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SCOTT ESCAPES GALLOWS FOR THIRD TIME

INSANITY PLEA MOVES JUDGE TO DECISION

Stay of Execution Is Granted Pending a Hearing GIVEN UP HOPE

Accused Says He Is Not Crazy But Is Surprised at New Move

By Canadian Press. CHICAGO, July 24.—Russell Scott early today, escaped the gallows for the second time, within a week.

The former Canadian financier, twice reprieved from paying the supreme penalty for the murder of a Chicago drug clerk, in a bold-up, dodged the noose for the third time, less than four hours before he was to have been executed when Circuit Judge Joseph B. David, granted a stay of execution pending a hearing into his sanity.

A week ago, six hours before he was to hang, Governor Small granted a one week's reprieve, which expired this morning. Judge David, called out of bed a few hours before the time for the execution, convened a special session of court, and granted the stay, after Governor Small and the state board of pardons and paroles last night at Springfield, refused further clemency.

SANITY HEARING This morning the gallows trap, set for springing a week ago, stood without its victim, and jail officials who had left it standing during the week of grace, were considering dismantling it.

The sanity hearing will come up for several days. Scott's escape from death today, like that a week ago, came after he and his relatives had virtually abandoned hope. Thomas Scott, his father, had called at the jail three hours previously, to bid him a last farewell, the second such visit in a week.

WIFE ARRIVES Mrs. Catherine Scott, his faithful wife, who for weeks fought to obtain a commutation, played what she believed to be her final card in Springfield where she appeared before the pardon board and when the stay was granted, was returning from Springfield to Chicago by automobile to bid her husband farewell almost at the minute of his execution. She arrived to find the court action stopping the hanging. Scott, who had been surly and defiant throughout the night, and who apparently was completely resigned to his fate, received the news that his life was spared, at least temporarily, with considerable surprise. He had known nothing about the last minute appeal to the courts.

"I'm tickled to death," were his first words. Then upon learning that the stay had been granted to find out whether he was sane Scott added: "I am no more crazy than the judge who granted me a stay on that account. I am not asking for any sympathy from anyone either. I am innocent."

BROTHER ILL A telephone message was received early today from Port Huron, Michigan, stating that Robert Scott, brother of Russell Scott, was in that city critically ill. The call, received by Mrs. Isabel J. Hurst, Detroit club woman, who came here to work for Russell's reprieve, was made by a Mrs. Manley, who said that Scott was at her home. While officials here feared that the call might be another fraud, Port Huron police started an investigation.

Robert Innocent. CLEVELAND, O., July 24.—A telegram "If you are a Christian, don't murder my son," was sent to Governor Small late last night, by Mrs. Rilla May Scott, mother of Russell and Robert Scott, and who are jointly indicted for the slaying of a Chicago drug clerk.

Seated in a rocker on a dark porch of her home in Bay Village, a suburb, the gray haired mother sent away two women who had come from Windsor, Ont., to be with her through her anxiety.

"Both my boys are innocent," Mrs. Scott said. "Russell sent me a complete story of the event, when he knew death was approaching. He said he was not even in the room when the two shots were fired, and that the bullet that killed the clerk was meant for Robert instead.

"Robert was wounded by the other bullet. The real slayer never was caught. If Robert can do anything to help Russell, he will do it before dawn, at Robert is as innocent as Russell, it was just foolish."

Mrs. Scott is employed in a department store here.

PORT HURON, Mich., July 24.—Robert Scott was at the home of Mrs. Manley here at midnight last night, and left two hours later for Chicago, the police here were informed.

Mrs. Manley.

Winston Churchill Is Said To Aspire To The British Premiership

PARLIAMENTARY COLLEAGUES HIT BY CURZON

Lumber Cut To Be Lower This Winter

MONTREAL, July 24.—Representatives of 33 lumber manufacturers in Ontario and Quebec met here yesterday and decided to restrict this year's production of the saw mills and to reduce logging operations next winter by 50 per cent. High cost of production and depression in the lumber market were the reasons given for this decision.

ZEV RETIRES FROM THE RACING GAME

Greatest Winner of United States Thoroughbreds Has Gone Stubborn. NEW YORK, July 24.—Zev, greatest winner of the United States thoroughbreds, who earned for his owners \$1,818,689, has been retired from the track because he has gone stubborn.

RIFFIAN TRIBESMEN HASTEN RETREAT

New French Leaders in Morocco Take Determined Steps Against Enemy. PARIS, July 24.—Vigorously shelled by punning French artillery, the rebellious Riffian tribesmen in Morocco are reported as hastening their retreat from the Ain Aicha and Ain Malouf regions, in the centre of the line, taking with them the civil populations of villages and their flocks.

