

LITTLE ONES MEET DEATH

Tragedy in Home of Charles Brill, Near Tamworth.

THREE CHILDREN BURNED

In Sight of Their Mother, Who Was Barred By the Flames.

The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brill, living near Tamworth, met a tragic death on Friday afternoon when the home of their parents was burned to the ground and they were unable to get out of the building.

The house where the dreadful accident occurred is one quarter of a mile north of Lake View, which is three miles west of Tamworth and near Erinville.

After the building had been burning for some time, a large number of the people from the surrounding country gathered and tried to fight the blaze but it was found there was no use as the fire had gotten such a headway.

About five o'clock the rescue party located some of the bones of the children in the ashes. It is thought that most of the bones of the children were burned up.

Dr. O'Connor, Tamworth, made a very careful examination and he found that the deaths were accidental and he reported the matter to Coroner Cowan, Napanee, who decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

The father of the children is employed as a laborer and worked out by the day. The parents are heart broken over their terrible loss. This is the worst calamity that has happened in that section in years.

Has Thirty-nine Children. Stockholm, Dec. 10.—Laras Olson, a peasant in the north of Sweden, has done his part in populating the land. Although but 63 years old, he has 39 children, 15 from his first marriage, 12 from the second and 12 more in the third. The third wife is still living. Twenty-three of the 39 children are boys.

ITALIAN PARLIAMENT TO BE PROROGUED Rome, Dec. 10.—The Italian Cabinet decided to advise the king to prorogue parliament. It is also stated that the king will sign a resolution decree before the day is over.

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WRINKLES BANISHED BY EATING SALADS

Amsterdam Has a Radish Complexion Preserver for the Ladies.

Amsterdam, Dec. 10.—Would you retain a beautiful complexion well into the sixties, with no wrinkles? Nothing simpler. Eat freely of radishes, great quantities of salads—every kind—with your meals, and raw tomatoes every morning for breakfast.

Thus the recipe of a Dutch society woman, who, although she is well past sixty, retains a wrinkleless complexion which is the envy of all Amsterdam maidens.

CARVELL SURPRISED.

At the Progress Made by Port of Vancouver.

Winnipeg, Dec. 10.—Surprise at the progress of Vancouver as a shipping port and the opinion that the present generation would not see a completion of the Hudson Bay route, were expressed by Hon. Frank Carvell, chairman of the board of railway commissioners, here last night.

Mr. Carvell was deeply impressed with the fact that vessels from the Orient were making the journey to Vancouver in ballast to get Canadian wheat.

Bulgaria Will Carry Out All Its Promises

Sofia, Dec. 10.—"We will carry out all our promises and obligations to the Great Powers and to our neighboring states," said King Boris at the opening of parliament yesterday.

"But if we have obligations we also have rights conferred on us by treaties, which we expect will be respected."

MORE MILD WEATHER ASSURED THIS WEEK

Will Be No Change for a Few Days, Weather Officials Say.

Toronto, Dec. 10.—Spring-like weather prevails in practically all parts of Canada and the continuance of high temperatures for the next few days is predicted by officials of the dominion meteorological office here.

Exceptional temperatures were registered yesterday, particularly in Ontario with the mercury hovering between 45 and 50 degrees.

"We do not expect any change in weather conditions for a few days, but if you are going to pick flowers reported blooming in many sections of the province, we would not advise any undue delay," said the weatherman at the observatory this morning.

PLIGHT OF GERMAN MIDDLE CLASS HOMES

Tailors Offer to Turn Old Garments and Curtains Into Gifts.

Berlin, Dec. 10.—The plight of many German middle-class households is illustrated by an advertisement of a repairing tailors' establishment suggesting, "practical Christmas presents." It offers to turn an old dressing gown into a "highly modern" winter overcoat, faded window curtains into an equally modern costume for a lady, and an old canvass awning into an up-to-date raincoat.

