

DEATH MAY BE PENALTY

For These Convicted of Setting Fires.

Ulster Parliament May Take Drastic Step—Murders in County Armagh.

London, June 17.—Incendiarism is so rampant in Belfast, says the Post's correspondent, that when the Ulster parliament reassembles Tuesday the government is likely to introduce legislation imposing the death penalty for those convicted of setting fires.

Cardinal Again Held Up.

Belfast, June 17.—Cardinal Logue, primate of Ireland, and his coadjutor, Archbishop O'Donnell, were again held up by members of the Ulster constabulary last night, when their automobile was stopped near Newry and searched by a patrol of "B" Specials.

U.S. Facing Coal Shortage Of Unparalleled Intensity

Springfield, Ill., June 17.—The state of the coal supply above ground "demands a conference of miners and operators in the very near future." John L. Lewis, president of the International Mine Workers of America, said here today.

A Liner Turns Over; Eleven Are Missing

Hamburg, June 17.—Eleven members of the Brazilian liner Avare were missing last night following the turning over of the vessel while it was being hauled out of dry dock at the Vulkan yards yesterday.

Banker is Retiring.

Pictou, June 17.—A. E. Wilson, manager of the Bank of Montreal for the past seventeen years, and in the service of the bank for the past forty years, is taking leave of absence for one year, subsequent to his final retirement on pension, M. W. Reive, manager at present at Fenelon Falls, taking over the branch here July 14th. Mr. Wilson has purchased a farm four miles north of Cobourg, and with his family, will take up his residence shortly on his recent purchase.

WILL BE PAID IN FULL FOR THEIR HOLDINGS

Dominion Saving and Investment Society of London Is Taken Over.

Toronto, June 17.—V. Ervan Gray, government registrar of loan corporations for Ontario last night gave a statement bearing on the affairs of the Dominion Saving and Investment Society of London, which by agreement is being taken over by the Huron and Erie Mortgage Corporation.

IRISH ELECTIONS WERE VERY TAME

Dublin, June 17.—The universal verdict last night was that, with the exception of one instance in Dublin, Ireland never had such a tame election as that which was held yesterday to choose Southern Ireland's parliament. In this city, raiders, headed by Rory O'Connor of the Republican Irregulars, made off with documents and sheets of the national university polling precinct.

MOTHER TRIED TO MURDER DAUGHTER

Hurled Can of Oil on Girl and Set Her Afire For Some Unknown Grudge.

Paris, June 17.—To avenge herself for some unknown grudge against her daughter, Mme. Fournier, a woman of moderate independent means residing at 25 Rue Victor Masse, attempted to burn the girl alive yesterday.

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HAMILTON BEACH STORES MUST CLOSE SUNDAYS

Hamilton, June 17.—Sunday on Hamilton Beach has been wide open in the past. The Lord's Day Alliance has made a protest, and the stores and amusement places have been notified that they must close, starting tomorrow.

BOLSHEVISTS STILL TRY TO SEDUCE THE BRITISH

Red Propaganda Against Religion and Loyalty of British Boys and Girls.

London, June 17.—Money spent on Bolshevik propaganda in this country is not receiving the returns it expected, according to the Pall Mall Gazette, one of whose correspondents claims he has seen special secret instructions issued from Red headquarters, demanding larger returns.

Cost of Living in Paris 217 p.c. Higher Than 1914

Paris, June 17.—The cost of living in Paris is 217 per cent. higher at present than at the outbreak of the world war, according to the report of a special commission appointed by the Minister of Commerce. The report was based on a comparison of the prices of thirteen articles of food and clothing.

For Roads in Hastings

Hastings County Council approved an expenditure this year on its roads of \$125,700, of which \$75,700 is to be spent on approved roads and \$50,000 on county provincial roads.



SMILE VANDERVELDE Former Belgian minister of justice, who, rumor says, has been assassinated in Moscow. If true the incident cannot but cause serious international complications.

DREDGE SEEKS TREASURE SUNK IN RIVER BED

It is the Pay Chest of the Troops of New France.

Penetanguishene, Ont., June 16.—The great hunt for the Jesuit treasure chest located a few days ago by a magnetic diving rod, is now on. The lighter "Baltic," equipped with a steam operated clamshell dredge, was yesterday towed into position on the Wye River, just beside where the iron box, believed to contain the golden altar vessels of old Fort Sainte Marie and the pay chest of the troops of New France, has been located. At 12 o'clock the clamshell scoop took its first mouthful of silt.

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MOTHER ENDS LIFE WITH TWO BABIES

Boston, June 17.—Following a quarrel with her husband, in which her mother-in-law figured, Mrs. Dorothy Gilman last night barricaded herself in her room, and with her two babies at her breast, turned on gas. All three were found dead.

HITT TELLS OF SHELLAC DRINKING.

"Another prisoner, Jacob Hitt, was ill at the same time, having complained of headache during the afternoon, and he developed similar symptoms and died at 3.30 p.m. today. I was questioning Hitt as to the cause of his illness at 10 a.m. and he said: 'I had a drink of shellac.' I asked him if it was the same Kearney had and he replied: 'We were drinking together.' Asked how he could drink shellac he said: 'I poured water into it.' Here a bottle of the shellac and a glass of shellac diluted with water were exhibited to the

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INQUEST HELD FRIDAY AFTERNOON—CONVICTS USED IT AS INTOXICANT.

At the inquest held at the Portmouth Penitentiary on Friday afternoon by Dr. D. E. Mundell, coroner into the death of John Kearney, the first victim, the jury rendered the following verdict: "That John Kearney came to his death by drinking shellac containing wood alcohol, or methyl hydrate."

EVIDENCE GIVEN.

Warden J. C. Ponsford was the first witness examined. He said that the deceased prisoner, John Kearney, was sentenced at Ottawa, Jan. 21st, 1921, at Ottawa to four years for breaking, entering and stealing. He was a well-behaved prisoner. He did not know except indirectly what took place on Thursday night.

CATCH NOISY AUTOISTS.

Pictou, June 17.—Provincial Highway Motor Constable Spencer appeared on the scene here a few days ago, with the result that fifteen convictions were registered, principally on markings and cut-out offenses. The cut-out nuisance had been unbearable, and the visit of the provincial officer was timely staged.

A MONSTROUS GRIZZLY SHOT BY PROSPECTORS

Prince Rupert, B.C., June 17.—Two prospectors, Edward Forsam and J. Kennedy, after an exciting battle, shot a grizzly bear in the White Creek district, near Ferrace, B.C., which measured 15 feet standing erect. The animal weighed 1,800 pounds, the skin alone weighing 100 pounds, and measuring twelve feet long and nine feet wide. Its footprints were 18 inches long and 9 inches wide. The bear fought the prospectors and it took five bullets to kill him, and when he fell he was but two feet away from Kennedy, who had become entangled in the brush.

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