

RANEY PROCLAIMS VALIDITY OF ONT. REFERENDUM VOTE

"WETS" WILL BE ABLE TO "SHORT CIRCUIT" LIQUOR INTO HOMES TILL JULY

Orders May Be Placed With American Firms After May First Until Such Time As the Prohibition Measure Becomes Operative — Absolutely Bone Dry After That, However, Says Temperance Official.

Since the conclusive "dry" vote recorded on Monday, it is being persistently asserted by the "wets" that the sources of liquor supply will by no means be dried up. This, it appears, is for the present perfectly true, for even after May 1, when the Province of Quebec will put a stop to the exportation of liquor, supplies of "wet goods" may be procured by the process known as "short circuiting." This operation consists of placing an order with a firm on the American side, say in Cleveland or Buffalo, and having it transmitted to one of the Canadian distilleries or breweries, who ship it out to the consignee or consumer.

One of the local referendum officials, on being seen by The Advertiser today, stated that the assertion of the "wets" that an unlimited supply of liquor could be procured within the province, was only too true until the vote of the people for prohibition became operative on or about July 1. At that date there will automatically come into force what is known as the "Sandy bill," which received the royal assent on June 4, 1920. This bill was originally drafted to meet such a situation as has now arisen, and according to its provisions, the "short circuiting" process will come to an end. As a matter of fact, it will become illegal for any traffic in liquor to take place within the province except when the shipment is carried out under a Government permit, and this is only granted for liquor shipped in bond for dispensary purposes or to be used by manufacturers who employ alcohol in the production of certain commodities authorized by law.

WANTS CASE OF MURRELL BOYS AND WILLIAMS TO BE DISPOSED OF BEFORE THE FALL ASSIZES

Deputy Sheriff B. F. Watterworth Will Request Crown Attorney McKillop To Petition Attorney-General For Special Jury To Sit Immediately After the Melbourne Hearing.

Rather than have the Murrell brothers and Williams in jail until September or October awaiting trial on the charge of murdering Russell Campbell in Melbourne on April 11, when the trio attempted to rob the Home Bank, Deputy Sheriff B. F. Watterworth will interview Crown Attorney J. B. McKillop to see if the attorney-general will allow a special jury to try the prisoners for murder as soon as possible after the preliminary hearing in Melbourne tomorrow.

There will be a general session of the peace in June, but only non-jury cases will be disposed of. The next court at which a murder trial can be held is in the fall. Apparently the prisoners do not realize the situation in which they are placed or else are indifferent as to their future, for this morning they were in the best of spirits, laughing and talking, but seldom referring to the Melbourne affair.

HALF MILLION GALLON FLOW FROM NEW BROUGHDALE WELL

Further Tests Will Be Made in Vicinity, States E. V. Buchanan.

Water has been struck in two drillings made by the public utilities commission at Broughdale, General Manager E. V. Buchanan announced today. Extensive tests of capacity and purity will be necessary before there is any possibility of its being added to the city's supply.

IRISH POLICEMEN ARE MURDERED

Taken From Train and Shot To Death.

Dublin, April 20.—Policemen Kelly and Hetherington were taken from a train last evening near Bally Sodar, County Sligo, and murdered by armed men, who held up the train for two hours. The reports of the shooting say it has caused consternation in Sligo, where the murdered men have been stationed for some years.

The police this morning visited the scene of the crime at the premises closed until further notice.

THE WEATHER

Following are the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest 68, lowest 30. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest 54, lowest 39.

PARIS EDITOR DIES. A pronounced disturbance has developed over the Middle Western States, and will probably move directly to the Great Lakes.

MOTHER MOVES TO SAVE SON FROM GALLOWS

Mrs. Garfield Is in Woodstock Circulating Petition.

ASKS LIFE TERM

Signatures Will Be Sought in London and Toronto.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Woodstock, April 20.—Mrs. Garfield of Toronto, mother of Norman Garfield in jail here condemned to die on June 2nd for the murder of Ben Johnston the local confectioner on January 20th, will make an effort to save her son from the gallows. Mrs. Garfield has been here a few days making arrangements to circulate petitions praying that the sentence of death be commuted to imprisonment. Today she is personally canvassing the city for signatures to her petition.

