

# WOMAN IS BURNED AS 'GAS' FLAME

## Daughter of Minister Otterville is in State

Woodstock, Ont., Feb. 21.—A fire in a house at Otterville, Ont., which she was cleaning purposes today flames and nearly proved fatal to Miss Priscilla Shields, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. G. T. Otterville village. The fire started on her clothing and spread rapidly but with presence of mind she dashed out of doors and self in the snow, escaping the fire.

She was severely burned on the face, with lesser burns on her arms and body. In the meantime the fire had gained headway and by the time neighbors brought assistance the kitchen was pretty well gutted. The use of fire extinguishers prevented a spread to the parsonage.

Rev. Mr. Shields is pastor of Otterville United Church.

# AGED MAN FOUND DEAD IN HIS HOME

## Alfred Campbell Risen and Gone to Sleep

Alfred Campbell 83 years of age was found dead this morning at the home of his niece, Mrs. Knox, 64-1-2 Catherine street, where he had been residing. Campbell had risen at 10 o'clock and asked if Mrs. Knox wished him to go to bed and they replied "no". He was suddenly gone back to bed. Mrs. Knox went at 9.15 and she found him dead in bed. He had a slight cold.

Old age was the cause of death. Born in Madoc, he was the late Mr. and Mrs. Campbell and came to this city seventy-five years ago. He was the last member of the family and was a bachelor.

For many years the late Mr. Campbell was employed by the city. He was a member of the St. Paul's Church. Many friends will regret to learn of his passing. The remains are being held at the Belleville Burial General Parlors, Campbell street, where the funeral will be held on Friday.

# Malvern Hill National Park

DATE 1907 IS LOCAL... DALLA, small Central Indian state with a population of 170,000.

# QUAKE EXPOSES ANCIENT RUINS

## Large Stone Stairways of Maya Civilization Exposed

Teguigalpa, Honduras, Feb. 21.—The discovery of big stone staircases exposed by recent earthquakes leading to subterranean galleries of a 1,700-year-old Maya civilization was announced by Gustav Stromsvik, head of an archaeological commission of the Carnegie Institution of Washington now working at Copan.

Mr. Stromsvik said the discovery revealed Copan was the most important centre of ancient Maya civilization yet found, and added he had established that the ancient Mayas knew uses of gold heretofore unsuspected.

Under a huge statue of a warrior he found a pair of solid gold boots, less than two inches high and marvelously wrought. He discovered various cross-shaped rooms of stone with floors surprisingly well preserved under a coat of scarlet paint.

Big stone canals and a sewerage system connecting large underground buildings were described by Mr. Stromsvik, who said the treasures were of the utmost value to American archaeological history and when fully uncovered, would startle the scientific world.

The buildings, he said, contained large amphitheatres. In them were placed tall statues and monoliths of colored stone, which together with bead collars and other objects will throw an entirely new light on this branch of Maya civilization.

Recent earthquakes, which caused much destruction and loss of life, have opened up galleries where none had been known to exist before.

# SAILING CRAFT IN RACE MISSING

## Probably Lying in Lee of Some Islands From Storm

Miami, Fla., Feb. 21 (AP)—Two sailing craft, with 15 persons aboard, which participated in the recent Miami-to-Nassau yacht race, were reported unaccounted for on a return trip to Miami today, coast guard officials announced.

The Ketch Esperanza, carrying its owner, S. W. Parish of Beaumont, Texas, Captain Carl Holm of Miami and a crew of seven, first was listed as missing yesterday.

Today the auxiliary cruiser Lanakl, owned by Alexander C. Howe, of Port Washington, L. I. and

depositions taken by an Inquiry Commission in California. The last witnesses were Inspector Hamar Gardner of the Ontario (Canada) Provincial Police and Chief of Police James Locke, of Ontario, Calif., who were recalled to give evidence concerning Vermilyea's car, allegedly stored in Los Angeles garage while Vermilyea, the Crown charged, came to Belleville and killed his mother.