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MAY REMAIN AS PREMIER

Until the British Parliament Meets Next Month.

HAS AUDIENCE WITH KING

A Melbourne Opinion on the British Elections And Trade Preference.

London, Dec. 10.—Prime Minister Baldwin arrived in London from Chequers Court this morning and shortly before noon had an audience with the king at Buckingham Palace.

Previously the premier had received visits from Sir Worthington Evans, postmaster-general, Neville Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer, Ronald McNeill, undersecretary of state for foreign affairs, and B. M. Byles-Monell, chief government whip.

Mr. Baldwin's visit to the king aroused much speculation. The Central News says it learns "he will inform the cabinet tomorrow that he is prepared to retain the reins of government until parliament meets next month."

Australian Comment.

Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 10.—The Melbourne Age says, in commenting on the British elections:

"The elections have been a fine education in British electoral law, which is still a generation behind modern intelligence."

"The Age continues: 'The Dominions naturally will look to their markets abroad, and will be specially careful that regard for foreign trade in Britain does not lead to the preference already granted being used for the advantage of transhipped foreign products.'"

OTTAWA'S POWER SHORTAGE.

Causes Companies to Stop Selling of Electric Stoves.

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—Owing to shortage of power the Ottawa Hydro-Electric and the Ottawa Electric Companies have stopped selling electric stoves and electric water heaters, and for the next year will refuse to supply power for new installations of the kind.

There is just about enough power now to care for present consumption and to meet additions for lighting purposes during the next twelve months.

Ottawa power interests are all economizing in power, and what is available is being distributed in such a manner as to have it the Calumet development of the Ottawa River Power Company is available and when other developments may have been completed, there will be plenty of power again.

Luminous Rays From Sun Absorbed by the Blood

London, Dec. 10.—It is only a matter of time, according to the famous surgeon, Sir Henry Gauvain, that waves of light of different lengths will be found to have distinct and selective beneficial properties in the treatment of disease.

"Luminous rays from the sun," he says, "have the power of passing through the skin and being absorbed by the blood."

"When a person's arm has been exposed to the sun, the blood has a temperature of 115 degrees higher than is compatible with life. Yet the person derived benefit, which proved that injurious toxins are thus destroyed."

CARPENTIER CHALLENGES TUNNEY-GREB WINNER

But Sporting Circles Think Siki Is the Better Qualified Man.

Paris, Dec. 10.—Francis Deschamps, on behalf of Georges Carpentier, has called a challenge to the winner of the Gene Tunney-Harry Greb fight tonight for the lightweight championship of the world.

News of the challenge met with a mixed reception in sporting circles, where the feeling in many quarters is that Carpentier, having gone back tremendously, should first wipe off his crushing defeat at the hands of Battling Siki, who is regarded here as better qualified than Georges to meet tonight's winner.

Again Make Enquiries.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Inquiries from the United States Government as to the possible negotiation of a treaty which would permit construction of a deep waterway from the Great Lakes to the Atlantic by way of the St. Lawrence River.

BRITAIN HAS RECORD FOR WOMEN M.P.'S

No Other National Legislative Body Boasts as Many Lady Members.

London, Dec. 10.—When a dignified speaker calls to order the new British Parliament he will look upon more women members than ever have graced any national legislative body, as eight women were victorious in the general election Thursday. Possibly Soviet Russia can exceed this number, but in the absence of any official figures from Moscow the British House of Commons will claim the distinction of the largest feminine membership.

The following women won seats in Parliament:

Viscountess Astor, who was re-elected from Plymouth as a Conservative; Mrs. Tom Winttingham, re-elected on the Liberal ticket; Mrs. Hilton Phillipson, (Mabel Russell), a Liberal and former musical comedy star who also was re-elected; The Duchess of Atholl, Conservative, is one of the wealthiest and oldest peers in the kingdom and the only woman in England entitled to maintain a private army; Viscountess Terrington, Liberal, a woman farmer; Miss Margaret Bonfield, Labor, long active in promoting labor interests and a delegate to the Washington Labor Conference; Miss Susan Lawrence, Labor, who has long been prominent as an organizer in Labor ranks; Miss Dorothea Jewson, a Laborite, elected from Norwich.

