

DRURY DEFENDS EXPENDITURES OF LEGISLATURE

Chippawa Development Plan Not Waste of Money, But Wise Expenditure.

SPEAKS FOR D. M. ROSS

[Special to The Advertiser.]

WOODSTOCK, Dec. 14.—A capacity audience greeted Premier E. C. Drury here tonight when he spoke in the interests of D. M. Ross, Farmer candidate for the Ontario Legislature in the by-election in North Oxford.

Premier Drury reviewed the government's record and presented some strong arguments in support of their policies. The Chippawa development plan, he maintained, instead of being a waste of money, was a wise move, since he declared it was better to hasten these projects to a conclusion and place them upon a working and earning basis, and thereby start them paying back the millions already expended, than to curtail on expenditure and allow the project to lie unfinished, with the money already spent tied up and practically wasted.

Mr. Drury reviewed the different items of expenses, mentioning the sums required for maturing loans; the grants for educational purposes; the development of Northern Ontario; the expenditures for highway purposes, and the money spent on road development. He defended the latter very strongly, declaring that with the growth of motor traffic, better roads, and more of them, were a vital necessity.

Arteries of Traffic.
"We are building up the main arteries of traffic, and we are doing so permanently, so that in 20 years the country will have a fine system of roads, not only installed, but paid for. The premier explained that the revenue derived from motor licenses was being used to a large extent to pay for the work being done now."

Regarding the hydro radial question, Premier Drury said the government had refused to guarantee the hydro radial bonds because the investigating committee advised against it. To have guaranteed them and left any settlements to future governments would have been easy. But the proposition did not look good, and so the government would not guarantee the bonds.

In closing Premier Drury appealed to the voters to support Mr. Ross. Hon. Harry Mills and the candidate spoke. Mayor Paul presided.

DELAY LASHING PENDING INQUIRY

HAMILTON, Dec. 14.—The minister of justice has promised the Great War Veterans' Association that George McVittie of Hamilton, who was convicted of bank robbery at Montreal and sentenced to seven years and fourteen lashes, will not be lashed until there is a further investigation into his case. The veterans say that McVittie was employed as their steward on the date of the robbery, Aug. 12, and half a dozen of the members are sure he was in Hamilton on that date. Two Hamilton men swore at his trial that they had talked to McVittie in Hamilton on that date.

NAME HARDY FOR SENATE VACANCY

BROCKVILLE, Ont., Dec. 14.—In political circles here the name of Arthur C. Hardy, president of the Ontario Liberal executive, is being prominently mentioned in connection with the vacancy in the Senate caused by the death of Hon. T. W. Crothers.

The son of a former premier of Ontario, and the son-in-law of the late Hon. George T. F. F. F., Mr. Hardy has been an active supporter of the Liberal party for years, and in 1917 was the successful candidate in Leeds riding against Sir Thomas White.

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Fire Rages in Vatican, But Is Subdued After Fight.

ROME, Dec. 14.—Fire broke out today in a storeroom beside the staircase of the Vatican, leading to the dome of the Church of St. Peter.

The flames were subdued with much difficulty by firemen who were hastily summoned.

BARON BYNG OPENS MEMORIAL HALL

Kingston Dedicates Memorial To Fallen Heroes.

KINGSTON, Ont., Dec. 14.—Baron Byng of Vimy, governor-general of Canada, this afternoon formally opened the memorial hall, formerly the city hall, which is Kingston's splendid tribute to her fallen.

An address was read to Baron Byng by Mayor H. C. Nickle, and his excellency, in reply, referring to the memorial windows and tablets in the hall, said he preferred to think of them as merely an outward sign of gratitude.

"I like to think of them," he continued, "as a covenant between us and them that their gift shall not be in vain, that our freedom, purchased at the cost of lives, shall be ennobled and an idealized state that will give them joy to see, if they can still keep watch on our earthly affairs."

At a special convocation in Grant Hall this evening, the mayor presented the honorary degree of LL.D. and unveiled a tablet erected by Queen's University in memory of 187 graduates, alumni, members of the staff and undergraduates who lost their lives through the great war. His excellency also presented Humane Society Medals to Stuart Patterson, who rescued Countess Cotter, wounded, from the battle of Arras, and to John Gilbert Jr., for rescuing a girl from drowning.

CLAIMS MAN CAN BURN OWN HOME

Judge Coughlin Upholds Contention of Lawyer For The Defence.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

WINDSOR, Dec. 14.—Accused of arson, David H. Long, 1553 Church street, Windsor, was this afternoon freed by a jury at Sandwich.

Judge Coughlin upheld contention of barrister Wilson, counsel for Long, that a man has a right to burn his own property, when no insurance is involved. Crown Attorney Urquhart then amended the indictment to read: "Starting a dangerous fire in vicinity of other buildings."

