

THE WEATHER:
MODERATE WINDS, CLOUDY.
TOMORROW—MILDER.

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"SPORTING GREEN"
ON THE STREET AT 6:00
WITH LATE NEWS.

THREE CENTS.

LOCAL POLICE DECLARE FARLEY IS NOT "PAT"

King and Queen of Greece Expelled From Native Land

PAT NORTON IS NOT CAUGHT; POLICE SURE FARLEY PHOTO IS NOT THAT OF GUNMAN

Pictures of Indiana Suspect
Reached Advertiser Today
—Much Like Norton.

LAMBETH DISAGREES

One Man Says "No," Another
Says "Yes" — Provincial
Police May Still Act.

After carefully scrutinizing photographs of Lorenzo D. Farley today, local police officials and others state positively he is not George Ernest "Pat" Norton.

While the resemblance between the man held in Indiana and the notorious Melbourne bank robber is most pronounced, Chief of Police, Robert Burrell, Inspector Thomas Nickle and Detective Harry Down are unanimous in the opinion that Farley is not Norton.

Joseph Moore, who lives near Lambeth, was also quite sure when shown the photographs that Farley was not the man he knew as Pat Norton. A Londoner, who knew Norton for some years, and had business dealings with him, was also shown the photographs of Farley. He immediately remarked on the close resemblance between the two men, but was quite sure that the man in the little Indiana jail was not the man he did business with for years ago.

On the other hand, P. A. Reynolds of the Lambeth garage was quite positive that Farley was no other than Norton.

"Do you know who this man is?" asked an Advertiser reporter, handing Reynolds three pictures of Farley.

"Sure, I do," replied Reynolds. "It's Pat Norton."

"Are you sure it's Norton?" further questioned The Advertiser.

"I'm positive," was the reply. "I ought to know him."

Mr. Reynolds stated that "during the warm weather" he had seen Norton in a motor car that had stopped at his garage for gas.

"Why didn't you notify the police?" questioned the reporter.

"Do you think I want to get a bullet in me?" came back Reynolds.

Mr. Norton, who keeps house for a farmer near Lambeth, would make no comment when shown the pictures, stating she had received enough notoriety already through her husband, and distinctly stated she had nothing to say for publication.

Provincial Constable T. Y. Stratton and License Inspector Bolton both commented on the striking likeness of Farley to Norton, and intimated it might be worth while to send him to Aurora to have the prisoner properly identified.

It is over two and a half years since any of the local men who knew Norton have seen him, and it is pointed out that the Melbourne robber might have changed considerably during that time.

The conflict of opinion offered

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Alike—But Not the Same!



LORENZO FARLEY. On the left is the photograph of Lorenzo Farley received by The Advertiser this morning from Aurora, Ind., where he is held on suspicion of being "Pat Norton." On the right is Pat Norton himself. From comparison of the photos local authorities declare that Farley is not the wanted gunman. Examination of the features shows a difference chiefly in the nose. Norton's nose is thin. Farley's is flat. London police think that Indiana officials were quite justified in holding Farley on suspicion.

Veteran Admits Forging Name of Doctor In Order To Secure Supply of Drug

London Firm Charged With
Breach of Opium and
Narcotics Act.

JUDGMENT RESERVED

Patient Testifies Employee of
Company Had Filled Prescriptions.

As many as 2,000 tablets of heroin a month were purchased by Albert Murray, Westminster Hospital patient, off and on for four years, according to evidence heard in police court this morning in the case of a local wholesale drug concern charged with violation of the Opium and Narcotics Act.

Mr. Murray, who took the witness stand admitted he had forged numerous doctors' prescriptions to obtain the drug, using the name of Dr. F. W. Hughes. He said he knew an employee of the wholesale drug firm who furnished him with heroin tablets without the knowledge of the concern itself. Both the drug company and the employee who gave Murray the tablets have been charged with serious infraction of the narcotic laws.

Judgment was reserved by the court after two hours exhaustive evidence. Crown Prosecutor Gillanders questioned several witnesses and in his summing up submitted he said the drug company was guilty insofar as it had not a system which prevented the securing of drugs by illegitimate methods. Counsel for the defendant, Winnett, claimed, however,

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NEW COUNCIL WILL TALK NEAR PROPOSAL

Engineer Wants Street Cleaning
Cost Included in General
Rate.

City Engineer Near's proposal to place the collection for street cleaning in the general rate, awaits the consideration of the new city council and the engineer is convinced that the ascribed policy should be adopted.

It is his contention that the people who live on unpaved streets should shoulder their portion of the cost of keeping the pavements clean. He declares that, as a matter of fact, it is the people on the unpaved streets who are actually responsible (indirectly, of course), for the dirt on the paved streets, it being carried there in many ways. One instance is the delivery wagons journeying to and from points on the unpaved streets.

