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Members of Irish Parliament Shot On Way To Session

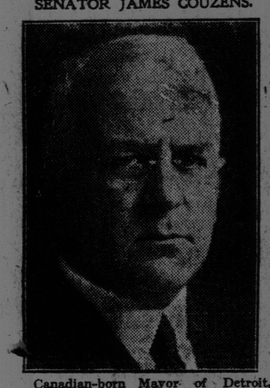
Sean Hales Killed; Deputy Speaker O'Maille Wounded While on Jaunting Car—Talk of King Opening Parliament — Sir Thomas Esmonde a Senator.

(Canadian Press.)

Dublin, Dec. 7—President Cosgrave announced to the parliament this afternoon that Deputy Sean Hales had been shot and killed and Deputy Patrick O'Maille, who was deputy speaker had been wounded while they were on their way to the parliament session. The two victims of the shooting were on a jaunting car proceeding along the quays when they were attacked with revolvers.

Deputy Speaker O'Maille's wound is serious.

SENATOR JAMES COUZENS.



Canadian-born Mayor of Detroit, who resigned that post to go to the U. S. Senate. His family home is Chatham, Ont. He bought an interest in the Ford plant years ago for $2,500, and when he broke with Ford over the peace ship he sold out his interests for $29,000,000.

London, Dec. 7—A suggestion that King George may go to Dublin to open the new Irish Parliament, as advanced by the Liverpool Courier, seems based partly on surmise and partly on private rumors. Although the possibility of the King's presence has taken no definite shape, it is safe to say that if such a visit would be welcome, the King would acquiesce. It is regarded as quite unlikely, however, that His Majesty would take the initiative in the matter.

According to a Dublin report, King George sent a remarkable message to Timothy Healy, the new governor-general, to which Mr. Healy is said to have replied. These messages, the report said, will probably be first given to the public by the Governor-General in an announcement in the parliament.

It is understood that Mr. Healy is soon to come to London for an audience with the King whom, it is believed, he did not see in connection with his appointment to office. It is customary, although not legally necessary that the governors of the British dominions be received in audience upon their appointments, when the ancient formality of kissing the King's hand is observed as an evidence of fealty.

Rebel Success.

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CONDEMNS SALE BY GOVERNMENT

World Temperance Convention Speaker Heard in Ottawa — Too Many Lawyers Making Laws.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 7—Government control of the sale of liquor was strongly condemned by Rev. Wilson Stuart of England, one of the delegates to the world temperance convention, speaking at the meeting here last evening.

Quebec he said, would not always allow herself to be blinded by revenue. When it reached the consciousness of bright French Canadians that Quebec was a poison centre, prohibition would come. British Columbia, the paradise of the bootlegger would also see the error of her ways.

"I am so proud that life in public places here is free from the liquor traffic. England can not retain her position among the nations unless she deals drastically with the drink evil," continued Mr. Stuart.

Too many lawyers were lawmakers, said Major A. H. Horsfal of Australia. Lawyers were good administrators, but there should be more medical men in public life. These could best aid in the prevention of social diseases, which was the business of governments.

LAKE VESSELS ARE FREED FROM GRIP OF STORM

Soo, Mich., Dec. 7—All lake steamers forced to seek shelter by Tuesday's storm had resumed their voyages today, according to reports received here.

The Charles M. Warner was disabled in Hay Lake, the Odenah grounded near Iroquois Point, but was released late yesterday, and the W. H. Sawyer dropped her barges when they grounded at the mouth of Saginaw River. The barges will be lightered.

Weather conditions were more favorable today. Four inches of ice was reported in Hay Lake and the lower St. Mary's River.

GREEK PRINCE IS GRATEFUL TO POPE

Rome, Dec. 7—Prince Andrew of Greece, banished by the revolutionary government in Athens for his part in the Greek military disaster in Asia Minor, arrived in Rome yesterday, accompanied by his wife, Princess Alice, and their four daughters.