The jury found there was no evidence that Long had fired the building, although one witness testified that she saw Long leaving the house ten minutes after the fire was discovered.

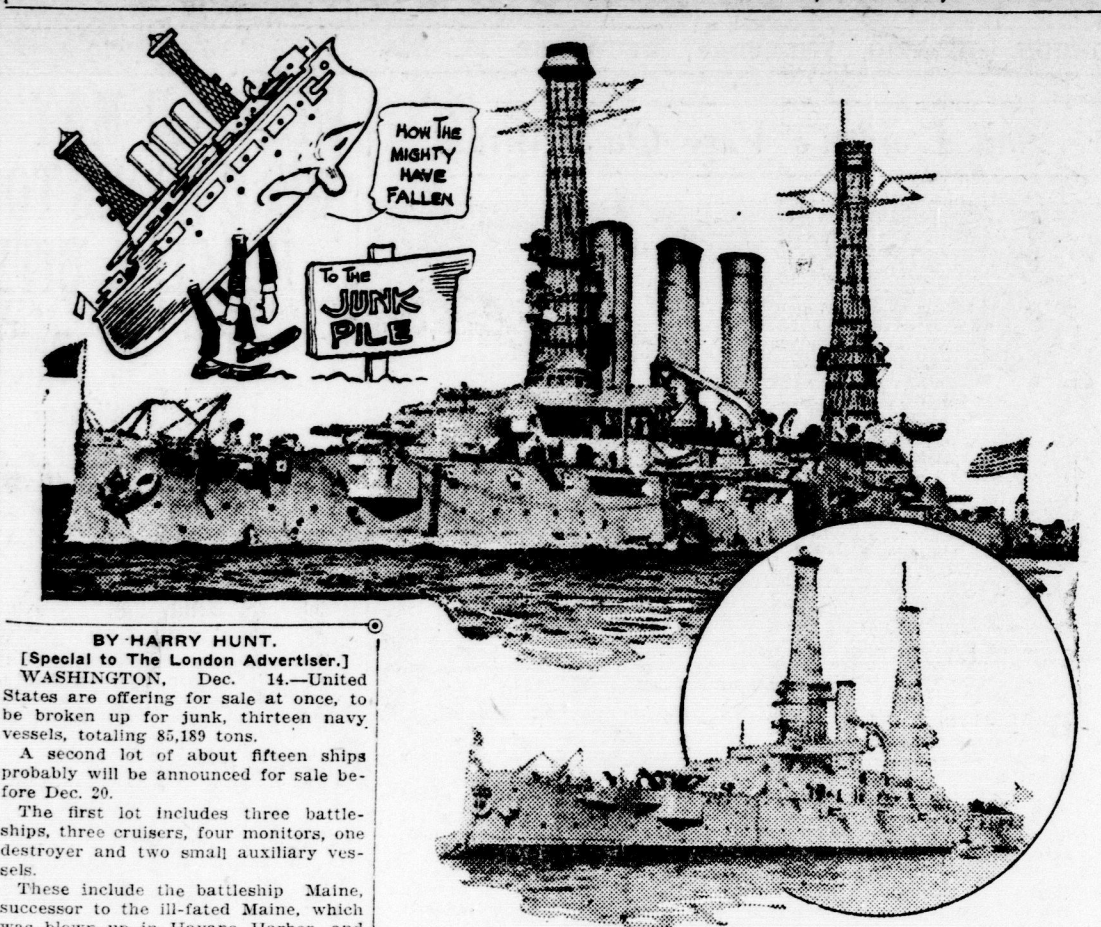
CANADA'S IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADE FALLS

OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—(By Canadian Press.)—Canada's total import and export trade for November had a value of \$151,911,451, as compared with \$24,419,629 for November, 1920, according to a summary of Canadian trade issued by the department of customs this evening. For the eight months' period ending November 30, this year, the total trade had a value of \$1,014,712,691, as against \$1,759,214,559 for the same period last year.

SELL BOND ISSUE

TORONTO, Dec. 14.—A bond issue was today sold by the town of Simcoe, Ont., to Dominion Securities Corporation, the town securing its money on a basis of about 5.35 per cent. The issue was for \$114,100.

Here's a Chance To Buy a Battleship Cheap!



Battleships that will be junked. Above, the Maine; below, the Wisconsin.

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Ship.	Tons.	Built.	Cost.
Battleship Maine	12,500	1901	\$2,855,000
Battleship Missouri	13,500	1901	2,855,000
Battleship Wisconsin	12,150	1898	2,675,000
Cruiser Brooklyn	10,065	1895	2,986,000
Cruiser Columbia	7,887	1892	2,725,000
Cruiser Memphis	15,712	1903	4,055,000
Monitor Ozark	2,556	1900	969,000
Monitor Tennessee	2,556	1900	962,000
Monitor Miantonomah, monitor Puritan, destroyer Smith and the Albert Brown and Oriskany, small auxiliary vessels.			