APPEAL COMPLETED

J. A. Gregory's Solicitor Not Called by Privy Council in Insurance Case. G. H. V. Belyes, who acted for J. A. Gregory in some insurance cases, connected with Mr. Gregory's lumber loss by fire at Ketepec some time ago, yesterday received a cable from his law partner, Adrian B. Gilbert, stating that the appeal taken by the insurance companies had been heard by the judicial committee of the Privy Council, and that their Lordships took the appeal into consideration without calling upon the respondent's (Mr. Gregory's) solicitor for argument.

France Now Proposes To Regulate Foreign Visitors

Canadian Press Despatch. PARIS, July 24.—M. Schrameck, minister of the interior, interviewed by the judicial committee of the Privy Council, and that their Lordships took the appeal into consideration without calling upon the respondent's (Mr. Gregory's) solicitor for argument.

MINERS ARE ORDERED OUT FOR JULY 31

Executive of the British Union Terminate Agreement. LONDON, July 24.—Late afternoon it was announced that representatives of British coal miners and mine owners would meet in a joint conference July 29. This is the first successful move toward avoiding the threatened British coal strike.

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Lunenburg Schooner Ashore Newfoundland

HALIFAX, N. S., July 24.—The Lunenburg schooner Delawans II, is ashore at the entrance to Holyrod Harbor, Newfoundland, according to reports received here today by Ward Fisher, of the Eastern Fisheries Division. The message stated that the schooner was standing by to render assistance, and expected to refloat the schooner at high tide.

Members of Picket To Higher Court

DRUMHELLER, Alta., July 24.—The 41 members of the A. B. C. Mine "Picket" picket, whose faced Magistrate O'Connor at provincial court yesterday on some 47 charges, were all sent up to a higher court for trial, bail being fixed in each at \$800 personal bond and one surety of the same amount.

113 Persons Are Injured At Theatre

MELBOURNE, July 24.—One hundred and thirteen persons were injured, some of them seriously, when the veranda of a moving picture theatre collapsed during a parade of sailors of the visiting United States fleet here today. No one was killed, and none of the American sailors was hurt.

POLICEMAN FACES MURDER CHARGE

Joseph Macleod Arrested Because of Death of Miner in Cape Breton. CANADIAN PRESS. SYDNEY, N. S., July 24.—A warrant was issued this morning for the arrest on a charge of murder of Joseph Macleod, British Empire Steel Corporation policeman for the shooting of William Davis, miner, in the new Waterford mine June 11. The warrant was issued by Magistrate J. J. Crowe, after a preliminary hearing. The policeman was arrested at Cape Breton.

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VALUABLE ESTATE

The will of the late Marquis Curzon of Kedleston places a gross value on his estate, apart from previous settlements of £384,894 (about \$1,775,000) with a net value of approximately £200,000 less.

GASTLES TO PUBLIC

Lord Curzon gave Battershall Castle in Lincolnshire and Bodiam Castle in Sussex to his country with the provision they are to be open to the public at all times at a small fee, which will provide funds for their upkeep.

PUBLISHER DEAD

SHERBROOKE, Que., July 23.—L. A. Gauthier, one of the oldest publishers in the province, for many years editor of Le Progress De L'Est, Sherbrooke, died last night.

PORTION OF MARQUIS' WILL IS SUPPRESSED

"Startling Revelations" Concerning One-Time Premier NOT PUBLISHED. LONDON, July 24.—A statement conspicuously displayed in the Morning Post today says that the will of Marquis Curzon of Kedleston takes the form of three testaments, one of which was suppressed because it contained instructions for the disposal of the Marquis's property in a manner which would have been highly prejudicial to the public interest. The newspaper refers to these documents as "startling revelations." It says Marquis Curzon desired that the documents should be kept secret, and that the executors were faced with the difficulty that the document also contained certain directions in the nature of an ordinary will and was therefore refused to be submitted for probate.

PRIVATE DOCUMENT

The document, accordingly was submitted to the probate court, and the fact that it was suppressed was granted the document was made available to public inspection, it was withdrawn and remains a private testament. The Morning Post says Marquis Curzon identified this document as his "literary testament" in a supplementary will which he wrote after he was seized with the illness that proved fatal.

A RUDE SHOCK

Those familiar with the contents of the literary testament," the newspaper adds, "appear to have agreed that this advice was sound. It has been suggested by one aware of them that publication must have been followed by a rude shock to public faith in a man who has rendered conspicuous service to the state."

