

### SAYS McNEAL WAS UNWELCOME GUEST

#### Statement by Father of Murder Girl is Feature of Murder Trial in Welland.

Welland, Ont., Oct. 21.—(By Canadian Press).—Emphatic denials by Reuben Boucock that he had any previous knowledge of where the body of his daughter Margaret was hid and his statement that David McNeal, who stands charged with the murder of Boucock's four-year-old daughter, who disappeared on July 13, and was found three weeks later hidden in brushwood near the new Welland ship canal excavation at Thorold, was an unwelcome guest at his home here, were features of the great Thorold murder trial which opened today.

Welland, Ont., Oct. 21.—The prosecu- tor declared that he strongly objected to McNeal because he did not like the slandering and was not to be talked about women. Witnesses alleged that prisoner was always talking about that he did to women while in France, and added Boucock, McNeal never was in France.

#### Tells of Search for Daughter.

Testifying, Boucock told his movements on the day and night his little daughter disappeared. He worked nights, driving a truck nightly to Thorold and bringing back ice cream for distribution here and at St. Catharines. It was midnight on the 13th July when in Willard's ice cream factory that he learned of the disappearance of his daughter. He had no trouble with his wife that day. Returning home, he told of his search for the girl, going over the ground within a hundred yards of where the body of the girl was eventually found on August 4.

#### Find McNeal.

Continuing, he told of his search for McNeal and his finding him at Port Dalhousie on the night of August 13 on the previous day and was informed by McNeal that he had journeyed along Albert street and when near the library noticed little Margaret. She ran across the street to him, took hold of his hand, saying, "I like ice cream." He gave some coppers with which she bought her a nickel. Accompanied by the girl, he proceeded along Albert street and continued his interview with McNeal. Boucock stated that prisoner told him Margaret followed but he told her to go home.

Testifying on his relationship with McNeal, Boucock in answer to G. F. Peterson's question if he had entertained McNeal at his home, said: "My wife has. I have not." Arthur Noble and Gordon Porter, two lads about ten years, were seen walking with a man on the afternoon of her disappearance towards the canal. Noble did not know the man, but Porter stated the man was McNeal. In cross-examination, Peterson admitted that he had stated at the coroner's inquest and preliminary hearing that he did not know the man.

#### Mr. Fitzgerald, whose house is the last one at the canal end of Mill street, told of seeing Margaret with McNeal on the side of her house between 2 and 3 in the afternoon. Dr. Pulow, who performed a post-mortem on the remains, stated that death was due to strangulation. Questioned closely by the defence as to whether he could say the child died from natural causes or not, witness replied he could not. Then your evidence regarding strangulation is only theory, asked Peterson. "Yes, it has to be partially theory," was the reply. Harry Dehmer and Al Jones told of accidentally finding the body when looking for a water valve. It was covered with weeds and grass. The case was adjourned and will open tomorrow at 9.30. It is expected that a conclusion will be reached by noon.

#### Court Room Packed.

Long before the hour was due to open, the court room was packed to capacity, many falling to gain admission, people showing great anxiety to see the man who was nearly lynched at Thorold on August 13, after he had been committed for trial.

There was no outward demonstration as the prisoner entered the dock from the cells below. Silence reigned, not a murmur being heard. McNeal appeared to be in the best of health and spirits, and fully recovered from the injuries received at the hands of the mob. Prisoner was neatly attired in a new grey suit, and during the swearing in of the jury, watched the proceedings keenly.

#### Mother on Stand.

Mrs. Boucock, mother of the little child who disappeared on July 13, and for whose murder David McNeal stands on trial today, was put thru a severe cross-examination by G. F. Peterson, counsel for the defence. She wept on friendly terms, Mrs. McNeal visiting her almost every day. In a severe cross-examination, witness emphatically denied that her husband blamed her for the loss of the child. He blamed McNeal.

