

Air Service Between England and Australia Is Being Seriously Considered

FAMOUS AIRMAN PLANS SERVICE

Sir Keith Smith Would Link England and Australia.

Associated Press Despatch. Sydney, Australia, Aug. 25.—Sir Keith Smith, the noted Australian aviator, who has arrived here from England to undertake the supervision of the Australian activities of Vickers, Limited, the big steel and engineering firm, says he intends to investigate the possibilities of an air service between England and Australia, with a view to laying the foundations for such service.

As to the commercial success of an England-Australia air service, Sir Keith Smith is optimistic, and he says he is confident that the popularity of the proposed service would be so great that it would be impossible to cope with the demand for passenger accommodation on the airships.

Sir Keith emphasizes that he regards as the duty of Australians to support any aviation scheme calculated to assist in the defence of the commonwealth, such as would be part of his aerial service scheme.

Sir Keith McPherson Smith is a native of Adelaide, South Australia, and was born of Scottish parents. He served with distinction in the Royal Flying Corps in the war, and was mentioned in despatches. He is in his 35th year.

Sir Keith Smith accompanied his brother, the late Sir Ross Smith, on the first flight from England to Australia, for which both brothers were decorated with the British Air Cross and knighted by the King. The brothers had planned to fly around the world in the spring of 1922 but Sir Ross Smith was killed on April 13, 1922, when the machine in which the brothers were to attempt a flight around the world crashed to the ground on a trial flight in England. Sir Keith Smith was to have gone up on the trial flight, but arrived at the aerodrome too late. Lieut. J. M. Bennett, who was to have accompanied the Smith brothers on the world flight, was killed at the same time as Sir Ross Smith. The world flight was then abandoned by Sir Keith Smith.

NO NEW TEACHERS ARE ADDED TO STAFF

Constitutes Record for Commencement of Autumn Term in City.

For the first time in history, no new public school teachers are being taken on the staff with the commencement of the autumn term. The staff will be depleted through the resignation of four teachers since last term, but their places are not being filled.

The board of education has on file over 250 applications for positions. Some of these date back several years, but are renewed from time to time. There is no shortage of teachers wishing to join the London staff and many new applications have been received by the school inspectors during the past few months.

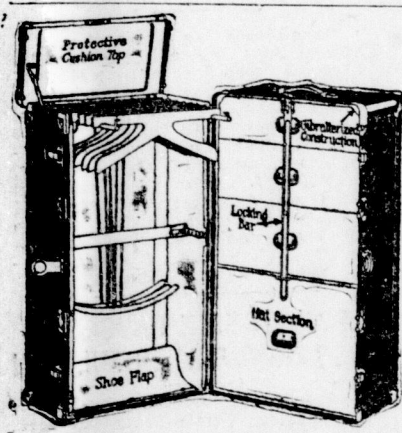
While many teachers are still away from the city on vacation, a re-assembling of the staff is expected within the next few days, so that the schools may open with a complete staff next Tuesday.

BUILDING INSPECTOR WILL GET CAR FOR HIS WORK

A special committee of city hall officials crossed the road this morning from their offices, and after some effort selected a second-hand car for the building inspector. The committee believes that with the front seat moved, even the extremities of the building inspector will fit inside the car.

Members of the committee interviewed this morning stated that they had felt pained lately at the sight of the inspector coming in from a long drive in his car, so cramped that he had to go on all fours to reach his office. They regard this as an insult to a fine figure. The reason, as the inspector says, is that he has no room to stretch his legs, and that they get cramped from being huddled over the engine.

Advertiser Classified "Want" ads are a guarantee against vacant property.



Fiery Irishman's Campaign Results In Many Converts

Sixty-Eight Are Baptized in the Thames on Sunday.

\$3,000 COLLECTION

Evangelistic Campaign in London Has Proven Decided Success.

Scores of converts and additional members for the Pentecostal Mission are reported since the commencement of the revival campaign here by Evangelist McConnell, "the Fiery Irishman," and the building of a new church is now contemplated by the mission.

On Sunday a great baptismal ceremony was observed at Thames Park amid picturesque surroundings and with encouragingly large crowds in attendance. Pastor R. E. McAllister baptized no less than 64 converts.

The success of the campaign here by Evangelist McConnell was marked yesterday with the collection of \$3,000 for mission work when pentecostal revival services were held. Meetings at the big tent on Dundas street were attended by great crowds and great numbers watched the baptismal immersions at the swimming pool in Thames Park.