GREEK KING IS FORCED TO GIVE UP HIS THRONE

Telegraphs Venizelos, Asking
Him to Take Over Reins of
Government.

MET OPPOSITION

Steps Were Taken by Army
and Navy to Oust
Monarch.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 18.—A Central News despatch from Athens says:

"The king is leaving for Bucharest this evening. It is stated on good authority that he has telegraphed Venizelos, appealing to him to take over the reins of government. Admiral Koundouriotis has assumed the regency until the future regime of the country is decided."

Premier Gonatas and Col. Piastiras, agency advisers, signed the letter requesting the king to leave after they had been interviewed by the military and naval delegations and by representatives of political and other organizations in the provinces. All of these urged removal of the dynasty.

Premier Gonatas also received petitions signed by the officers and men of the Athens garrison asking that steps be taken to remove the monarch. The letter to King George, it is said, was couched in rather stern language, and contained the intimation that the sovereign's departure by the evening of the latest was imperative. He was further told that the steamer Esperia would be requisitioned for his leave taking.

The king was not surprised at this development, and promised to reply the first thing this morning. "This he did, saying that inasmuch as it seemed to be in the interests of the nation for him to leave Greece, he

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PLAN SANITARY SEWER IN EAST END OF CITY

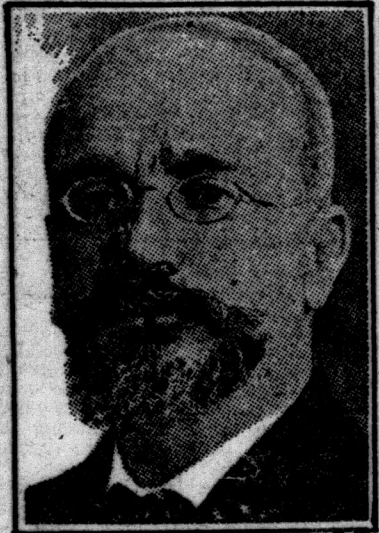
City Engineer Will Call Meeting of Ratepayers to Talk Question.

The city engineer's department plans a sanitary sewer system for a large section of East London, extending easterly from Egerton street and south of Dundas street.

The council has authorized City Engineer Near to call a meeting of the ratepayers of that locality, when, with the chairman of the board of works, he can explain the situation. The council has also authorized the immediate initiation of the job and the customary 30 days will elapse to allow protests.

WILL MAKE INSTALLATION CHARGE FOR DECORATIONS

General Manager E. V. Buchanan of the public utilities commission stated today that the commission were making an installation charge for the decoration of the trees on private property, to cover the cost of the men's time, etc., but that all material would be taken back afterwards.



MAY RETURN TO POWER.
Eleutherios Venizelos, former premier of Greece, who has been requested by the deposed monarch of that country to take over the control of the government.

ONTARIO FIRE LOSS SHOWN AS GREATEST

Toronto Board of Trade Report
Reveals Grave Menace to
Canada.

TOTAL LOSS \$54,396,688

Canada lost \$54,396,688 in 1922 from fires, according to a report by the Toronto Board of Trade. Of this amount Ontario lost \$22,108,092, the loss occurring in 10,269 fires. The next in the list was Quebec, with a loss of \$13,821,880 from 6,697 fires, and Prince Edward Island suffered only \$275,198 fire loss and had 134 fires.

The figures for Ontario include a loss of \$6,869,126 in the Northern Ontario conflagration in the Haliburton district. The per capita loss in Ontario was \$7.31, the heaviest in the world. This means, says the report, that apart from the northern bush fire, \$130,000 went up in smoke every day of 1922. In the first nine months of 1923 lightning was the most prolific cause of fire loss. It was responsible for the destruction of 825 buildings not rodded, worth \$1,257,170 in Ontario alone. Friction came next with 32 buildings destroyed and a loss of \$876,498. Spontaneous combustion destroyed 127 buildings and caused a loss of \$421,019. Farmers suffered heavily. 714 barns, valued at \$1,366,148 were lost. 3,354 private dwellings were destroyed, and the loss was estimated at \$1,125,942. In the immensity of the various counties in the province the statistics show that York County came first, with 2,381 fires and a fire loss of \$2,513,328. Then came Wentworth, with 495 fires and a loss of \$1,167,548. Middlesex had 251 fires and a damage list of \$736,097, and last of all was Wellington County with 141 fires and a loss of \$124,443.

NEAR SCORES ATTACKS ON CITY PAVING TEST PLANS

Engineer States Work Carried
Out in Canada Instead of
United States.

COSTS NOT INCREASED

Charges Attempt Made to Distort Fact on Recent Work.

City Engineer W. P. Near brands as "absolute misrepresentations of fact" charges from a local publication involving the construction of the new Richmond street pavement.