The second list will include the cruiser Olympia which cost \$1,796,000.

KENT MOTORISTS PLAN NOVEL MEET

Will Combine Business With Pleasure At December Gathering.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

CHATHAM, Dec. 14.—Kent Motor Club is planning to make its regular monthly meetings sociable as well as businesslike. With this object in view, the next regular monthly meeting, which will be held in Tilbury, will be marked by several pleasant surprises. Members of the club executive are working out several new ideas.

Nine winners of medals for essays on fire prevention were presented with medals from the fire marshal's office by Capt. Squarieridge in the Griffin Theatre last evening. The little girl, Miss L. Tucker, who was seriously ill at home, had the medal presented to her in the afternoon by Fire Chief Pritchard of the city fire department.

With the laudable object of having every Chatham Shriner a member of the Chatham Shrine Club, that organization will hold a membership drive in the city shortly. They are not believers in committee work in which one or many men do all the work. Each Shriner has been appointed a committee of one to interview a Shriner who does not belong to the club. In this manner they believe they will quickly have a 100 per cent Shrine Club.

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Night Express, comprising club compartment and standard sleepers and coaches, leaves Toronto 11:10 p.m. daily, arriving Ottawa Union Station 7:45 a.m.

For fares and full information, apply to Canadian National-Grand Trunk City Passenger and Ticket Office, corner Richmond and Dundas streets, London.

M. OF E. OFFICERS CHOSEN.

ST. THOMAS, Dec. 14.—Lodge Louis No. 3, Maids of England, elected the following officers for the ensuing year at their annual meeting held in the Orange Hall: President, Mrs. Robinson; juvenile president, Nellie Langley; vice-president, Mrs. Palmer; juvenile vice-president, Ruby Goddard; chaplain, Irene Perry; juvenile chaplain, Dorena Anderson; secretary, Mrs. McGregor; assistant secretary, Nellie Till; treasurer, Mrs. Baker; first committee, Ivy Kitchenham; second committee, Marguerite Armitage; third committee, Mollie Howard; fourth committee, Dorothy Gordon; inside guard, Irene Marlow; outside guard, Dorothy Goddard; auditors, Irene Perry, Doris Robinson, Dorena Anderson and Ivy Kitchenham.

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ST. MARYS, Dec. 14.—Thomas Kelly, aged 60 years, died here Monday, following a brief illness. He came to St. Marys with his parents from Ireland. Mr. Kelly was a prominent citizen, carrying on an extensive butcher business on Queen street.

He is survived by his widow, two sons, Charles and Victor, at home; two daughters, Kathleen May, at home, and Mrs. G. W. Whittier of Detroit; one brother, James, and two sisters, Mrs. James Ready and Mrs. John Tracey. The funeral will be held Thursday morning at 9 o'clock from the Catholic Church, Interment at St. Marys Cemetery.

WAR VETERAN SLAYS WOMAN, WOUNDS 2 MEN

Denies Knowledge of Shooting When Arrested by Officer Near Huntsville.

HUNT MOTIVE OF CRIME

HUNTSVILLE, Ont., Dec. 14.—A young French-Canadian, George Sier, formerly a resident of Hamilton, is in jail here under a nominal charge of assault, but with the more serious charge hanging over his head of having made a murderous attack on three persons with a revolver yesterday afternoon, one of which ended fatally.

The victims of the shooting are Mrs. Andrew Solave, aged 40, who died instantly; her husband, Andrew Solave, wounded in the arm, a vest button having deflected the bullet from his breast; and George Withers, wounded in the abdomen and head, and who now is in a grave condition.

The motive for the shooting, which took place in Chaffey Township, eight miles from Huntsville, is not entirely apparent. According to the story told by Andrew Solave, Sier came to the bush where he (Solave) and Withers were cutting wood, and after talking in friendly manner for a time he proceeded towards his home. On arriving at his own home, accompanied by Withers half an hour later, Solave said they were confronted by Sier, who immediately opened fire on them. Solave

was hit first with a bullet, which was aimed at his breast, but was deflected into his left arm. He fled to the woods, and Sier then began shooting at Withers, who was struck twice in the head and also in the abdomen. Withers got away, and was found four hours later in the barn in a very serious condition.

Sier then disappeared, and neighbors who arrived on the scene shortly afterward found Mr. Solave lying dead on a bed upstairs with a bullet hole in her back. According to the coroner who examined the remains, she must have died instantly.