They went directly to the Vatican where they were received by Pope Pius. Andrew expressed to the Pontiff his heartfelt thanks for the timely intervention of the Vatican during his trial to prevent a sentence of death.

CANADIAN OIL CO. HAS A FIRE AT PETROLIA

Sarnia, Ont., Dec. 7.—Fire destroyed a new filtering plant at the refinery of the Canadian Oil Company, Limited, Petrolia, late on Tuesday night. The loss is estimated at $40,000.

WINS $465,000 AWARD FROM HER HUSBAND'S PARENTS

Burlington, Vt., Dec. 7—An award of $465,000 was made today by a jury which for more than forty hours had deliberated over a $1,000,000 claim of Mrs. Dorris Stevens Woodhouse against her wealthy parents at law, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Woodhouse of New York and this city, for the alienation of the affections of her husband, Douglas Woodhouse. The case had consumed five weeks in hearing.

WORK PROGRESSES ON WELLAND CANAL

Lock No. 6 on section three of the Welland Canal is shown in the picture, at the completed section of the centre wall. The huge forms on the centre and side walls are moveable, being raised after the concrete has set and lowered into position for the next section. This section is at Thorold, where the Peter Lyall Company have the contract. This lock will contain about 388,000 yards of concrete and work on its construction will proceed all winter. The lock is 82 feet high. The canal when complete will consist of seven locks of this size and will permit the passage of ships drawing twenty-five feet of water.

THE S. S. GEORGE WASHINGTON IN COLLISION

Crash With the Clyne Rock, Near Goodwin Sands—A German Vessel in Trouble, Britishers to Aid.

London, Dec. 7 — The steamship George Washington was damaged by collision with the British steamer Clyne Rock, near Goodwin Sands in the Straits of Dover last night, but was able to proceed on her journey, according to advices from Deal today. The extent of the damage to the George Washington, which was bound from Plymouth for Bremen, in unknown. The Clyne Rock was assisted into Dover with her stem badly cracked.

The collision occurred at midnight, according to the crew of the Clyne Rock. No one was hurt.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 7—Radio messages picked up here today indicated that the British steamer Tyrrhenia, bound from New York for Genoa, was proceeding to the assistance of the German steamer Heinrich Kayser, reported in need of assistence last night 500 miles east of Cape May. The Tyrrhenia was 275 miles from the distressed vessel at nine twenty last night. The Kayser is bound from Savannah and Norfolk for Bremen and Hamburg.

Boston, Dec. 7—The Tyrrhenia sent word by wireless today to the coast guard cutter Acushnet, which was also proceeding to the aid of the Heinrich Kayser, that she had not heard from the Kayser since eight o'clock last night.

WORRIED OVER CAPITAL SHIPS

Lord Lee of Fareham Presses Government to Carry Out Treaty and Build Two.

London, Dec. 7—(Canadian Press)—In the House of Commons yesterday Lord Lee of Fareham pressed the government closely to carry out the Washington treaty by immediately building two capital ships. He declared that the British delegates would not have signed the treaty involving such drastic proposals and they for a moment thought that one of the most vital considerations which induced them to accept those proposals would not be adhered to.

Lord Lee argued that under the terms of the treaty the government was not permitted to postpone the building of the ships. Postponement would arouse suspicion in every admiralty in the world and would be good ground to suspect the good faith of the British Government.

The protest arose through an announcement by the Marquis of Linlithgow, civil lord of the Admiralty, of his inability to give a definite answer as to the government's intentions and his promise of a definite statement before the end of the parliamentary session. Laying stress on the urgency of maintaining a one-power standard, Lord Lee declared that the government's attitude filled him with alarm.

The Marquis of Salisbury, Lord President of the Council, on behalf of the government, gave a reassuring statement to the effect that the cabinet had not yet time to give the matter consideration, but the ministers were fully alive to its importance.

