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Two St. John Homes Robbed in Night While Occupants Sleep

POWER CO. TO BURY CURRENT

CLOTHING IS RIFLED AND LEFT

Thieves Get More Than \$150 and a Watch in Jewish Houses.

LIKE IN YARMOUTH

Isidore Amdur, Elliot Row, and John Ross, Charlotte Street, are Losers.

Tactics which are rather rare in criminal procedure in this vicinity were adopted by a thief or thieves who entered the homes of two prominent Hebrew families in the city between midnight and daylight this morning, gained access to bedrooms in which occupants of the homes were sleeping, took sums of money from their clothing and left the clothes lying outside the bedrooms. The residences of Isadore Amdur, 85 Elliot row, and John Ross, 27 Charlotte street, were the places entered.

Entry to the Ross home is thought to have been made through the front door and escape effected by the back entrance, as the latter had been secured by a heavy lock on the inside, and this morning was found open. Mr. Ross' room was entered and his trousers were taken from near his bed and left near the back door, after about \$100 had been removed. Mr. Ross said this morning that he had a faint recollection of seeing someone in the room during the night, but evidently took it for one of the family, or thought it was imagination, for he went into a sound sleep and thought nothing more of it until he discovered (Continued on page 2, seventh column)

Belfast Hunger Strike May Spread

Belfast, Oct. 17.—Tragic results or else "a notable victory" may be the outcome of a hunger strike begun by the soldiers prisoners in Mount Joy jail in Dublin a few days ago, according to a Republican manifesto. There are approximately 18,000 prisoners in the jails, says the manifesto, which continues: "When the hunger strike spreads to the other camps and prisons, the people may be prepared to be shaken from their apathy by a tragedy or a victory unparalleled in the history of the nation."

SINN FEIN GATHERS 1,200 AT MEETING

Decides for Passive Resistance to Free State—Membership Republicans.
Dublin, Oct. 17.—The Sinn Fein convention, or Ard Fheis, held at the Mansion House yesterday, fulfilled the expectations of its promoters. More than 1,200 attended from Sinn Fein constituencies from all of the 32 counties. The organization, which last year sought to avoid division by a pact between Eamonn De Valera and Michael Collins, now consists almost solely of Republicans, and the proceedings yesterday reaffirmed the full Republican plans. Mary MacSwiney, elected to preside in the absence of De Valera, who is in jail, defined the future policy of the Sinn Fein as passive resistance to the Free State, and the resolutions proposed cover a detailed programme with this purpose in view. One of these protests against entering the League of Nations as a British colony.

McLACHLAN GUILTY

Jury Decides Former Secretary of U. M. W. Issued Seditious Libel.
Halifax, N. S., Oct. 17.—The jury deciding the case of James B. McLachlan, former secretary of the U. M. W., district 26, charged with seditious libel in a letter he published during the last strike of steel and coal workers in Cape Breton, returned a verdict of "guilty" at 2:15 p. m.

Bluenose Chosen To Defend Trophy

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 17.—The United States racing committee will have a challenger at Halifax on Oct. 27 to compete for the international fishing schooner race trophy according to a final telegram received today by F. A. Saunders, secretary of the Canadian Racing Committee, from W. A. Reid secretary of the American Racing Committee. There will be no elimination races in Canadian waters and the Bluenose, last year's winner of the cup, will defend the trophy against the American entrants which will be decided by the preliminary race off Gloucester.

QUESTION OF CREED IS BAN TO MERGER

Moderator Speaks for U. S. Congregationalists—Union Definitions.
Springfield, Mass., Oct. 17.—There is no prospect that Congregationalists will form a merger with any other denomination upon the basis of the required use of any creed, said Rev. Wm. E. Bartow, of Oak Park, Ill., yesterday. He is moderator of the National Council of Congregational Churches. He declared that the various organizations comprising the Church of Christ would need to learn if they did not already know, that Christian union and church union were not synonymous terms and that they were far from being the same as uniformity. "There is no prospect that Congregationalists will form a merger with any other denomination upon the basis of the required use of any creed and especially of any ancient creed as a necessary part of any service in the church."

MOROS ON RAMPAGE

Kill School Teachers and Ten Soldiers on Island of Mindanao.
Manila, Oct. 18.—Two school teachers, one supervising teacher, one lieutenant and sergeant and eight privates of the Philippine Constabulary were killed last Sunday at a school house at Lake Buluan, island of Mindanao, according to advices received here. The aid of U. S. troops has been asked.

