

RUSSELL SCOTT WINS LAST FIGHT AND ESCAPES THE GALLOWS

Findlay Station Tragedy Action Over Insurance Ended; Dead Woman's Relatives Receive the Insurance

LAST PARADE OF OLD HOME WEEK GREAT

Princess Street Was Packed With People Thursday Night. CELEBRATION HAS GIVEN THE CITY A NEW SPIRIT. It Was a Real Mardi Gras That the People Witnessed on the Last Night.

Kingston's interest in the parades of Old Home Week never waned. Princess street was packed again with spectators Thursday night when the fourth of these events came down the street with glowing fire-works and the music of bugles and bands. One wondered where so many people came from. There was certainly a large number of visitors in the city, people from the countryside pouring in each day for the Old Home programme, and not the least of the attraction for them was the parade each evening. The parades have been great successes and the enthusiastic manner in which the people of Kingston appreciated them is very complimentary to those who participated. It is not too much to say that there were many citizens who thought old Kingston was incapable of such performances. They have given the city a new spirit. Fun is a good tonic, but they have also drawn the people into a closer and more friendly community and given each and all a new momentum that helps to lift one out of the rut and monotony of "the daily grind." It is to be hoped that such events will not drop back again into the oblivion that has characterized the past score of years. The Kingston Automobile Club, and especially the late Mr. T. M. Asselstine, and Mr. Wightman, the secretary, who took over the latter's work when he became ill, deserve a very great deal of credit for their part in the success. The last procession combined the best parts of the former three, the automobile, foot and float parades, and made a long train of a great variety. In addition there were hundreds of citizens, mostly the younger generation, out in masquerade costumes.

CHICAGO VERDICT IS CALLED DISGRACEFUL

State's Attorney Declares It a Verdict for the Criminal Element. Chicago, Aug. 7.—The finding of the jury that Russell Scott, convicted murderer, was insane, thus placing him beyond the reach of the noose was severely criticized by the state's attorney last night. "It's a shameful and disgraceful verdict," said Assistant State's attorney Harry F. Pritzker. "Scott is no more insane than any man in this room. The verdict is a victory for the criminal element. They can take life and set away with it. The jurors in this case did not know the first principle of law involved. They are too ignorant. Jacob Maurer, father of the youth who was shot down in the drug store hold-up, was disappointed in the verdict. "It's the law," he said, "but I didn't expect justice. My boy is gone. I find no consolation in the verdict." Scott will be taken to Chester asylum to-day.

St. John's Church, Pittsburg, To Be Scene Of Another "Episode" on Sunday Morning

Another episode at St. John's church, Pittsburg, is promised for Sunday morning. Rev. W. M. Fee is announced to be coming down from Picton again, this time armed with legal authority, to take charge of the service on behalf of the Continuing Presbyterian church. Rev. D. T. Lancaster, the present incumbent, states that the proper place to settle the matter is in the courts, not in the pulpit. He intends to stand by his position taken last Sunday and acquire legal authority in the form of an injunction on the part of those seeking to oust him.

NO PROPOSAL FOR UNITING OF RAILWAYS

Denial Made By Hon. G. P. Graham, Railway Minister. CO-OPERATION AIMED AT AND NOT AMALGAMATION. With a View to Reducing the Heavy Expenditure and Preventing Duplication. Ottawa, Aug. 7.—Hon. G. P. Graham, Minister of Railways, to-day emphatically denied that proposals for amalgamation of the Canadian National and the Canadian Pacific were under consideration. "What is being done," said Mr. Graham, "is in line with the statement to parliament when the railway estimates were brought down. I then said that I was going to ask the two railways to get together as much as possible and try to come to some arrangements of co-operation that would include, not only passenger traffic, but an exchange of freight on an equity basis that would prevent duplication. To that end, and with a view to reducing expenditure, we are endeavoring to secure the co-operation of the two lines. What will be the outcome of these proposals, is not known yet, but no scheme of amalgamating the systems has been considered."

OLD HOME WEEK REGISTRATION 3,200

It was announced at the city buildings on Friday morning that the total registration in the Memorial Hall for the Old Home Week celebration had reached 3,200. As a result of the registration, Kingston now has a great Book of Names, and it will form a very valuable addition to the city's records.

Views on Ireland's Tourist Traffic

Dublin Complains, While Ulster Reports the Traffic Greater. Dublin, Aug. 7.—At the Rotary Club in Dublin complaint was made that the tourist traffic, particularly from America, had not reached expectations this year. One member who had returned from America said that he was humiliated there by the questions asked regarding Ireland, by the doubts expressed as to whether the country was safe for travelers, and by the impression that Ireland is in a backward state of civilization, "with pigs in the drawing room."

Former Rugby Player Lays 36,000 Bricks Day

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 7.—Laying 36,000 bricks a day, or approximately three and one-half carloads, James Brown, an Indian and former Carlisle football player, has gained a reputation among workers on a highway near here as being the world's champion bricklayer. So fast does he work that five men are kept busy keeping him supplied with bricks and two others are used to keep the face of the road even ahead of him. He receives \$2 an hour, or \$16 a day.

BONNE ENTENTE HIT.

Quebec Delegation Unable to Go September 8th and 9th. Toronto, Aug. 7.—Hon. George S. Henry announced after a Cabinet council yesterday afternoon that he had received notification from Quebec that representatives of that province would not be able to come to Ontario on September 8th and 9th to return the bonne entente visit of Ontario to that province some time ago. Social engagement and a house party at Government House are given as the chief reasons for being unable to make the dates set aside for that purpose. Mr. Henry intimated that new date might be set to bring the Quebec visitors here during the Royal Winter Fair.

