

PROBE INTO DAIRY FIRE

Provincial Fire-Marshal Heaton to Hear Evidence Next Wednesday.

E. P. Heaton, provincial fire marshal, Toronto, was in the city on Thursday morning, and arranged for the holding of a probe into the cause of the fire which destroyed the Eastern Ontario Dairy School, on Tuesday morning, and also to make an investigation into the methods of fighting the fire, the water supply and everything in regard to the conflagration.

R. F. Elliott, chairman of the civic utilities commission, other prominent citizens will be given an opportunity to verify charges made that there was a great leakage in some of the hoses. Experts will also be called to give evidence in regard to the water pressure. The evidence will be taken under oath.

The investigation will be held in the city council chamber on Wednesday afternoon next at 2.30 o'clock.

Mr. Heaton returned to Toronto at noon on Thursday, after making the preliminary arrangements for the probe.

BRITAIN AND U. S. MAY MAKE TREATY

Towards Improving St. Lawrence River Between Montreal and Kingston.

Washington, Jan. 19.—Negotiation of a treaty between the United States and Great Britain looking toward improvement of the St. Lawrence river between Montreal and Lake Ontario so as to provide a deep waterway from the Great Lakes to the Atlantic ocean may be expected to be undertaken soon, it was said today at the White House.

The arrangement of such a treaty is recommended in the report of the international joint commission.

President Harding, it was said at the White House, is much interested in the project and intends to lend his influence toward early diplomatic efforts.

FLIMSY GARB OF GIRLS A PERIL TO THE RACE

A Scrawny Species of Women as Result of Foolish Dress.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—Flimsy garb of girls spells peril to the race, Dr. Clara P. Seppel, eminent woman's specialist, said yesterday. The sturdy type of American womanhood is becoming extinct, and a frail, scrawny species is in process of evolution, the physician declared.

"There is no doubt," said Dr. Seppel, "but that the girl of today is not as well developed as the one of twenty years ago. Now we have the girl of straight lines, not the well-proportioned girl of yesterday.

"The girl of today, dressed in thin silk hose, short skirts and satin pumps, has no protection against the cold. She may as well wear nothing from the knees down. This causes the body to become frail, as the bodily heat, so necessary to proper development, is dissipated. A decade ago girls were muffled from ears to feet, as men are today.

"The modern girl has an insatiable desire for candy. This is because heat of the body is spent rapidly, due to scant dress. It is nature's way of trying to furnish more fuel for the tissues."

Dr. Seppel stated many of the ills of womanhood are caused by constant exposure over a period of years. This condition is aggravated, she said, by the present day tendency of young girls to stay out late at night, thereby missing the rest so necessary to proper development.

HUSBAND AND WIFE.

My wife opens on the bedroom windows on cold nights. Br-r-r-r—C. J. G.

What Does Your Wife Do?

NEWS OFF THE WIRES IN CONDENSED FORM

Tidings From Places Far and Near Are Briefly Recounted.

Dublin cabinet ministers share government offices.

A Winnipeg police clerk regains a ten million dollar estate.

James Jackson, young C.P.R. employee, was killed at North Bay.

None of the cabinet ministers seeking re-election in Quebec constituencies are opposed.

Unemployed men are to be given two months' work by the Bathurst Lumber Co., in Bathurst, N.B.

H. W. Wood was re-elected president for the seventh consecutive time, of the United Farmers of Alberta.

Armed men raided the police barracks at Charlestown, county Mayo, Ireland, and escaped with guns and ammunition.

During 1921 tourists and climbers to the number of 107 were killed in the Central and Eastern Alps, mostly from falls.

Sir Arthur Currie will be the university orator at the Washington birthday celebrating of the University of Pennsylvania.

Hon. James Murdock, minister of labor, received an acclamation for Kent county at the nomination meeting held on Thursday.

Opposition to Hon. W. R. Motherwell has not made itself manifest in Regina, Sask., and it is considered that he will get an acclamation.

Net fishing in Lake Nipissing is to be discontinued for a period of three years. Fish hatchery at North Bay for this lake is under consideration.

Comparative earnings of the Grand Trunk Railway System for the period ending Jan. 14, 1922, \$1,666,694; 1921, \$2,088,691; decrease \$421,997.

France's new ministry made its official bow to the country on Thursday with the reassembling of parliament to hear the statement of policy by Premier Poincare and his colleagues.

