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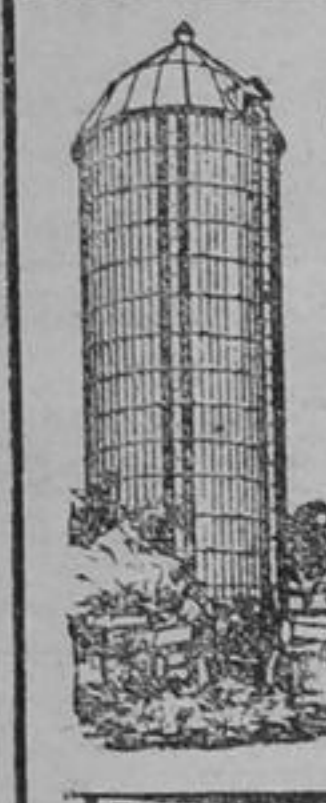


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Dividing Line of Seasons Diminishing in Bermuda

Hamilton, Bermuda.—The Bermuda Islands are sometimes called the "Somer's Isles," after Sir George Somers, whose party settled there in 1609, and from this arisen the name "Isles of Summer."

This is not a misnomer, because Bermuda is a land of unending summer. Even in winter the temperature is never excessively low nor in summer is it excessively high.

However, until lately there has been a dividing line between the summer and winter seasons, the winter guests leaving during April and the summer guests arriving some weeks later. Now, however, it is quite evident that the lines between the seasons are becoming obliterated, so that not only is the summer itself unending in Bermuda, but the summer season or winter season or whatever one may wish to call it, is more and more assuming a continuous character.

Last summer's season continued right into November and December without a break, the hotels being full all the time, while this spring saw a continuation of Bermuda's popularity right through April into May.

Unfortunately the steamship companies were unable to supply enough boats to handle the traffic orders, even though extra sailings were resorted to in order to relieve the situation. It is expected that by next year at least one more large steamship will be in the Bermuda service, and meanwhile hotel accommodations are being enlarged to take care of the expected new hosts of Americans.

Painters Not Anxious to Portray Miss 1926

London.—Why don't artists paint "Miss 1926?"

This question is raised by E. Easton Taylor in the London Evening News and has appeared repeatedly in other journals within the last few months. Galleries, where modern paintings are shown, display few pictures of girls in the latest fashions.

Several portraits of young women in scant modern gowns have provoked considerable comment, most of it unfavorable, in spite of the excellent reputation of the painters who tried to make the modern flapper into a masterpiece.

Older painters for the most part say modern fashions are so inartistic it isn't possible to make a discriminating public accept them on canvas.

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OPEN VERDICT ON THOROLD MAN'S DEATH

Died of Strychnine Poison Administered by a Person Unknown.

Thorold, Ont.—The jury's verdict at the inquest into the death of George Wills, held in Thorold by Coroner Herod, was "that George Wills died at Thorold on Sunday, April 18th, of strychnine poisoning, but from the evidence we are unable to determine by whom administered."

T. D. Cowper, of Welland, represented the Crown, and M. A. Seymour, of St. Catharines, represented Mrs. Katie Melnyk.

Evidence was given by Mrs. Wills, wife of the deceased; Mrs. Ryckman, her sister; Fred Grenville, a friend; Provincial Police Constable W. B. Elliott and Mrs. Katie Melnyk. According to the evidence Wills, accompanied by Granville, visited the house of Mrs. Katie Melnyk on the fatal Sunday morning, and secured a drink of liquor, and on their return to the Wills' home they had another. Later in the day Wills complained of acute pain in the jaw, and soon went into convulsions, dying about seven o'clock that evening.

Samples of liquor were taken, two from the Wills' house and one from Mrs. Melnyk's house, and together, with some of the internal organs were sent by Constable Elliott to Professor L. J. Rogers, associate professor of chemistry in Toronto University. He reported that he found one-fifth of a grain of strychnine per liquid ounce in the sample designated D-118, and had recovered from the stomach the alkaloid strychnine. Sample D-118 was taken from liquor secured from the Wills' home by Dr. Herod, and sealed in his presence and that of Constable Elliott.

Rangers Fighting Nine Fires In Sault Ste. Marie District

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., May 16.—According to the number of bush fires which have engaged the attention of the fire rangers during the past few days, a busy season is in prospect for the Forestry Department. Of nine fires which the rangers have fought and are still fighting, the most serious perhaps is one in Aberdeen Township, which has swept approximately 700 acres and is still burning. Fires are also burning in Gould, Rose, McMahon and Cobden Townships, but in most instances the rangers have them pretty well in hand. Not for several years has the brush been as dry as it is today.

