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TOMORROW—COOL, CLOUDY

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L.S.R. SERVICE CUT ON TWO LINES

London Medical Students On Equal Basis With Toronto

4 CREWS LAID OFF BY L.S.R.

Service Cut on Normal and Oxford Lines Brings Protest.

BREACH OF 916

City Engineer Not Notified—Council Will Demand Explanation on Monday.

Four street railway crews will be laid off work tomorrow by the L. S. R. Company, following an order to cut service on the Normal and Oxford lines. An eight-minute service will be maintained on the Oxford route and a 10-minute service observed by Normal cars.

Failure of the company to notify the city engineer of change in service caused criticism from members of the council today. As a result Ald. Robert Carewell and Ald. Frank McKay will likely demand an explanation at Monday's council meeting.

Eylaw 916 calls for arrangements being made with the city engineer whenever a change in service is to be made by the street railway company. Failure to do so is to be considered another breach of agreement of franchise rights.

Near Not Notified.
"I have had no request from the street railway regarding a change in service," W. P. Near, city engineer, stated today in answer to a query. "I know nothing about the change. I don't know just how service will be affected."

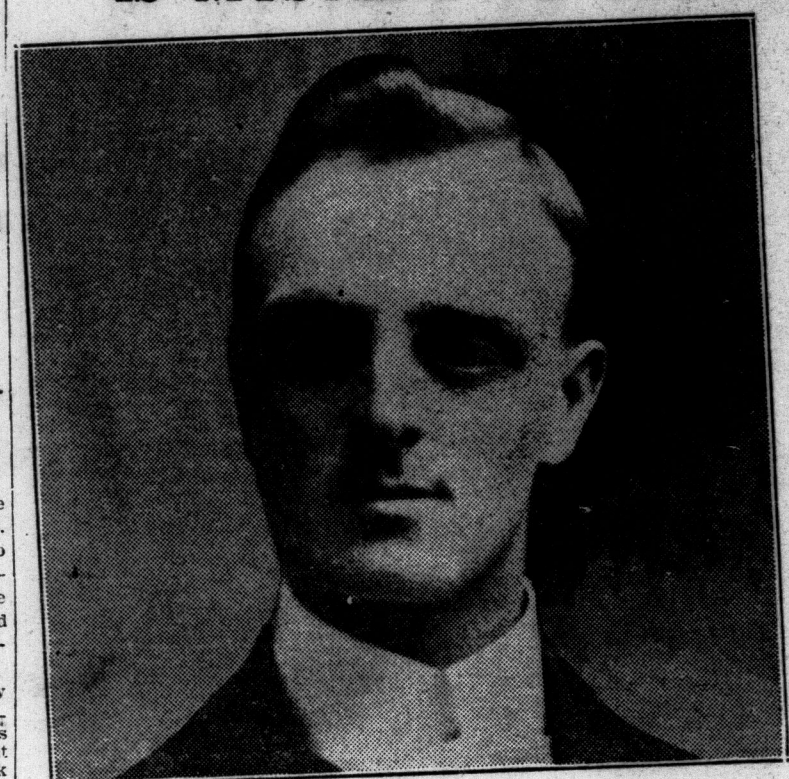
At the same time orders have been given to street railway employees that, after today, service will be cut on Normal and Oxford lines. Normal cars will run only to Richmond and Dundas, and will make a short loop around Oxford and Adelaide streets. Normal cars will no longer operate south on Richmond street. For the past week Normal cars have been operated to the north side of Ridout street bridge, but this "blind end" will be eliminated, and a 10-minute service will be conducted around a north loop.

"That will provide all the service that is necessary," commented Leonard Tait, general manager of the road. "We can give service south on Richmond street by Oxford, Richmond or Ottawa cars."

McKay Wants Explanation.
Ald. Frank McKay, chairman of No. 1 committee, draws attention to the street railway agreement whereby the company must notify the city engineer of any intended change in service. He will seek explanation of this breach of agreement.

"The change in Oxford service is certainly going to affect Hamilton road residents," complained Ald. R. J. Carewell. "We should have had information of the change at least. Please see page 3, column 5."

FOUL PLAY OR HOLIDAY IS MYSTERY TO SOLVE



EDGAR J. THOMAS.

Police Trace Missing Salesman As Far As Departure For Chatham and Then Clues Fail—Theory of Foul Play at Wallaceburg Exploded—No Arrests Made.

