

THE WEATHER:
MODERATE WINDS; MOSTLY CLOUDY.
FRIDAY—FAIR; NOT MUCH CHANGE.

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ILLNESS OF M'EVROY DELAYS BIG LONDON APPEAL Britain Alarmed As Queen Mother Is Suddenly Stricken

Baby Killer Was Woman Police Say

Middle-Aged Woman Sought
As Burglar Theory Is
Doubted.

POISON WAS BOUGHT

Parents Blame Thieves and Are
Closely Questioned by
Authorities.

Associated Press Despatch.
Chicago, Nov. 19.—A middle-aged woman, who two weeks ago bought a small vial of chloroform at a hotel pharmacy, was the object of search today by authorities investigating the mysterious poisoning of the 5-week-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Allen, in a suite of the hotel.

Discarding a theory that robbers killed the baby while its parents listened to a radio in another room, the investigators turned to the idea that revenge motivated the slaying.

PARENTS ARE QUESTIONED.

Special to The Advertiser.
Chicago, Nov. 19.—An all-day investigation of the killing of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. James Raymond Allen in their suite at the Belmont hotel, proved fruitless, both the father and mother of the baby were taken to the state attorney's office last night for questioning.

It was at first supposed the baby had been smothered by a burglar. Later it was found that the room reeked with the odor of chloroform. These disclosures by Capt. John J. Naughton of Sheffield avenue police, Naughton, who refuted decisively the earlier theory that the baby was deliberately slain by a jewel thief to prevent its betraying his presence by crying.

Change Theory.
Such progress as was made by Capt. Naughton and his aides yesterday caused the investigation to veer sharply away from the jewel thief explanation and center on the theory that the child was poisoned by someone—a woman, it is suspected—who was familiar with the arrangement of the Allen suite.

Mr. Allen, an official of Stackhouse & Allen, dealer in electrical supplies, held staunchly to the robbery theory. "My wife has a number of valuable pieces of jewelry," he said, "and a thief might be feared detection, and snuffed out the baby's life to quiet it."

"Now, if you think my wife knows more than she's letting on, you're mistaken," Allen suddenly retorted at one point.

Discovery that Ernest Hempel, 2229 Washington avenue, a clerk at the Belmont hotel pharmacy, had sold a small vial of chloroform to a woman three or four weeks ago was also considered as vitally important in the case.

NEW WITNESSES.

Hempel said the woman, a stranger to him, said she intended to use the chloroform to clean a dress. Hempel was held in readiness last night to view all witnesses as they arrived at Mr. Crowe's office brought to light were:

Mrs. Allen is of an extremely nervous disposition and has been confined in a Kendallworth sanatorium three months before the birth of the baby, her only child. She is said to suffer mentally, termed as intermittently permanent.

A vial similar to that containing the chloroform was found in the suite medicine chest. The vial was wrapped in a drug bottle was found by a detective in a waste paper basket near the crib.

Mrs. Allen was alone in the baby's bedroom for several minutes about an hour before the infant, which was 5 weeks old, was found dead.

Mrs. Allen declared the baby had been poisoned even before she had seen the body, according to her husband.

CAPTAIN AND ENTIRE CREW INJURED IN STORM FIGHT

Associated Press Despatch.
Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 18.—Battered and almost helpless after a three-day struggle with a storm at sea, the Atlantic refining company's tanker, W. D. Anderson, put into port today, with her captain, mate and everyone of her crew of 25 injured more or less from the battle with the elements. The ship was brought in by hand-steering gear.

LONDON HONEYMOONERS SAVE ONLY A BLANKET



MR. AND MRS. MARSHALL LOUCH.

Mrs. Marshall Louch, Bride of Few Days, Relates How They
Escaped With Their Lives From Blazing Liner
Off Delaware Breakwater.

