

GOUGH BLAMED FOR C.N.R. HOME BANK DEPOSIT

Toronto Pastor Charges Westminster Confession Ignored

C.N. MILLION DEPOSIT WAS REQUESTED BY GOUGH

Major Graham Bell Outlines Dealings of Board With Home Bank.

TREASURER TESTIFIES

Evidence of Railway Officials Is Taken Before McKeown Commission.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, May 7.—Examination of Major Graham Bell, deputy minister of finance and a director of the Canadian National Railways in regard to the million-dollar deposit which was made by the railway with the Home Bank of May 28, 1923, and drawn out on June 2, featured today's sitting of the McKeown commission. James A. Yates, general treasurer of the company also gave information in regard to the deposit.

Major Bell's story was that following a meeting of the directors of the railway on May 21, 1923, when he was vice-president of the Canadian National he had been approached by R. P. Gough who asked if a deposit could be made with the Home Bank.

Cross-examination of George Edwards, chartered accountant, who made an examination of the books of the Home Bank for the government, was continued this morning. A. J. Browning, counsel for the depositors referred to a letter from Sir Thomas White, dated January 24, 1916, asking S. H. Jones to make an audit of the bank's books under section 84 of the bank act. Mr. Jones was the auditor of the Home Bank.

Mr. Edwards said that he could not find that any of Sir Thomas White's letters had been furnished and the reports he asked for.

The first stage of the Home Bank inquiry—investigation of the claim of the depositors against the government—is nearing conclusion. Counsel for the depositors announced at noon today, just before adjournment tomorrow, that all their evidence was in, and that nothing remained but argument. Tomorrow morning the commission will sit and counsel will discuss when and where argument will take place.

Sir Thomas White, who is acting as his own counsel in the case, has expressed a desire to be present and argue his case. A suggestion made by T. A. Reid, counsel for some of the shareholders, that the prime minister be asked to appear before the commission to tell of efforts which were made at the last minute to save the bank from failure, was not adopted by the commissioners. He stated that as only the depositors' claim was being considered at present, it seemed unnecessary to ask Mr. King to testify at this stage. He may be summoned later, however.

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THREE WESTERN MEN WILL GO TO QUEBEC

Royal Society of Canada To Hold Meetings From May 20 to 22.

London will be represented at the meetings of the Royal Society of Canada at Quebec on May 20 to 22, by Dean W. Sherwood Fox, faculty of arts, Dean Paul McKibbin, Mr. R. Miller and Dr. C. C. Macklin. All are Fellows of the Royal Society.

The program will be divided into five sections, including French literature, languages and biology. Papers dealing with the various sections will be read by the delegates. Dr. Miller will present a paper and Dean Fox as well as giving one of his own will give one for Dr. Miller and another for Professor DeWitt of Toronto.

FINAL PREPARATIONS MADE FOR HANGING OF CAMFIELD

Canadian Press Despatch.
Wellesley, May 7.—With definite instructions that the government will not interfere in the case of William Albert Camfield, convicted of the murder of Albert Morin, star, Hangman Ellis is today putting the finishing touches on the scaffold in Wellesley for the execution tomorrow.

Efforts to extract from the condemned man any information regarding relatives have been unsuccessful. All that is known of him is that he came to this country from England with several boy immigrants twenty years ago. Since then he has been employed in Wellesley and Haldimand counties, first as a chore boy and later as a farm laborer.

London's Most Popular Business Girls



THREE WINNERS OF THE LOEW'S-ADVERTISER CONTEST.

Business men are all right, but here is something more important. The three ladies above have been voted London's most popular business girls in the election which has been conducted during the past few weeks by Loew's Theatre and The Advertiser. From left to right they are: Mrs. K. Harris, of the Westervelt School

POPULARITY CONTEST WON BY MRS. K. HARRIS

Winner of the Competition Received Total Vote of 6,545.

OTHERS ARE CLOSE

Prizes Will Be Awarded by Principal Miller Tonight.

Tonight at half past eight at Loew's Theatre Principal E. A. Miller of the Central Collegiate will present the prizes to the winners of the London Business Girls Popularity contest, which has recently been staged by The Advertiser and the management of Loew's Theatre.

The final counts on the contest give the following places. First prize, Mrs. K. Harris, who is a member of the staff of Westervelt's Business College, who obtained 6,545 votes; second, Miss Emma Pearson of the staff of the London Loan and Savings Company, with 3,561 votes; and third, Miss Druker, cashier in Scandrett's Brothers' grocery store, Dundas street, with 2,856 votes.