SISTER EXPECTED HIM BACK HERE FOR MAIL

Edgar J. Thomas of Mount Brydges, salesman for the Ontario Fertilizer company of Toronto, remains "missing" despite the energetic efforts of police of two counties to locate him since his mysterious disappearance from Wallaceburg two weeks ago.

Fearing that Thomas may have been the victim of foul play or is suffering from temporary loss of memory, every available clue in connection with the case has been thoroughly investigated by both High Constables Wharton of London and Peters of Chatham. His activities from the time he left Wallaceburg on April 15 until he boarded an electric trolley for Chatham have been traced, but from then on nothing is known of his actions.

A wife and five small children anxiously await news of the missing man at their little farm home on the outskirts of Mount Brydges. Police informed Mrs. Thomas today they had been unable to make any satisfactory progress with their investigation.

Circulars To Be Sent Out.
Meanwhile the hunt for Thomas continues. Circulars bearing a minute description of the missing man, and the story of his disappearance two weeks ago will be printed this afternoon and broadcasted to police departments in all parts of Ontario and Michigan.

High Constable Peters resumed his investigation at noon today. He journeyed to Wallaceburg, where he will pick up threads of the story of Thomas' disappearance to piece them together along the route of Electric and Chatham, in an attempt to arrive at an explanatory conclusion. His intention is to question farmers of that district in the hopes of finding someone who might throw light on the case.

When police declare they believe Thomas may have been murdered, no imaginative conclusion is jumped at, they say. Following their investigation of two days and taking into consideration every suggested reason for Thomas' continued absence, they were firmly convinced the man has met with foul play. His character alone and what they know of his home and business life would disprove any other theory.

Sister Is Puzzled.
Edgar Thomas' sister, Mrs. William Pearce, who lives at 58 Bruce street, this city, stated to The Advertiser today that she could give no reason for her brother's absence. He visited her shortly before his disappearance owing to the fact that his own home at Mount Brydges was in quarantine for scarlet fever. For two weeks he has stayed there at periods when he was not engaged in salesmanship in Western Ontario towns.

The Monday morning previous to his disappearance he left word with Mrs. Pearce not to forward his mail to the general delivery at Wallaceburg, as was her custom. He would be in London later in the week, he told her, and would be able to get the letters then. On the following Wednesday he telephoned to inquire if mail had arrived at the house for him. When informed there was no letter he talked generalities for a while and then rang off with a cheerful, "Good-bye, I'm going back home to Mount Brydges on Friday."

Mrs. Pearce is not inclined to believe the fact that her brother warned her not to forward his mail to Wallaceburg is indicative that he had anticipated an absence from London or his home. "He told me that," she explained, "because he ex-

SURPRISE WITNESS SAW ROW

Sheldon Howard Tells Court of Attack on Frank Uttley in Front Street House.

ESCAPED TO CAR

Robbery With Violence Case Opens Against Three Colored Men—Victim in Box.

Damaging evidence against Ernest Smith, Front street, John Johnston and Arthur Harris, charged with robbing and wounding Frank Uttley, of Zurich, at the Smith home early on the morning of March 24, was given by Sheldon Howard just before court adjourned at 12:30 today. The star witness for the crown, who was a surprise for the defence, identified all three of the colored prisoners as being connected with a fight in which Uttley alleges he lost \$230.

The case, which commenced before Judge Judd at 10:30 this morning, will likely take up most of the afternoon. Crown Attorney Albert M. Judd is prosecuting the prisoners, who are being defended by Frank Curran.

Smith sat between Harris and Johnston, wearing a blue and white striped shirt, and minus a coat. His companions wore blue suits. All three sat with their heads bowed and seemed impressed at Howard as he told of seeing Smith bending over the blood-streaked face of Uttley as he passed them on his way to the front door.

Other witnesses heard were Uttley, Dr. W. J. Tillmann, E. Dinsmore and George A. Brown.

Dr. Tillmann, who attended Uttley at St. Joseph's hospital, said that the injuries received by his patient were serious and could have been caused by a blow from a bottle.

Smelled Liquor.
Questioned by Mr. Curran, Dr. Tillmann said he had smelled liquor on Uttley's breath at the hospital.

Q.—Would a man be affected by drinking three quarters of a pint that night? A.—I don't drink ale, so I couldn't tell you. That amount of ale would contain about four ounces of alcohol.

Judge Judd—I've seen a man drink six bottles and it didn't affect him at all.

Mr. Curran then asked that all crown and defence witnesses be excluded from the courtroom. This was granted by his honor.