Special to The Advertiser.
Baltimore, Md., Nov. 19.—A blanket was all of the wardrobe that Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Louch, London, Ont., saved in the burning yesterday of the Clyde liner Leamington, but they said their honeymoon will be continued. "All that I saved was this blanket and my wife," said Louch, on the special train passing through Baltimore at 6 o'clock last night.

Mrs. Louch, a petite and attractive woman, praised the courage and behavior of the crew. "But we were told by two officers," she said, "that the ship was on fire before we left the dock at New York. Whether this was true I do not know."

"We were awakened by the ship's siren around 11 o'clock Tuesday night, and told that the ship was on fire. The behavior of the passengers and crew were remarkable. It was only when flames began bursting from the sides of the steamship that we realized we were close to death. We will get more clothing in Florida. It was a thrilling experience, certainly not one you could enjoy on a honeymoon trip. However, we are thankful we are alive."

Marshall Louch, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Louch, 624 Princess avenue, was married to the daughter of C. L. Welsh, Stratford, on Nov. 11. They left on a honeymoon trip to Jacksonville, Florida, where they intended to take up their residence. It was while en route that they escaped from the burning Clyde liner Leamington.

A telegram from Lewes, Delaware, assured the parents in London and Stratford last night that the couple was safe on land after being rescued from the burning vessel. They included many valuable wedding gifts.

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Boys Take Fling At Theft In Belief That Crime Pays

Foreign Fliers
Quit Riff Fight

Associated Press Despatch.
Marseille, France, Nov. 19.—Thirteen of the foreign aviators who have been fighting the Riff rebels as part of the Sultan's air force, returned to France today.

"We've had a bully time," said the leader, Col. Charles Sweeney of Spokane, Washington.

KAISER FORGETTING BITTERNESS OF WAR

Show Uniforms and Decorations
Still Prevail in Exiled
Monarch's Home.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Nov. 18.—The former Kaiser, in his exile at Doorn, still wears showy uniforms and decorations and keeps much of the state of Potsdam, but has mellowed much with age and shows a tendency to forget the bitterness of the war. His description of Germany's ex-uberance has been brought back from Doorn by Alexander Montgomery Carlisle, noted British shipbuilder, who has been spending a week-end with his old pre-war friend, William.

"Sunday dinner was a most stately affair," Mr. Carlisle said, "reminding me of the days before the war when I visited Berlin. The former Kaiser's wife, Princess Hermine, was magnificently gowned and all the staff wore full uniforms."

TEMPERANCE CONVENTION
AT DETROIT IS CONCLUDED

Associated Press Despatch.
Detroit, Nov. 19.—The first annual convention of the Women's Christian Temperance union came to a close last night after a day devoted to a declaration of principles, looking toward a campaign of enforcement and observance of the prohibition laws.

Miss Cora Frances Stoddard, head of the department of law observance and temperance. She said that a questionnaire sent to high school principals and teachers in Massachusetts revealed their opinion that drinking in violation of the prohibition law was on the wane.

Condition Of Queen Is Serious

Queen Alexandra Stricken This
Morning With Severe
Heart Attack.

CONDITION ALARMING

Fear Recovery Doubtful Because
of Advanced Age—
King at Bedside.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Nov. 19.—Dowager Queen Alexandra, mother of King George, is critically ill from a heart attack, it is officially announced. The queen whose 81st birthday falls on Dec. 1, suffered the attack this morning. A statement issued from her home, Sandringham Castle, this afternoon reads:

"Her Majesty Queen Alexandra, who for some time past has been failing in health, suffered a severe heart attack this morning. Her Majesty's condition is critical."

(Signed) "F. G. WILLIAMS."
King George and Queen Mary are at Sandringham where they have been staying at York Cottage since last Saturday.

It is recalled that Alexandra was reported late in June to have developed heart trouble and that a rumor of her death was circulated in London on Oct. 12.

The grave nature of today's official statement has led London to expect the worst in view of her advanced age.

