

CHEAP "FAGS" PROVED DEAR FOR SISKIND

Seizure of 36,000 American Cigarettes Leads to Fine of \$250 and Costs.

GOOD SMOKES LOST

Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon did not believe that Julius Siskind had purchased some 36,000 American cigarettes to smoke all by his lonesome, and consequently Mr. Siskind was fined \$250 and costs in police court today for a breach of the inland revenue act. The cigarettes were confiscated, and will go "up in smoke" in the custom house furnace in the near future according to Cecil Webb, of the inland revenue department.

The cigarettes were seized by Mr. Webb, Inspector Lucas, Sergeant Middlemarch and Constable Leach, of the local police department, in a raid conducted yesterday morning on the home of Siskind on Talbot street.

"We pleaded guilty to a technical infringement of the act," stated counsel for Siskind, when the case was called. "Mr. Siskind states he got them from a man traveling with the fairs. He understood that the duty had been paid. The cigarettes were just his own private stock, and found in his own private house."

"How many were found?" asked the court.

"Just 36,000," replied Chief Birrell, with a smile.

A Good, Long Smoke.

"Going to have a good, long smoke," observed the court.

"He might give some to his friends," admitted counsel. "I wouldn't take him long to get rid of them that way. He got them from a man traveling with the fairs who didn't want to take them back to the States."

"Why couldn't the man take them back?" demanded the court.

"He would have to pay expenses on them, and couldn't make any profit," said counsel.

"The information is that the tobacco trade here has been undermined by cheap American cigarettes," declared J. G. Gillanders, acting for the crown.

"On information received, the officers went to Siskind's house, and discovered the cigarettes. He told them that he got them from a man he didn't know, but later on he was willing to tell him, I submit that Mr. Siskind could not possibly use 36,000 cigarettes."

"If the duty had been paid on this number, I am told it would amount to \$250.50. The fine is from \$50 to \$500."

"Mr. Webb states that Siskind promised to give the name of the man who sold him the cigarettes, provided he (Siskind) was given a light penalty."

"The man who sold the cigarettes to Siskind is the most important," declared the court.

Asks Light Penalty.

Counsel for defense contended that the duty would be only \$125, but Gillanders stuck to his guns and gave counsel all the details.

"My client didn't go to the States for them. He bought them from a traveling showman. I don't know that he knows the name of the man," contended counsel.

"It adjourns to come a week if you think you can get the man here," said Mr. Graydon. "Otherwise I am prepared to deal with the case now."

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After conferring with Siskind, counsel stated that the "culprit" was a man named Shelby, who was at present traveling in the United States. He had a shooting booth at the Fair, and had been giving cigarettes as prizes.

There was no shooting at the Fair this year. I won't allow it," declared Chief Birrell.

Without discussing the case further, the magistrate imposed a fine of \$250 and costs or three months in jail.

MAKE GOOD PROGRESS ON NEW UNIVERSITY

Expect Completion of Exterior Before Cold Weather Sets In.

Remarkable progress is being made on the two new buildings for the University of Western Ontario, according to Col. Walter Brown, who stated this morning that the superstructures were rapidly nearing completion.

It is hoped that the exterior will be finished before the advent of winter, and that buildings will be closed by that time, leaving only the interior finishing to be done. The new building is nearer completion than the main building, but as this was started first, it is only natural.

"The work is progressing as fast as we could wish," stated Col. Brown.

In fact the contractors are making remarkable progress and the buildings will, in all probability, be completed well within the contract date."

WILL REMOVE HYDRO TOWER

General Manager E. V. Buchanan of the public utilities commission stated this morning that steps had already been instituted for the removal of the hydro tower at the corner of Horton and Ridout streets, in front of station No. 1. The work of laying the wires carried by this tower will be taken down as soon as the wires are all transferred.

Canada's Biggest Need Is People

Canadian Press Despatch. Calgary, Sept. 25. —Declaring that Canada's greatest need today is a greater population, Major J. E. Speranza, secretary of the Veterans' Association of London, England, who is in the city this week, told the Canadian Press that 500,000 of the best ex-service men of England might be secured for this country if an arrangement can be made to handle them properly after arrival.

