

MYSTERY MAN IS TAKEN TO TORONTO

Bert T. Thompson, 40, Is
Charged With Passing Bad
Check to Buy Diamonds.
MANY ALIASES

Bert T. Thompson, 40 years old, and of many aliases, who was arrested at the C. N. R. depot last night by Sergeant of Detectives Harry Down and Detective Thomas Bolton, following receipt of information from Toronto police, will probably turn out to be a very much wanted man, according to a Toronto detective who arrived in London this morning.

Thompson, who also travels by the name of Harry Thomas Jenkins, is alleged to have obtained jewelry from a Toronto diamond merchant by passing a worthless check. Ten minutes after he had obtained a diamond-studded lady's wrist watch, valued at \$445, and a diamond ring costing \$365, from Toronto jeweler, he was comfortably seated in the parlor car of a westbound train.

Toronto police lost sight of the case when it was reported Thompson's check was worthless. They wired Hamilton and London detectives to be on the lookout for the man.

In Hamilton he succeeded in evading the police, but when handcuffs were slipped on him at the London depot by Detectives Down and Bolton, he agreed to accompany them to the police station with no further fuss.

Toronto detectives first believed that Thompson was an escapee from a Michigan state prison and the Buffalo prison, who travels under more than twelve aliases, and who has, since his escape, dyed his hair brown. Should he prove to be the escaped convict, his real name is Chris H. Worth.

When arrested last night, Thompson had more than \$200 in Canadian and American currency on his person. He also carried three suitcases filled with new clothes. According to a letter which he wrote in his pocket, he was married four days ago in Syracuse, under the name of Harry Thomas Jenkins.

Thompson told local police today that the check he gave in payment for jewelry in Toronto was good, and that payment would be made if he called his bank in Syracuse by telephone. He intimated that he was a diamond smuggler, and that he was making for the border to take the wrist watch, ring and other jewels across.

Securely handcuffed, Thompson left for the Queen City in company with the Toronto detectives this afternoon, where he will stand trial on a charge of fraud.

NO CHARGE IS LIKELY AGAINST MOTORMAN

Crown Attorney Points Out
Sections of Evidence in
Child's Death.

It is not likely that a charge of manslaughter will be laid against James Thompson, motorman of the London street railway, in connection with the death of John Woodhams, baby son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Woodhams, 21 Askin street, who was struck and killed by a trolley on Tuesday, according to Crown Attorney Albert M. Judd.

Although the verdict of a coroner's jury meeting in inquest last night, stated that the motorman been looking toward the front of the street car the accident could have been avoided, Mr. Judd stated to the advertiser today that from the evidence he is inclined to believe the motorman not guilty of any criminal negligence.

Dalton McKenna, a 5-year-old boy, who testified at last night's inquest, told how John Woodhams, who was in the wheel or behind the motor of the trolley and was run over. If this is the case, according to Mr. Judd, the motorman had no choice but to avoid the child, street car motorman being situated well under the front fenders.

TWO CUPS WON BY JUNIOR FARMERS TO BE DISPLAYED

The two cups won by the junior farmers of Middlesex county in competition with junior farmers of Elgin in stock judging, will be on display in the Mount Brydges community hall Saturday night. The cups were won by junior farmers at various times.

Members of the junior farmers' and junior women's institutes are holding a meeting in Mount Brydges on Saturday night to arrange for a winter program.

Alexander McLaren, in charge of recreational work in the province, will be present to help map out the program. R. A. Finn of the department of agriculture stated today.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER WILL ATTEND SESSION

M. M. Sims, chief attendance and vocational officer of the board of education, leaves tonight for Windsor to attend the 34th annual convention of the national league of compulsory education officials.

Miss Radcliffe, assistant to Mr. Sims, has been in Windsor during the last two days attending the convention.

Trustee Mrs. John A. Rose left last night to attend the convention as the official trustee delegate of the board itself.

The convention, which began on Tuesday, lasts until Friday.

AGED FARMER ILL.

John Lawson, aged farmer who resides on the Wonderland side road and who was thrown from a motor car in collision on the Pine Line road a month ago without sustaining serious injuries, is ill at his home with pneumonia. While his condition is regarded as serious, friends and neighbors are hoping that his rugged constitution will pull him through his illness.

SEDAN IS RETURNED.

Motor thieves "borrowed" a sedan owned by Fred Beltz from a motor car in collision on the Dundas street last night, returned the car after a joy ride lasting several hours, but kept a kit of tools and a spare tire. Police were notified today of the theft.