Health Has Been Poor.
Queen Alexandra's strength has been failing for a long time, and for a considerable period she has been lying in the quiet of Sandringham palace. While able on most days to take little rides in the country, her health has been so poor that she has been forced to abandon her visits to London.

More than a year ago it was announced that she would not appear at the further public functions, and last year for the first time she was unable to appear on Alexandra rose day, which has long been a feature of the queen mother's life.

The queen mother has had constant visits from members of the royal family in her retirement. She was on her return from South America to visit his grandmother, with whom he has been a great favorite.

As far as is known, the queen's presence of the king and queen at Sandringham today had nothing to do with any anticipated crisis, but was merely one of their customary visits.

Loved by People.
This afternoon's announcement by the queen mother's physicians that the first intimation the public had that the aged queen was not in her usual health. As the evening papers came out, crowds rushed to buy them, for no member of the royal family in the history of the empire has had as many places in the hearts of the people as Queen Alexandra.

Chinese Are Granted
Full Tariff Control

Powers Sign Treaty Restoring
Rights—Chinese To Abolish
Tax.

Associated Press Despatch.
Peking, Nov. 19.—The powers represented at the Chinese customs conference today unanimously and conditionally acceded to the Chinese demand for the enactment of a treaty giving China unrestricted tariff rights until Jan. 1, 1929.

China agrees to abolish the likin, or special tax imposed upon goods in inland transit, on the same date.

DR. SAUNDERS ADDRESSES
CIRCLE AT UNIVERSITY

Dr. Charles Saunders, noted throughout Canada for his excellent work in the interests of agriculture and donor of a special prize in French to the University of Western Ontario, addressed the Cercle Francaise last night. The meeting, which was held at the university, was one of the most successful in the history of the French club.

Dr. Saunders explained the rules governing his French essay competition, to the winner of which a valuable prize of books will be given. By way of illustration, he read two essays which he had himself written for a like competition in his student days.

Miss Gladys Ferrier was in charge of the meeting, and announced the Christmas tree to be held on Dec. 15. Miss Laura Kirkwood played a piano selection before Dr. Saunders' speech, and one after it.



QUEEN ALEXANDRA, who suffered a severe heart attack this morning. Her condition is considered as critical. Queen Alexandra, who is in her 81st year, has been in failing health for some time.

DOMINION FUEL INSPECTOR HERE

Report May Result in Government
Taking Action On
Alberta Coal.

Alberta coal may soon be shipped into London in large quantities if the present coal shortage continues, and the government compels the railways to carry it from the west at \$7 a ton. At present coal sells for \$17 a ton, and in all probability the prices will go higher, because of speculation among the smaller coal brokers.

The railways do not care to carry the coal since the profits are not large enough, and there is more money in shipping coke, of which they have a great quantity at Fort William, but if the government sees it is necessary that Alberta coal be brought into Western Ontario to relieve the shortage, they will be forced to ship this coal at a stated price, and London will receive its share.

For the past week there has been an agent from the dominion fuel board in London making a survey of the conditions of the coal shortage here, and when he submits his report there is no doubt that the board will take measures to insure proper and reasonable transportation.

Wm. Buchanan stated that he thought there would be something doing in a couple of weeks. The popularity of Alberta coal was pointed out by Mr. Buchanan, who states that last year he sold over sixty carloads, while this year he has already sold forty-three carloads. This coal is cheaper than the American coal also. At present there is a little of this fuel in the city, but not sufficient to meet demands.

The prices of coal quoted this morning were: Chestnut and egg, \$17 a ton; Alberta only \$15.

OYSTER CULTIVATION POSSIBLE IN BRITAIN

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Nov. 19.—The government's experimental station in Conwy, in North Wales, it has been ascertained that oysters may be cultivated along the coasts of Great Britain.

Only 25 Shopping Days Left, Santa Claus Warns

With only 25 shopping days left before Christmas, retail stores in this and other cities have already commenced to take on a holiday aspect in the display of goods suitable as gifts. Travellers returning from some of the larger cities report that merchants there are taking time by the forelock and that the Christmas displays are already creating an atmosphere in which the general public has ample opportunity to realize that the big holiday of the year is just around the corner.