Frank Uttley said he left Zurich on Monday, March 23, to buy a motor car. He had \$230 on his person. Early Tuesday morning, about 12:30, he hired a taxi driver to take him to Smith's house at 9 Front street for some ale. Smith opened the door and invited him in. Witness said he had also visited the house on Feb. 11.

"I went in with Mr. Dinsmore, the taxi driver, to the kitchen, where three colored men and a woman were playing cards. A white man and woman were also present. Dinsmore stayed but a few minutes," said Uttley.

Smith sent two women to get some Please See Page 6, Column 3.

Pretty Dancers In Tomorrow's Exhibition



NINE DANCERS IN "COLUMBINE" TOMORROW.

Among the many lovely dances which will feature the Y. W. C. A. physical exhibition at the Arena tomorrow night will be "Columbine", the dancers appearing in orchid ballet costumes, trimmed with garlands of roses. Here is a typical group from the chorus as they were caught by an Advertiser photographer. They are: from left to right—Miss Irene Mac-

Intyre, Miss Chrissie Brown, Miss Gladys Morrison, Miss Winnifred MacDonald, Miss Thelma Wrighton, Miss Marion Morrison, Miss Elsie Summer, Miss Vera Cuttle and Miss Helen Johnston.

DISPUTES ACT BEING FRAMED

Legislation For Measure To Replace Lemieux Act Is Nova Scotia Plan.

PREMIER CONFIDENT

Canadian Press Despatch.
Halifax, N. S., April 30.—That legislation similar to the Lemieux act, providing for the investigation of industrial disputes and found ultra vires of the dominion parliament by the privy council, would be incorporated by means of a bill to be introduced, probably today, was the statement made to the Canadian Press by Premier E. H. Armstrong, following the adjournment of last night's session of the house of assembly.

Subsequently the attorney-general, Hon. W. J. O'Hearn, stated the proposed legislation would be made amply to the present struggle in Cape Breton. This means that the tie-up in the coal mining industry, now in its eighth week, will be subject to an investigation by a board of conciliation, to be made up of a representative of the British Empire Steel Corporation, a representative of the United Mine Workers of America and a chairman to be mutually agreed upon, or failing an agreement, to be appointed by some authority designated by the legislation.

WHIPPING POSTS ARE NOT NEEDED IN CANADA

Crown Attorney Judd Claims Present Methods of Punishment Are Adequate.

Whipping posts for criminals as planned by the Michigan state senate yesterday are not necessary in Canada in the opinion of Crown Attorney Albert M. Judd.

"The way justice is carried on here and the way punishment is imposed by the judges of our courts, there is no need of whipping posts," declared the crown attorney.

"In the state of Michigan they probably have to resort to that kind of thing owing to the fact that there is no capital punishment in that state. In my opinion it is not as brutal to hang a man as to tie him to a post and whip him."

MARY MACSWINEY MAKES HUNGER STRIKE THREAT

Associated Press Despatch.
Chicago, April 29.—Miss Mary Macswiney, sister of the late Terence Macswiney, Irish republican leader, said tonight that she had no "passport to enter this country, did not need any, and had no intention of ever getting any."

"If I should be arrested," she said, "although I have no fear of it, my only recourse would be a hunger strike. And I certainly would not hesitate in the least to resort to it if I should be arrested."

Miss Macswiney made the statement at her hotel as she prepared to depart for Minneapolis to continue a lecture tour of this country in connection with the Irish cause.

FEAR SECOND PORT BOAT AND CREW LOST IN LAKE

Port Stanley Alarmed by Report of Another Lake Tragedy—Cartons of Beer Are Picked Up West of Erieau—No Verification Yet Established—Inquiry To Be Made.

Fishermen have picked up beer cartons floating in the lake west of Erieau, and Port Stanley is now disturbed by reports of another lake tragedy.

It is definitely stated in some quarters this morning that a second boat is missing and that it has sunk with all her crew. No reliable verification of this alarm, however, can be obtained and inquiry is proceeding this afternoon by Port Stanley harbor men.

It is pointed out that the cartons picked up may have been part of the freight carried by the Valkyrie, lost in the lake last week.

Can't Sell Ice By Weight As Long As Old Sol Shines

Ice Company Officials Say the Council's Effort Against Shrinkage Is Futile.

SELL BY BLOCK
Weights Are Only Approximate and Price Is Fixed by Size.

It is impossible to sell ice by weight as long as there is such a thing as weather, according to city ice men.

