

SAY CHICAGO IS IN PERIL

Campaign in Windy City on Water Diversion Scheme.

WATER POLLUTION DANGER

Is Declared to Threaten Big Illinois City Worse Than a Great Fire.

Chicago, Feb. 11.—The sanitary district prima facie advertisements in this morning's papers head "Chicago in peril" and detailing the drainage difficulties which it declares is in a critical situation. It says failure of Congress to give authority now for the desired and necessary increased flow of water may mean disaster to Chicago from loss of life and property more calamitous than the great fire of 1871.

ARMIES ARE LARGER THAN BEFORE THE WAR

Men Under Arms Now 4,355,000 in Europe—States Increase Strength.

Paris, Feb. 11.—Apropos of the credits which France is giving to Jugoslavia, Rumania and Poland on condition that they shall be used for the purchase of munitions in France, a British general has just published statistics of the European armies in 1913 and in 1923. In 1913, Europe had 3,747,000 men under arms and in 1922-23, 4,355,000.

THE DANCING HALLS OF KINGSTON ARE IN NEED OF SUPERVISION

This City Has No Regulations Regarding Them—The Whig Publishes the Regulations of Montreal and Toronto—Young People's Morals Endangered Here.

On various occasions the Whig's attention has been drawn to the fact that the public dance halls in the city are not properly controlled, especially with regard to the hours of closing. Upon making enquiries, the Whig learned that the local dance halls need to be looked after.

There are certain places in Kingston where dancing takes place and girls under sixteen years of age are allowed to stay until all hours of the morning. Only recently a citizen informed the Whig that he saw young girls coming home at three o'clock in the morning from such a dancing place.

LADY BENSON, LUCKNOW SURVIVOR, IS DEAD

St. Catharines, Feb. 11.—Word was received yesterday by cable of the death at Salisbury, Eng., of Lady Caroline Benson, widow of the late Major-General Sir Frederick W. Benson, K.C.B., who died during the war at Montreal and was buried here, his native home.

STUDENTS SUMMER TRIP.

Three Hundred to Go From Canada to Old Country. Montreal, Feb. 11.—It is estimated that approximately three hundred students, representing universities throughout Canada, will take advantage of the undergraduates visit to Great Britain next summer, under the conductorship of the Overseas Education League.

STRIPPED AND WHIPPED AND CAST INTO THE SNOW

Cruel Treatment Given Trooper Bowen at Stanley Barracks, Toronto.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—Stanley Barracks is shaken with a sensation arising out of the brutal beating of Trooper J. Bowen of the Royal Canadian Dragoons by a number of his comrades. They took him out of his room, stripped him partially and laid on their whips until his back was covered with welts, and he was rendered unconscious.

A total of 95,687 acres in the Thunder Bay district was burned over by forest fires during four months of 1923 from June 1st to T. L. Church, W. L. MacKendrick and John O'Connor recommended for Toronto Harbor Commissioners.

A MINISTER TO LONDON

For Each Dominion is Premier Macdonald's Plan

HE AIMS AT DEVELOPMENT

Of Autonomous Individuality—He Views the Present Status As Undignified.

London, Feb. 11.—Radical changes in the relations between the Dominions and Great Britain are certain should the Labor government come back to power with a clear majority after the general election for which all parties are preparing during the coming summer.

"RED" RYAN'S PALS MAY BE BACK IN CANADA

Prospects Good for Taking the Balance of the Bank Robbers.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—The roundup of "Red" Ryan's gang of escaped convicts may be expected soon, according to information which has reached the World through a reliable source. It is learned that the fugitives, Simpson and Bryans, who separated from Ryan and Sullivan after MacMillen's capture, and from all accounts went abroad, have returned to Canada and that Inspector Duncan of the Dominion Police is warm upon their trail.

LABOR DISAPPROVES OF DEATH PENALTY

Home Secretary Arthur Henderson Grants His Second Reprieve to Slayer.

London, Feb. 11.—An indication of the attitude of the government on the question of capital punishment is seen in the reprieve by the Home Secretary, Arthur Henderson, of a nurse who was condemned to death for the murder of two children of her employer. An appeal on behalf of the condemned woman was taken by her counsel to the court of appeal, but this was dismissed. Then the home secretary's clemency was petitioned for and was granted.

POLICE ARE ROBBED AT THEIR DANCE

London, Feb. 11.—A thief with a Raffish sense of humor found his—or her—way into the police dance at Bromley in Kent, with devastating results to local prestige.

PRESENTING A PORTRAIT.