Lord Lee accepted this assurance, but Lord Sydenham, who stated the discussion, still expressed dissatisfaction. He assumed that the United State was at least stopping the further building of ships which were on the docks when the treaty was made and declared that unless the treaty was carried out the United States would have an enormous superiority which England could never catch up with.

SEEK MISSING WOMAN AT GOLD TOOTH'S

Los Angeles, Dec. 7—The home of Edward T. ("Gold Tooth") Johnson, promoter of a new resort at Tia Juana, Lower California, was the objective today of a posse headed by Sheriff Traeger which left Los Angeles last night in search of Mrs. Clara Phillips, "hammer murderess" who broke jail on Tuesday while under a ten year prison sentence for killing Mrs. Alberta Meadows.

Johnson was said to have formed a friendship with Mrs. Phillips while he was in the county jail last summer. He was taken into custody last night pending developments in the search for Mrs. Phillips.

The posses arrived at the border at 3.30 o'clock this morning but deferred crossing until daybreak. Many rumors that the escaped prisoner had been seen in various parts of the west were investigated by authorities and proved groundless.

TRAIN BLOWN OFF TRACK.

Perpignan, France, Dec. 7—A train was blown off the tracks near the Fitou Station yesterday by a mistral of great violence. A sudden guest of wind swept under the last car but one, lifting it clear of the rails. Two other cars toppled into a ravine. No one was hurt.

LANDIS URGES FIGHT ON POOLS

Says They are the Greatest Menace to the Sport — Leagues Promise Support.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 7—A fight to exterminate the baseball pools to save the game from suspicion was pledged Commissioner Landis by major and minor leaguers today as a result of an appeal by the commissioner last night to wipe out what he termined the greatest menace to the sport.

The commissioner, with characteristic Landis severity, called the operator of a baseball pool "the slimiest, lowest form of criminal in existence," and declared he would accept no excuse from any club official for not making a fight to stop pool operations. He suggested that the minor leaguers meet in joint session with the major league club owners, but he made no mention of the draft.

Wm. H. Klepper, president of the Portland Ore. club, of the Pacific Coast League, who was bared forever from participating in the affairs of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, plans to seek an injunction to restrain the minor league powers from interfering with his operations as president of the club.

Wheeler "Doc" Johnson, former first baseman with Milwaukee, and Cleveland, announced today he had purchased his release from the Philadelphia Americans for $5,000 to accept the management of a club on the Pacific Coast.

The minor leaguers will wind up their convention today with the selection of the 1923 convention city. Nashville, Detroit, Los Angeles and West Baden are bidding for it.

HOUSE PLAN TO TAX ALL U. S. SECURITIES

Washington, Dec. 7—Action by the House of Representatives on the proposed constitutional amendment doing away with all forms of tax exempt securities was assured when the Ways and Means Committee made preparations to report favorably the Green resolution.

It is estimated that from $10,000,000,000 to $18,000,000,000 worth of federal and state bonds of all descriptions would come under this legislation and become subject to taxation. Before the plan may become legal the adoption of the measure by both branches of Congress and its ratification by three-fourths of the states would be required thus adding it as a new article to the constitution.

MUSSOLINI TO LONDON FOR THE CONFERENCE

London, Dec. 7—Premier Mussolini of Italy has accepted an invitation to come to London and the conference of the Allied premiers at the week-end preliminary to the Brussels conference on reparations and war debts is thereby assured full representation. Premier Mussolini left Rome this morning. He will stop at Lausanne to look in for a short while at the Near East conference, but is expected to arrive in London on Friday night.

MONTREAL YOUNG CONSERVATIVES ORGANIZING

Montreal, Dec. 7—The Young Men's Conservative organization, was formed last night by a group of men who met in the Cartier-MacDonald Club. The destinies of the new club were placed in the hands of a provisional executive until a formal election is held.

Ivan Sabourin, the president, advocated the formation of similar bodies of young men, for the purpose of training new talent for the old party, and to promote the political ideas and principles of Lafontaine, Cartier, MacDonald, Tache, and Chapleau.

