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WOMAN AND SEVEN CHILDREN DROWNED BY THE CAPSIZING OF SWAN BOAT AT A PICNIC

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St. Thomas, July 7.—At least seven small children and one adult were drowned early last evening at Lake Pinare, when a large swan boat, operated for children on the lake, capsized in about fifteen feet of water. Six bodies had been recovered at midnight and dozens of persons in row boats were still searching the lake. There are at least two more children in the water.

The bodies recovered are those of Mrs. Thomas Watts, Jean Robinson, aged twelve years, Edith May Robinson, aged eight years, Frances Vidler, aged eight years, Murray Barnes, aged six years, Jean Murray, aged seven years.

The bodies believed to be still in the water are those of Roland Smith, aged five years and Jackie Sutherland, aged six years.

The children were attending a joint picnic at Pinare Park of Trinity and St. John's Anglican Sunday schools of the city, and St. Luke's of Yarmouth Heights, and were having their last ride on the lake before going home.

Another Body Recovered.
St. Thomas, July 7.—The bodies of seven of the eight persons drowned in Pinare Lake have been recovered and a dozen rowboats are searching the waters for the body of Jean Murray, nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Murray, 97 Myrtle street, the only victim not yet recovered. The body of John Alfred Sutherland was brought to shore about two o'clock this morning.

The lake is really a large pond, formed by the damming of a creek and the storage of water by the Michigan Central Railway. There is no current, and the deepest point is not over twenty feet. This morning both shores were lined with people anxiously awaiting the finding of the body of the eighth victim.

Five Drowned in St. Clair.
Sarnia, July 7.—The toll of deaths by drowning in St. Clair river was raised to five in two days by a triple tragedy near Corunna, about six miles from this city last night. The victims were James Falconer, aged sixteen, Margaret Falconer, aged seven, both of Petrolia, and James Bell, aged nine, of River Road. They were out in a row boat and were returning to shore when the boat capsized a few feet from the wharf from some unknown cause. Edith Bell, sister of one of the victims was rescued by Robert Bell, but was unable to rescue any other before they disappeared. The body of Margaret Falconer was recovered, but dragging has so far failed to locate the other two bodies.

The other two fatalities occurred on Sunday when Lloyd and Clifford Andrew, brothers of this city, were drowned while bathing.

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Bogota, Columbia, July 7.—Thirty bodies are reported to have been found after a fire which started early Saturday morning, swept over the City of Manizales, 110 miles northwest of here, and destroyed thirty-two acres of buildings in the centre of the city. The conflagration is under control, but the total death list is unknown. All banks, business houses, hotels, the Bishop's Palace, and the municipal buildings were burned. Search parties are busy among the ruins hunting the missing.

The fire started in a pharmacy where an explosion occurred, and which caused fire to spread to stores of gasoline, petroleum and other inflammable material. Assistance is being given by the Government and by all other parts of the country. The district has been placed under military control.

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Prince Henry Is Mentioned As Lord Byng's Successor

London, July 7.—"Prince Henry, third son of the King, is mentioned in various quarters as a probable successor to Lord Byng as governor-general of Canada," says the Daily Chronicle. Prince Henry has recently shaped up so excellently that some folks say he may become as good a royal ambassador as Prince Arthur of Connaught, the paper declares. His short experience and bachelorhood are the two points against his appointment.

"If the prince goes to Canada, however, it is not likely he will go as an unmarried man," concludes the Chronicle.

COOLIDGE'S SPEECH MEETS CRITICISM

The London Daily News Says Such Talk Does Harm in Europe.

London, July 7.—The Daily News to-day takes issue with President Coolidge's Fourth of July address. Such speeches do not serve the cause of peace and can do no good in the United States, while in Europe they do positive harm, it says, adding:

"The implication in this and similar speeches appears to be that love of peace is almost exclusively an American virtue, and that the enemies distracting Europe have their roots in a savage passion for war in itself."

"These enemies arise from no such thing, but from jealousies and fears from which America is free—if she is free—not owing to her own superior righteousness, but simply through historical and geographical accidents."

"Such speeches are worse than useless. They are either exasperating platitudes or else mean something which can only be guessed at, in which case they simply import an other element of darkness and uncertainty into a situation which is dark enough already."