Of The Late Hon. James MacLennan to Queen's University. A few years ago the board of trustees of Queen's University placed a bronze tablet on the walls of their convocation hall which has on it the following words: "In loving remembrance of the Honorable James MacLennan, LL.D., one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Canada, chairman of the board of the trustees of Queen's University 1890-1924. He was esteemed for wisdom of his counsel, for the purity of his life, for the strength and integrity of his character, and was through many years a steadfast and generous friend of this university. The memory of the just is blessed."

DROVE POPE PIUS IX FIFTY-FOUR YEARS AGO

Rome, Feb. 11.—Pope Pius yesterday received Rinadio Jacchini, dean of the pontifical court, who is seventy-nine years old, and has been sixty years in service at the Vatican. On Sept. 19, 1870, on the eve of the fall of "temporal power," Jacchini drove Pius IX for the last time through the streets of Rome. From that day no pope has left the Vatican.

News off the Wires In Condensed Form

U.S. Secretary Denby is to resign shortly over the oil lease question. Prospects bright for resumption of negotiations regarding Nova Scotia mine dispute. Ontario fox-breeders want red tape surrounding their industry removed. Will try to link up with department of agriculture. Prime Minister Macdonald spent the week-end reviewing his speech on the Labor policy to be delivered on Tuesday.

LATE DR. J. J. HENNA.

Was Banished from Spain When Eighteen Years Old. The late Dr. J. J. Henna, New York, had a very interesting career. Dr. Henna was twice elected by the inhabitants of Porto Rico as a member of the medical board of the French hospital, died in his home, 24 West Seventy-second street, at the age of 73.

MODERN DISTILLING PLANT.

Canadian Industrial Alcohol Company is Building One. Belleville, Feb. 11.—Following the fire at the plant of the Canadian Industrial Alcohol Co. at Corbyville, there is now under way a very extensive reconstruction and building programme. The new plant will be one of the largest and most modern industrial alcohol distilling plants in America and will include the erection of buildings and the installation of equipment for the production of ethyl and amyl acetates not heretofore manufactured in Canada on an extensive scale.

MISS STRACHAN'S ESTATE.

William Mundell, solicitor for the estate of the late Miss Ada Strachan, stated that the estate will only yield about \$21,000, and not \$61,000 as stated in Saturday's Whig. This will leave under \$10,000 to be divided among the Home for the Aged, the Orphan's Home and the Home for Friendless Women and Children.

PROF. LAFFER OF McGILL UNIVERSITY.

Montreal, is dead at Luxon, Egypt, of pneumonia.

British Premier's Woman Election Agent Doubts If Prince of Wales Will Ascend the Throne

London, Feb. 11.—Doubt as to whether the Prince of Wales would ever ascend the throne of Great Britain was expressed by Miss Minnie Pallister, an election agent to Premier Ramsay MacDonald, in the recent general election, in a speech which she delivered at Bradford yesterday. Miss Pallister said that doubt in the matter of the prince succeeding his father as king was not due to any objection on the part of the country to the personality of either King George or the prince, but it was due to "the country growing up and seeing the old institutions sloughing off."

DETAILS ARE BEING ASKED

By U.F.O. About Race Course Taxes And Auction of Coal Scuttles.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—Hon. W. E. Roney has placed a question on the order paper in the legislature asking what amount has been realized by the province from the tax on race course wagers each year since a tax was instituted. He also wants to know what was the total amount wagered on all Ontario race courses. U. F. O. members of the legislature, by questions being asked the government are apparently desirous of cleaning up all details in connection with the "coal scuttles," including their purchase by the late government and their sale at public auction by the Ferguson government. They also want to know if any members of the former Conservative government previous to the Drury regime had private living apartments in the parliament buildings. Their questions are very exhaustive into both matters.

THE BOOTH WEDDING.

Takes Place in Ottawa at Four O'Clock Monday Afternoon.

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—The marriage of Miss Lois Booth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Booth, to H. R. H. Prince Erik of Denmark, takes place in All Saints church at four o'clock this afternoon. After the ceremony the newly-weds will receive congratulations from five hundred guests at the Booth home. The wedding cake, which will be cut by the bride, is an immense confection, standing about five feet high and having four pyramidal storeys or tiers, one of which exceeds thirty pounds in weight. The cake is emblazoned with the initials of Miss Booth and His Royal Highness, while other features include the Royal coat-of-arms of Denmark, the Canadian coat-of-arms and the family crests.