SYDNEY POLICE CHIEF SUSPENDED

Mayor William Fitzgerald of Sydney, announced yesterday afternoon that he had formally suspended Chief of Police J. B. McCormick after the latter had been absent from his office for several days. A special meeting of the council to consider the matter will be held tomorrow. The chief is prepared to make a statement. Some members of the City Council are urging a complete reorganization of the force.

As Hiram Sees It

"Look-a-here!" said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter. "I'll jist pay you a dollar an' a half a year fer the Times."

"The price," said the reporter, "is three dollars."

"I wont pay it," said Hiram. "It aint wuth any more'n a dollar an' a half to me — an' I aint patickler at that price."

"Then we'll arbitrate," said the reporter.

"What fer?" demanded Hiram.

"Because," said the reporter, "you've got to take the Times and pay three dollars for it. I can show that it is really worth seven dollars. You've got to take it."

"No, sir," said Hiram, "I wont hev it. I'll give you a dollar an' a half—an' not a cent more. If it was wuth three dollars to me I'd pay it. But it aint."

"All right," said the reporter. "I'll fix you. I'll go to Fredericton and tell the Government on you—you confiscatory old wretch. I'll show you where you get off. I'll tell the Canadian Press what you are trying to do to us. You'll hear from them all right. They'll wire you tonight and again tomorrow."

"My!" said Hiram. "I started a hornet's nest—didn't I? Aint I got no rights?"

"None at all," said the reporter. "Fork over that three dollars."

"I wouldn't be su'prised if we had quite a spell o' weather now," said Hiram. "Been great weather all fall—aint it? Well—Good day."

A NEW CHURCH IS FORMED IN FRANCE

Break from Rome on the Question of Marriage of Priests.

Paris, Dec. 7—The Catholic Church in France is now faced by a split among the priesthood on the question of marriage by priests. A new national church, to be known as the French Official Catholic Church, has been formed and following the old traditions of the Roman Church has selected its own bishop in the person of Abbe Maxime Adrot, who four years ago married one of his parishioners in a village in the Seine-Et-Hamar district. The first chapel edifice is now being proposed. In this the married priests who have been prohibited by order of Rome from celebrating masses or other ritual, will carry on Catholic doctrines on the apostolic basis as in the Roman Church, but will no longer recognize the Pope's dictation as final, the papal institution, however, being considered on a basis of equality with the French Church.

Abbe Adrot is to be consecrated as bishop in a few weeks by an assembly of 300 priests who have defied Rome's injunction against marriage and who have formed the nucleus of the new church.

It is estimated that there are several thousand married priests in France and all are anxious to resume their holy duties under the new regime, so that within a year the principle cities and towns in France will have a new church.

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WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—The high pressure which was over the Great Lakes yesterday has moved eastward and relatively low pressure now extends from Lake Michigan to the Pacific Coast. Light snow is falling in Western Ontario while in nearly all other parts of the Dominion the weather is fair and cold.

Forcasts:

Snow or Rain.

Maritime—Fresh to strong northwest winds, fair and cold. Friday winds shifting to eastward, cloudy, followed by snow or rain.

Gulf and North Shore—Strong northwest winds, fair and cold tonight. Friday moderate to fresh winds, mostly fair and cold.

New England—Snow or rain and warmer tonight. Friday rain and warmer, increasing southeast and south winds becoming strong.

Toronto, Dec. 7—Temperatures:

Stations	8 a. m.	Highest Yesterday	Lowest during night
Prince Rupert	32	34	26
Victoria	26	32	26
Kamloops	4	10	2
Calgary	*6	8	*18
Edmonton	4	*2	*8
Prince Albert	*12	2	*14
Winnipeg	10	0	*10
White River	2	6	0
Sault Ste. Marie	20	12	12
Toronto	26	25	19
Kingston	14	18	12
Ottawa	4	14	2
Montreal	6	12	4
Quebec	*2	6	*4
St. John, N. B.	6	26	4
Halifax	16	28	14
St. John's, Nfld	22	..	20
Detroit	34	28	24
New York	26	34	22

SAY IT WITH FISTS, SAYS CARPENTIER

Invites Siki to Settle Controversy in Ring

Johnny Shugrue to Meet Filipino — The Six Day Race—Three Noted U. S. Athletes Going to New Zealand.