S. F. Lawrason Will Not Run

Rumor persisted today that S. F. Lawrason, trustee of the board of education, would be a candidate for the mayoralty. Common talk on the streets was that Mr. Lawrason, in spite of a denial given The Advertiser last Friday, had changed his plans and would oppose Mayor Wenige. According to Mr. Lawrason, however, there is no such possibility.

"I am sticking by the statement that I'll be a board of education candidate," again Mr. Lawrason told a reporter at noon. "I know there is much opposition to Mayor Wenige and many people would like to see another candidate, but I am going to stand by my decision to be a candidate for trustee."

SIR ADAM EXPLAINS ALL IN DENIAL OF CHARGES

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office as an electrical appliance. He had seen it around the office, but knew nothing about it. It was not bought for him personally out of his salary, he said.

Sir Adam said he had no apology to make regarding the entertainment of nurses at dinner. His trip to England in 1924, he said, was authorized by the dominion as a delegate to the power conference there.

Sir Adam said he knew Mr. Gaby was interested in the Cataract and Gravel Company, from which the hydro plant was being developed. He understood the other commissioners knew of it also.

W. S. Brewster, counsel for the government, said every witness had been gone into. He invited anyone who could give further evidence to step forward.

F. H. McGuigan, contractor, stepped forward and said there was something he wanted to clear up. Ross Macklem, a former hydro chauffeur, denied ever taking Mr. Gaby to Rochester. He took Mr. Gaby to Niagara Falls on business on one occasion. He denied that he had stated outside that he could "sell lots."

Another former chauffeur, Arthur Dunlop, said he had hauled coal in a hydro truck to Clarkson for C. Boddy, superintendent of hydro garages. There had been no time sheets put in on these trips. Witness also said he had seen J. B. Lucas driving hydro cars. Mr. Lucas cross-examined witness on this and witness said he had never seen Mr. Lucas in a commission car after he ceased to be a commissioner.

Mr. Lucas himself then went on the stand and was asked questions at the request of Mr. Settle.

"Since you have been solicitor for the hydro, have you ever taken a hydro car to Markdale?"

"I think on one occasion I made a trip to Markdale and from there, to Owen Sound, with Mr. Berry, local superintendent, to examine the pole lines upon which there was litigation at the time between the hydro and grey county."

"Have you received from the hydro or its associates any money in addition to your salary?"

"Not one copper," said Mr. Lucas. "Have you ever used a hydro car on holidays or Sundays?"

"No, I have a car of my own."

City Churches

BAPTISTS VISIT ARKONA.

Large numbers of B. Y. P. U. members of the Lambton and Middlesex association of the Baptist church visited the district B. Y. P. U. rally at Arkona on Monday afternoon and evening.

There were about 100 Londoners present, and all parts of the district were represented. The district president, Rev. Mr. Vincent of Stratford, was in the chair, and Rev. J. Moore, of Arkona, gave the address of welcome, to which Rev. J. Stones, of Wyoming, replied.

Oliver Rayner, of Toronto, president of the interprovincial B. Y. P. U., was the speaker of the afternoon, giving a very inspiring address. The presidential address was given by Rev. Mr. Vincent, after which Miss appreciated reading.

Rev. R. S. Murphy, pastor of Wortley road Baptist church, London, presided at the evening resume of his trip to Ireland, in which he spoke particularly of the revival in that country. His address was one of the best of the evening program, and the other address was given by Rev. R. Mackay, of Sarnia, on "Consolation." The program was interspersed with musical numbers.

MONTHLY REPORT.

The monthly report of Nurse E. Raymond of the city tuberculosis clinic shows that 486 visits were made during October. New cases reported numbered 14, while 107 cases were treated at the dispensary. Two deaths were reported.

SECURES EVIDENCE.

City Engineer Near is securing evidence for the sitting of the dominion railway board here on Nov. 20. Applications of the city for gates at the C. N. R. tracks crossing Dundas street at Pottersburg and the C. P. R. tracks at Quebec street will be heard.

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BOYS' HOBBY FAIR COMING MAY 4-9

Rotarian Roy Cunningham
Announces Arena Has Been
Obtained For Show.

The Rotary club hobby fair will be held in the arena May 4 to 9. The prize list for the fair will be distributed early next month.

Announcement to this effect was given by Rotarian Roy Cunningham, acting chairman of the Rotary club hobby fair committee.

The decision to hold the fair, the third under the auspices of the Rotary club, in the arena during the first week in May was reached at a lengthy meeting of the committee, which was held yesterday afternoon.