Wire Briefs

Toronto, Oct. 17.—Playing alone in his back yard, four-year-old Dorothy Taylor of York Township fell head first into a sludge pool and was drowned in four inches of water yesterday.

Bussels, Oct. 17.—The general council of the Socialist party has barred all Communists from the party's unionist, co-operative or mutual organizations in order to eliminate the Communist influence in these bodies.

Cranham, Eng., Oct. 17.—General Oglethorpe, British founder of the state of Georgia, like the Indian princess Pocahontas and his more distant and remote precursor, Tutankhamen, is to remain in his original burying place.

Warsaw, Oct. 17.—One hundred and fifty persons have been taken into custody and other arrests are expected in connection with the blowing up of one of the forts of the city last week. The police are convinced that the explosion was due to a conspiracy hatched in a foreign country.

Ottawa, Oct. 17.—A much more generous attitude toward Canadian enterprises is now evident in London financial circles, said Major Graham A. Bell, deputy minister of railways and canals, on his arrival from the British metropolis, where he has been attending to some urgent departmental matters.

Marshall, Texas, Oct. 17.—The sheriff of Marion County and the constable of Jefferson met on the main street there last night and without a word shot each other to death. Both men, B. B. Rodgers, the sheriff, and W. B. Proctor, the constable, were past 50 years of age.

POINCARÉ CONFERS ON REPARATIONS

Herr Von Hoesch Arrives at Paris for Conference.

FRENCH HOPEFUL

General Smuts of South Africa Also Has a Plan.

(Canadian Press.)
Paris, Oct. 17.—Herr Von Hoesch, German charge d'affaires, arrived at the Foreign Office a little before noon today for a conference with Premier Poincaré, which in some quarters was believed to forecast an important step in regard to the reparations problem. The German official came to the Quai D'Orsay with a French military guard of honor was drawn up on both sides of the entrance waiting to salute President Masaryk of Czech-Slovakia. Herr Von Hoesch, in order to enter the building, had to pass between the ranks of the honor guard.

The German charge remained at the Foreign Office 35 minutes. Immediately afterward Premier Poincaré left for a luncheon with President Masaryk at the Czech-Slovak legation without informing his colleagues of what had passed during the interview.

SMUTS HAS PLAN

London, Oct. 17.—Interest in a means of solving the reparations problem is revived by the report that General Smuts, South African Premier, who is taking a most active part in the discussion of foreign policy in the Imperial Conference, has prepared a plan for submission to the conference on the lines already adopted for Austria's rescue from financial difficulties. Gen. Smuts is known to be dissatisfied with the present passive policy of the British Government and it is supposed that he will press his solution with considerable activity.

His efforts are likely to be reinforced, first by the fact that the Belgian Government is said to be again in communication with the reparations commission of a solution which the Belgian experts drafted last June and which was far from being held up by French opposition, and second, by the efforts the Stresemann Government is making to rehabilitate the German financial position by the institution of a new "renten" bank to assist in the creation of some stable form of currency.

Belgian's Currency

Paris, Oct. 17.—The Belgian reparations commission today by M. Dele Croix, the Belgian member. The commission will meet again next week to consider it in detail.

STINNES IN RUHR

Plans to Engage in Further Parleys With the French Authorities.
Düsseldorf, Oct. 17.—Hugo Stinnes is again here in the Ruhr and it is understood that he is to engage in further parleys with the French authorities, but as was the case during the last visit of the German industrial leader, his movements are being kept secret. French military headquarters today professed ignorance even of the magnate's presence, adding that he certainly could not be having another conference with Gen. Degoutte today, as the general had gone to Mayence.

Washouts Cripple Alaska Railroad

Washington, Oct. 17.—One hundred miles of the Alaska railroad have been put out of commission, according to a report to Secretary Work, from Anchorage, by an unusually severe rainstorm, combined with high tides. The entire section between Seward and Potter has suffered from washouts and destroyed bridges.

Advertisers, Attention!

Owing to an exceptional demand for advertising space in the special shipping edition of THE TELEGRAPH-JOURNAL which will be published in connection with the opening of the World's Greatest Drydock at St. John, Monday, October 29, there is now available, only a limited amount of space. Advertisers desiring to be represented in this special edition should arrange for space and forward copy at once. For rates and further particulars, 'Phone Main 2417.