(Canadian Press)

Paris, Dec. 7—Georges Carpentier believes that the best place to settle the controversy over his recent bout with Battling Siki is in the ring. Writing to Le Journal he says:

"Here is what I propose to Siki. Notwithstanding his disqualification and the disqualification I migh incur, I offer to meet him at any date he likes, in public or private. Should he be ready to put up a stake I bind myself to pay to charity that stake, or purse, if one is offered. I am absolutely certain I could finish Siki this time in less than three rounds."

M. Henri Bernstein, referee of the Siki-Carpentier fight told L'Auto today that he heard Siki say: "Don't hit at my stomach. You hurt me." Bernstein, however, said he attributed no importance to these words, which were similar to many he had heard during his experience as a referee.

Reports have been current that Bernstein, at a meeting of the referees attached to the boxing federation, declared he heard Siki say something to Carpentier which proved that the match had been framed.

L'Auto learns that M. Gras, who was Siki's chief second in the match, heard nothing that would throw light on the charges of a frame-up. During the fighting Gras noticed, according to the newspaper, that Siki fought like a novice in the first round. He recovered somewhat in the course of the second and was still better in the third, which seemed to indicate an understanding between the boxers.

New York, Dec. 7.—Johnny Shugrue, who attained considerable attention by his knockout victory over the veteran Willie Jackson in their recent bout in Jersey City, has been matched to meet Elino Flores, Phillipine lightweight, in the 12 round semi-final to the Charley White-Richie Mitchell bout here on December 15.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 7.—The U. S. amateur figure skating championship will be held here under the auspices of the New Haven Skating Club on February 15 and 16.

Fat Behind Record.

New York, Dec. 7.—The Brocco-Coburn and Goullet-Belloni teams, which jumped into the lead in the six day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden yesterday, still maintained their advantage at eight o'clock this morning after a night of hard riding. They had pedalled 1,451 miles and 8 laps, while Egg and Eaton pressed them closely, only a lap behind. Grenda-MacNamara, Madden-Kayser, Horan-Fitzsimmons and Grimm-Gastman were two laps behind the leaders, while another lap to the rear were McBeath-Rutt, Taylor-Lands, Kopsky-Azzini, Hill-Verres and Bello-Gaffney. Specissens and Eicleman were four laps behind and Gremo and Gay were last, five laps to the rear.

The record for the 80th hour is 1,604 miles and 6 laps, made in 1914 by Goullet and Grenda.

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Three noted U. S. track and field athletes, Jack Merchant, Morris Kirksey and George K. Krogness, will sail from here tomorrow on a tour of New Zealand, which it is expected will further athletic relations between the U. S. and the southern dominion, George Davis, executive secretary of the Pacific association of the Athletic Union of America, announce this today. Merchant holds the U. S. national intercollegiate hammer throwing championship and competes in the broad jump, javelin throw, shot put and the shorter runs. Kirksey is a sprinting star. Krogness is a hurdler and jumper. All are college men.

Chicago, Dec. 7.— Arrangements have been completed for a championship bowling match between Jimmy Blouin, present title holder, and Jimmy Smith, of Milwaukee, for the honors won by Blouin, in the world's championship match here last winter. They will roll sixty games in Chicago, Dec. 16 to 19.

FEAR SCORE OF MEN DROWNED

A Canadian and Three U. S. Fishing Vessels Believed Lost in Pacific.