Major Speranza is now on a tour of Canada investigating conditions, and after he has completed his trip he will stop off at Ottawa on his return and submit a concrete proposal to the immigration department.

WAR VETERANS WILL CONSIDER AMALGAMATION

Think United Front the Best Agent To Secure Requests From Ottawa.

DISCUSS QUARTERS

The first general meeting of the season of the G. W. V. A. will take place tomorrow night at 8 o'clock in the rooms in the Duffell Block, over the City Gas Company's offices. Among the subjects to be discussed is the question of new quarters, the ever-present problem of pensions, and the possibility of amalgamation with the other soldier associations. There will also be the election of officers for the coming year.

Amalgamation is perhaps the most insistent demand of the returned men in Canada today, and from coast to coast they are declaring themselves in favor of a general union of all the societies by which they hope to strengthen the returned man's case when he has to present it for one reason or another before the government.

Favor Amalgamation.

The G. W. V. A. alone has spent over \$20,000 of its funds since the beginning of the year on behalf of amalgamation, and at every meeting the members have expressed themselves as strongly favoring the suggestion.

From a local point of view the pressing question is: "When and where will the association get new rooms?" Ever since they were forced to leave their old rooms, this question in the majestic block, the various officers and members have hunted high and low for new quarters, without success.

Col. W. V. Cole, president of the G. W. V. A., states that there are plenty of suitable quarters in the city which would meet the requirements of the association, and every way, but that they are all too highly rented to be considered as prospective clubrooms.

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"In Toronto," he said, "a few days ago, they raised more than \$17,000 in a single day for the benefit of the returned men, and I am sure that if we, in London, will find some means of raising money with which to buy our own quarters, we will be able to take care of the club—some form of protection—an endowment fund, perhaps. Then the city might give us some exemption from taxes, and we would be able to keep the club open. You see, we are not in a condition to contribute money to the up-keep of the quarters, and without any support from either the citizens or the city, we simply cannot maintain a clubroom."

MAKE GOOD PROGRESS LAYING HYDRO WIRES

Operation of Placing Richmond Street Wires in Conduits Progressing Well.

The work of laying hydro wires in underground conduits along Richmond street is progressing rapidly according to General Manager E. V. Buchanan of the hydro.

Mr. Buchanan stated this morning that all wires between Central avenue and Oxford street were underground but that where City Engineer Near had changed from one side of the road to the other, rather than complete one side at a time.

Conduits in the ground are also being laid on Richmond street south of the Grand Trunk station.

Boa Constrictor's Skin Secured For University

Col. W. J. Brown, executive secretary of the University of Western Ontario, has just secured a particularly fine skin of the boa constrictor from British Guiana for the university museum.

The skin came into his possession some weeks ago when he bought it from a native of British Guiana who had returned from his home country after a visit.

The skin is about 13 feet in length, and is a beautifully marked and preserved specimen and will grace the walls of the new museum to be arranged in the science building.

ing in the new buildings when they come into use. There are several fine specimens of one kind and another scattered all over the city, which are destined for the university museum and which will form the nucleus of what Col. Brown hopes will come to be the most representative collection of the fauna and flora of the country and for their co-operation in supplying the university with specimens.

LONDON SEES HOW DETROIT CARS ARE RUN

Aldermen and Officials Impressed With Efficiency of Municipal System.

INSPECT PAVING

Special to The Advertiser by a Staff Reporter.

Windsor, Sept. 25.—Is municipal ownership of street railways an advisable undertaking for the people of London? This is a question to be answered again in December, and this morning a deputation from London conducted a general survey of the Detroit transportation services now owned and operated by the ratepayers of that municipality. To The Advertiser they voiced evident satisfaction.

Returning to Windsor at noon they inspected five miles of Windsor's street railway and paving work, and under way at the direction of Sir Adam Beck's engineers.

F. V. Fairlie, who recently recommended several changes in the Richmond street job, is in charge of the party, which includes City Engineer W. P. Near, Ald. L. H. Douglass, chairman of the board of works, and two members of the London transportation commission, Ald. P. J. Watt and Ald. John Greer. R. G. Ivey is also in attendance.