Miss Jewson, is about thirty years old, is a former drygoods clerk and was an officer in the Shop Assistants' Union. Later she became a household servant so she could investigate domestic conditions.

Might Carry On.

The majority of the Conservative ministers now in London speak favorably of attempting to carry on the Conservative government until parliament meets.

The provisional date for the next meeting has been set for January 5th, but in view of the confusion existing in political circles, it is likely that the meeting will be postponed until February.

With Lord Derby or Austin Chamberlain leading the interim government, it is believed contentious legislation could be avoided, and with the consent of the Liberals, sufficient time allowed all parties to recover from the effects of the election.

The calm judgment of politicians places the possibility of Labor being called to power as the most remote of the three alternatives.

Liberal leaders, asked for a snap judgment on the chances of a Conservative-Liberal coalition, immediately declared such a thing was impossible, but maturer judgment may even bring their consent to the formation of a new interim Conservative government.

ELOPED IN THE CAR SHE WON IN CONTEST

Cobourg Woman Disappeared With the Man Who Conducted It.

Sault Ste. Marie, Dec. 10.—F. E. Rafferty, formerly of Cobourg, Ont., is under arrest in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., having been charged with the abduction of a woman who eloped with him.

One drunk was remanded for a day and another was reported to be ill in hospital and unable to appear.

Northern Ontario needs snow or rain very badly.

WEEK'S TOUR OF WEST.

Premier Ferguson Will Accompany Mr. Meighen.

Toronto, Dec. 10.—Premier Howard Ferguson has left on a week's tour of the west with Right Hon. Arthur Meighen. Mr. Ferguson met the former Dominion Premier in Toronto, and accompanied him on his visit to Winnipeg, Regina, and Saskatoon. As far as can be ascertained, Premier Ferguson will not take part in any speech-making.

Members of the provincial cabinet are anxious that Premier Ferguson go along for a rest.

Scottish farmers report an almost total failure of potato crop.

WHAT WILL BALDWIN DO?

Three Lines of Action Open to the British Premier.

MEETING OF PARLIAMENT

May Be Postponed From the 8th of January Until February.

London, Dec. 10.—King George arrived at Buckingham Palace Saturday from Sandringham to grapple with the complicated political situation produced by the overwhelming defeat of the Conservative party at Thursday's elections.

Premier Baldwin returned to Chequers, the home of British prime ministers, Saturday.

His Majesty must receive Prime Minister Baldwin's resignation, but there may be some delay before this ceremony occurs, as the defeated premier must make definite proposals to the King regarding the formation of a new government.

What Mr. Baldwin will recommend depends upon his consultations with Conservative party chieftains over the week-end.

Three principal lines of action are open to Premier Baldwin. First, continuation of a Conservative cabinet, with Lord Derby or Austen Chamberlain as premier. Second, coalition with the Liberals. Third, formation of a Labor government.

INSURGENTS ADVANCE INTO MEXICO CITY.

Vera Cruz, Dec. 10.—Insurgent troops have left Vera Cruz under orders for an advance toward Mexico City. At various points along the inter-oceanic railway they will be joined by other contingents, and the united forces will then proceed toward the capital, advancing in two directions.

GREAT CHANCE FOR CANADA TO TRADE WITH JAPAN

Which Needs Large Quantities of Lumber, Sheet Iron and Cement.

Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 10.—Canada should hark to the sound of Japanese hammers and act quickly, according to A. E. Bryan, Canadian trade commissioner to Yokohama, who reached Vancouver Saturday on the Canadian Pacific Express of Canada.