These constitute the prize winners of the contest, who will be awarded their prizes tonight on the stage of the theatre. The other candidates and the order in which they finished the race are: Gladys Osborne, 2,777, who was a very close runner up to the third place winner; May Lechbridge, with 1,667; Frieda Wydenbaum, with 995; Mae Wells, with 791; Ivy Negus, with 628; Edna Timbrell, with 440; Margaret Torrens, with 398; Helene Lindsay, with 386; Bessie Richardson, with 354; Alice Howson, with 249; and Winnie Cornelius, with 245.

The exceptionally large vote recorded by Mrs. Harris is accounted for by the fact that a body of students at the college worked indefatigably for her.

Great interest has been evinced all through the various stages of the contest on the part not only of the contestants themselves, but also by their enthusiastic followers and fans.

The fact that 25,000 votes were cast shows the interest taken in the selection of a winner, and the victory of all three leaders is being celebrated with proper community pride in the several institutions which have the honor of employing them.

CLERK, AGAIN REMANDED

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, May 7.—Edward V. Donnelly and Harold Thomas, former clerks in the provincial secretary's department, were again remanded when they appeared in police court today on charges of theft from the provincial government. Their case will come up again on May 14.

Essays Portray Great Need Of Saving Canada's Forests

"Save the Forests Week" essays continue to pour into The Advertiser each day. They demonstrate the growing realization that Canada's wealth must be protected from waste by fire.

The essay competition, which was extended one week, now closes on Saturday at midnight. All essays must be in The Advertiser office by that hour. The competition is open to all readers of The Advertiser under sixteen years of age, and essays must not exceed five hundred words in length.

The prizes include latest type radio sets and seven cash awards.

SOVIET EDITORS WARN GERMANY

The Berlin Government Has Neglected To Apologize For Recent Raid.

Associated Press Despatch.
Moscow, May 7.—In the absence of any satisfactory explanation from the German government concerning the recent police raid on the Soviet trade headquarters in Berlin, the Russian government is taking an increasingly serious view of the affair.

The McArthur Construction Company of Guelph will receive the contract for two miles of work from Stratford toward St. Marys.

The district jobs will involve large expenditures, and while official statements have yet to be received from the department, it is also reported that certain of the contractors have been quietly preparing for an early start. It is generally understood in construction circles that these contractors are amongst those favorably considered by the government.

'PUDDLE JUMPER' PILOT IS FINED FOR SPEEDING

High Constable Finally Over-takes Motorist When Speedometer Shows 55.

High Constable A. J. Wharton has had some amazing experiences during his career as high constable, but it was not until Monday night that he actually saw a "puddle jumper" hustling along at a speed of 47 miles an hour. The high constable could hardly believe it at first, but paced the motorist for half a mile on the L. M. highway before finally overtaking him at a speed of 55 miles an hour.

"Jumper" was sure jumping, according to a companion of the high constable.

"Personally, I was afraid to pass the car then. I thought it would be traveling and from the noise it was making," the man stated.

The driver, a young man of 19, appeared before Magistrate Hawshaw this morning at the court house, and paid a fine and costs that totalled \$16. He was told he was lucky not to be going to jail for 7 days on a charge of reckless driving.

PINE LAWN MANAGER REPORTS ANOTHER SALE

General Manager John Cunliffe reports the sale of another of the city's residences at Pine Lawn.

Since the general manager assumed office March 1, five of these houses have been sold in the Pine Lawn area and two on Garfield avenue. In addition to this, delinquent payments, aggregating hundreds of dollars, have been collected.

DERKS GIVEN FIVE YEARS ON CONVICTION OF ARSON

Canadian Press Despatch.
Regina, May 7.—Five years in Prince Albert penitentiary was the sentence imposed on Jacob A. Derks, a former grain buyer of Herbert, Sask., by Judge Hanson in district court here yesterday, on a charge of arson and fifteen charges of false pretences.

PROVINCIAL CONTRACTS FOR ROADS MADE OUT

Unofficially Reported London Firm Will Construct Road to Delaware.

EXTEND TWO MILES

Windsor Firm Expected To Lay Pavement on Proof Line Road.

Unofficial announcements are forthcoming from sources usually reliable that the provincial department of highways has assigned its provincial highway paving, although no definite public statements have been issued from the capital.

It is reported that the Caldwell Construction Company of Windsor has or will receive the contract to construct two miles of the Proof Line road (Richmond street) extending north from the city limits through Broughdale.

It is also understood that a stretch of seven miles, Lambeth to Delaware, will be given to Warren & Chantler of this city.

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Mine Fields Are Found In Baltic

Germans Believe Suspicious Have Been Well Founded.