And he explained today that the tests of the pavement in question and the raw material for the same, was more complete than any tests during the administration of the former city engineer, H. A. Brazier.

Like Ald. Leonard Douglass, chairman of the board of works, the city engineer has no "bones to pick" with his predecessor in office, but he does resent what he characterizes as a deliberate attempt to place before the public statements which are not exactly true to fact.

The charge has been made that the cost of paving during 1923 has been greatly increased, and an expenditure of \$1,565 is referred to as a glaring instance. This sum is due the Milton Hershey Company for "testing."

City Engineer Near was quite willing to explain the entire affair this morning, and he makes it quite clear that "his records are open" for any or all ratepayers to view.

He does point out also that while the testing was done under the direction of the former city engineer, H. A. Brazier, in New York City, it was done this year in Canada.

Done in United States.

"The United States Asphalt Refining Company furnished the asphalt last year," he stated. "And it was shipped from the Atlantic seaboard. Therefore I understand that it was considered more expedient to have the testing done in New York."

"By the same token, therefore, we have the testing done this year in Canada, as our asphalt was purchased from the Imperial Oil Company refineries at Montreal, and the tests of the raw material, made in that city, reached London before the cars."

Engineer Near declares that the 1923 tests were "four or five times superior to similar tests in the past."

These tests were necessary, irrespective of the results.

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SANTA CLAUS WANTS ALL AT HIS PARTY SATURDAY

The Winter Garden Thrown
Wide Open to All the Children Everywhere.

11 O'CLOCK IS THE HOUR

Everything is ready for the children's party next Saturday morning.

It's going to be in the Winter Garden, and Santa Claus will be there, of course, because it's really his party. The Advertiser is only arranging it for him.

Every little girl and boy in London is invited to come to the party. Santa Claus has already sent personal invitations to each of the five hundred lovely children and he wants all the girls and boys to be there with them.

There'll be room for everybody because Bill Baines, the genial chief of the Winter Garden, is throwing his whole staff into the party, and by 10 o'clock Saturday morning he will have something like three thousand seats, Christmas trees, lights, decorations and everything.

Billy Baines, Jr., the manager's 2-year-old son, is on the job as well. He's told his father that Santa Claus must have everything he wants, so, of course, that settles it.

The guests of honor at the party will be the four Loveliest Children, Ella Mae Scoyne, the Loveliest Child, and her three companions, Irene Roach, Clare McCandless and Tennesse Tanager. They'll be up on the platform with Santa Claus, so that everyone can see how lovely they are, and Santa Claus will give them The Advertiser's prizes—a choice between a solid gold wrist watch and one of the Doll Lady's dolls. Then there'll be a program and candy and fun for everyone.

Santa Claus will reach the party at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, but the doors of the Winter Garden will be open for an hour before that.



AS BIG AS SHE IS.
Little Ella Mae Scoyne, of 485 Talbot street, has won the doll from the Doll Lady. The doll's name is "Rosie," and Rosie is almost as big as Ella Mae herself.

PROUD 'TURK' TAKES DROP IN STANDING

Offered on Local Market at
Lowest Price in Many
Years.

GEESSE ALSO CHEAP

All varieties of fowl were offered for sale in abundance on the local market this morning. Turkeys sold from 25 to 27 cents per pound, wholesale, and from 27 to 30 cents retail. This is the lowest price that has been asked in London for years.

Geesse sold from 23 to 25 per pound, retail, also breaking a record in cheapness.

The demand for fowl was not large this morning. Farmers attributed the mild weather and the influx of western fowl for the slow sale. Although only one week remains until Christmas, people are neglecting to buy fowl at present for fear it will not keep. Thursday and Friday are expected to be the big days for poultry.

A sure sign of approaching Christmas was the presence of hundreds of Christmas trees on the market today. Apparently the old-fashioned form of Yuletide celebration, with an enormous Christmas tree, has gone out of style. Little demand was shown for the evergreens, and many farmers returned home with their trees.

LOVELIEST CHLD PAYS ADVERTISER OFFICE VISIT

Ella Mae Scoyne Captures the
Hearts of All With
Some Appearance.

PARENTS ARE PLEASED

Tell of Pleasure on Being
Notified Children Were
Winners.

Ella Mae Scoyne, the Loveliest Child, paid a visit to The Advertiser office this morning and immediately captured everybody's heart.

Ella Mae is a dream of loveliness—pale golden curls, dark brows, marvellous deep blue eyes, pink cheeks, rosy mouth, and a smiling winsomeness that no photograph could possibly record.

If there is any lovelier child in all Canada than this Loveliest Child of Western Ontario, The Advertiser would like to be told where.

Ella Mae and her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Vercy Scoyne, met Mr. J. P. Hunt, the London artist at The Advertiser's office and the first sitting for the portrait took place in Mr. Hunt's studio afterwards.