### MOORE-WATTERS DUEL CALLED OFF

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the trades union movement at some future convenient date should such an invitation be extended to me, but respectfully decline your invitation to occupy either my time or yours in coming to Toronto to discuss with Brother Waters this past issue.

"I believe that President Moore is evading the question and lacks the courage to put his case before a Toronto audience," declared Delegate Richard Russell following the reading of the communication.

"He is too big a coward to come to Toronto, but he will go to Nova Scotia," remarked Delegate T. Ryder, adding: "He won't come to Toronto because he knows that we know too much of his tactics."

Delegate James Ralph defended President Moore, referring to him as an outstanding labor official, and declaring that his position in the labor movement would render him an instructive speaker on general trade union matters.

"I do not see why Tom Moore should come here to satisfy a few disgruntled members. The matter was discussed in full on the floor of the convention," declared Delegate Stevenson, adding: "Some members only want Tom Moore to come here so that they may get him."

It was finally moved to extend an invitation to President Moore to address the council on problems affecting the labor movement.

### CONVICTS FROM SING SING ARE SURROUNDED IN BUSH

Warner, N. H., Oct. 21.—Shots were fired by members of a posse tonight at two men in the woods two miles from this village, who the authorities are convinced are George Stiver and Marcus Bassett, the convicts for whom active search has been made since their escape from Sing Sing prison last Thursday night. The men dodged out of sight, apparently unwounded. Some time afterwards they asked for food at two farmhouses on the edge of the woods, and on being refused disappeared into the forest again. As late as now they have not been seen again, but it was believed they were hiding nearby.

### MANITOBA FARMERS TO SUPPORT NORRIS

#### Will Not Enter House as an Opposition Party, Says Secretary Boivin.

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 21.—The Winnipeg Free Press evening bulletin today says: "The farmer group elected to the provincial legislature last summer will support the Norris administration and will not enter the house as an opposition party, A. R. Boivin, member of Iberville and secretary of the Farmer party, informed The Free Press today.

"The moderate element of the labor party is making overtures to join the farmer group, Mr. Boivin said. "Should these four join the farmer group, their number will exceed the number of direct supporters of the Norris government."

"The object of the Farmer party is not to secure power or to overthrow the government in a vote of the house. We will support all measures which we consider in the best interests of the province," Mr. Boivin declared.

"A meeting of the agrarians will be called for the early part of November, when we will lay down our platform and legislation which we desire to have enacted during the session of the legislature."

### MUCH RUM-RUNNING IN NEW BRUNSWICK

St. John, N.B., Oct. 21.—Rum-running has had some sensational developments here lately. Today it was reported that a motorboat with six barrels of Scotch whiskey on board, loaded here and moved later to a point on the Bay of Fundy, where it was unloaded. Baptiste Morrow of Fort Kent, Maine, is charged by United States liquor law enforcement officials with running alcohol into Maine from New Brunswick by automobile. He was fined \$100 and costs, appealed and is now held in \$500 bail. The car and 18 gallons of alcohol was seized. Three automobiles were recently chased by customs officers at Baring on the St. Croix River, and one was fired at and the tires punctured. It contained a cargo of whiskey run over from New Brunswick. The other two got away.

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### REPORTED FIND OF OIL IN HASTINGS

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came to Belleville and told John Elliot, manager of the Standard Bank, his story. Mr. Elliot communicated with his son-in-law, W. H. Reeves, travelling representative for the General Oil Fields, Limited, of London, England, who is spending a vacation in Belleville, having recently returned from Mexico. What Mr. Reeves saw convinced him that the prospects for an oil field here were excellent. In fact, he states that the indications are better than anything he saw in Mexico, one of the greatest oil countries in the world.

#### Options Secured.

Mr. Reeves thinks so well of the property that he at once secured options on over one thousand acres of land, including the Roach farm. If oil is discovered in quantity, the farmers will be paid a good rental, besides royalties, which will mean sudden fortune for a number of families in the vicinity of Marysville and Lonsdale. Geologists have been sent for by Mr. Reeves and a thorough examination of the property will be made at once. If the property proves up as Mr. Reeves thinks it will, he states that his company will spend at least one million dollars in development within the next year.

