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MANY RUMORS TO FOLLOW UP

Sure Now That F. H. Trifts was in City Late Report That He was Seen in Gypsy Settlement Road is Not Substantiated—A Car Crossed Bridge at 2 a. m.—Someone Said "I Told You Not to."

If being supplied with rumors would solve the mystery of who murdered Frederick H. Trifts, the detective department would have had the guilty person or persons in their clutches within a few hours after the terrible deed was committed. Every day a large number of rumors of "tips" reach police headquarters and these have to be sifted in the hope that somewhere among them lies the answer to the puzzle.

Asked if the city would offer a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the criminal, Commissioner Thornton said that he had this matter under consideration and would likely have a resolution ready for presentation to the council meeting on next Tuesday. Mr. Thornton left at noon on a business trip to Halifax and will be away until the first of the week.

CAR ACROSS THE BRIDGE AT 2 A. M.

The detective department last evening interviewed Mr. McBeth, C. P. R. gate man at the crossing near the bridge, who had been on duty on the night of the crime, and told the detectives he had seen a large closed car come over the bridge about two o'clock. He could not say how many or who were in it, but he heard some talking. The only words he could get clearly were "I told you not to." This was repeated twice. The hope was expressed this morning that this might offer some assistance in the solution of the mystery. It is one of the most pertinent pieces of evidence yet uncovered.

The detectives last evening again interviewed Captain Wood, who declares that he saw a closed car on the night of the murder. Inquiries were made to ascertain the denomination of the money with which Mr. Trifts made payment for the tobacco. It was thought that he might have broken a bill which would afford some clue, but he paid fifteen cents in silver. Captain Wood seemed quite positive as to the identity of his customer, and his daughter, who is employed in the store, was also satisfied that it was Mr. Trifts who made the purchase. Tobacco Mr. Trifts in the dead man's pocket corresponding to that which Captain Wood says he sold him.

Questioned regarding two automobiles which had passed along the avenue between two and three o'clock on the morning of the crime, the detective department disclaimed all knowledge of them.

Detective Biddicome yesterday interviewed a man named McLean, who is in the city from the United States. Mr. McLean was able to satisfy the department as to his whereabouts on the night of the murder.

An additional piece of information was given to the detectives yesterday when Captain Arthur Wood, who conducts a fruit store in Waterloo street, said that Mr. Trifts entered his store about midnight Wednesday night and bought a plug of tobacco, referring to it jocularly as "fruit cake," as was his habit.

Mr. Wood did not know Mr. Trifts by name but recognized him from his picture in yesterday morning's papers. He said that Mr. Trifts came from the direction of Paddock street and heads to confirm the belief that the unfortunate man returned to his garage after filling his engagement in Douglas avenue at 10.30 p. m.

The fact that Miss Mand Perry and John O'Connor are both sure that they saw the murdered man in the vicinity of Paddock street about 12.30 and also that George Thomas is confident that he saw Mr. Trifts around King square at about 2 o'clock in the morning all point to this. The Trifts garage and house are connected by a telephone extension and if one rings the other, would and Mrs. Trifts says that the telephone did not ring around two o'clock.

With reference to the patrolling of the avenue, Chief of Police Smith said last night that he had received a report from Policeman Lindsay. The latter had gone all the way out the avenue to the bridge at 10.30, but had not gone out so far later owing to the great amount of territory he had to cover. The chief admitted that the man had too much ground to cover, but said that one man was all he could spare as he had only two cars reported to have driven out the avenue at two and three o'clock on the morning of the murder. In one of them was a man who it is reported that he thought he saw a car stopped near Bentley street, facing the bridge, but on the proper side of the street. He was quite positive, however, that there was no car standing on the wrong side of the street opposite the observatory.