Speaking at a luncheon of the foreign trade bureau of the Vancouver Board of Trade at the Hotel Vancouver, Mr. Bryan stated that barracks were going up in Yokohama at the rate of 1,500 a day, that Japan had a tremendous need at the present time for lumber, galvanized and corrugated sheets of iron, and cement and that Canadian business men should take advantage of their opportunity which was estimated at a cost of 750,000,000 yen.

Since the earthquake, Mr. Bryan has received many enquiries for products never before asked for by the Japanese, and shortly before he sailed for Canada an order has been placed for several thousand Canadian telephones. An investigation into the cement industry in Canada with a view towards entering the Japanese market with this commodity will occupy much of Mr. Bryan's time while in Canada.

The destruction of the world's second largest cement factory in the recent disaster offers Canada an unusual opportunity to do business with the orient on a large scale along these lines.

British Election Standing.

London, Dec. 10.—The latest standing of parties, with six seats to be heard from, is as follows: Conservatives, 261. Labor, 155. Liberals, 151. Other parties, 12.

Irish Elections.

Belfast, Dec. 10.—T. J. S. Heribson, Nationalist, and Cahill Healy, Sinn Fein, were re-elected to the Imperial parliament for the two seats representing the counties of Tyrone and Fermanagh.

NINE ARE KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK.

Eric Pa., Dec. 10.—Nine persons, including "Wild Bill" Donovan, famous baseball pitcher and manager, were killed in a train collision east of here.

SPANISH ROYALTY TO VISIT AMERICA

King Alfonso Desires to Enter a Horse in the Kentucky Derby.

Madrid, Dec. 10.—The king and queen of Spain and Primo de Rivera, president of the military dictatorship, are expected to visit the United States in the near future following plans originally made last summer but abandoned when Senor Primo de Rivera seized power.

King Alfonso has expressed a keen desire to visit the United States. The sporting monarch has declared his wish to play polo and attend the running of the Kentucky derby, wherein he plans to enter his own horses. The king's best jockey, Lucien Lyne of Lexington, Ky., will accompany the royal party.

HE PEDDLED WHISKEY ON KINGSTON STREETS

Two Men Admitted Purchasing a Bottle From a Bootlegger.

Did you happen to run into a man who was endeavoring to get rid of a case of liquor the week-end?? Perhaps you did not see the man who had "crocks" for sale, but two thirsty men who came in from Collins' Bar, met him at the corner of Princess and King streets Saturday night.

"Want to get a stock of liquor, boss? Got a whole case of it down here off a boat," said the bootlegger.

"Go easy there, friend," replied one of the thirsty men, who had a long thirst but a small bank roll. "Just bring along one bottle and that will be sufficient."

The bottle was produced, and the money paid over. The bootlegger first asked \$10 for the bottle, but later agreed to take \$5.

This was all very fine, but the two men who purchased the bottle fell into the hands of the police, and this caused all the trouble. Some liquor was left in the bottle when the two were rounded up by the police. Both had a fine of \$10 and costs to pay, and in addition to this the man who had the bottle, was "charged" for \$100 and costs, for "having liquor in a place other than a private dwelling."

Magistrate Farrell put the two men through a stiff examination to find out who had been selling the liquor on the street, but the offenders were strangers in the city, they could not give the police very much to work on.

Given Three Months.

After several adjournments, the case of George Pratt, charged with fraud, was finally disposed of. Magistrate Farrell found on the evidence that Pratt was guilty, and he was sentenced to three months in jail.

"I find you guilty of the offence charged against you," said the magistrate to Pratt.

Pratt was engaged in selling potatoes for Eugene Dence, and was charged with falling to make the proper returns for his collections. It was found that Pratt had left the city. A warrant was issued for his arrest and he was rounded up at Prescott.

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SOLDIER ON LEAVE SUICIDES IN COTTAGE ON THE RIDEAU

Bdr. F. E. Norris, R.C.H.A., Shoots Himself—Left Letter For Relative in England—Dead Some Days When Discovery Made.