First-Hand Knowledge.

Sir Adam Beck's engineers and City Engineer Near differed in their opinion as to the Richmond street job, and today the London officials are getting first-hand knowledge of Sir Adam's views.

The members were particularly impressed with municipal ownership in vogue in Detroit, and the work of rehabilitating the road since its purchase by the people.

City Engineer Brian, Roadmaster Ryan and Superintendent McGill of the Border Cities Railways are with the party.

Steel ties, as recommended by Sir Adam Beck's engineers, are not as well suited for street railway purposes, or they would have been used exclusively on the Richmond street line, declares one of the visitors here today, R. G. Ivey, vice-president of the London Street Railway.

Steel Ties Unsatisfactory.

"Steel ties would have been cheaper for us than white oak ties, and we would have used them if the city owned" said Mr. Ivey, "but we did not consider their use advisable. Steel ties are a failure, and it has been proven so to satisfaction of the London Street Railway."

"In Cleveland steel ties are being replaced with white oak ties after a trial," said Mr. Ivey, "but we did not leave their old rooms, this question in the majestic block, the various officers and members have hunted high and low for new quarters, without success."

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NOCTURNAL BURGLAR FINDS TROUSERS FIT

Thief Frightened Away in the Midst of Foray in South End.

Citizens living on Elmwood avenue reported to The Advertiser today that housebreakers were making systematic attempts to rob householders of their belongings. The man of R. Watson, 198 Elmwood avenue, was broken into early Monday morning, and an attempt was also made to enter the residence next door.

Mr. Watson got up in the middle of the night, heard movements in the house, and found the door open. He went downstairs. The would-be thief apparently heard him, for he made good his escape. Mr. Watson found letters on the floor, which showed that from a coat the robber was trying to purloin.

All the thief got was a pair of Mr. Watson's trousers. He came in through a cellar window, scattered a few matches on the floor, and went upstairs, where the drawers of a bureau were ransacked. The man's footprints are still plainly evident on the cellar floor. Mr. Watson notified Detective Harry Down of the episode.

OTTAWA AVENUE WOMAN SEVERELY HURT IN FALL

Mrs. L. Lechnichy, aged 55, of Ottaway avenue, is in Victoria Hospital suffering from a broken wrist and a severe gash in her face, as the result of falling down the steps of her home this morning.

Mrs. Lechnichy was unaccompanied at the time of the accident, and it is thought that she caught her foot on the step, and was unable to regain her balance. She fell on her head, which was struck in a semi-conscious condition. It is thought she will recover.

GERMAN STATE PREMIERS APPROVE RUHR DECISION

Special Cable to The Advertiser.

Berlin, Sept. 25.—The German state premiers in the conference with Chancellor Stresemann today fully approved the decision of the government to abandon passive resistance in the Ruhr without conditions.

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TO ADDRESS CONVENTION HERE.

A number of outstanding figures of the Church of England in Canada have promised to deliver addresses at the coming Dominion convention of Anglican People's Associations, which commences in the city Oct. 18. The Rev. Dr. Swenson, bishop of Toronto, and Clarence Bell of Toronto, Mr. Bell has, practically since its commencement, been connected with A. Y. P. A. work. For several years he was president of the Dominion convention, and is prominent in all branches of the work.

Find Mother and Four Children Living In Nova Scotia Jungle

Lunenburg County Officials Discover Family Far From Civilization—Children Can Barely Talk, But Can Imitate Wild Birds and Animals to Perfection.

Special to The Advertiser.

Halifax, Sept. 25.—Living in the thickest of the wooded district in Lunenburg County, miles from civilization, and clad only in the filthest and scantiest of rags a mother and three daughters, the latter ranging from five to fifteen years, were recently discovered by the county officials.

The family, named Parnell, have apparently been living for years in the miserable shack made of rotten boards and spruce branches, subsisting on roots and leaves and such wild game as they were able to trap or kill. So isolated was the habitation that even hunters have never penetrated to the place and it was only through an accident that the existence and condition of the family were discovered. The four put up a desperate resistance to the

county police who sought to remove them when they fought with all the ferocity of the wild things, amongst which they made their home.