It is expected that a decision in the Bullock appeal will be handed down Thursday afternoon by Hon. Senator Bostock, acting minister of immigration, who is reviewing the documents.

The Buffalo city council on Wednesday declined to entertain a resolution by Mayor Schwab urging congress and the state legislature to legalize the manufacture and sale of light wines and beer.

The British motor schooner Bertha A., laden with 1,900 cases of liquor from the Bahamas, limped into port at New York with her bow smashed and two feet of water in her hold.

The London Times says that while Canadians in London united in bidding farewell to Sir George Perley, the Australians are uniting in welcome to Sir Joseph Cook, new high commissioner for Australia.

Influenza is rapidly becoming epidemic in Paris and the provinces. The disease appeared in December, its ravages gaining from day to day, the climax coming Monday when twenty-four deaths from it were reported in Paris.

Charlie Chaplin, motion picture comedian, had a credit balance of approximately \$100,000 with the brokerage firm of E. W. Wagner and Company, New York, when the concern was forced into bankruptcy on December 30th last.

The Assize jury at Toronto after short deliberation acquitted Arthur J. Claus of manslaughter by negligently driving the racing motor boat Leopard IV, so that it rammed the Clarie III, killing J. A. Pike, a passenger, on September 6th.

PASSING OF A PRELATE

Archbishop Gauthier, Formerly of Kingston, Dies at Ottawa.

Ottawa, Jan. 19.—Most Rev. Charles Hugh Gauthier, archbishop of the metropolitan province of Ottawa, died at 2.30 o'clock this morning, after a lengthy illness.

He was seventy-eight years of age, and was born in Alexandria, Glenora county. His father was French and his mother, Mary McKinnon, was Scotch.

Wanted For Manslaughter Commits Suicide at Home

Toronto, Jan. 19.—Samuel Mizel, who was wanted by the police in connection with the death of Isaac Matchett, committed suicide by poisoning himself in the back yard of his home at 191 Baldwin street, today. Matchett died a week ago as the result of injuries sustained when struck on the head by a hammer.

A Greek From Kingston Held at Ogdensburg

Brockville, Jan. 19.—Giulio Kertis, a Greek, said to have come from Kingston, is being held by the United States immigration authorities at Ogdensburg, N.Y., on a charge of illegally entering that country and of cashing a fraudulent bank draft for \$657. When arrested Kertis was carrying a revolver.

Respect For Treaties is Poincare's Platform

Paris, Jan. 19.—"Respect for treaties that fixed the peace terms," is the platform Premier Poincare decided upon to present to the chamber of deputies today. The declaration blames a "shameless" propaganda for the picture drawn abroad of France "as tainted with imperialistic madness."

Military Evacuation of Ireland

Dublin, Jan. 19.—British military evacuation of Ireland is proceeding quickly, and to-night three more battalions will leave for England. Of sixteen hundred Black and Tans about half have left.

Hung Grape For Own Death

Malone, N.Y., Jan. 19.—Allen Merritt, aged 45, a farmer living at Crooks Corners, near here, hung a grape on the door of his home and then re-entered, went upstairs and committed suicide by hanging.

No Early General Election

London, Jan. 19.—It is understood that the meeting of parliament will be postponed for a week from January 31st to February 7th, which is another indication that there will not be an early general election.

"Father of the Automobile"

Rochester, N.Y., Jan. 19.—George Baldwin Selden, "father of the automobile," the man who held the original patents in this country covering the mechanism of a gasoline-propelled vehicle, is dead at his home here, aged seventy-five years.

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DRASTIC ACTION ON STUDENTS' CONDUCT

Too Much Money and Too Many Automobiles—Disgraceful Conditions.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—Conditions in some Chicago high schools are such that investigators employed by the board of education and parents, are following the students of both sexes after school hours, and have made discoveries that are likely to result in drastic action.

Autobuses owned by students, or which their parents permit them to drive, provide the chief means for scandalous performances. These are loaded with girls and boys and then headed a round of cabarets, jazz resorts, tea shops, shady flats and road houses, "Lovers Ledges", as various dark and deserted streets, or lonely roads, are called, are favorite haunts of the students.

Too much spending-money and the free use of automobiles furnished the chief reason for these scandalous performances. Recently two gifted youths were forced to drop out of Nicholas high school, after the principal had told their parents some amazing facts. Both youth were liberally supplied with money and costly limousines. The boys were doing nothing whatever in their classes, but were disrupting all discipline.