Excited At Result.

The Advertiser had a few minutes' talk with the parents of all the four Loveliest Children, during the day. Mrs. Scoyne told of her feelings when she first heard the judges' verdict about little Ella Mae.

"Why, we were so excited that we did not eat a dinner and as for Ella Mae, she would not go to bed until after midnight last night, she was so tickled at seeing her picture in the paper. All the neighbors congratulated us and I am sure we are mighty proud."

Mr. Scoyne is employed at Finn Brothers, brick manufacturers, and has lived in London all his life.

"It was just wonderful," said Mrs. Manson Roach, mother of Irene Roach, 130 Garfield avenue, London. "It was beyond all our expectations and we are awfully pleased. We hope to be at the party and Irene is already making plans for it."

Mrs. B. E. McCandless, mother of Clare E. McCandless, 65 Dundas street, said Mrs. McCandless would not believe the news at first, but this morning went to his store full of pride, and she said Mrs. McCandless have lived all their life in Strathroy and Clare is an only child.

Will Be At Party.

"Yes, we will be at the party," stated Mrs. McCandless. "You know we did not want to send the picture in and grandfater did it and of course you can imagine the surprise."

"We were proud of her before, but we think she is just about the best ever," stated Arthur T. Tanner, 65 Dundas street, father of Tennesse Elliot Tanner, the fourth of the lovely children.

"You can just bet she will be at the party and she also wishes to express her thanks to the Advertiser. It was indeed a surprise to us and we doubted our good fortune at first but now it is true we are so glad."

ST. THOMAS MOTORIST HIT
BY STREET CAR HERE

J. Cooper, St. Thomas, while driving a coupe east on Dundas street, east of Clarence yesterday afternoon, was rammed by Normal car No. 92, proceeding in the same direction. The rear of the car was smashed while the street car suffered a broken fender. The car was in charge of Motorman T. McIntyre.

DISORDERLY CHARGE
Stuart Phillips will come before the police court this week to answer to a charge of disorderly conduct. Phillips was apprehended by officers yesterday evening on Clarence street.

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FORECASTS.
Today—Moderate winds; partly cloudy.
Wednesday—Southerly winds; fair and milder.

Pressure continues high over the Great Lakes and the southern portion of the continent, and low over Newfoundland and British Columbia. The high snow has fallen in the Maritime Provinces, while in other parts of the Dominion the weather has been fair.

Temperatures.
The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Stations	High	Low	Weather
Vancouver	51	46	Fair
Calgary	48	26	Clear
Winnipeg	32	24	Fair
Port Arthur	30	23	Cloudy
Perry Sound	30	8	Fair
Toronto	32	19	Cloudy
Kitchener	26	10	Fair
Ottawa	20	4	Fair
Montreal	22	8	Fair
Quebec	23	6	Fair
Father Point	28	4	Cloudy
St. John	34	16	Snow
Halifax	39	20	Snow

ALD. DRAKE LAUDS NEW
RICHMOND STREET PAVING

Ald. Gordon Drake is another member of the city council who feels that the Richmond street pavement has been satisfactorily done. And Ald. Drake is in a position to know something about paving enterprises, by reason of his long membership on the board of works.

"It is a real good job," he stated, "and compares in quality with the best pavements ever laid in this city."

BELIEVE SEVERAL TRAPPED IN FIRE

Many Guests Unaccounted for
in Conflagration in Houston Hotel.

Associated Press Despatch.
Houston, Texas, Dec. 18.—Several persons, it is feared by firemen, were trapped by a fire that early today destroyed the Capitol Hotel in the heart of the Houston business district.

The flames, which broke out at 6:30 and for a time threatened the entire district, were brought under control shortly before eight o'clock.

Originating in the hotel building, the fire spread rapidly to the adjoining buildings.

Only an incomplete check has been made of the registrants at the hotel.

HOUSTON HOTEL BADLY
DAMAGED BY FIRE

Associated Press Despatch.
Houston, Texas, Dec. 18.—Fire which broke out in the Capitol Hotel, a four-story brick structure in the heart of the downtown shopping district at 6:30 o'clock this morning, was brought under control within an hour, although the hotel and adjoining structures still were blazing. A number of guests fled the hotel in their night clothes. None was reported injured.

HEAR MINOR CLAIMS.

Several minor claims against the municipality were heard at special session of the city committee at noon today. Two awards were made involving small amounts. Ald. Judd reports, while another was referred to the city solicitor.



THE LOVELIEST CHILD, WITH HER FATHER AND MOTHER.

Ella Mae Scoyne, the Loveliest Child in Western Ontario, honored Vercy Scoyne, R. R. 4, London. The Advertiser office with a visit this morning, and here she is with her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Scoyne.