Four Beat Turnkey And Escape Jail

Haverhill, N. H., Oct. 17.—Two prisoners are still at large and Frank Green, jail-keeper is perhaps mortally wounded as a result of a jailbreaking fight at the Geston county jail here. Four prisoners, Amey Aubrey of Plymouth, Edward Demerouti of Warren, Charles Spencer of Canada and Edward Berry of Somerville, Mass., attacked the turnkey when he came on them in the corridors. They had previously picked the lock on the door of their cells with a piece of wire. Green put up a courageous fight, but was easily overpowered by the four men, one of whom hit him over the head with a brick. He was knocked unconscious and divested of all his keys, by means of which the four men made their way to safety.

U. S. SHUTS DOORS ON EXCESS IMMIGRANTS

Rejected, Mostly British, Grieve as They Return—Italians for Canada Held.
New York, Oct. 17.—Pathetic scenes were witnessed at the Cunard pier yesterday when 566 immigrants in excess of the October quota were denied admission to the U. S. and returned to their native lands. The ship, which sailed yesterday, most of those deported were British.

The Italian quota was also exceeded, and 100 Italians were held at the pier, pending a ruling by the Canadian Government. Immigration Commissioner Carr announced that, despite the return of the ship, the quota for the island was occupied and that 100 Italians bound for Canada were detained in quarters at the pier. The ship was held at the pier, pending a ruling by the Canadian Government.

NEWCASTLE MAN DIES IN MONTREAL

William Richards, Manager of Opera House, Succumbs in The Hospital.
(Special to The Times.)
Newcastle, Oct. 17.—A telegram was received yesterday announcing the death at Montreal Hospital of William Richards, manager of the Newcastle Opera House. Mr. Richards was born in England 37 years ago, but came to Canada at an early age and located at Newcastle, being employed as musician at the Opera House.

COOK OF ARCTIC AND OTHERS ON TRIAL

Charge of Use of Mails to Defraud in Connection With Oil Concerns.
Port Worth, Texas, Oct. 17.—Presentation of evidence by the Government in the trial of Frederick A. Cook, Arctic explorer, and co-defendants charged with using the mails to defraud, began today when C. B. Whitmore, real estate dealer at Fort Worth, took the witness stand as the first of more than 100 witnesses expected to be called in the prosecution.

Mr. Whitmore testified that he received letters through the mails from the Arctic region, signed by J. S. Rooks, a co-defendant, and from the Petroleum Producers Association, signed by Dr. Cook. The letters urged the stockholders in the Burk Hoyt Co. transfer their stock into Dr. Cook's association.

BLOOD FEARED IN MEXICAN UPRISING

Troops Marching to State Capital to Support Candidate For Governor.
Mexico City, Oct. 17.—Bloody developments are feared in the region of Lillo, says a message to L'Occure. The Pastour Institute has identified the germ as the amoeba of dysentery. It is supposed to have been imported by Chinese laborers from Annam, employed in the reconstruction of the devastated regions, as the disease is known only in the tropics. It is caused by a microscopic but tough parasite in the intestine. Physicians hope that colder weather will discourage the germs, for the death rate from the disease is 25 per cent.

NEW DISEASE IN WAR DEVASTATED LAND

Believed Brought to France By Chinese Laborers—Germ Identified.
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COAL SUPPLY GAINS

Increase is Reported in the Bituminous Production in United States.
Washington, Oct. 17.—Bituminous coal production in the U. S. during the nine months ending Sept. 30, amounted to 418,669,000 tons, and was greater than during any similar period except that of the war year 1918. This estimate was made by F. R. Wadleigh, chief of the U. S. commerce department coal division.

During the same period in 1922, production totalled 271,644,000 tons, the miners strike reducing the output far below normal. Market conditions were reported by Mr. Wadleigh to be quiet in nearly all the principal mining and consuming districts.

ROBBED OF \$30,000 IN LIQUOR

Capt. John Sims at Yarmouth, N. S., With a Tale of Woe.

PIRATES GOT HIM.

Boarded the Dominion Packet to Buy Gun Play Settled Bargain.