Three Alienists Will Test Sanity of Russell Scott

Chicago, May 16.—Russell Scott, who three times escaped the gallows on the eve of his execution, is to be examined by three alienists to determine if he had regained his sanity since being sent to the Chester Insane Asylum, several months ago. If he is found sane, death on the gallows awaits him here, but lawyers said that before that time the State might try to use him as its witness in the trial for the same murder of his brother, Robert Scott, recently returned here from a California prison, where he had been while Russell fought to escape the gallows.

Queen Maud of Norway Writes Modern Novel

London.—Queen Maud of Norway has added her name to the list of royal authoresses. She has written a modern novel, but it has not yet been published. Her friends explain that this is due to her shyness.

Princess Marie Louise, cousin of King George, is one of the few English royal personages to publish a book. Her letters from the West African coast have been read with avidity by those who enjoy notes on travel.

8-Year-Old Boy Killed, Another Hurt in Auto Accidents

Windsor, Ont.—Two boys were injured here on Thursday in auto accidents, one fatally. Gordon Turnbull, aged eight, living in Ford, was struck by a motor car when he darted out into the street in front of the machine. His skull was fractured and he died an hour later in Hotel Dieu. James Dube, 20, driver of the automobile, was exonerated by police of blame. The other victim was James Robertson, seven, whose skull is believed to be fractured. He was taken to Hotel Dieu.

Four-Year-Old Boy Drowns In Six Inches of Water

Moose Jaw.—Teddie, 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Jones, was drowned in six inches of rain water in a barrel on the farm of his grandfather, T. C. Buchanan, on the Regina Highway.

First in Family to Die is 94.

London.—The family longevity record has probably been broken by the seven brothers and sisters Ing, of Beacons Bottom, Buckinghamshire, the first of whom has just died at the age of 94. His oldest brother is 98 and his youngest 75.

Rare Armor Collection Given to Nice Museum

Paris.—The world's finest collection of ancient arms and armor, comprising hundreds of pieces and valued at over \$1,500,000, has been presented to Nice by Mr. Felix Jonbert, noted English collector. The collection is installed in the Massena Museum in the room adjoining the famous Chap-sal jewels.

One of the rarest pieces in the Jonbert collection is the Jeanne d'Arc rapier, dating from the earliest part of the fifteenth century. The blade was found some twenty years ago in a Lorraine chateau and is believed to be the only one owned by the Maid of Orleans that has ever been discovered.

The collection of ancient armor contains many priceless pieces, notably an inlaid suit dating from the time of Maximilian I, which was manufactured in Nuremberg in 1460, and the celebrated casque which was made for Philip II of Spain by Weiff of Landshut.

Mayence Cathedral is in Danger of Collapse

Berlin.—Close on the heels of the discovery that the Cologne Cathedral was in danger of crumbling to pieces comes the announcement that the beautiful Mayence Cathedral is also in jeopardy.

The Cathedral, parts of which are 900 years old, is known as the "Hoodoo house of worship" because of the numerous misfortunes it has suffered through fire, earthquake and war. The Cathedral's unlucky streak started on the day in 1011 when Archbishop Willigis dedicated the edifice as a completed whole. Fire destroyed a considerable portion of the interior. Now the pile foundation supports have rotted so that one engineer said he was amazed that the edifice has not collapsed.

Twentieth Child Born to Couple in France

Paris.—There is at least one family that is helping to ward off a declining birthrate. At Meteren, near Hazebrouck, the twentieth child of Monsieur and Madame Duperber Gakiere has just been christened, with M. Hudele, the prefect of the department, as godfather.

Seventeen of these children are living, fourteen boys and three girls. The father, who was a mason, aided by his sons, of whom the eldest is 26, built the house after the war where they are all living.

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French Fishing Sacred; License Plan is Rejected

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"Hunting is a pleasure only for those who have certain means," declared Senator Brenier, Socialist. "The sport of fishing is the sport of the most humble. To impose a tax upon them would risk depriving them of a modest pleasure and a day in the open air." The Senate agreed with

him, and the fishing license proposal was promptly thrown out.

Former Cabinet Minister Dies Following Operation

Yarmouth, N.S.—Hon. E. K. Spinney, aged 75, widely known citizen of Yarmouth, and a member without portfolio of the Meighen Government, died at the Deaconess Hospital, Boston, Thursday morning, following an operation. Two sons, Arthur, living in Chicago, and Eric, at home, and one daughter, Katherine, who was with him when he died, survive.

Mr. Spinney was born Jan. 26, 1851, at Argyle, Yarmouth County. A Liberal in politics, he was elected to the House of Commons in 1917 for Yarmouth-Clare as a Unionist.

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