#### T. W. Gibson's View.

T. W. Gibson, Ontario deputy minister of mines, when spoken to by The World last night about the reported oil find, said that he was not hopeful about the district becoming an oil producer, some years ago oil indications were believed to exist near Montrose, in Hastings county, and a well was sunk to a depth of about 1,600 feet, when granite was struck, which disposed of hopes, as oil deposits depended upon sedimentary rock formation. The geological aspect of rocks in Hastings county in general was not favorable where oil was concerned, he said.

### U. S. FIRMS READY TO DROP EXCHANGE

#### Concerns in Eastern States Willing Now to Accept "At Par"—Aids Business.

Montreal, Oct. 21.—Information received today by Canadian importers shows that the adverse exchange rate set by the United States against Canadian purchases of American goods is starting to fall down. This situation is attributed to the poor business conditions in the eastern states, manufacturers and merchants becoming anxious about the export trade declines. For this reason, they have decided to accept Canadian currency and pay no attention to the rate of exchange.

It is as hoped, the movement becomes at all general, it presages a fall in the cost of living for business men here point out that this means a ten per cent. drop in prices of imported goods. Several of the largest American houses have quoted prices recently and said that Canadian prices would be acceptable," said W. P. Downey, a Montreal importer.

#### Action by Biggest Firm.

"Several of the largest American houses have quoted prices recently and said that Canadian prices would be acceptable," said W. P. Downey, a Montreal importer. This applied to crude drugs and herbs. One firm, by far the largest in the United States, several wholesale confectionery firms and wholesalers of Chinese products had also expressed their willingness to take Canadian funds.

"This applies, so far as I know, only in the case of the western states. New York funds are still demanded," said Mr. Downey. "The reason being that business is not back in the east. Now they are coming to their senses and disregarding the rate of exchange. Their business had been almost cut in two in number of cases."

### LIQUOR LIKELY SOLD ON PERMIT SYSTEM

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ranks was that the women did not generally support the "dry" law. With more women voters, the prohibitionists here did not see how they could lose. But the result showed that the women were as much divided as the men voters. Besides, they were women, it did not follow that they would support the "dry" program, and from sixty to sixty-five per cent. of the fair sex must have gone with the moderation side.

#### Must Await Sale.

Altho government sale of liquor has started, it is stated the present prohibition act must remain the law until the legislature meets and enacts a new law, and this may be several months yet.

There seems to be general agreement among the members of the government and prohibitionists, that there must be no private sale of any kind. This implies that there will be no table licenses, and that even if the present near-beer bars be abolished.

#### Permit System.

The permit system appears to be strongly favored in some governmental quarters. Under this plan any adult citizen may procure a permit on the same principle as a ration card, which will entitle him or her to purchase liquor in reasonable quantities for personal and domestic use when presented at a government liquor store. These various suggestions are all very much in the air at the moment, as no responsible government leader has said what form the new act is likely to take.

#### Oliver is Surprised.

In a statement issued today, Premier Oliver said: "I am very much surprised at the result of the vote yesterday. I had anticipated a majority for prohibition. The government will prepare to accept the decision of the electors, they would not have submitted the question."

The sweeping majority in favor of government control is ample justification of the government's conduct, both as to the form of the question and of expense in submitting it, apart from any other question. I cannot interpret the verdict as either a demand for or an authorization of return to the bar or the saloon, but rather as an interpretation to the government to make available for use liquor in reasonable quantities and at a reasonable price, subject to restrictions which will prevent abuse.

"As the sentiment of the majority of the electors is not in support of the present act, it will be the duty of the government to prepare and submit substitutional legislation at the earliest date practicable."