The committee decided also that cash prizes should be eliminated this year. This year the prizes will consist entirely of silver cups, shields and medals. Last year 125 medals were awarded. There will be no solicitation for the donation of prizes this year, as has been the case in previous years.

It has been the desire of the Rotary club for some time past to hold the hobby fair at the same time as the Western fair and in a building within the fair grounds. A genuine effort was made during recent months on the part of the Rotary club committee and the board of directors of the Western fair to get together on some scheme whereby the change could be effected.

After several conferences on the question, it has developed, however, that the cost of putting the machinery building into proper shape to house the hobby fair is prohibitive. While sympathetic and desirous of bringing about the transfer, the fair board felt unable to set aside the amount required, approximately \$3,500, to fit up the building. Such a sum being beyond the capabilities of the Rotary club, the committee has decided that the hobby fair should continue on its own for the next year or two.

Use of the armories having been directed and retained this year very largely for military training purposes, the club could not secure a building for the hobby fair during the last week of March. This concession was made by the Rotary club on account of the nature of the hobby fair and also on account of the fact that the fair has been held in the armories since its inception two years ago.

The change of dates of the hobby fair from the third and fourth week to the first week in May was made at the suggestion of the public school authorities in order that the schools might be reduced to a minimum.

FINE WEATHER CUTS COAL SALES IN CITY

But Dealers Console Themselves With Records of Other Years.

Coal dealers in the city are finding themselves with large stocks on hand, and very few orders, owing to this continued fine warm weather. This weather they regard as most unusual, and its results as far as their own businesses are concerned as somewhat depressing.

Another reason given by the coal men is that the greatly increased use of electric heaters in the between seasons, from autumn into winter, and from spring into summer, has made an inroad into their former privileges in the way of selling coal.

One dealer said: "It is surprising how little coal is being sold in the city now. It was brought in the orders are only a third of what they were in 1922 for this time of the year. Of course when the cold weather comes the people will want coal, and they will burn just as much through the winter as they did in other years. It has been the long and cold a spring as we did last year they will be burning coal into June. It seems as if the seasons are changing, because when less coal is used before Christmas than formerly there is just as much used if you take the whole winter into consideration."

Of the householders' point of view this is the ideal weather. It is the last word. A good electric heater or perhaps the gas stove or fire warmed on a few hours in the evening keeps the house comfortable together with a shovelful or two of coal in the furnace.

SPLENDID SHOW.

W. D. Jackson, secretary of the Western fair, who has returned from a trip to the international winter fair at Guelph, states that the show is deserving of much larger crowds than it is receiving.

"I have seen the best show of sheep I have ever seen at the winter fair," stated Mr. Jackson today. "The cattle and heavy horse entries are splendid, and the show is a fine one. Poultry entries are down, principally because there has been a cut in the prize lists."

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Nova Scotia Cow Sets New Mark

Canadian Press Despatch.
Truro, N.S., Nov. 12.—"Home-Steak" cow, owned by William A. Fleming of Riverview farm, has set up a new Canadian butter record, according to advertisement received from the federal dairy department. In 365 days this cow produced 24,770 pounds of milk containing 1,922 pounds of butter fat, or 1,273.5 pounds of butter. The record is for three daily milkings.

JUDGE REFUSES DELAY OF TRIAL

John Trott Must Face Trial at
Once on Charge of
Murder.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Welland, Ont., Nov. 12.—W. M. Germain, counsel for John Trott, charged with the murder of Constable Joseph Truman of Thorold, this morning requested Justice Mowat at the fall assizes here that the case be traversed to the spring assizes, claiming that the two crown witnesses from the north, who had been given parole, had never worked at the Dome mines and declaring that his client was entitled to more time to investigate these men.

W. C. McMichael, crown counsel, objected, claiming that long-deferred trials often defeated the ends of justice and that already one of the two witnesses had been "approached."

Justice Mowat stated that the defense had made a weak case, and early this afternoon denied the application for the postponement, announcing that the trial would go on tomorrow morning.

"VOTE AS YOU PLEASE, BUT VOTE," CITY URGES

Officials To Distribute 25,000
Little Red Stickers in
Publicity Drive.

In order to "pep up" the vote on Dec. 1, the city of London has had printed 25,000 little red stickers, which will be distributed to voters today. They are going on motor cars, store windows, office mail and other places where they may be conspicuous.

"Vote December 1st. Vote as you please—but vote," is the incitation of the council's message to citizens. Already notices have been sent out to ratepayers, and the Kiwanis' message to get citizens out on polling day has gone direct to 25,000 voters.

More publicity is being given to polling day this year than at any other time in the history of the city. Figures show that during the past 15 years, more than 100,000 voters stayed at home on election day, and it is in an attempt to get a more complete representation that the city is spending money to tell the electors.