(Canadian Press.)
Yarmouth, N. S., Oct. 18.—"One hundred cases will cost you"—Captain John Sims commenced, as he made calculations on a bit of paper in the cabin of the liquor loaded schooner Dominion Packet. "Will cost us nothing," a man with a gun whispered to him. "What could Captain John do?" His two honest brethren of a moment ago had become pirates, "rum pirates," and they each held a gun close to him as he raised his head from figuring the cost of 100 cases which he had sold to them. He could do nothing, and he did it. The pirates could take \$30,000, and they took it. Then, with Captain John's arms pinning aloft, all went on deck, and there the rest of the crew were also pointing their hands to the topsails, while gunmen stood by. Followed some work by the boarders, and the packet's liquor cargo was unloaded into a motor boat and five rum-sippers, which had drawn alongside. "Stripper Sims estimates he lost \$30,000 up and down the American coast, with Point Montauk to shoreward. The raiders approached in a motor boat and were allowed on board as buyers. The Dominion Packet arrived here today.

Something Nice in Lions Today?



Richard Mansell, humane officer of Youngstown, O., always was a likely hand with animals all his life. When he handles a lion of the size of this one, Mansell insists it is easy to win its confidence by "giving the beast a square deal."

GOVERNMENT STANDS BY AGREEMENT

Premier Veniot and Hon. Dr. Smith Meet the City Commissioners.

CHANGE TONIGHT

Power Company Link-up Started—Drydock May Aid.

That an agreement had been reached with the New Brunswick Power Company to supply current for the New Brunswick Power Commission and they were prepared now to carry out their contracts was the statement made this morning by Hon. Dr. E. A. Smith, chairman of the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission, at a conference with the city commissioners. The commission also agreed to assume the obligations of the Civic Commission for the supply of current secured from the McAvity plant, and announced that negotiations would be opened at once with the St. John Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Co., looking to the use of their plant as an auxiliary in the event of the Power Company not being able to supply the required amount of current for its needs.

Ready by Midnight, Is Hope

It was stated that phasing of the line from the power house of the Power Company to the city sub-station would be commenced this afternoon and it was hoped to have everything back to normal by midnight tonight. Hon. Dr. Veniot, Premier, announced that the Government would stand behind the commission in any necessary expenditure to meet the present emergency. (Continued on page 2, first column.)

TAKES HUSBAND'S PLACE AT MEETING

Dame Margaret Lloyd George Speaks to Welsh Folk—Ex-Premier Resting.
Chicago, Oct. 17.—Fatigued by his strenuous programme, Right Hon. David Lloyd George spent this morning resting at his hotel. His schedule for last night and today was cut to permit him to recover from a slight cold. It was not regarded as necessary to call in a doctor.

Dame Margaret Lloyd George took his place as speaker at a meeting of the Welsh American Society of Chicago last night. She urged the women to ally themselves with a movement recently begun to unite all English speaking women to work for international peace.

Grabs Poker Pot, Flees, Is Captured

Boston, Oct. 17.—Grabbing a stud poker pot of \$13, Adam Ambro ran from 9 Fourth street, Cambridge, pursued by an angry group of fellow players, according to the police. Captain Leahy of Station 3 heard the commotion and stepped lively after the fleeing Ambro, catching him inside a block. In his pockets were found wads of bills amounting to considerably more than the missing \$13. He was locked up on the charge of drunkenness, with another alleged fellow gambler, Nick Shilsky.

U. S. Is Watching U. S. Tariff Plan

Washington, Oct. 17.—Keen interest is being taken by Washington in the working out of the preferential tariff plan within the British Empire which has been under discussion in the imperial conference. Although President Coolidge has made it plain this government recognizes the full right of the British government and the Dominions to adopt a preference plan is not a threat of retaliation by the White House, but there is no doubt the high tariff leaders in congress and the country will endeavor to use the British tariff preference as reasons for keeping up a high level of duties in the country.

Weather Report

Synopsis—A trough of low pressure now extends from Manitoba to the Gulf of Mexico and pressure is the highest over the Maritime Provinces. Showers have been general over Lake Superior and they have occurred locally in the western provinces. Elsewhere the weather has been fair.

Forecast:

Maritime—Light to moderate winds, fine today and on Thursday; not much change in temperature.
Gulf and North Shore—Moderate winds, fine today and on Thursday; not much change in temperature.
New England—Fair tonight and Thursday; little change in temperature; moderate to fresh easterly winds.
Toronto, Oct. 17.—Temperatures—Lowest Highest during 8 a. m. yesterday night
Victoria . . . 48 56 49
Winnipeg . . . 44 58 42
Montreal . . . 46 62 46
St. John . . . 46 58 40
Halifax . . . 48 60 36
New York . . . 68 82 62