St. Kitts Citizen Will Visit King

St. Catharines, April 20.—William Legg, St. Catharines' veteran shoemaker, left yesterday with his daughter, Bessie, on a trip to the old country. Mr. Legg expects to visit his old sailing comrade, King George, while away.

MAN WALKS THROUGH PLATE GLASS DOOR IN STANDARD BANK

People Rush to Scene With Visions of Another Hold-up.

ESCAPES SERIOUS INJURY C. L. Graves Victim of Excessive Polishing On Part of Jahitor.

"How this man escaped serious injury is a mystery to me," said one of the officials of the Standard Bank on Richmond street, in reference to an extraordinary accident which occurred this forenoon about 11 o'clock. At that hour, C. L. Graves, who is employed as manager at Peel's store, which is on the opposite side of the street, went over to the bank to transact some business. Having completed his mission, Mr. Graves made for the street, but apparently failing to observe that the inner door was closed, he walked straight into it with a crash that was heard all over the bank premises and for quite a distance beyond, his head collided with the panel and the thick plate glass flew in a thousand fragments. So clean a job did the unfortunate man make of this morning's duties, bestowed an extra polish.

WOULD LET GERMANS WORK IN MINES OF NORTHERN FRANCE

Minister For the Liberated Regions Makes Proposal.

Paris, April 20.—Discussing the budget for the devastated regions in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday, Louis Loucheur, minister for the liberated regions, said if Germany furnished labor for the reconstruction of devastated regions he saw no reason why the aid of the Germans should not be employed in the mines of Northern France in producing coal.

COMMUNISTS AGAIN ACTIVE IN GERMANY



Not successful in their last outbreak, the Communist party in Germany has again planned a revolution in Central Germany. Photo shows two of the Spartacists under arrest, and tied to the horse of an officer of the Guard.

GERMANY'S NEWEST OFFER TO ALLIES WILL BE 3,000,000,000 GOLD MARKS IN TEN YEARS

Berlin Government Proposes To Issue a Big International Loan On Which Interest Up To 5 Per Cent Will Be Paid—Reparations, Including Offer of German Labor, Will Be Submitted to Allied Governments.

Paris, April 20.—Temps today publishes a dispatch under Colon date giving what purports to be propositions which, the newspaper says, Germany will make to the Allies.

According to the Temps, Germany proposes to pay to the Allies 2,000,000,000 gold marks during ten years and also yearly payments equal to one-fifth of the value of Germany's exports to allied countries. In order to realize a part of the above indemnities, says the dispatch, Germany proposes to issue an international loan of 10,000,000,000 gold marks, upon which she is prepared to pay interest up to five per cent. The loan would be guaranteed by railroad earnings, and also by participation up to 20 per cent in German private industries. Germany then would be ready to discuss the total of its debt to the Allies, according to the dispatch.

Germany also will offer reparations in kind, stating German contractors and labor would undertake to reconstruct a certain percentage of the work in Northern France, and also that German industry would supply French owners whose property was destroyed with materials which would be paid for by bonds which the Government of Germany would deliver to French owners.

Would Make "Star Spangled Banner" National Anthem

Washington, April 20.—A bill to make the "Star Spangled Banner," the United States national anthem, was introduced in the House today by Representative Lathrop of Maryland. The United States has never had an official national anthem. The bill introduced today revives an ancient controversy between proponents of "The Star Spangled Banner" and "America."

ALBERTA LEGISLATURE SESSION CLOSURES AFTER SITTING FOR 9 WEEKS

Edmonton, April 20.—The fourth session of the fourth legislative assembly of Alberta was brought to a close yesterday afternoon, after sitting nine weeks. His honor the lieutenant-governor gave final assent to nearly eighty public bills, with fifteen private measures attached.