REPRESENTATIVES HERE

Some days ago a representative of the Panos Players Lasky Corporation was in the city investigating the property matter, also one representing the Royal Films, which embrace Metro-Goldwyn and other leading brands of film, and the third visitor of prominence is from the First National Corporation.

SESSION CLOSED

WINNIPEG, Man., July 24.—At the close of an historical session, the first held since the voting on church union, the Manitoba Presbyterian Synod yesterday concluded its meetings with the adoption of a resolution praising the work of Ontario pastors, who had assisted Rev. W. F. McConnell, its organizer, in the campaign preceding the union vote in this province.

ROBS TAILOR

MONTREAL, July 24.—Thieves who broke into the tailor shop of Al-laire Garriep, in the West End, last night, escaped with goods valued at \$15,000.

Coal Magnates Meet



Negotiating committee of the Anthracite Operators of America meeting at Atlantic City, N. J., to discuss the impending coal miners strike. Left to right (seated) J. B. Warrington, Lehigh Coal Navigator Co.; E. H. Sander, Madera Hill & Co.; Thomas Thomas, Lehigh Valley Coal Co.; Andrew M. Pine, Hudson Coal Co.; (standing) Major W. W. Inglis, Glen Alden Coal Co.; G. B. Hadesky, Philadelphia and Reading Coal Co.

FILM COMPANIES MAY ERECT BUILDING HERE

Representatives Visit City and Look Over Sites; Difficulty Experienced in Getting Suitable Locations at Reasonable Rents. SINCE Saint John has been the Maritime centre of the motion picture industry, a matter of over 13 years, film companies are said to have experienced a great deal of difficulty in securing suitable quarters for the storage of their product, advertising matter and for executive offices. From recent developments it appears as if a move is being made to erect in this city a strictly fireproof structure to take care of this industry—if not all the agencies at least some of them.

FIRE DAMAGES DEVON BAKERY

Witnesses Called For Adjourning Session of Inquest Over Miss Wood's Death. Special to The Times-Star. FREDERICTON, July 24.—The bakery of Hawkes Bros., Bridge Street, Devon, was seriously damaged by fire Thursday night. Smoke and water caused the greater part of the damage. The bakery has been put out of business by the fire.

New Member for N. S. Highway Board

HALIFAX, July 23.—Captain J. F. Cahan, member for Yarmouth County in the Provincial Assembly, was today made a member of the Nova Scotia highways board which was reconstituted with the minister, Hon. Percy C. Black and R. W. McCollough, former chief engineer as members in addition to Captain Cahan.

Lumber Cargo Kept Ship Afloat After Being Hit

Canadian Press Despatch. NEW YORK, July 24.—Kept afloat by her cargo of lumber, the four-masted schooner Sally Wren, run down by the tanker Edward Luckenbach, early yesterday in a fog, 16 miles south of Annapolis Light, was towed into the harbor late yesterday by the coast guard cutter Seneca.

SEEKS CAUSES OF GREAT CRIME WAVE

International Committee Appointed to Carry on Investigation in All Countries. VICTORIA, B. C., July 24.—Appointment of a International Committee to attempt to discover the underlying causes of crime waves, said to be sweeping over the North American continent with greater force every year, was among the recommendations embodied in resolutions passed at the final sessions of the Northwest Association of sheriffs and police officers annual conference here last night.

A COALITION GOVERNMENT HIS OBJECTIVE

Lloyd George and Other Leading Liberals Named MOVE SOON Expected to Show Public That He Is Not Second To Bridgeman. By H. BAILEY British United Press. LONDON, July 24.—The future of the Eschequer under the Conservative flag is a subject of the keenest agitation in political circles today following the decided setback he has received in the cabinet by the triumphant outcome of Mr. Bridgeman's determination to carry out the Admiralty cruiser programme or split the Government.

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The Weather

SYNOPSIS—Pressure is highest over the Great Lakes, and Middle States, and relatively low both east and west. The weather is fine from Ontario eastward, and somewhat unsettled in the western provinces. Showers have occurred in Alberta and Southern Saskatchewan.

FORECASTS

Fair and Warm. MARITIME—Fresh southwest and west winds, fair and warm today and Saturday. NEW ENGLAND—Fair tonight and probably Saturday, not much change in temperature, moderate west winds.

Temperatures

Table with 2 columns: Location and Temperature. Locations include Toronto, Montreal, Saint John, and Halifax.

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