The Daily Telegraph points out another flaw in United States statesmanship. It assures that the United States government is "insisting sedulously upon immediate reform of the extra territorial rights in China," and argues therefrom:

"Washington has betrayed once more an unwillingness or inability to grasp the larger aspects of the Oriental question. By making this demand at the hazardous moment she (the United States) will assuredly be regarded in Japan as having at last thrown down the glove, for it is obvious that Japan would not merely suffer the most by such modifications, but in the present mood of the Chinese she would be so potentially menaced that, pacific as her intentions are, she would be persuaded by the mere instinct of self-preservation to take immediate action."

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ENDEAVOR TO GET PARTIES INTO TOUCH

The British Labor Situation Is Not Much Brighter.

THE RAILWAY UNION

Will Fight a Return to the "Old Miserable Conditions." Says J. H. Thomas.

London, July 7.—The prospects of a crisis being reached between the miners and mine owners over questions of wages and working hours, and between the railwaymen's unions and the railway companies over the wage question appear no darker today than they did last week, although the outlook is not any brighter.

Miners have turned down flatly the mine owners' proposals embracing a reduction in wages and an increase in the hours of the working day. This obviously leaves it open to the mine owners to submit alternative proposals.

Herbert Smith, the doughty president of the Miners' Federation, anticipates that the mine owners will make another offer to the miners, if his guarded statements at the weekend mean anything.

A. J. Cooke, the bellicose secretary of the Miners' Federation, talks of an epic struggle coming, and then again declares that no word of his shall jeopardize peace.

The Cabinet is discussing the situation as between the miners and mine owners today, but it is certain that for the present Government efforts will be confined to attempts at drawing both sides into effective communication with a view to possible agreement.

Appeals For Support.
The miners' leaders have returned to their various districts to secure a mandate for the federation conference that is to be held next week. In the meantime, the executive of the Miners' Federation is pursuing an appeal for support of the trades union movement generally.

On this point one may not venture any prophecies. The special trades union congress will meet two weeks hence, by which time the whole industrial field may be in a ferment, for then perhaps the railwaymen will know if the railway companies intend to press their proposed five per cent. wage cut, and the engineers will have met their employers to discuss wages.

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A Saskatchewan Merchant Re- ceived \$1,000 Insurance— He Will Face Trial.

Regina, July 7.—Twenty-five years ago the Stinson hardware store and several other business establishments in the town of Manor, Sask., were destroyed by a mysterious fire. Sunday a 70-year-old man walked into the office of the chief of police of Medicine Hat and confessed to a charge of arson. He was Stinson, the owner of the hardware store.

"My conscience has been troubling me since my wife died three years ago," he said, proceeding to detail that in the year 1900 he had collected a bundle of wood chips and scattered them around his store, finally setting them alight and fleeing to his home a few blocks away. He collected \$1,000 insurance.

Stinson has been brought back to Weyburn, Sask., where he will be charged with arson.

DIVORCE STAND BY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Movement to Put It in Same Position as Catholic Church on Re-marriage.

New York, July 7.—A movement to put the Protestant Episcopal Church in the same position as the Roman Catholic Church with regard to divorce and re-marriage during the life time of the husband or wife has been launched by the Sanctity of Marriage Association. This organization has just sent to the general convention of the Episcopal Church a petition to be presented at the triennial convention to be held in New Orleans, La., beginning October 7 and continuing three weeks.

The petition asks that the one provision in the canon by which a divorced person may re-marry be repealed at New Orleans.

At present the canon against the re-marriage of a divorced person states: "This canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce for adultery."

HAYING IN ONTARIO.
Alfalfa Has Saved the Day for Many Farmers.

Toronto, July 7.—Haying is in full swing in the province and in some counties of Western Ontario is practically finished, though intermittent rains in Eastern Ontario have made the making of first class hay a rather difficult task, the report of the Ontario Department of Agriculture, issued yesterday, says. Reports to the department indicate that alfalfa has saved the day for many farmers, as red clover and timothy, in Western Ontario particularly, are quite short. Wheat is ripening fast and indications are for an average crop. Corn is growing nicely, the report remarks.

SENTENCED IN DETROIT.
Found Guilty of Hold-Up — Was Former Deputy Sheriff.

Detroit, Mich., July 7.—Alton E. Browne, native of Thessalon, Ont., was given fifteen to thirty years in Marquette state prison for holding up Ruth Wells, 1545 Sycamore street, and her companion, relieving them of \$15 on December 6th last. He was a deputy sheriff of Wayne county at the time.

Reserved Judgment.
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