A gruesome discovery was made in the summer cottage of R. Vanalstine on the Rideau six miles from Kingston on Sunday afternoon when Mr. Vanalstine and Jack and Edward Stanton paid a visit to the place. They found the body of a man lying on the bed with the side of his head blown off, while fastened to the table were two shot guns, one double-barreled and one single-barreled. They were evidently set off by the victim who pulled strings attached to the triggers. The cartridges were empty and one charge went through the side of the cottage.

Dr. A. E. Ross, coroner, and Police Constable Armstrong were notified and the body was examined. It was evident that the man committed suicide, for an envelope found in his hat and much worn and marked "Not to be opened till afterward," contained a letter addressed to "Mrs. A. Norris, 69 Chittenden Road, Chittenden, London, Eng." and signed F. E. Norris. There was also in his pockets a cheque from the R.C.H.A. payable to F. E. Norris. From inquiry made at the R.C.H.A. it was learned that Norris was a soldier on leave. He was a bombardier in "A" Battery.

The deceased was seen on the lake shore during the previous week and Dr. Ross gave the opinion that he had been dead four or five days. The remains were removed to S. S. Corbett's undertaking parlors. From inquiries made by the Whig it appears that Norris was for some time suffering from a nervous ailment. He was depressed and complained of a pain in his head. About a month ago, he was in the hospital with Driver E. Palon, and he frequently wept.

THE FRENCH ARE NERVOUS

As the Result of the British General Elections.

THEY FEAR LLOYD GEORGE

And Hope There Will Be No British Coalition Under Him.

Paris, Dec. 10.—French opinion generally speaking, views the results of the British election with misgivings. A government comprising a coalition of Liberals and Conservatives under former Premier Lloyd George's influence is anticipated, the accession of which, it is feared, will lead to another crisis in Franco-British relations.

France ardently desires an entente with Britain, and is willing to make minor concessions to that end, but will not sacrifice such essential French policies as the exploitation of the Ruhr and Rhineland for reparations. If therefore, the new British government reopens diplomatic warfare against France, it is difficult to see how a renewal of the danger of a rupture can be averted.

Reflecting this somewhat pessimistic view, French francs have already fallen several points. The French also view with interest the fact that German newspapers almost unanimously hail the defeat of the British Conservatives as a French defeat and a German success. It is feared here that the Germans may now be inspired to renew obstructionist tactics as regards French organization of occupied areas. Some French observers hope, however, that the Germans may begin to perceive that the only result of their having persistently followed British advice since the armistice is their own ruin, and that they may seek an understanding with France despite British manoeuvre.

France Looks to Grey. Other observers find some ground for optimism in the possibility that Lord Grey, who is known as a friend of the entente, may replace Lord Curzon as foreign minister, or that Britain, through internal political difficulties, will be rendered impotent regarding foreign policy for some time.

Despite these various misgivings and speculations, the French as a whole now feel that they definitely have the upper hand and that they need only persist in their present policy of exploitation of occupied Germany to overcome all obstacles which Germany, Britain or both together may be able to raise.

It is noteworthy that the French forces of occupation are being regrouped for greater military strength, either against uprisings in occupied regions which no longer are greatly feared, or against possible armed raids from unoccupied Germany.

Stresemann authorized by Reichstag to negotiate regarding coal agreements in Ruhr between French and magnates.

York township council passed by-law to enter into street railway line extensions, with T. C. C. to cost \$1,250,000.

"You Said It, Marceline!"

By MARCELINE DALROY

On "Tainted Kisses."

The SCENT of a MAN'S Very GOOD CIGAR is, To a sensitive woman, What the PERFUME of WOMAN is—to MAN—INTRIGUING, Because of what may be BEHIND it. The aroma of a fine cigar Suggests a MAN of GOOD TASTE. Every man who smokes Good cigars, BUT From SMELL to TASTE is not To bring her BACK.