

Raney and Biggs Deny Questionable Deals

BIGGS CLAIMS NAME USED FALSELY IN DEALS OF SECURITIES COMPANY; RANEY ALSO FACES INVESTIGATORS

Former U. F. O. Minister Swears Company Used Name Without Authority.

PRODUCES PROOF

Fails To Explain Why Certain Pages Are Missing From Ledger.

RANEY ON STAND

Admits Ridout Deals Bad Financing, But Accepts No Responsibility.

Special to The Advertiser by a Staff Correspondent.
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When an attempt was made to probe the extent of his personal investments in several companies, Mr. Biggs countered by referring his interrogators to the provincial secretary's department, where such data is a matter of record, and by insisting that if he were to be grilled as to the total of his assets, he must be given an equal chance of showing whence those assets came, adding that he had been "by no means bankrupt" when he entered the Drury government in 1919.
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TECHNICAL SCHOOL NAME IS CHANGED

Is Now London Technical and Commercial High School.

The London technical high school was legislated out of existence last night.

The identical moment, such action was taken, by the advisory-vocational committee of the board of education last night, there came into being the London technical and commercial high school.

The school is the same, but the change was effected in name because of the expressed opinion of Principal H. B. Beal, after consultation with his staff, that the commercial side of the course of instruction should be brought more to the attention of the public.

The committee accepted the tender of five or six Canadian firms for equipment for the electrical department to the total of \$3,800, consisting chiefly of motor generating sets and testing instruments of various kinds. It is the intention to have all the new equipment installed and in readiness for the reopening of school after the summer vacation.

The resignation of Miss E. G. Leggett, B.A., domestic science, and Miss Garbutt, general academic work were accepted and Principal Beal authorized to secure suitable successors.

Principal Beal reported to the committee upon the success which attended the annual exhibition of students' work held last week, referring particularly to the marked interest evidenced in the school by parents of students attending the institution.

The question of letting the tenders for the new \$70,000 class-room addition to the school was laid over by the committee for a few days pending certain other arrangements.

George Graham Is Sick At Home

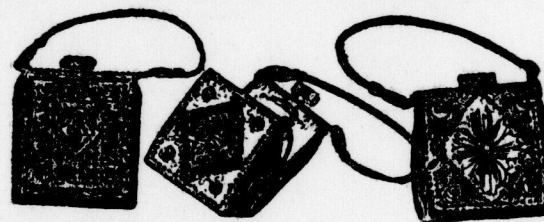
Hon. Charles Murphy Presides at Cabinet Session.

Ottawa, April 7.—Hon. George P. Graham, minister of railways and canals, and acting premier in the absence of Premier King, is suffering from a severe cold and did not leave his home yesterday. Hon. Charles Murphy, who comes next in order of precedence in the cabinet, presided over the meeting today.

MOTHER AND TWO CHILDREN LOSE LIVES AS HOME BURNS

Powhattan, Ohio, April 7.—A mother and two small children were burned to death last night in a fire which destroyed their home, near Mrs. Arthur Freichbaum and one to rescue the baby from her crib.

child, Betty, two and a half years old, met death in the fire. An infant daughter, Mary, died today from burns. The father was seriously burned when he dashed through the flames to rescue the baby from her crib.



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CANADA STILL EGG-HUNGRY AS HENS BY MILLIONS WORK

Toronto Consumes Just Twice As Many Eggs As London, England.

GRAHAM SPEAKS

Although the number of chickens in Canada is increasing at the rate of a million a year there are not enough eggs to supply the needs of home consumption. That is one reason the price remains high. This was brought out by Prof. W. R. Graham, of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, who representing the minister of agriculture, spoke at the annual banquet last night of the London Poultry and Pet Stock Association. The banquet was held at the De Luxe Cafe.

Prof. Graham said that Toronto had the highest per capita consumption of eggs in the world. It was twice that of London, England. It had increased 40 per cent in the last six years. Canadians were eating eggs the year round. If it were not for the great home consumption the price would not be what it is.