The content experienced here lately effect in preventing people from no doubt, had their psychological minds set on the holiday.

realizing the near approach of the festive season, and with a few exceptions displays of Christmas goods have not been much in evidence.

But whether it rains, hails, snows or freezes, or is just plain sunshiny weather, there is always on the minds of the community which never loses sight of the approach of Christmas, and that is the children.

dress the calendar containing the magic date Dec. 25 is already well thumbed by this time. Even little tots too tiny to understand the meaning of calendars are well versed in the answer to the question, "How many days is it to Christmas?" and the thoughts of thousands of curly little heads are centered upon the mysterious doings of Santa Claus in his home at the North Pole.

Shop windows are being eagerly scanned for the first samples of what the industrious old saint has turned out in the ways of toys and other presents during the season, and adults, who, after all, are just children grown tall, also are on the lookout for the latest in holiday goods.

Christmas is on the way. Let's realize it, and give everyone a chance to do his Christmas shopping early.

Body of German War Flier Is Borne Home In Triumph

Population Turns Out En
Masse To Receive Remains
of Popular Hero.

HONORED BY ENEMIES

Von Richthofen Was Given
Military Funeral by the
British in France.

Associated Press Despatch.
Kehl, Baden, Germany, Nov. 18.—Baron Manfred von Richthofen, Germany's ace of aces, had a triumphal home-coming today. The body of the titled flier, who painted his plane scarlet as a continual challenge to enemy airmen and who vanquished 80 adversaries before he himself was shot down in 1918, was turned over to his countrymen by the French and started on its journey to Berlin for permanent entombment.

Kehl's entire population was at the station this morning when the train bearing the coffin left for the capital. About the bier was a guard of honor of former German fliers, and the train was escorted for the entire distance by a squadron of aeroplanes.

The young ace, who was Germany's premier aviator, was known throughout the British forces as a "good sport"—a clean and chivalrous, albeit fierce fighter. He seemed imbued with the spirit of the cavaliers of old, battling for pure love of the game rather than because of any rancor in his heart.

The baron's red-winged battle-plane, this squadron was called "Richthofen's circus" because of the varied colors of its lanes, was known for its length and breadth of the allied front and he was the most feared, at the same time most sought aviator among the enemy.

Hunted Far and Near.
It was every Briton's dream to come to grips with the famous aviator who wrought so much havoc among the allied planes and Richthofen was hunted far and near until his death.

Many found him, and some failed to return. Yet always there was the same story—Richthofen was a terrible opponent because of his fearlessness and skill, but he played fair. Richthofen's end was no less spectacular than his career.

He was battling a British plane near Fricourt in the Somme and having the advantage, was chasing the latter toward a British battle plane in difficulties and the baron was "on his feet" above and behind the other pilot, the strategic point was these aerial duels—as they reached the British lines.

They were flying only a few hundred feet up. It was a typical Richthofen stunt of daring and foolhardiness. English rifles and machine guns were directed at them.

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LONDON RIDER WINS

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Nov. 18.—In the afternoon G. A. P. Brickenenden of London, Ont., was second to Sir Clifford Sifton in the saddle horse class with Red Peggy. Mr. Brickenenden is a member of the London Hunt club.

Dr. Clarence Little Would Use Means To Check Crime and Inefficiency.

Associated Press Despatch.
Lansing, Mich., Nov. 19.—Sterilization, to weed out mental defectives and certain types of criminals, and birth control to prevent the production of so many children who cannot be cared for properly were advocated by Dr. Clarence Cook Little, president of the University of Michigan in an address here last night.

As to the problem of the steadily increasing mentally defective and criminal population, Dr. Little asserted that sterilization is a "rather obvious and necessary step."

