCE

Paris, August 2.—(Canadian Press cable)—The recently convicted Communist, Loucheur, having started a hunger strike intended to compel the government to release him from the prison where the regime is less than a prisoner, threats are being made of a similar action by other communist prisoners who demand the same treatment accorded Calixtaux and the late Paul Meunier.

The authorities declare that they have remedies for any such action. Meaningless inquiries are being made towards military disobedience.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS. Today—Light to moderate winds; mostly fair and warm today; thunderstorms in a few localities.

Thursday—Light to moderate winds; fair and warm.

The low area which was over New York State yesterday morning is now more irregular in shape, and extends from Western Quebec to the New England States.

Thunderstorms in many localities in Southern Ontario have attended the change in pressure distribution. Elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fine.

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

	High.	Low.
Victoria	74	59
Calgary	64	52
Winnipeg	64	49
Pt. Arthur	74	56
T. Sound	62	58
Toronto	80	52
Kingston	76	64
Ottawa	88	60
Montreal	99	64
Quebec	82	68
F. Point	85	48
St. John	74	52
Halifax	84	64

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock tonight were: Highest 77; lowest 59.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest 72; lowest 58.

Barometric Readings. Tuesday—8 p.m. 29.17. Today—8 a.m. 29.18.

POLICE SEARCH TRAIN AT PLEA OF HER MOTHER

Italian Suspect Sought In Disappearance of 15-Year-Old Victim.

PARENTS ALLEGE PLOT

Grey Street Resident Claims She Saw Girl Leave Hurriedly With Suitcase.

Detectives at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon were searching for Louis Beando, the alleged abductor of 15-year-old Ethel Smith, 1