A move was made in No. 1 committee last night to protect the public against short weight, ice caused by shrinkage between the time the sun left the ice house and the time it arrived in the home refrigerator. George A. Finn, manager of the Crystal Lake Ice Company, said today that ice is not sold by weight but by the block. The cakes are called 50-pound cakes and 25-pound cakes, but they are only approximate weights. Sometimes a block of ice weighs 65 pounds and at other times 45. It cannot be helped. He does not see how the method can be improved upon.

The London Pure Ice Company says that ice weights are not guaranteed. They cannot be as long as the sun shines. A block of ice is sold by measurement. A block 12 inches square is called a 50-pound block. It is cut a little over size to allow for the vagaries of the weather while on the street.

BANK MANAGER SAVES HIS FAMILY FROM FIRE

Canadian Press Despatch.
Cochrane, April 30.—Dropping from the windows, Manager Mitchell of the Bank of Nova Scotia here, his wife and three small children were all saved without serious injury when the bank building, causing damage estimated at \$6,000 to the building and \$3,500 to contents.

The fire, of unknown origin, was extinguished in two hours. Mr. Mitchell and his family resided on the second floor, and a bank employee, who roomed with them, escaped through a back stairway, which was cut off to the family by

WESTERN GAINS IN EXAMS

Graduates of Local Medical School Can Now Try All Exams Here.

NO TORONTO TRIP

Change Will Give Students of Western Equal Advantage With Toronto.

Doctors graduating from the university of Western Ontario Medical school here this summer will be able to try examinations in London which will enable them to practice anywhere in Canada. This will be the first instance wherein the products of Western will have an opportunity of writing the medical councils of Canada at home. In former years the students have had to go to Toronto to try the examinations.

Dean Paul S. McKibben, B.S., Ph.D., F.R.S.C., of the medical school, announced this morning that the 21 graduating students would try their examinations here. At least ten will take the papers of the medical council of Canada. The remainder will try the examinations of the college of physicians and surgeons of Ontario. It is optional with the students which examinations they try.

Practice Provincially Controlled.
The practice of medicine is provincially controlled, says Dean McKibben. That is why there are the two sets of examinations, or really a set for each province, as well as the dominion examinations.

The only advantage in trying the Ontario examinations instead of the dominion council's is that some students feel that the provincial papers are not so difficult because there are not so many. A student who intends to take up his work in London and means to stay here sees no need of trying exams that will permit him to practice in Western Canada or the maritimes.

For some time efforts have been made to have the dominion councils available for graduating students here. It was necessary to have at least ten trying them before it could be done. It was arranged recently. It means a saving for the students since they will not have to go to the expense of going to Toronto and giving them a better chance to write when in familiar surroundings.

Start Early in June.
The examinations of the college of physicians and surgeons of Ontario will be held starting June 2. The medical councils of Canada will begin June 9. There will be two examiners in each subject. There will be one local and one from Ontario, presiding in the oral and clinical examinations.

Asked if the time was coming when the one dominion examination would replace the provincial examinations, Dean McKibben said that there was a marked increase in the number of students who took the dominion exams. Every year saw a greater number trying them. It indicated that students felt it better to write off papers that would once and for all permit them to move where they pleased.

The Weather

FORECASTS.

Fresh to strong east and north-east winds, mostly cloudy and showers. Pressure is high from Manitoba to the southwest states and over the Gulf of St. Lawrence and low to the south of the great lakes and off the middle Atlantic coast. The weather has been unsettled and showery in the maritime provinces and fair in nearly all other parts of the Dominion.

Temperatures.
The highest and lowest temperatures previous to 8 a.m. today were:
St. John's..... 54 44 Cloudy
Victoria..... 54 44 Fair
Calgary..... 54 36 Fair
Winnipeg..... 44 26 Clear
Port Arthur..... 55 36 Clear
Ferry Sound..... 60 44 Cloudy
Toronto..... 54 44 Fair
Kingston..... 62 42 Fair
Ottawa..... 64 38 Fair
Montreal..... 58 38 Fair
Quebec..... 50 36 Cloudy
Fisher Point..... 38 32 Cloudy
St. John..... 45 36 Rain
Halifax..... 48 38 Cloudy

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 58; lowest, 35.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 50; lowest, 41.

Sun rises at 5:13 a.m., and sets at 7:18 p.m.

Barometric Reading, Wednesday—p.m., 29.55.

Welfare Fund Is Halfway