BRINGS DEAD PARTNER OUT OF WILDERNESS HOME FOR BURIAL

Port Arthur, April 20.—Carrying out the last wishes of his partner and brother-in-law, Ward E. Brown, who died April 6 from pneumonia in their prospectors' shack near Clearwater Lake, 150 miles north of Sioux Lookout, Ont., T. Barker arrived today with the body, and will leave via C. P. R. tomorrow morning to bury it beside the dead man's wife, who was Mr. Barker's sister, at Plainwell, near Grand Rapids, Mich. With the body of his friend encased in several thicknesses of tarpaulin and strapped to a board, Barker started out alone on the long trail of more than 150 miles to civilization, covering the distance in eleven days by canoe, dog train and toboggan. After part of the journey had been accomplished he took an Indian in company. Their route lay through absolute wilderness, and sometimes they had to cut down trees to get the body through. Both Brown and Barker were with the American forces overseas in the great war. They were in the far north to prospect for gold.

MONTREAL CHURCH DESTROYED BY FIRE; LOSS IS \$800,000

Large Section Threatened by Blaze of Unknown Origin.

Montreal, April 20.—A general fire alarm was sent out last night for a blaze that destroyed the Church of the Nativity, on the corner of St. Germain and Ontario streets, east, this city, with an estimated loss of \$800,000, of which \$150,000 is covered by insurance. The cause of the fire is unknown. No lives were lost. The parish priest, Rev. Fr. Langevin, was in the presbytery, suffering from paralysis, and was carried out at the commencement of the outbreak as his residence was menaced by the flames. Fifty or more dwelling houses on St. Germain, De Beaujeu and Deseray streets were threatened by the flames, necessitating the turning in of three alarms.

INDIAN MUTINY VETERAN DIES. Nelson, B. C., April 20.—Christopher Smedley, an Indian Mutiny veteran, died this morning after a residence here of 22 years, in his 85th year. He served in the 24th Foot, being stationed at Delhi, Cawnpore, Ferozepore, Meerut and Mooltan.

Appeal To Upset Referendum Verdict Could Not Succeed, Declares Hon. W. E. Raney

WETS LOADING UP; MONTREAL IS MECCA OF THIRSTY ONES

Ontario Citizens Purchasing Large Stocks of Liquor.

BIG SUPPLIES ON HAND

Vendors and Importers Are Anxious To Get Rid of Stocks.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Montreal, April 20.—Montreal may expect to be crowded with Ontario visitors from now on until the end of May, and for some time afterwards as a result of the Ontario referendum vote on Monday.

Many have arrived here for the well-defined purpose of getting as much liquor into their cellars as their means afford before the "bone-dry" law goes into effect. Some bought as much as \$5,000 worth, and these were people of no particular prominence but ordinary businessmen. There was no evidence in Montreal yesterday as far as could be learned that "bootleggers" were here to load up.

The liquor men of the province of Quebec, namely, the ten importers and 25 vendors, and all their agents have certain stocks on hand which they are naturally anxious to get rid of before May 1, and the result of the referendum vote in Ontario will enable them to sell their stock more rapidly.

Must Report Stocks. The Quebec liquor commission yesterday called attention to article 21 of the liquor law, and sent advertisements to the newspapers calling the attention of licensees under the Quebec prohibition law to the provisions of this article. They are in short, that those with stocks of alcoholic liquor of all kinds, and this includes beer and wine, must make a report to the commission of all stocks on hand. The commission will take control of such stocks and dispose of them as seen fit.

It will naturally be much better for those who have liquor in hand now to ship it to the people of Ontario than to wait until the end of the month and accept for it what it pleases the commission to pay, and in some cases, to discover the experts of the commission find that it is not of the quality which the commission wishes to sell in its shops, and consequently, destroy it or recover the alcohol therefrom. People of Ontario are paying \$40, \$44, \$48 and higher for whiskey purchased, and necessarily this will be more than the commission will pay for one of the items of the new law that liquor will be sold at more moderate prices than is now the case, and the commission must also make a profit on what it sells.

Young Mother's Case Presents Legal Puzzle

Chicago, April 20.—Held too young in years to be a wife, and mother, although she is actually both, and too old in experience to go back to school with other children, so she may progress far enough to go to work under Illinois statutes, the case of Mary Prohownik, aged 14, and her baby was presented to juvenile court officials today by Miss Bess Sullivan, assistant state's attorney.