They were finally taken to Lunenburg, where the children saw for the first time, electric lights, automobiles, paved streets, buildings and street cars. They gave even more evidence of fear, terror and wonder and tried to flee.

A good meal was served them which they devoured eagerly. As there is no place in Lunenburg to look after such cases the family were brought to Halifax and taken to the Monastery of the Good Shepherd.

The illness of the youngest child necessitated the calling of a doctor and the family were taken to the hospital where the child was five years old she had never before tasted solid food.

JUDGE ORDE MAY TRY MURRELL FOR MURDER

Justice Now at Sarnia May Take Fall Assizes in London.

Although Chief Justice Sir William Mulock is slated to preside at the fall assizes, which open at the courthouse Monday, Oct. 15, and at which Sidney E. (Curly) Murrell and Henry James and the other members of the Melbourne bank robbery gang, will be tried for murder, Hon. Mr. Justice Orde will be appointed as his substitute.

Judge Orde is at present the trial judge at the Sarnia assizes, and on the same Saturday, Chief Justice Mulock is holding court in Ottawa, and it is thought likely Hon. Mr. Justice Orde will be advised to preside at the London assizes.

TORY "AXE" SWINGING OVER COUNTY HEADS?

Some Appointees of Farmers' Government Expected To Lose Their Positions.

Simultaneous with the move of London Tory chiefs into London civic affairs, the Middlesex brethren are beginning to dabble in county affairs.

The resolution of the East Middlesex Farmers' Association asking for a full-time crown attorney is the first sign of their activities to come to the surface officially.

It is reported on good authority that the faithful in West Middlesex met some time ago informally and discussed matters pertaining to appointments made under the U. F. O. regime.

It is believed by these "in the know" that in the near future changes in county officials will be the result of the provincial authorities hold control will come.

Ferguson's machine cut deep swaths in the U. F. O. phalanx, and it is the firm belief of followers of the U. F. O. that when opportunities present themselves work done by the Farmers will be amended to some extent.

Both sides concerned in the silent battle have adopted attitudes of watchful waiting.

They are awaiting the decision of the government on the resolution of the East Middlesex Association on the question of a full-time crown attorney. Upon that, they believe, depends much.

Meanwhile, "mum" is the word in both camps.

REFUSES TO WITHDRAW MURDER INDICTMENT

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FINE CLOTHES SEND TEARFUL GIRL TO JAIL

Pretty Rose Rowan Given Six Months For Burglary of Second-Hand Store.

MYSTERIOUS CASE

Rose Rowan, a pretty young married woman of 23, will spend the next six months in the common jail for burglarizing the second-hand clothing establishment of Susannah Padlock on Richmond street on the evenings of Sept. 14 and 15.

According to Albert Judd, counsel for the young woman, she did not need the clothes she took, some six dresses in all, and why she took them is a mystery. The girl appeared in police court last week and at the request of Crown Attorney J. C. Elliott, K.C., was remanded a week for sentence.

"There is very little I can say," admitted Mr. Judd, before sentence was passed on the weeping girl huddled in the corner of a police court bench. "However, there are one or two things I would like to point out to you. Two left her and she's been having a hard years ago, her husband, her husband's struggle ever since. She has been keeping house recently for a gentleman in London South and kept a clean, tidy place. There is no reason why she should commit this crime because she has plenty of clothes."

"She went to this place on Richmond street on a Friday night and found the key in the door. She unlocked the door, and entering, took a couple of dresses. She kept the key and returned Sunday night, and took four more, throwing the key away this time."

"She is only 23, and has no criminal record. She has never been in police court before. She has had a fair record in the past, and I don't think that a prison term would make her any better."

The dresses are valued at \$60, but the detectives tell me that amount only be valued at half that amount," concluded Mr. Judd.

"The police told me that her husband is a hard working respectable man," declared the court. "She has two convictions against her, and I can't sustain a sentence on these inquiries about this unfortunate case, and I find that she has not been leading a very good life. She had no need to commit the offense, and the reason aggravates it in my mind. My first intention was to send her to the reformatory, but the report made her to six months in the common jail."