Some of the high schools have more students than the ordinary college, averaging between 3,000 and 4,000 pupils. It will readily be seen that a few boys, with unlimited money and flashy automobiles can do in the way of harm.

William Allan Nelson, president of Smith College, in an address here, told of banishing limousines from that institution, and said among other things: "The present-day girl of college age, known as the 'Flapper' is a shrewd, keen, hard, worldly little thing."

This goes for the present-day youth of high school age, who is subject to no home discipline, and who is a vicious influence in the public school.

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CROWDS HAD A THRILL

Hornless Steer Ran About N. Y. Shopping District.

New York, Jan. 19.—A hornless steer gave crowds in the theatre and shopping districts a new thrill yesterday when he escaped from a west side slaughter house, and ran almost to the East river, crossing Broadway and Fifth avenue, before being lassoed.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals provided an ambulance to take the big fellow back to the slaughter house, and preferred charges of cruelty against Rudolph Miller, who chased the runaway in a taxi, and lassoed him. Magistrate McQuade released Miller, saying he had shown commendable resourcefulness, and had protected the public.

Lady Byng's Uncle The New Lord Ducie

London, Jan. 19.—Canadians will be interested in the imminent arrival in England of Lady Byng's uncle, the new Lord Ducie, who at the age of eighty-seven comes from Australia to succeed his brother, Lord Ducie, who died at the age of ninety-four a few months ago. Tortworth Court in Gloucestershire is one of the great English country houses. Lord Ducie has never returned to England since he left the country in 1855.

Span of Human Life Seems Lengthening

Washington, Jan. 19.—Women live longer than men, and both the men and women of today are living longer than they did in the past. This is proved conclusively by figures for the 1920 federal census, made public here.

The number of centenarians enumerated in 1920 was 4,367, an increase of 712 in ten years. And, although the males outnumber the females in the population as a whole, there were 2,704 women in the centenarian class, compared with 1,611 men.

WANT SPECIAL FUND

Tax Bachelors to Aid "Rich in Children."

London, Jan. 19.—The German National League of "Kinder Reich," that is the "rich in children," has petitioned the government for a special fund to ameliorate the conditions of those having large families. It is implied that a special tax on bachelors and childless families would be proper at this time to help those who are keeping up the population. The league points out the great suffering and privations of those who are "rich in children," but poor in everything necessary to feed, clothe and educate them.

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KILLED HER SISTER IN A FIT OF JEALOUSY

Thought She Was Stealing Her Husband's Love—Calmly Makes Confession

Long Branch, N.J., Jan. 19.—Mrs. Hermione Rentzman, 30, arrested in her home in an isolated section, calmly confessed to the police that she had shot and killed her sister, Gertrude Wessels, 27, as she lay sleeping on Sunday morning because she feared the younger woman was stealing the love of her husband, Frederick Rentzman, a chauffeur.

"My sister tried to steal my husband and I killed her," she told the police, simply, without a trace of emotion.

All day Sunday and Monday, Mrs. Rentzman sat by the bed on which lay the body of her sister. Monday night she wrote her husband, who was in New York, telling him of the tragedy, and adding that she was about to kill her fourteen months' old child and herself.

Rentzman at once returned with police detectives who accompanied him to the house. They found Mrs. Rentzman in the kitchen, busied with the evening meal.

On seeing the police, she calmly motioned them to follow her, and led the way to the bedroom. Her sister's body still lay on the bed.

Rentzman explained that Miss Wessels came from Germany two months ago to make her home with them. She had been there but a few days, he told the police, when he noticed his wife seemed extremely jealous of her sister.

No Consideration Given To School Legislation

Toronto, Jan. 19.—Hon. Manning Doherty, provincial minister of agriculture, stated yesterday, in answer to a question, that the Drury government had given no consideration whatever as yet to proposed separate school legislation, either in connection with corporation tax allotment or separate secondary schools.

The minister's definite announcement that the government has not yet given the controversial matter consideration, however, does not necessarily mean that the subject will not be introduced and debated on the floor of the Legislature.

Hon. R. H. Grant, minister of education, has had sheafs of telegrams and letters from Ontario separate school supporters, urging what they deem to be their rights in the matter of separate schools.