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SLAYERS OF INDIAN GIRL GIVE LIVES AS PENALTY

Associated Press Despatch.
Bombay, British India, Nov. 19.—Two of the men convicted of murdering Abdul Kadir Bawla, rich Mohammedan merchant and proprietor of the famous ship Muntaz Begum, were executed today.

Three other men were sentenced last May to deportation for life. Muntaz Begum, once the favorite dancing girl of the Maharaja, escaped from his palace and was given protection by Bawla, the murdered merchant. The third condemned man is in an asylum.

LISTED IN GAZETTE.
Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Nov. 19.—One hundred and eight members of the House of Commons, including Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, Conservative leader, are officially gazetted in a special issue of the Canada Gazette. Thirty-four members were gazetted last week, so that the total number of members of whose residence official notice has appeared is now 142.

Well Known City Lawyer Is Stricken

J. M. McEvoy, K.C., Confined
to Bed in Toronto While
Big Appeal Stricken Off.

IS NOW IMPROVING

Action Over \$48,000 Mortgage
Is Held Up by Londoner's Illness.

Special to The Advertiser.
Toronto, Nov. 19.—The illness of an eminent London, Ont., king's counsel and the striking off the list of an important London appeal caused a minor sensation in second divisional court at Osgoode Hall today.

Major W. T. Henderson, K.C., of Brantford, appearing in another case, announced that J. M. McEvoy, K.C., of London, was ill in the Queen's hotel, Toronto. He added that a doctor had been obtained for Mr. McEvoy, and the physician now reported that Mr. McEvoy would not be well enough to reappear in court for some days.

J. C. Elliott, K.C., M.P., for the other side, expressed regret at Mr. McEvoy's illness and was willing, when acting Chief Justice Riddell suggested it, that the case be restored to the list in such a way and at such a time as to meet with the convenience of counsel.

The action was brought by the London and Western Trusts Company, liquidator of the Vulcan Company, Limited, to set aside a mortgage of \$48,000. It was heard at London before Mr. Justice Kelly, and the mortgage was set aside.

London and others are now appealing.

Mr. McEvoy represents the mortgagee, and Mr. Elliott the liquidator.

Early this afternoon the Queen's hotel reported Mr. McEvoy to be somewhat improved, though confined to his bed.

CANADA MAY CANCEL CABLE PARTNERSHIP

Britain Hears Dominion To
Quit as Protest Against
Action on Pacific.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Nov. 19.—The Daily Express says it understands that the postmaster-general of Canada, Hon. Charles Murphy, has recommended that the dominion government should withdraw from partnership in the Pacific cable.

The withdrawal, the Express says, is on the ground that, among other things, duplication of the cable from Hamilton to Vancouver, which was decided upon in the absence of Canadian representatives and the contracts therefore were awarded, despite Canada's protests and in defiance of the provisions of the imperial cable act, under which unanimity in such matter is essential.

JUDGMENT IS RESERVED
IN PETROLIA BRICK CASE

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Nov. 19.—The supreme court of Canada reserved judgment yesterday in Peninsular Sugar Company vs. Howlett, in action which arose out of an alleged contract for the purchase by the company from Howlett of brick to be used in the erection of a sugar factory in the town of Petrolia.

Howlett alleges that the contract was for 1,500,000 bricks, and as only 500,000 were accepted by the company, he claims damages for the loss of profit on one million bricks. The company argues that the figure was only approximate and that the contract was for the brick required for the factory.

The Weather

FORECASTS.
Today—Moderate to fresh southwest wind, mostly cloudy.

Friday—Moderate to fresh westerly winds; fair, not much change in temperature.

Station. High Low Weather
Victoria 56 46 Clear
Calgary 58 36 Cloudy
Winnipeg 36 32 Fair
Port Arthur 49 32 Fair
Toronto 44 42 Cloudy
Montreal 40 36 Rain
Quebec 36 28 Cloudy
Halifax 50 26 Fair

The sun rises at 7:17 a.m. and sets at 4:49 p.m.