#### View of Prohibitionists.

William Savage, president of the People's Prohibition Association, said: "We accept the verdict. We shall continue our organization, because we are confident that the experiment of government sale will be as ghastly a failure here as it proved to be in Saskatchewan, and this organization will be needed soon."

### OTTAWA POLICE FIND ALLEGED BANK BANDIT

Ottawa, Oct. 21.—The local police believe they have two of the men who robbed the Chapel Street Branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia here in broad daylight on April 1, and the Bourget Branch of the Banque Nationale on the night of June 9. They took \$1,050 from the Bank of Nova Scotia and nearly \$9,000 from the Banque Nationale. The men were arrested in a local pool room this afternoon, and were said to be Napoleon Franche and Joseph St. Louis, both of this city.

### CONDITIONS BETTER AT KINGSTON JAIL

#### Many of Prison Workshops Resume Operations.

Kingston, Ont., Oct. 21.—(Special).—The conditions that prevailed at the penitentiary since Saturday last has gradually given way to a more orderly state of affairs. This afternoon many of the workshops at the big prison had resumed every appearance of normal. Some offenders are confined in "halls," as the dungeon in the basement of the old asylum building is called. Eastern firms have also expressed their willingness to keep up a fusillade of orders, but little attention is paid to them.

### LIQUOR WILL FLOW INTO WASHINGTON

#### British Columbia Repeal of Prohibition Opens 50 Doors Into State.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 21.—Repeal of the British Columbia provincial prohibition law in yesterday's referendum opens "great and limitless reservoir" and liquor will flow into the state of Washington in an endless stream, unless preventative action is taken, Donald A. McDonald, federal prohibition director for Washington and Alaska, declared today. Fifty automobile roads lead into Washington from the Canadian province and little more than a "corporal's guard" of federal agents is available to guard it," Mr. McDonald said. The result of the provincial referendum was a "knock-out blow to hopes for actual as well as official 'bone-dry' prohibition in Washington," he said.

### TRY BLUE BEARD ON MINOR CHARGE

#### Alleged Slayer of Eleven Women Arraigned on Allegations of Swindling.

Paris, Oct. 21.—Henri Landru, who has been under arrest for more than two years charged with knowledge of the disappearance of eleven women, to whom he is said to have promised marriage, was arraigned before a police court here this afternoon on several allegations of swindling growing out of his ventures in the automobile garage business in 1913. Since his incarceration the police have referred to Landru as a "modern blue beard."

The prosecuting attorney at today's arraignment did not mention the charges of murder against Landru, but demanded that the most severe penalty of French law for swindling—five years' servitude and then deportation to Noumea on Devil's Island—be meted out to the accused if convicted. During the arraignment Landru several times anxiously asked the judge why he was not being tried for murder, and M. Mor-Glaferi, who was defending the accused, asked the court that Landru be tried on the charge of which he had been arrested, namely, murder.

#### RECORD HOG PRICE.

Kingston, Ont., Oct. 21.—(Special).—A record price for live hogs in this district was paid at Yarker yesterday when a big lot was disposed of at thirty cents a pound live weight.

### KING AT MEDICINE HAT; W. DUFF, M.P., HAS COLD

Medicine Hat, Oct. 21.—The reception of the Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King and his party at this city today was in line with that accorded throughout their trip thru the west. Owing to the fact that Mr. King had lost the assistance of Ernest Lapointe, and of W. Duff, M.P., who was confined almost to bed with cold, the overflow meeting was abandoned. Mr. King expressed the opinion that the federal and provincial authorities must co-operate in a constructive way to settle the problem of the farmers who had been allowed to settle in a wide belt of territory in which year after year there had been serious droughts.



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### CANADIAN AVIATORS ARRIVE IN VICTORIA

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 21.—Col. Robert Leckie, Commodore Tyle, Capt. Thompson and Major Hobbs, who left Vancouver yesterday morning in a seaplane for this city, arrived here today at noon, after having laid up all night in Friday harbor, San Juan Island, owing to engine trouble.

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