EUROPEAN STUDENT RELIEF WILL BE CONTINUED

European student relief is to continue for another year. In July last 130 students and student workers met at Elmau, Germany, to consider whether help should be given to the world students during 1924-1925. It was unanimously decided to continue the work. Among those who were present were four workers from Canada.

Today collections are being taken at the University of Western Ontario to help fellow students among the refugees of Russia and other countries.

The student effort in 23 countries last year netted over \$600,000, which was spent on food, clothes, books, housing and organizing.

The students' Christian movement is taking the collections here. Miss Louise Garbutt is the local president.

MEVOY NOT DECIDED IN DEFENDING BARNED

J. M. McEvoy, K.C., who returned to the city last night from Toronto, stated this morning that he had not yet decided to defend Frank Barned, charged with murder in connection with the death of Smylie Muirhead at Niagara Falls.

"I have seen the best show of sheep I have ever seen at the winter fair," stated Mr. McEvoy, "and I do not know just when the young man will come up for trial. It is possible, however, that I will take the case, which will probably be tried at St. Catharines."

E. S. LITTLE IS BIG WINNER IN GUELPH SHEEP CLASSES

E. S. Little, proprietor of Belvoir stock farm, Delaware, was among the big winners in sheep classes at the Guelph Winter Fair. Mr. Little took first prize with his entry in the yearling ram class and also showed the champion ram in the Shropshire class. Mr. Little as well as six second and sixth ewe lambs, fourth in wether lambs, fourth in the marketing class, and second in the breeding class.

DELEGATES WILL HEAR R. A. FINN

Minister of Agriculture To Tell
Trade Boards of Vacant
Land Problem.

Hon. J. S. Martin, provincial minister of agriculture, will speak at the lunch meeting of the Western Ontario united boards of trade in the Masonic temple tomorrow at noon on the vacant lands of Western Ontario.

This is the first session of the seventh annual meeting. The afternoon session will also be held in the Masonic temple, and the Friday sessions in the chambers of commerce.

Evening addresses in the Tecumseh house will include "Dominion Institute Research Institute of Canada," and "The Reduction of the Rural Population of Western Ontario," and Steps Which Might Be Taken With Success to Combat It," by Prof. A. Leitch of the O. A. C.

At lunch on Friday there will be addresses on "Lakeshore Erosion" by Col. W. J. Brown of London, and a "Natural Resource Survey" by W. J. Boulton of the department of natural resources, Ottawa.

Two resolutions of general interest will be brought in and discussed as follows: A resolution brought in by the London chamber of commerce asking that a national day of commerce be observed on March 1 to May 31 each year in the United States and Canada, in order that the fish coming up the river may be followed to spawn and river may be followed to spawn and river may be followed to spawn.

AMERICAN CITIES USE CITY HOBBY FAIR IDEAS

Fame of Show Originated by
London Rotary Club Spreads
Far and Wide.

The reputation of the London Rotary club hobby fair has spread far and wide throughout Canada and the United States.

Practical evidence of this statement consists in the fact that last week the Rotary club of Cincinnati, Ohio, put on a very successful hobby fair modeled after the London fair, which made the Rotary club, having in fact, the Cincinnati club, requested the prize list, worked up by the local club, used it in its endeavor.

The boys' federation of New York, in conjunction with the Rotary club of that city, is next year undertaking that of a hobby fair. In this instance also the London plans and prize list are being employed.

Last year the Rotary club had 50 slides prepared in connection with the hobby fair. These slides will be shown at the maturity of the Rotary club in the northern states. The moving of the slides begins next week.

There are indications that nine hobby fairs will be held by Rotary clubs next year throughout the United States.

FARMERS URGED TO PLOW CORN STUBBLE AFTER RAIN

Farmers of Middlesex county are advised by R. A. Finn of the department of agriculture to make no attempt to plow corn stubble until after a heavy rain, in order that stubble affected by the corn borer may be covered up.

"The farmers try to plow corn stubble at the present time, it will be impossible for them to make a good job of it," said Mr. Finn. "The land will turn over in big chunks and they can't possibly cover all the stubble. If that would be covered, it would be perfect for the corn borer, and I strongly advise all farmers to wait for rain before touching their corn land."

"ANGEL ADJUTANT" DIES AT WORK IN MONTREAL

Adjutant Malone, Salvationist, of Montreal, known in police court circles as the "Angel adjutant," is dead in Montreal. The officer, who was struck while on duty, where she succumbed after a brief illness.