Associated Press Despatch.
Lubeck, Germany, May 7.—Mine fields covering 250 square miles have been discovered in the Eastern Baltic, off Finland. The mines are said to be of Russian origin, dating from the world war.

This is taken here as confirming the finding of the Swedish marine officer that the recent sinking of a German ship in the Baltic was due to explosion of a mine.

AGED TRAGEDIAN'S FAREWELL BRINGS TEARS TO THOUSANDS

Jacob Adler, Hailed as Greatest Actor of Time, Appears Again.

TAKES FAMOUS ROLE

Tried To Show That His Art Had Outlived the Artist.

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, May 7.—Forty years ago Jacob Adler, hailed as the greatest actor the Yiddish stage has known, so moved an audience with his "King Lear," that shouting men carried him on their shoulders through the streets of London.

Yesterday he took his final exit to an accompaniment of wails and sobs.

Old, wasted by illness, one arm held in a brace, the actor, who had been in the Yiddish theatre for twenty years, appeared on the stage of a dingy lower East Side theatre today, once more in the title role of "The Stranger," written for him many years ago.

This appearance was to have been his last heroic gesture, to show that art outlived the artist.

East Side Jews filled the musty little show house to suffocation. Another great crowd, unable to find admittance, stood outside, contemptuous of police reserves.

The old man, his voice broken, struggled through his lines. From his first words spoken as he tottered to a chair after having crossed the stage with the aid of a stick, the 2,000 wept unashamedly. Eighteen curtain calls alone could still the clamor at the first act's end. He struggled through the two remaining acts, mousting his last line with a magnificent voice, and fell back, exhausted. He wept in his dressing-room. His wife, Sarah, who also had taken her old role in "The Stranger," comforted him.

HON. HARRY COCKSHUTT, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, who sailed from England yesterday for home. He has been honored at many functions in England, and was the guest of honor at Bradford's lord mayor's luncheon on Friday last.

ST. PAUL VOTERS AGAIN ELECT NELSON AS MAYOR

Associated Press Despatch.
St. Paul, Minn., May 7.—Mayor Arthur E. Nelson defeated George L. Siegel, endorsed by Labor, in yesterday's non-partisan municipal election.

With only three precincts missing out of a total of 216 in the city, the figures were: Nelson, 37,734; Siegel, 32,523.

Labor, however, captured one major city office and returned its two candidates to the city council.

St. Thomas Fire Chief Given Easier Task After 51 Years Of Unbroken Service to City

Alexander Henderson Started as Deckhand at 15 on "Old Firefly."

WELL QUALIFIED

Recalls Oil Explosion Fire in 1887 When 13 Persons Perished.

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, May 7.—As a recommendation from No. 3 committee of the city council, Fire Chief Alex. Henderson is about to be assigned to lighter duties after 51 years of almost continuous service in this department.

Chief Henderson early showed his liking and qualifications for fighting fires when he was appointed at the age of 15 to the position of deckhand in a juvenile brigade along with Dr. Ellison, Neil Durrah, Tom Kains, the Nelson boys, and others, aboard the "Fire Fly."

The Fire Fly was a small pump affair operated by hand. Water was carried to the tank by a bucket brigade and forced through a leather, copper-riveted hose. The Fire Fly was used in conjunction with the "Beaver," which was operated by the men, doing much commendable work. Chief Henderson explained that the outfit travelled to the fires on the sidewalks as the streets were impassable most of the time because of the mud.

Ability Soon Recognized.

Soon his abilities were recognized and he was transferred to the "Beaver" brigade and rapidly rose to the position of chief, which he maintained till he left for the west a few years later. When he returned after six years' absence, he was again recommended to the fire department.

Following a disastrous fire in the Anderson Block, then known as the Argosy-Cochran Block, which did \$112,000 damage he was returned to the position of chief and since then he has only missed two fires of any extent.

Chief Henderson is able to recall many serious blazes, among them the oil explosion in June, 1887, which resulted in the death of 13 people.

Incident Easier Task.

This incident occurred when a P. M. passenger train, returning from Port Stanley, with a Baptist Church picnic crowd, crashed into an oil car at the M. C. R. crossing on Moore street.

The council felt reluctant to accept the committee's recommendation and only agreed when it was understood that Chief Henderson should be given other work to do.



FIRE CHIEF HENDERSON, head of the St. Thomas fire department, who has been assigned to lighter duties after more than half a century of continuous service fighting fires in the "Flower City."

ENGLAND HONORS LIEUT. GOVERNOR

Hon. Harry Cockshutt Is the Guest of Honor at Lord Mayor's Luncheon.

By HENRY SOMERVILLE.

Special Cable to The Advertiser.