POLICE KEEP WATCH ON RURAL SIDEROADS

Strict Eye Out For Liquor Being Transferred to Local "Dealers."

County and other police organizations are keeping a strict watch on sideroads yesterday, and in capturing cargoes of liquor being transferred by wholesalers to local dealers.

So far this year only one shipment has been caught in transit. True, a number of stills have been unearthed and the large fast cars have been seized, but it is not "moonshine" which is flooding London, but the real "good old stuff."

Some of the on the qui vive for large shipments of many brands so much in evidence before prohibition.

One officer stated that shipment had been expected last week.

Even information regarding the route it was to have taken was received. This particular "load" was to have been conveyed by local runners along the fifth concession and then over the eighth concession of London Township. Something unforeseen occurred, and the shipment did not pass through Middlesex.

Most of the county officers have been patrolling county roads incessantly of late, but to date a few scores of specklers has been the measure of their reward.

They expect, though, that constant patrol will net results.

Most of the local sales in the county are reported to be taking place in daylight.

BELIEVE FIVE DROWNED OFF VANCOUVER ISLAND

Tug Peggy McNeill Overturns in Portier Pass When Ropes Foul.

Canadian Press Despatch. Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 25.—Five men are missing and believed drowned in the wreck yesterday of the tug Peggy McNeill in Portier Pass, off the east coast of Vancouver Island.

The tug turned over when she was fouled by ropes attached to a schooner, and was capsized.

W. Ingram, the mate, escaped by swimming to a fishing boat, but was exhausted to give any details of the tragedy.

HENSALL RESIDENT SEVERELY INJURED

H. Arnold Suffers Broken Ankle When Hit by Automobile.

Special to The Advertiser. Hensall, Sept. 25.—H. Arnold, manager of the Molsons Bank, is under a doctor's care as a result of an accident sustained last night about 7 o'clock when he was knocked down by a car driven by C. Campbell, proprietor of the Hensall Flaming Mills. An ankle and rib was broken, and Mr. Arnold's face was seriously bruised by the car's rear wheel of the auto passed over his torso. Report from the physician this morning, was that he was doing as well as could be expected.

Mr. Arnold was walking away from the postoffice, and was stepping from the sidewalk to the street, when the machine turned the corner quickly. Mr. Arnold did not realize his presence in sufficient time to step out of the way, and he was knocked down. Two bystanders rushed to his assistance, and he was carried home.

TO PLACE FLANDERS' SOIL UNDER SOLDIERS' MEMORIAL

Canadian Press Despatch. Quebec, Sept. 25.—Two barrels of soil of Belgium and France, from Ypres and Vimy Ridge, respectively, are being sent here to Rev. Canon (Chaplain) Scott to be placed under the Cross of Sacrifice, the soldiers' memorial in this city.

Alabaster "Mona Lisa" Vamps City Policemen

What police sergeants and constables maintain to be "high art" but which an alabaster barrier maintains is "obscene and indecent" may be seen disgracefully gracing the window of the police station.

Exposed to the vulgar gaze of passers by is a little more white figure of the feminine gender posing restfully on one arm and minus of even one covering shred of clothing.

There she lies in the window smiling her Mona Lisa "grin" at all the constables as they arrive to take up their day's duties.

For some days she acted as a paper weight on the table of the desk sergeant, but today she was placed in the window to back in the sunlight.

Millions More Put Into Loan

Toronto, Sept. 25.—Subscriptions to the new Dominion of Canada refunding loan came in with a rush on this the second day of the public offering. Led by another big order for a block of \$500,000 which was received from the Bank of Nova Scotia early in the forenoon, big subscriptions are coming in steadily, and it is probable that one or two more will be available before the close of the day's business.

Reports from all provinces are stated to be highly satisfactory. In the City of Quebec, for example, the entire allotment was sold out the first day, and dealers there are now applying for a further block of bonds.

FEAR 70 LOST IN FLOODING OF COAL MINE

Only One Man Believed To Have Escaped In Scottish Disaster.