A report was current yesterday to the effect that a man giving McLean as his name was in the city several days before the murder and admitted that he

INTO DITCH AND OVERTURNED; MAN KILLED

Plattburg, N. Y., July 8.—John Daigite of Baldwinville, Mass., was instantly killed at Beckmantown, near here, yesterday when an automobile in which he was riding left the road on a curve, went into a ditch and twice turned over. John Rennie of Gardner, Mass., owner of the car, and John Erickson of Hubberton, Mass., are in the local hospital apparently fatally injured. Enzo Aho, driver of the car, and Zeno Laporte, both of Gardner, escaped uninjured.

MAKE IT ISSUE IN THE ELECTION

The Canadian Cattle Embargo Question in England to be Pressed.

London, July 7.—(Canadian Press.)—Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, minister of agriculture, last night reiterated that he would both speak and vote against the proposal to raise the embargo on Canadian cattle. This statement was taken to a deputation representing provincial cities and consumers' associations.

REAL ESTATE NEWS

The following real estate transfers have been recorded recently in St. John county:— W. O. Anthony and others to G. T. Gannon, property in Simonds. C. Burnside to W. Barnside, property in St. Martins. S. Crowley to Lena R. Porter, property in Stanley Ward. G. Maxwell to S. F. McCully, property in Lancaster. D. McPherson to Lucy M. Brittain, property in Lancaster. Margaret V. O'Leary and husband to G. A. Doyle, property in Peters street. C. J. Warwick to P. A. Clarke, property in Pitt street.

KINGS COUNTY.

Alexander Elliot to G. S. Elliot, property in Heclock. J. W. Holmes to H. E. Holmes, property in Studholm. Agnes L. Keith to J. J. Peakles and others, property in Cardwell. W. F. Lutz to James Doherty, property in Sussex. W. M. MacKay to J. E. Stackhouse, properties in Ephraim and Norton. E. M. Foley to D. L. McLeod, property in Norton. Sarah M. Mott and husband to E. A. Parice, property in Kingston. E. M. Foley to Clara Cunningham, property in Waterford. Robert Willis to A. E. Morrison, property in Sussex. Louise G. White to Hollingsworth & Whitney, Ltd., property in Hammond. C. T. White, executor, to Hollingsworth & Whitney, Ltd., properties in Kings, Albert and St. John counties. C. T. White and Son, Ltd., to Hollingsworth & Whitney, Ltd., properties in Kings, Albert counties. S. H. White and others, executors, to C. T. White and Son, Ltd., property in Sussex.

HOOVER WINS DIAMOND SCULLS

A bulletin by Canadian Press announces that Hoover, U. S. oarsman, won the Diamond Sculls at Henley today, defeating Beresford, English sculler.

DRANK CARBOLIC IN MISTAKE FOR MEDICINE

Canso, N. S., July 8.—Frank Reynolds of Fox Island, five miles from here, died there last night, after drinking carbolic acid, taken, it is thought, in mistake for medicine.

Manitoba Elections

Winnipeg, July 8.—(Canadian Press) With the official nomination of about 130 candidates today to contest 33 constituencies, the Manitoba provincial election campaign enters upon its final stage. Polling will be on Tuesday, July 18.

was here to make arrangements for running liquor into the United States. He was said to have kept an automobile in the vicinity of Douglas avenue. The name McLean has been mentioned in the case before. A member of the family accompanied by some personal friends of the dead man made a trip yesterday morning to Musquash and examined every road and by-road for distinctive marks which might designate the route of the car in which Mr. Trifts was murdered. Visits also were made to Duck Cove and Belva's Point. Nothing important was discovered. Arthur Trifts, son of the murdered man, checked up the mileage of the car in which his father met his death and came to the conclusion that the car had travelled about fifty-three miles on the night of the crime.

PREMIER GOES TO WASHINGTON

Tariff Matters Likely to be Taken Up Conference With U. S. Secretary Hughes Arranged by British Ambassador—Border Liquor Problem Also Likely to be Discussed.