For nearly two months the revival meetings of the fiery Irishman have been attracting convert after convert, and each Sunday sees many converts brought to Thames Park for baptism. A week ago, 100 converts were baptized. This was considered a tribute to the fervent appeals of Evangelist McConnell, who will remain in the city for several weeks longer.

ALDERMAN DISAGREES WITH CUT IN WAGES

Frank McKay Declares British Capitalists' Plan Is Wrong Method.

Alderman Frank McKay answers the statements of William L. Hitchens, chairman of Cammell, Laird & Co., the great British engineering firm, that the only solution in the reduction of the price of finished goods is the reduction in the wages of the workmen. This is beginning at the wrong end altogether, and that it is not the real solution.

"What Mr. Hitchens suggests," he says, "is a topsy-turvy way of going about such a serious problem. He begins at the wrong end. The first step in the reduction of the cost of the finished article is to cut down the unnecessary overhead. That is reduction in the wages of the workmen, and that is the first to admit it."

"It is childish to talk about reducing what is at present merely a subsistence sum, for the wage earner, when the overhead in so many large concerns is eating up the profits. Only men blind to the real state of affairs argue about these lines. Big business has long called for the highest efficiency in its management, yet when the same efficiency men tell it to cut out the overhead it refuses to take their advice."

"As far as Mr. Hitchens is concerned it is a matter of German competition with British factories. He believes that unless the wages come down all the factories must close down. The answer lies in two things: Efficient management within the organization itself, and what is complementary to it, an overhead that can carry and still remain in the competitive lines. Big business has long called for the highest efficiency in its management, yet when the same efficiency men tell it to cut out the overhead it refuses to take their advice."

"GOLD RESERVE DECREASES. Ottawa, Aug. 25.—Gold held on July 31 by the minister of finance totalled \$100,409,918, or nearly \$24,000,000 less than on June 30 last. The gold reserve held on July 31 against savings bank deposits was \$3,357,697, or 10 per cent on \$33,576,971. Circulation of bank notes increased half a million dollars during July, after a drop in June of six millions."

Recently the textile interests waiting upon the minister of customs and protected strongly against the highly extensive smuggling which was in progress, especially in the matter of silks, which have value, but little bulk, and which can easily be transported. One of the representatives estimated the loss to the Dominion exchequer through this at \$20,000,000 a year, and the minister is said to have put the figure even higher.

Take Drastic Action. As a result of the representations made it is stated that the department has consented to the use for patrol work by police and held pending the result of litigation in the courts. The department apparently is seized with a false economy on the matter of providing an efficient preventive service, by which many times the cost of upkeep could be saved through a few seizures.

PASSENGERS IN PANIC AS CONTROLLER BLOWS

Canadian Press Despatch. Thorold, Aug. 25.—A blast of blazes following the blowing out of a controller on a local line car of the Niagara, Cayuga and Toronto Railway last night caused a panic among the passengers, several of them jumping out of the windows. Myrtle Bradley of this town in making the leap broke her right leg and after falling had her shoulder and head bruised by others trampling upon her.

GIRLS ARE REMANDED. Violet Phillips and Margaret Marriott, both of Thorold, were remanded for a week when they appeared in court this morning on a charge of vagrancy.

Runaway Engine Drops Over Bank

Canadian Press Despatch. Nelson, B. C., Aug. 25.—A light engine shunting near the center star mine, above Rossland, got away on a downgrade and jumped the track on a curve Saturday landing in Sam Reid's orchard after a 25-foot drop. Engineer Woods, Fireman G. B. Russell and Brakeman Sam Backson, all of Nelson, escaped safely. The engine was wrecked.

'MA' FERGUSON HAS INCREASED LEAD

Texas Woman Candidate Is Expected To Gain gubernatorial Nomination.

Associated Press Despatch. Temple, Texas, Aug. 25.—Additional returns today swelled the plurality accorded Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson, anti-Klan candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, in Saturday's run-off primary in Texas. It was estimated at her headquarters that her majority over Judge Felix Robertson, the Klan candidate, would eventually total 100,000. The Democratic national has been equivalent to election in Texas.

Mrs. Ferguson today termed her triumph a blow to the Ku Klux Klan throughout the United States in a statement in which she announced that all Klan office holders would be ousted from their positions following her election.

If elected she will be the first woman governor of any state in the Union.

"Ma" Ferguson conducted a strenuous campaign. Her supporters adopted the slogan "Ma for us," while her opponents, mostly Klan members, retailed by posting stickers reading: "No Ma for Me." In addition to her anti-Klan stand, Mrs. Ferguson sought the nomination as a vindication of her family name.