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Quebec, Jan. 19.—Amendments to the Quebec liquor law will be as few as possible this session, for it is felt that it would not be wise, nor is it considered necessary, that the law should be materially altered after such a short trial. Premier Taschereau has already publicly expressed the government's satisfaction with the operations of the law, both morally and financially. It is recognized, however, that there will be minor amendments. A delegation of the Retail Merchants' Association, hotel branch, waited on the premier, and Hon. Jacob Nicol, the provincial treasurer, and laid down seven separate requests for consideration of the government.

The first request and the most important one, was that taverns should be allowed to sell wine and cider. The granting of this request means the elimination of the difference which now exists between the restaurant, where wine and beer is sold with meals only, and the tavern, where beer only can be sold without food restrictions.

The second request is that the old bar, or counter, be restored. It was pointed out to the delegation that this was a matter over which the Quebec liquor commission has control, the law providing that the commission shall decide on the furnishing of establishments. The commission has taken the decision that the old bar shall be abandoned. The request, it is expected, will not be pressed.

A third demand is that in hotels beer and wine may be sold in rooms. At present they can be sold only in the dining room with food, and in the case of beer only in specially set-aside rooms called taverns. This request, it is believed, will get very favorable consideration. The question will be to determine the status of a hotel. It has been suggested that 25 rooms be fixed, but in other quarters it is believed that the number of rooms should be considerably more than 25.

A fifth request is that the transfer of licenses be permitted.

This was eliminated in the new law because of the fact that licenses had been notoriously trafficked in by those fortunate enough to get one or more, and who sold them to those who failed to secure licenses from the old license commission, or lost them through illegalities, and wanted to start anew.

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MISS M'PHAIL AND CRERAR

Kemptville, Jan. 19.—A new interest is added to the Grenville by-election campaign by the announcement that both T. A. Crerar, Progressive leader, and Miss Agnes McPhail, M. P. for Southeast Grey, are expected in the riding to espouse the United Farmer cause. Final arrangements have not yet been made with Mr. Crerar, but Miss McPhail is arriving on Friday and will stay until the end of the fight on January 26. Thus far the Progressive opposition to ex-Premier Meighen has in some respects resembled a conspiracy rather than a campaign, but the advent of these national figures should do much to lessen the over-confidence almost universally felt by local Conservatives.

A further distributing element has been injected into the campaign by the decision of North York Conservatives to oppose the re-election of the Liberal leader, Mackenzie King on January 26th. In Kemptville it has been generally conceded that the majority of those Liberals who took the trouble of going to the polls would cast their vote for Meighen. In view of the developments in North York, much of this support will now be transferred to the Progressive candidate. Even at that, however, local politicians are still picking Mr. Meighen as an easy winner.

KILLED HER SISTER IN A FIT OF JEALOUSY

Thought She Was Stealing Her Husband's Love—Calmly Makes Confession

Long Branch, N.J., Jan. 19.—Mrs. Hermione Rentzman, 30, arrested in her home in an isolated section, calmly confessed to the police that she had shot and killed her sister, Gertrude Wessels, 27, as she lay sleeping on Sunday morning because she feared the younger woman was stealing the love of her husband, Frederick Rentzman, a chauffeur.

"My sister tried to steal my husband and I killed her," she told the police, simply, without a trace of emotion.

All day Sunday and Monday, Mrs. Rentzman sat by the bed on which lay the body of her sister. Monday night she wrote her husband, who was in New York, telling him of the tragedy, and adding that she was about to kill her fourteen months' old child and herself.

Rentzman at once returned with police detectives who accompanied him to the house. They found Mrs. Rentzman in the kitchen, busied with the evening meal.

On seeing the police, she calmly motioned them to follow her, and led the way to the bedroom. Her sister's body still lay on the bed.

Rentzman explained that Miss Wessels came from Germany two months ago to make her home with them. She had been there but a few days, he told the police, when he noticed his wife seemed extremely jealous of her sister.

No Consideration Given To School Legislation

Toronto, Jan. 19.—Hon. Manning Doherty, provincial minister of agriculture, stated yesterday, in answer to a question, that the Drury government had given no consideration whatever as yet to proposed separate school legislation, either in connection with corporation tax allotment or separate secondary schools.

The minister's definite announcement that the government has not yet given the controversial matter consideration, however, does not necessarily mean that the subject will not be introduced and debated on the floor of the Legislature.

Hon. R. H. Grant, minister of education, has had sheafs of telegrams and letters from Ontario separate school supporters, urging what they deem to be their rights