Adj. Malone represented the Salvation army at the court of Montreal. For years she devoted her efforts to the saving of men from a life of crime. Her devotion to duty and the good work she accomplished with the help of those who came in contact with her in the underworld.

The funeral will take place at the funeral home of Col. J. H. McEvoy, who will conduct the service. Interment will take place in the Salvation army plot in Mount Pleasant cemetery.

JUVENILE COURT TANGLE IS STILL UNSOLVED

With No. 1 committee meeting at 7:30 o'clock tonight, little business was on the agenda today. So far as could be learned there is little new to report on juvenile court or relief work matters, which were referred back to the committee at the last meeting of the council.

The city council's last session before November day has been set for Friday evening at 7:45 o'clock. It promises to be one of the shortest meetings of the year, with only brief reports from the various committees.

German Jewel Trade Booming

Associated Press Despatch.
Pforzheim, Germany, Nov. 12.—One of the few German industries running on full time at present is the jewelry business here, which for some weeks has been operating at capacity to catch up with Christmas orders.

The manufacturers report that most of the jewelry being made is of the higher grade, indicating a revival of purchasing power among the well-to-do classes. Until a few months ago the bulk of the output was of the cheaper grade, with imitation stones.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT WILL NOT BE CHANGED

Mayor Believes One Man Is
Able To Carry On
Work.

No further action in connection with the building inspector's department is planned by Mayor Wenige, according to his statement to The Advertiser today.

"We have the assistant building inspector in charge of the department," the mayor said. "There isn't any more building than one man can handle. We can get along all right for a while with one man."

Asked if a new building inspector would be advertised for, Mr. Wenige thought the time was not ripe for such a move.

"The committee endorsed my motion, which included putting the department under the supervision of the city engineer," said the mayor, triumphantly. "A little while back they fought against such a move, but they couldn't help themselves last night."

FRATERNITY IS SOUGHT BY WESTERN STUDENTS

Question Will Be Taken Up
With Dean Fox
Shortly.

Tentative plans are being made for the formation of a fraternity at the University of Western Ontario. For some time it is understood the work of organization has been under way among students who feel that Western should have a fraternity of high standing.

At present there are no fraternities at the college of arts. Students of the medical school are affiliated with the Phi Kappa Phi, an international fraternity, and the arts men are looking forward to having one in the near future.

The rules set down by the board of governors in respect to fraternities are such as to make for organization of the highest type. The members must be well up in their studies and the fraternity must be a credit to the university.

It is expected that the plans will go before Dean W. Woodward Fox, dean of the college of arts, in a few days.

FEW LONDONERS SEEK HOMES OVER BORDER

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showed that Canada is at least holding her own with regard to the exodus of her citizens to the United States. "It shows that there is a decided improvement in the situation," remarked Trustee Copeland. "I have always regretted the fact that our magnificent educational system prepared so many Canadian boys and girls who later left Canada for the States. I am pleased, therefore, that the conditions are apparently changing for the better to such a satisfactory extent."

CITY GROWNUPS FLOCK TO SEE CHILDREN'S BOOKS

A large number of people visited the public library yesterday to view the exhibit of children's books which has been arranged for the week in the women's reading-room on the main floor.

The bright volumes form an interesting display for booklovers. Many of these who chose yesterday said they came partly to get a glimpse of the books and stories that they read years ago.

All the old favorites are there. Among them the "Immortals," the "Water Babies," "Anderson's Fairy Tales," "The Jungle Books," and many others. One table is given over to the first books that children read. These include "Peter Pan," "Mother Goose" and the nursery rhymes so dear to the hearts of the little tots.

Maxfield Parish, Henry Rackham, and a host of other prominent artists have illustrated the children's books so well that they are, in many instances, superior to the volumes placed before adults.

A.Y.P.A. SESSIONS TO OPEN NOV. 13

Two-Day Convention Will Be
Held in St. Thomas—
Excellent Program.

The Anglican Young People's Association convention, which until a few years ago was an annual event, will be held in Trinity church, St. Thomas, on November 13 and 14. It is the purpose of this convention to deepen the interest and development of the work of the A. Y. P. A. and revive interest to aid in establishing the convention as an annual event once more.

A get-together social will be staged in the basement of the church in the evening of the first day, when addresses of welcome will be read by Rev. Canon Andrews and Rev. P. S. Harding, both of St. Thomas, and the mayor of St. Thomas, Rev. Canon Hayward of Walsworth and W. C. Durdridge of London will reply to the welcome.

A corporate communion will be held in Trinity church at 8:30 o'clock on Friday morning, November 14. At