Bishop Roper, of the Ottawa diocese, will perform the nuptial ceremony. The royal house of Denmark will be represented by Prince Valdemar, the groom's father and uncle of the King of Denmark. Prince Valdemar is a brother of Queen Mother Alexandra of England. King George and Queen Mary of England will be represented by His Excellency Baron Byng, governor-general of Canada. The prime minister, Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, and several other members of the government will be present.

LABOR M.P. 'WOULD SHOW SEA LORDS 'THE STREET'

Tory Methods of Handling Strikes Good Enough for Handling Admirals.

Glasgow, Feb. 11.—The reason for the appointment of the Conservative peer, Lord Cholmsford, as first lord of the admiralty, was given by James Maxton, M.P., at a Labor demonstration here last night, as "simply because the sea lords refused to work under the Labor government unless the head of the admiralty was suitable to them."

TO LICENSE HORSESHOERS.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—To make certain that the horse no longer shall suffer from ill-fitting shoes the "horse-shoers' act" will be considered at the present session of the Ontario legislature. It is described as "an act to provide for the licensing of horse-shoers and for the proper examination of those to whom certificates shall be granted."

"You Said It, Marceline!"

By MARCELINE PALROY On "What We Would Do"

WE LOOK at a person And often wonder What THAT PERSON THINKS of US. Generally it is NOTHING, For he, TOO, Like US, is thinking Of HIMSELF. We see a RICH MAN And think how WONDERFUL If HE would spend His money the way HE OUGHT, and how WE Would SPEND it if WE had it—

STONE LABOR BY CONVICTS

Penitentiary Quarry And Stone Pile Still In Use.

ABOUT THIRTY PRISONERS

Continually Work There—Much Prison Stone Used on the County Roads.

Again the Whig finds it necessary to take issue with a statement attributed by Toronto papers to Brig-Gen. W. S. Hughes, superintendent of penitentiaries in connection with an address he made in Toronto before the Rotary Club on Friday last. Referring to the Portsmouth penitentiary Brig-Gen. W. S. Hughes is quoted as saying: "We have not one man breaking stone in Kingston and we have not one idle man."

The fact is that the quarry is in use at the present time and has been for years. The Whig is informed on reliable authority that there are about thirty convicts who work continually in the quarry. These men are paraded from the prison in the morning, return to the institution for the noon meal and then return to the stone pile in the afternoon. It is a common occurrence to see the gang of convicts walking down the hill in front of the prison and making their way to the quarry. The stone breaking is done under the direction of guards. On several occasions the writer has seen this gang of prisoners in charge of Quarry Instructor Beupre.

EDUCATIONAL REQUESTS.

Made By Ontario Educational Association. Toronto, Feb. 11.—A deputation from the Ontario Educational Association, consisting of school trustees, interviewed Premier Ferguson this morning with reference to resolutions passed by the association at its last meeting. The most important proposal was for a better contract between school boards and teachers. The trustees want a standard contract for public and high school teachers whereby teachers would be engaged for a year.

SUPPLY STONE FOR COUNTY.

Some years ago, through the efforts of Anthony Rankin, the local county authorities were able to get stone from the prison quarry to be used for road building in the county. The county road plant was placed in the quarry, and the convicts do the laboring work around the crusher.

C. J. GRAHAM, REEVE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF KINGSTON.

When asked if he had constructed a road from King street to the Bath road, passing the Mowat hospital, last summer, stated that he had. "Where did you get the stone with which you built the road, Mr. Graham?" asked the Whig. "From the prison quarry," was his answer. "Well, who broke the stone?" "Why, the convicts to be sure," said Mr. Graham. "How much did it cost?" "Nothing whatever," was his reply.

UNLESS A SUDDEN CHANGE HAS TAKEN PLACE RECENTLY, STONE IS ALSO BEING BROKEN INSIDE THE WALLS AT THE PRISON.

Large pieces of stone are taken from the quarry, and conveyed inside the walls where it is broken by the convicts by the use of hammers. The large pile of stone on the wharf was broken inside the walls by the convicts. When the pile of stone inside the walls gets too large, the custom has been to move it to the larger pile on the wharf. This stone has been used from time to time for re-building the prison roads.

AMONG THE PASSENGERS WHO ARRIVED AT ST. JOHN, N.B., SUNDAY, ON THE CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP MONTROSS, WAS COUNT NICHOLAS FAHLEN, LONDON, ENG., WHO IS ENROUTE TO TORONTO ON A VISIT. HE IS A MEMBER OF A DISTINGUISHED RUSSIAN FAMILY.

Stanley Baldwin was unanimously re-elected leader of the British Conservative party on Monday. Pruning knives are sharpened as federal government deals with charges of extravagance.