Prince Rupert, B. C., Dec. 7—A score of men probably are drowned and four fishing vessels are given up for lost, following the return to this port yesterday of Government and fishing vessels which have been searching for one Canadian and three U. S. fishing boats long overdue. The craft put to sea more than two weeks ago. The weather has been such that there is little likelihood that the boats are still afloat. The only hope for the rescue of their crews, which averaged six men to the boat, lies in the possibility that they have been picked up by some large vessel which has not reported.

The Canadian boat Valorous and the U. S. boats Morengen, Washington and Convention are the missing vessels.

California Earthquake.

San Francisco, Dec. 7—A slight earth shock which lasted five seconds was felt here last night.

Turkey Must Choose Russia or Entente

Believed at Lausanne Straits Storm is Weathered

RUSSIANS FIGHT

Turks See Big Expense if They Line Up With the Soviet—Question of Capitulations Proving Even a Harder Problem to Solve.

(Canadian Press.)

Lausanne, Dec. 7. — The Turkish delegates to the Near East conference today faced the difficult problem of deciding whether Turkey, in formulating her plan for control of the Dardanelles, should cast her lot with Russia or with the Entente power and the U. S. Turkey's suggestions for the solution of the perplexing straits question will be made public tomorrow at the Hotel Du Chateau.

Ismet Pasha and his associates, in formulating their plans, were confronted by sharp difference in opinion between Great Britain and Russia in the discussion of the Dardanelles question. If Turkey goes over to the British camp, she fears the irate Russian army on her eastern frontier; if she sides with Russia in demanding complete control of the waterway, she fears the British navy in the straits.

The Turks thus far have temporized by saying that they favor M. Tchitcherin's plan, but they took this attitude before they had heard the solution offered by the powers. Ismet Pasha and his associates were greatly impressed by the plan presented by Lord Curzon yesterday, on behalf of the Entente, which was approved in general by the statement of the position of the U. S. The Turks apparently cannot forget that Russia is Turkey's traditional enemy and that Premier Lenine's government may be no less covetous of Constantinople and the straits than was Russia in the days of the Czars.

Turkey has always found protection in numbers. She has played the European countries against each other to her great advantage time and again, and she hesitates to trust her fate to Russia alone while the rest of Europe, supported by the U. S., opposes an effort to turn the Black Sea into a Russian lake.

M. Tchitcherin, fighting hard to defeat Lord Curzon's plans, urges that it would enable a combination of powers like the Entente to keep a great navy in the Black Sea, as each member of the combination could mtaintain there as many ships as belonged Russia, or whatever Black Sea power happened to have the largest navy at the time.

Turkey, however, in considering Russia's plan, apparently has an eye on her own pocketbook. If she adopted M. Tchitcherin's proposals, Turkey would be forced to make a great outlay for a fleet and fortifications, and as she has no money she would prefer to have someone else bear the expense of policing the straits. Ismet Pasha is in constant communication with Mustapha Kemal Pasha.

There are many rumors of a possible adjournment of the congress for the Christmas holidays inasmuch as the situation between the powers and Turkey has cleared considerably.

Capitulations.

The question of capitulations is in an even worse tangle than the straits problem, but Great Britain, France and Italy are showing tact in handling Turkey's sensitive attitude toward her acceptance of anything that would bring her sovereignty into question. Since the Russian squall over the Dardanelles has been weathered without disaster, the prospect seem much brighter for an agreement on principles that will satisfy all parties.

The various sub-committees are meeting daily to thresh out the details of the questions on the agenda, but the real work of the conference is largely accomplished in private conversations among the chief delegates.

SIX LITTLE ONES BURNED TO DEATH; OTHERS MAY DIE

Eugene, Ogn., Dec. 7—Four children were burned to death and several other children and four grown persons were severely burned when a can of gasoline, used to start a fire at the home of Ivor Johnson, exploded last night. Four of the injured are expected to die.

The Pass, Man., Dec. 7—In the absence of their mother, who was shopping, two children of James Ashworth were burned to death yesterday in a fire which destroyed the house at Fingerville.