London, May 7.—Lieutenant-Governor Harry Cockshutt of Ontario sailed on the Majestic from Southampton yesterday. He has been in England since April 29, and has been entertained at many functions, notably a luncheon by the lord mayor and corporation of Bradford, on Friday last, the lieutenant-governor's father having been a Bradford man.

Mrs. Cockshutt's two daughters, a staying behind, and will be presented at court on May 21. They will sail for Canada on May 24.

DOUGLASS WOULD GIVE FIREMEN OPPORTUNITY

Chairman Favors Treating Survey From All Angles If Need Arises.

When the finance committee has completed its survey of the fire department recommendations in the Britain report, and if any radical changes affecting the firemen are proposed, it would be only fair to view the question from their angle as well, announces Chairman Leonard Douglass.

In order to do this, it would be necessary to carry out the suggestion from Mayor Wenige and invite a delegation of firemen to the meeting.

Chairman Douglass stated that the Britain report would be the only question for consideration at tonight's session, and he extended the hope that the members would consider the various recommendations in a broad and fair manner, in view of the seriousness of the question.

"Let there be no personalities," he urged.

AMERY STATES TRADE CAN BE IMPROVED

Former Head of Admiralty Says Anglo-Canadian Business Should Be Developed.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, May 7.—"If we had the courage and vision to develop it, as we should, the Anglo-Canadian shipping trade alone could be made far greater than the whole world shipping of the British empire at the present time," declared Lieut.-Col. L. C. Amery, former first lord of the admiralty, at the annual meeting of the Mercantile Marine Service Association, in Liverpool last night.

Lieut.-Col. Amery was speaking at a non-political gathering, and did not particularize as to how the development of the Anglo-Canadian shipping trade ought to be accomplished.

METHODISTS BLAMED FOR HALTING OF UNION CAUSE

Rev. Stuart Parker of Toronto Attacks Basis For Legislation.

FOUR ELEMENTS

Anti-Union Speaker Maintains Westminster Confession Ignored.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, May 7.—The Methodist Church could have united with the Presbyterian Church by accepting the Westminster confession," stated Rev. Stuart Parker, of Toronto, in the course of his examination on the church union bill before the commons private bills committee this morning.

Rev. Parker was denying, as suggested by T. W. Bird, of Nelson, a member of the committee, that his attitude implied that the Presbyterian Church could not unite with another church, and his answer, as quoted above, brought one of the outbursts of laughter of the morning.

The committee room was again crowded by spectators, and Chairman McGivern had to call them to order repeatedly as the witness made pointed retort.

Mr. Parker was on the stand all morning. At the outset he called attention to four elements, in which he claimed that the basis of union departed from the Westminster confession. These were Calvinist, theologian, government, solely, equality of presbyteries and ordination solely by presbytery. These characteristics of the confession of faith, he maintained, were absent from the basis of union.

Mr. Parker, speaking also for himself, as did P. H. Chrysler, K.C., yesterday, stated that he could not accept a 60 or 70 per cent majority of the Presbyterian Church of a new vote as decisive in regard to union.

"I would rather go nearer 100 per cent," he added.

FOURTH NEW FIREMAN ADDED TO CITY FORCE

The fourth new member to the London fire department was added tonight in the person of Andrew Handley, who has been stationed at Hall No. 2.

Smith and Doupe are the ones still at the Central Hall. Grover having been sent to No. 4. It is likely that within a few more days these men will be placed in outside halls.

NOMINATIONS IN INDIANA GIVE COOLIDGE LEAD

Associated Press Despatch.
Indianapolis, Ind., May 7.—Returns from 1,363 of the 3,409 precincts in Indiana in the Republican presidential race give Calvin Coolidge 106,450, and Johnson 18,112.

The Weather

FORECASTS.

Today—East-erly and mostly fair, with showers and storms in some localities tonight. Thursday—North-east wind; cool and showery. Pressure continues high over northern and western Canada, while a shallow depression is moving very slowly eastward over the Great Lakes and middle states. The weather is fine and moderately warm in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, and cool and unsettled in Ontario and the west.

Temperatures.

Stations	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	60	42	Fair
Calgary	62	34	Clear
Winnipeg	46	30	Fair
Port Arthur	46	40	Cloudy
Perry Sound	56	38	Cloudy
Toronto	49	42	Cloudy
Kingston	50	40	Fair
Ottawa	58	36	Fair
Montreal	56	40	Fair
Quebec	52	36	Cloudy
Father Point	40	32	Cloudy
St. John	58	40	Clear
Halifax	64	48	Clear

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, 42. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 53; lowest, 42.

Barometric Readings.

Tuesday—8 a.m.—29.78.

Today—8 a.m.—29.99.