Ontario Attorney-General Says That Vote Was Entirely Valid and No Sound Reason Can Be Advanced Against Its Constitutionality — Measure Would Go Into Effect Within Time Prescribed, Even If Appeal Were Entered in Courts.

Toronto, April 20.—In the opinion of Hon. W. E. Raney, attorney-general of Ontario, no sound legal objection can be found to overthrow or defeat Monday's vote of the people of Ontario for bone-dry prohibition. The attorney-general, in an interview today, gave it as his view that the Dominion law under which the referendum vote was taken in Ontario on Monday was entirely valid and four square within the jurisdiction of the Parliament of Canada. "Canada," he declared, "is spelled with a capital C. There is no residuum of power or authority anywhere outside of Canada. The whole power to legislate is either at Ottawa or Toronto."

"My own view is," added the attorney-general, "that the Parliament of Canada is supreme except where it encroaches on provincial rights. But here we have the two parliaments agreeing. If there is any doubt where the jurisdiction of the one begins or stops, it is cured by the general language of our own new bill, or proclamation, bringing into force the new Dominion act. The minister said the view that the Dominion had gone beyond its powers in attempting to prohibit importation in one province without prohibiting it in all could not be supported. The Dominion act was not discriminating in favor or against any of the provinces, he declared.

STREET RAILWAY AGREEMENT HAS BUT TEN DAYS TO RUN; WAGE QUESTION NOT SETTLED

Ontario Railway Board To Relinquish Control of Road On May 1—Manager C. B. King Out of City—Men Will Seek Conference On His Return.

Although their agreement has only ten days more to run, the street railway company and its employees have not yet arranged a conference on the vital question of wages. Manager C. B. King is out of the city, and there is no definite information as to when he will return. The men will seek a conference with him immediately he returns. They are still hopeful that a settlement will be reached.

The case is complicated by the announcement of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board that it intends to relinquish control of the road May 1. This will leave the situation entirely in the hands of the men and the company. The less they have reached an agreement by that time it is possible that a tie-up in the service might occur.

One conference has been held at which clauses in relation to working conditions were discussed, but wages have not yet been taken up. The men are at present receiving 48 cents an hour, and the surplus from each month's operation. They want a definite scale of 52 cents, as the surplus has never been large enough to increase wages more than about a cent an hour. The company has made no counter-proposals.

MRS. LLOYD GEORGE CALLS FOR WAR ON RADICAL ELEMENTS

London, April 20.—Canadian Associated Press.—An echo of the prime minister's famous speech accusing British Labor leaders of revolutionary designs was heard at Bedford yesterday when Mrs. Lloyd George who is speaking in the interests of the new postmaster-general in the Bedford by-election, said: "We have beaten Prussianism; we must now prepare to beat Russianism. The disciples of Lenin and Trotsky are among us, bent on destroying our cherished institutions and bringing disaster upon the nation."

CHARGES OF FORMER LONDON ALDERMAN ARE BEING PROBED

Legislature Committee Resumes Sittings This Afternoon.

Toronto, April 20.—The committee on privileges and elections of the Ontario Legislature, will resume sittings this afternoon, at 2:30 when it is expected that the charges of ex-Alderman Ashplant of London and other matters and other allegations suggesting reflection on the integrity of the members of the Legislature will probably be taken up.

WIDOW OF FORMER LONDON POSTMASTER DIED THIS MORNING

Mrs. Emma Browne Passed Away At Victoria Hospital.

HAD HOST OF FRIENDS

Was Prominent Member of the First Methodist Church.

Mrs. Emma Browne, 480 Queen's avenue, widow of Thomas A. Browne, a former postmaster of this city died this morning. Mrs. Browne contracted a cold several months ago and was later operated on for mastoids. She was making rapid progress toward recovery when complications set in, resulting in her death.

Mrs. Browne was a prominent member of the First Methodist Church and took an active interest in several of the women's organizations of the church. She will be greatly missed by a host of friends in London.

Mrs. Browne is survived by one son, Thomas A. Browne, and four others, J. E. J. W. and T. W. Scandrett of this city and Fred Scandrett of Montreal.

The funeral will be of a private nature, which will be held Thursday afternoon from her residence to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.