ANOTHER RECOVERY.

Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 7—A child in a state of diabetic coma, practically at death's door, is reported to have been brough back to life at the University of Alberta through the use of insulin serum.

SHOPPERS SEE BANDITS STEAL

Thugs Attack Cashier and Beat Patrolman

Calmly Escape in Auto in Street in New York—Police of Two States Join in Search for Five Men.

New York, Dec. 7 — After leaping upon a cashier and a policeman from behind and beating them into unconsciousness with blackjacks, automobile bandits escaped from West New York with a black bag containing $20,000—$10,000 in cash and $10,000 in checks.

The robbery occurred at Bergenline avenue and Fifth street in the heart of West New York's shopping district, and was witnessed by more than a score of terrified women shoppers.

Five bandits took part in the holdup, which apparently had been planned carefully for some time. The victims were John P. Conroy, cashier for the Public Service Company, and Motorcycle Patrolman Truncillito, of the Union Hill police station, who for some time has served as Conroy's escort on the latter's regular trips to deposit the company's funds at the Trust Company of New Jersey, some distance away.

As usual, Conroy left the gas company office with his black bag and seated himself in a sidecar of the motorcycle, which was directly in front of the establishment. Patrolman Truncillito got on the riding seat and began peddling. Before he could start the maching three of the bandits sprang on the two men, beat them, knocking the patrolman unconscious, and darted with the bag around the corner into Fifth street, where their two accomplices were awaiting them in the automobile.

The machine roared off at full speed west in Fifth street and then south on Hudson Boulevard, where trace of it was lost. The robbery was completed so suddenly pursuit could not be organized for several minutes and this proved futile.

Police of both New York and New Jersey were engaged in tracing several license numbers given by confused witnesses as having been on the car, which was thought to be a stolen machine. Conroy and Truncillito were treated in the North Hudson Hospital for their injuries and later went to their homes. Neither, it was said, had been able to get a description of any of their assailants.

CANADA ACCEPTS GIFT OF VIMY

Hon. R. Lemieux to Sign Deed on Behalf of Dominion—Grateful Thanks.

Ottawa, Dec. 7—(Canadian Press)—The gift of 250 acres of land on Vimy Ridge, France, to Canada by the French Government was officially confirmed today by Premier King. Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux who is at present in France was cabled to sign the deed on behalf of Canada and officially accept the title.

In the centre of this tract of land, will be erected the beautiful Allward Memorial. It will contain the names of more than 19,000 Canadians who have been reported missing. The donated area will be turned into a great "national park", said the Premier today, and the Canadian Government will look after its upkeep in its entirety.

"As soon as parliament meets," said Hon. Mr. King, "the proper measures will be introduced so that our grateful thanks may be extended to the Government and the people of France for their great kindnes and everlasting gift."

FOUR DIE IN FIRE; REST OF FAMILY SEVERELY BURNED

Chicago, Dec. 7—Four children of the family of Joseph Budak were burned to death, and Budak, his wife and two other children seriously burned by fire early today that partly destroyed their home.

The dead are:

Mary, 13; Popsie, 9; John, 3, and Eva, 10 months. The injured children Michael, 16, and Anna, 12.

P. E. Rhodes Candidates.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 7—There are five candidates for the Rhodes Scholarship from Prince Edward Island this year. They include Edgar McInnis, student at Toronto University.

MONCTON MAN IN HALIFAX PLEADS GUILTY TO BIGAMY

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 7—Edward Cuthbertson of Moncton, who was recently married to a Halifax lady, appeared before Stipendiary Magistrate O'Hearn yesterday on a charge of bigamy brought by his brother. He pleaded guilty and was remanded until Friday for sentence. The brother testified that the accused was married and his wife and child were now living with his parents in Moncton. Asked why he had committed bigamy, Cuthbertson said he had met his second wife and learned to care for her so much that he married her regardless of consequences.