## Erasure of Record Referred To

That a motorist who had a car in The Gladys Ave., (Los Angeles), garage from September 25, to October 6, 1934, whom he identified by a photograph shown him before the taking of evidence by Commission at San Bernardino, early this week, as the accused man, had asked him to destroy the record of the registration or parking of the car was the testimony of Alphonse Fontaine, garage owner, Los Angeles, read today at the Vermilyea murder trial. Fontaine's evidence was that the man said it was a peculiar request as he was supposed to be using the car while it was in the garage. Entries of registration had been scratched out once by the owner of the vehicle, who had seized an eraser and rubbed out marks on the ledger page, so the testimony read.

Other testimony taken by Commission and allowed today was to the effect that a banker had renewed a loan for a small amount of money for Vermilyea last September, that Vermilyea's lands were lien-free and that taxes were all paid and that he had on September 12th, 1934, secured a loan of \$1,000 on the property and that if a request had been made by Vermilyea the loan would have been larger as the property would warrant it. This evidence was all read from testimony taken before Commissioner Thos W. Duckworth.

## Graphologist At Trial

A. B. Farmer, graphologist, identified the name "B. F. Carter" on the Walker House (Toronto) hotel register and that of "B. Corsons" on the Commercial Hotel (Hamilton) register as those of Vermilyea. He also identified the handwriting on letters and documents.

Alphonse Fontaine, Los Angeles garage owner, through deposition told of a car being stored from September 25 to October 6. (The Crown alleges Vermilyea killed his mother the night of October 4 and returned to his Ontario, Calif., home by taxi, train and airplane.)

Fontaine's evidence revealed he had been shown a photograph of the car owner by a sheriff and said, "This is the man unless he has a twin brother."

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# SCHOONER SETH PARKER ARRIVES AT PAGOPAGO

## Sailing Gear Flapping and Pumps Working On Arrival

Tutuila, American Samoa, Feb. 21.—(AP)—With bedraggled sailing gear flapping from her masts and her pumps working continuously, the Schooner Seth Parker anchored at Pagopago today.

The little sailing ship, whose distress calls ten days ago echoed around the world and brought the H.M.A.S. Australia with the Duke

Witness had tested 15 stains on the pants, he said.  
Q. And as you took them from the pants, you didn't know whether they were soup or blood.  
The test was a precipitation test, said witness known to all versed in the science.

Q. When did you start giving evidence in criminal matters as a witness—20 years at least? A: The first was the Gibson case, 18 or 20 years ago.

Q. You have always since then given evidence for the crown? A: I believe I have.

Witness said he had been appointed to the department in 1932 permanently.

Q. This has no connection with ballistics? A: No.

Witness under further questioning by Col. Greer said he had started about 2 years ago to test blood stains. The method of how to test blood was slowly and carefully explained by Dr. Frankish. Through the process of elimination the test is carried on until the final analysis of blood or otherwise is completed, he said.

No Knowledge of Type  
Q. Human blood divides itself into (Continued on Page 14, Col. 1)

# WITCHCRAFT DRIVE STIRRED BY SLASHING

Williamsport, Pa., Feb. 21 (AP)—Four investigating agencies united today in a new drive against "hexing" in Central Pennsylvania as authorities, stirred by the butcher knife slashing of a baby boy, declared ancient superstition prevalent in Lycoming County.

Latest victim of the strange practices that have survived through vigorous campaigns by the State is eight-months-old James Leroy Fritz in a hospital here with deep gashes in his head.

District Attorney John M. Youngman says the cuts were inflicted by the infant's brother, John Fritz, Jr., five, after the older boy had been pronounced "cured by faith" of a "spell" for which his father blamed "unfriendly neighbors."

# Bandits' Chief Goes on Trial

Athens, Feb. 21 (AP)—Riot squads stood guard today as bandit chief Karathanassis, Greece's "Public Enemy No. 1," went on trial with 17 alleged co-conspirators charged with the attempted machine-gun assassination of former Prime Minister Eleutherios Venizelos.

Six hundred witnesses have been summoned to take part in what is to be expected the longest trial in Greek history. Although Mrs. Venizelos has been summoned to testify the famous statesman himself, remained away from the opening of the trial.

## LABATT ON CRUISE

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