(Special to The Times) Ottawa, July 8.—Premier King will leave next week for Washington; Hon. A. B. Cope and Hon. J. H. King have gone to the maritime provinces; Hon. W. C. Kennedy is home for a two weeks' respite. Hon. Charles Stewart and Hon. W. R. Motherwell are in the west and Hon. J. A. Robb is going there later.

A BIT HARD TO GET RIGHT MEN

Commission to Probe Charges of G. W. V. A. Inquiry Into Pension Board Matter Probably Will Last for Several Months—Likely Name Members Within the Next Two Weeks.

MAY SAVE THE CANADIAN COMMANDER

Sydney, N. S., July 8.—Two rocks have landed on the head of the S. S. Canadian Commander, ashore near Pictou Point, Little Miguel, according to word reaching here. If the weather remains fair the prospects for refloating the vessel are considered good. Salvaged cargo is being brought here and it is planned thus to lighten the vessel by 2,000 tons.

"PLAYING HORSE" BOY IS POISONED IN FIELD

Springfield, N. S., July 8.—While "playing horse" the seven-year-old son of Peter Como, ate or chewed some grass which had been sprinkled with Paris green, and died here yesterday. He was playing in the vicinity of a potato field where the poison had been used.

FEDERAL INSPECTOR OF ROADS VISITS N. S.

Halifax, N. S., July 8.—A. S. Gunn, federal inspector of highways, was in Halifax yesterday. He inspected the Halifax to Truro road.

OFF UNTIL MONDAY.

Washington, July 8.—Anthracite mine operators and officials of the miners' union who have been meeting at President Harding's call to consider means of settling the present strike, adjourned their sessions today until Monday without definite results.

FISHERMEN'S CUP.

Boston, July 8.—Canadian trustees of the North Atlantic Fishermen's Cup and the American Race Committee will meet at Portland, Me., July 15, to complete arrangements for the schooner race off Gloucester next fall.

PICNIC TODAY.

Two Sunday school picnics were held today. St. Mary's is being held at Anthony's Cove where a band of about 200 happy children and adults were conveyed this morning by motor busses and where it is expected that at least 150 more will congregate this afternoon when the St. Mary's band will accompany them. There will be the usual programme of sports and a ball game this afternoon and everybody went out with the confidence that the day would be thoroughly enjoyed.

About 150 from the Esmouth street Methodist church Sunday school left this morning by train for Grand Bay to hold their annual picnic. Many more are expected later in the day when picnic will really get under way.

As Hiram Sees It

"Speakin' about up-lifters," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter, "Old Sol jest now is the best of 'em all. We been all goin' round fer weeks with our heads down an' rheumatism in our joints, ready to bite one another's heads off when we met in the rain or the fog—an' here comes Old Sol two days hand-runnin'—dryin' things up an' warmin' our bones—an' we take a noo grip o' things an' forget all about the soakin' we got. All we want now is fer him to stay on the job fer a spell an' you'll see one o' the finest crops we've had fer years—takin' it by an' large—as the fellers says. Some folks'll hev hay to sell this year that was killin' off young stock last year because they couldn't get feed. It beats all how much we hev to depend on the weather fer everything. Too much rain dries up the crops in London way more fer bread, an' too much mud at the Mash Bridge makes a man from the Settlement wonder whether you fellers in St. John ever goes out to your front door to see what it looks like—yes-ir."

SENSATIONS ON BALL FIELDS

Giants Win Gruelling 18 Inning Contest Carey of the Pirates Has a Wonderful Day—Hornsbury Takes Lead as Home Run Man; Williams Benchched.

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Cornwall, Ont., July 8.—Rene Bourgeois, eleven, and George Lequait, nine, died by drowning in the Payne river on Thursday. Their clothes were found on the bank and a search revealed their bodies in the river, locked in each other's arms. It is thought Bourgeois was unable to swim and Lequait had tried to save him.

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Skeog House in Donegal is Given Up and Sixty Insurgents Surrender.

Dublin, July 8.—It is officially announced that the casualties suffered by the national army in the recent conflict in Donegal were 16 dead and 122 wounded.

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