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ANNUAL BIBLE CONFERENCE WILL BE OPENED TONIGHT

The annual Bible conference, which is being held at Harrison's Place, Port Stanley, will open tonight, when an address of welcome will be delivered by Rev. J. R. Ebyth of Port Stanley, followed by an opening address by the Right Rev. David Williams, Bishop of Huron.

These conferences have been arranged for the strengthening of the faith and the deepening of the spiritual life, as well as instruction of the truths of the word of God.

The program will comprise a Bible reading and conference each morning an address each evening with the afternoon free for recreation. These gatherings will provide an interesting rest and change for the clergyman and his wife, as well as for anyone else who cares to attend the meetings.

TWO MOTORISTS CRASH, ALL ESCAPE INJURY

A near tragedy was narrowly averted at the corner of Richmond and Carling streets today noon. A car carrying two motorists, one of whom was driving a distance of 40 feet against a telephone pole. The front end was badly smashed, the axle, steering gear and fender being crushed.

The other car, occupied by three American tourists, suffered minor damages in the front fender and bumper. Their number was secured. It appears that when Mr. Wells turned off Richmond onto Queen's avenue, the American car crashed into him, carrying him, sideways from the street car tracks up on to the curb and wedging him against a pole. No one was injured.

GERMAN NATIONALISTS DISAPPROVE PLANS

Associated Press Despatch. Berlin, Aug. 25.—Dr. Herrmann national party leader, today informed the Reichstag that the party disapproved the reparations agreement reached at the London international conference and would oppose all bills designed to put it into effect.

Engineer Outlines Giant Project Being Constructed to Raise Ships.

W. P. Near, city engineer, who was one of the party of Londoners who motored down to Welland over the week-end and inspected the Welland ship canal now in process of construction, and also visited the Chippawa power plants, gives some interesting and spectacular figures relating to this work, unknown to many Canadians living within easy reach of the canal.

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PROGRAMS ARE READY FOR PLAYGROUNDS MEET

Programs for the big closing day at the civic playgrounds will be available tomorrow. Assistant General Manager A. O. Hunt of the public utilities commission reports keen interest in the field day which is planned for Tecumseh Park next Saturday, and a fine line of events will be run off. Members of the playground committee are well pleased with the interest and competition shown in the aquatic meet at Thames Park pool on Saturday.

SEVERAL NEW MEMBERS ARE ADDED TO GOLF CLUB

Several new members for the Thames Valley Golf course joined on Saturday and today, and were provided with membership cards for the remainder of the season. Attendance at the course has been exceptionally good this month, and even greater interest is looked for during the cooler autumn term. Championship play as well as the monthly medal competition will be completed shortly.

NEW HAMBURG TO ENTER WATERLOO FLOWER SHOW

Special to The Advertiser. New Hamburg, Aug. 24.—At a meeting of the directors of the local Horticultural Society, it was decided to send an exhibit of flowers to the Waterloo society's show next week.

The society is holding the annual flower show in the skating rink on Friday and Saturday, September 5 and 6.

NOTES CIRCULATION HIGHER.

Canadian Press Despatch. Ottawa, Aug. 25.—On July 31 last Dominion notes in circulation were \$210,856,832 were in circulation. Gold held against notes in circulation was \$5,065,221. At the end of June, Dominion notes to the value of \$210,308,592 were in circulation and the gold held against them totalled \$4,782,954.

Outstanding notes outstanding against deposits of approved securities at July 31 totalled \$77,100,000 as against \$76,600,000 at the end of June.

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Many Injured In Indian Riot

Associated Press Despatch. Calcutta, India, Aug. 25.—Ten natives, including a magistrate and two policemen, were reported to have been injured in religious rioting at the village of Jamshatami on Friday night. It was necessary for the police to fire on the rioters.

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BOTH ARE FINED

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P. C. Knight was the first to notice the pair with their booty, according to the evidence. He was at Waterloo and South street, about 2 o'clock Sunday morning when he perceived them with a bag in their possession. Losing the trail for awhile he again picked up the scent in front of 382 Horton street. Golin and Devone were standing in front of the house, the officer said. Later they went inside, and after reinforcements in the persons of Sgt. Tomlin and P. C. Aikin came, Devone was discovered in a bedroom apparently asleep. The chickens were found in a bag at the rear.

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"You keep chickens, Mr. Day?" the court asked.

"Yes, I did."

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"They're all gone now. I went out to feed them Sunday morning, but the whole six had vanished."

Mr. Day also told the court that he had noticed Golin and Devone engaged in district sewer work. He didn't know them by name, but he knew their faces, he said.

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