Chief Constable Keating of Huntsville found Sier on the road, going, as he said, to give himself up, although he declared to the officer that he knew nothing about the shooting. Sier lived with his wife and mother who are regarded as respectable persons. They came to this district recently from Hamilton.

Sier is a young man, and served in the war in the 9th Field Artillery. An inquest was opened this afternoon by Chief Coroner R. McDonald, and adjourned till a later date in Huntsville.

PROVE PHONE'S ABILITY.

TORONTO, Dec. 14.—To have two telephone conversations going on at one time over a single telephone wire without interference between them

Declare Liquor Stored in Police Vault Missing.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
BRANTFORD, Dec. 14.—J. H. Spence, collector of customs and complainant in the liquor theft case which opened in the county court today, declared this afternoon that five bottles of whiskey, evidence in the case, were missing. They had disappeared from a vault in the police station, where they have been stored for the past three months. The loss was only discovered today.

would seem a phenomenon to the lay mind, but that is what actually took place in a demonstration between today's session of the Canadian Independent Telephone Association here. Two members of that organization talked over one wire, through one set of phones; two others talked over the same wire through another set, and neither pair could hear the other.

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Valencia Raisins, per lb.	25c	Forest City Baking Powder, glass sealers, each	40c

Christmas Mixed Candy, per lb. 20c
Mixed Nuts, all this year's crop, per lb. 25c

Currents, extra quality, lb.	19c	H. P. Sauce, per bottle	33c
Pates (new crop), per lb.	19c	Lea & Perrins' Sauce, bottle ..	35c
Cooking Figs, 2 lbs.	25c	Minute Tapioca, 2 pkgs.	25c
Mince-meat, per lb.	20c		

Granulated Sugar 10 lbs. for 80c
Granulated Sugar 5 lbs. for 42c
Icing Sugar, per lb. 10c

Coconut, per lb.	30c	Pure Clover Honey, 5-lb. pails ..	85c
Shelled Almonds, per lb.	30c	Shelled Walnuts, per lb.	25c
Shelled Walnuts, per lb.	10c	Cream of Wheat, 4 lbs. for ..	25c
Sweet Elder, per quart	15c	Oatmeal, 6 lbs. for	25c

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Fancy California Navel Oranges, a dozen, 33c
Florida Grapefruit 3 for 25c

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Imperial Jelly Powders, pkg.	10c	Kellogg's Corn Flakes, pkg.	10c
Ginger Snaps, per lb.	15c	Grape-nuts, pkg.	17c
1-lb. tubs of Custard, Powder, 2 pkgs.	25c	White Swan Pancake Flour	

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Best Family Lard, per lb.	20c	Cornstarch, 2 pkgs.	19c
3-lb. pails	53c	Toilet Paper, 5 rolls for	25c
Domestic Shortening, per lb.	10c	Pillets of Haddie, lb.	20c
3-lb. pails	49c	Pasture Flour, 7-lb. bag	30c
Laundry Starch, 2 lbs.	19c	12-lb. bag	50c
		24-lb. bag	95c

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CHEESE, lb. 25c
ROLLED OATS, 6 lbs. 24c
CREAM OF WHEAT, 4 lbs. 25c
CORNMEAL, 5 lbs. 25c
COOKING APPLES, peck 40c
CHOICE POTATOES, peck 30c
WALNUTS AND ALMONDS, lb. 28c
BRAZIL NUTS 23c
CHRISTMAS CANDIES, lb. 22c
5-LB. BOX OF CHOCOLATES 1.50
SHREDDED WHEAT, 2 pkgs. 27c
CORNFLAKES, 3 pkgs. 33c
SEEDLESS RAISINS, lb. 24c
SEEDLESS RAISINS, lb. 27c
CURRANTS, lb. 19c
PEACHES, lb. 33c
PRUNES, 2 lbs. 25c
TOILET PAPER, 6 rolls 27c
COMFORT SOAP, 10 bars 69c

WANT IDLE SHIPS TO CARRY CATTLE

REGINA, Sask., Dec. 14.—Suggesting that the Dominion government utilize a portion of its idle merchant marine as a medium to carry Canadian cattle to the European markets, A. J. Craig, deputy minister of agriculture for Alberta, provided the feature at the morning session of the Western Canada Livestock Union, holding its annual convention. His proposal, receiving general endorsement in discussion, was referred to the resolutions committee for action.

13 PERISH IN FLOOD.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 14.—Western Washington was counting its damages today after four days of floods, that resulted in the loss of thirteen lives, rendered hundreds of persons temporarily homeless, washed out bridges and roads, disorganized traffic and cut wire communications in many parts of the state. High waters were receding rapidly. The property loss is estimated at half a million dollars.

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