Speaking on day-old chicks, he said that few people realized the extent of that business. In the spring the importations amounted to a million chicks. There was no limit to the number of chicks that could be raised by the incubator method. Within 60 miles of London there were seven machines turning out 8,000 to 10,000 chicks.
"But I know that this association is interested in the chickens and not their numbers," said Prof. Graham. "I would caution you that you must supply leaders in your association if London is to keep her prestige in the chicken world. The old leaders, among them William McNeil, and

Prisoner Takes Own Furniture

By A. R. DECKER.
By Cable to The Advertiser and the Chicago Daily News Copyright.
Vienna, April 7.—Stephan Horthy, son of Regent Admiral Horthy, on Sunday began serving a four-year sentence for duelling. The cell was furnished with a wagon load of his favorite furniture. The prisoner's father and sister visited him during the day.

many others, were heart and soul in the work. Mr. McNeil and others have gone. The old enthusiasm must not be allowed to die. The new and young leaders must carry on the work.

Prof. Graham then told of the great deal of attention that eggs had occupied in dietetics or nutrition as food for humans.

During the evening, A. J. Morgan, West Fair Association, handed over an illuminated address, which was presented the late William McNeil, father of the association, before his death. It was signed by one hundred chicken fanciers of Canada.

J. H. Saunders, president of the Western Fair Board, replied saying that the address would keep green the memory of one who had done so much for the association.

Dr. Hugh Stevenson proposed the toast to the city of London. The mayor, replied, Mr. McCullough sang "Keep on Hopin'" and other songs.

BOMBING PLANE FALLS IN SEA, TWO ARE MISSING

Birchington, England, April 7.—A large bombing aeroplane fell into the sea off the Kentish coast today. Two injured men were brought ashore from the wrecked machine, and two others are missing.

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TAKES UP MENU, DECIDES HE ISN'T HUNGRY AS HE THOUGHT HE WAS AND WHAT HAD HE BETTER HAVE

GLANCES ACROSS TO SEE WHAT MAN OPPOSITE IS EATING, THINKS IT LOOKS PRETTY GOOD AND HE MIGHT AS WELL HAVE THAT

WRITES DOWN ORDER. WISHES TRAIN WOULDN'T JIGGLE SO. IT'S KIND OF HARD TO WRITE PLAIN

READS ORDER OVER, WONDERING WHETHER WAITER'LL BE ABLE TO MAKE IT OUT

OPENS CONVERSATION WITH MAN OPPOSITE, BY INQUIRING DOES HE HAPPEN TO KNOW WHETHER THE TRAIN IS ON TIME

UNFORTUNATELY TIMES HIS QUESTION JUST AS MAN OPPOSITE HAS TAKEN LARGE BITE OF FRUIT SALAD. CONVERSATION LANGUISHES

TRAIN SHIFTS COURSE BRINGING SUN FULL INTO WINDOW. HES TO PULL SHADE DOWN. BEGINS TO WISH HE'D WAITED TILL HE GOT HOME TO EAT

TAKES SIP OF WATER. JUST AS TRAIN HITS CURVE MOPS UP WONDERING WHETHER THIS TIE WILL SHOW SPOTS

IS SO OCCUPIED WITH THIS DOESN'T REALIZE TILL TOO LATE. WAITER'S BROUGHT ROAST BEEF DINNER INSTEAD OF ROAST CHICKEN DINNER.

URNS TO SUMMON WAITER BACK, MEETING EYES OF A DOZEN OR SO PASSENGERS IN VESTIBULE WAITING FOR SEATS

FEELS UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES HE'D BETTER EAT WHAT HE'S GOT AND GIVE THE OTHERS A CHANCE. BOLTS MEAT, QUITE SURE THAT HE WISHES HE'D WAITED TILL HE GOT HOME