FEELING IS BETTER

Better Prospects in Textile Industry Wage Dispute. London, Aug. 7.—A more reasonable feeling prevails in the textile industries' wages dispute to such an extent that a further meeting has been arranged for to-day when there will be a renewal of the discussion of points of difference. The Yorkshire miners recently voted the textile strikers a thousand pounds and also offered them a six months' loan of five thousand pounds free of interest. It is possible, however, that work may be resumed next week. A thousand Yorkshire textile mills have been idle involving 200,000 workers.

POSTPONES HER ATTEMPT TO SWIM CHANNEL

Boulogne, France, Aug. 7.—Announcement was made this morning that the attempt of Miss Gertrude Ederle to swim the English Channel from the French to the English coast had been postponed until Aug. 17th.

AN INVESTIGATION OF BROWNING ADOPTION

Question of a Divorced Man Being Permitted to Adopt a Girl. New York, Aug. 7.—An investigation by the district attorney of Queens county into the adoption of Mary Louise Spas, young daughter of immigrant parents, by Edward W. Browning, wealthy divorced realtor, was sought yesterday by Commissioner of Public Welfare Coler. The commissioner said the investigation was prompted by charges that Browning had given money to Mary's parents in return for their signing the adoption papers. He added, however, that it was a violation of long-established precedent for a divorced man to be permitted to adopt a child in this city. Mary Louise was the successful applicant for adoption out of 12,000 answers received by Mr. Browning when he advertised for a child to become a companion to 9-year-old Dorothy Sunshine Browning, whom he earlier adopted.

A Hydroplane Kills Two Girl Bathers

Rome, Aug. 7.—Two girls were killed and several other persons were injured when a private aviator, Alfredo Mangiarocchi, flying a hydroplane near Porto Rosa, brought his machine to the water and ran into a group of bathers today.

SAVED FROM DROWNING AT ALEXANDRIA BAY

Youth Tried to Swim a Mile—The Undertoe Wore Him Out. Alexandria Bay, N.Y., Aug. 7.—Jessie J. Scott, aged nineteen, of Palm Beach and Jamestown, Va., was nearly drowned in St. Lawrence bay yesterday after he had boasted to bystanders he could swim one mile from Cornwall's wharf across to Hart Island. The unbelieving bystanders discredited his statement, so he donned his bathing suit, wearing a straw hat and smoking a pipe. Scott started out and got along at a good rate until he was within 325 feet of the island. Peter Savage, immigrant inspector here noticed Scott did not seem to be making headway and Capt. Charles Cernehan, who had just landed at Cornwall's wharf, decided to see if the swimmer needed help. Arriving near Scott, Captain Cernehan offered assistance and was told to go about his own business as Scott was sure he was good for the afternoon.

Strain Broke Him

"Three times this man has been in the death cell, with the gallows and the rope just outside the door. Three times he has been snatched back to life. Could any mind stand the strain of such an experience? Is it reasonable to suppose that this man can be sane?" Scott's experience is comparable to that of a shell-shocked soldier. O'Brien pointed out, by way of introducing the statement that Dr. H. S. Hulber and Dr. James Whitney Hall, defence alienists, are authorities on shell shock. "They are eminent alienists," he said. "They studied this man closely for several days. They tell you he is subject to delusions and insane ideas. What weight can you give the testimony of the state's alienist against such evidence as that?"

British Teachers in Toronto

Toronto, Aug. 7.—Forty-six British educators arrived in Toronto to-day, in two parties, one of twelve from the National Union of Teachers and the other of 34 women from the N. U. Women Teachers.

FOUND INSANE AND WILL GO TO AN ASYLUM

Angry Scenes in Jury Room—Loud and Heated Arguments. SAVAGE ATTACK IS MADE ON THE MENTAL EXPERTS. Jury Out 3 Hours and 40 Minutes—Final Vote 9 to 3 For Insanity Verdict. Chicago, Aug. 7.—Russell Scott yesterday won his last fight to escape the gallows. A jury in the Court of Superior, Judge Joseph B. David, found him insane. He will be committed at once to a state hospital. The jury reached its verdict last evening after deliberating three hours and forty minutes. Its first ballot was reported to have been 7 to 5 for insanity and thereafter the vote gradually swung to the insanity verdict. Scott immediately was committed to the Chester Asylum for the Insane. The jury was reported to have become involved in a heated discussion of the case and did not take its first ballot until an hour after deliberations were started. This ballot was reported to have been 7 to 5 for an insanity verdict, after which loud and angry voices were heard from the jury room. An early verdict was not anticipated, and plans were made to care for the jurors overnight. Two hours after the jury started deliberating, it was reported that four ballots had been taken, the fourth ballot standing 9 to 3 for an insanity verdict.

CLOSING ARGUMENTS

Savage Attack on Snap Judgment of Mental Experts. Chicago, Aug. 7.—Russell Scott's last-minute effort to escape hanging on a plea of insanity was put in the hands of the jury in Judge David's court late in the afternoon. It was 4:25 o'clock when the jurors, instructed by Judge David to consider only whether Scott has become insane since having been locked up to await execution for the murder of Joseph Maurer, left the court room. The closing arguments began after Dr. W. C. Krohn, state's alienist, had testified that he believed Scott sane. Scott's attorney appealed eloquently for a verdict of insanity. William Rittenhouse and Harry Pritzker, deputy prosecutors, argued powerfully for a verdict "that will give this man the punishment that he deserves."

IMMEDIATE RESUMPTION OF MINING IN N.S.

Glouce Bay, N.S., Aug. 7.—Immediate resumption of work in the mines of Cape Breton was made possible by the conclusion of the contract between the British Empire Steel Corporation and its striking workers yesterday. A contract, based on the compromise wage agreement just adopted by both sides, was signed here this morning by representatives of both sides.

MENLOVE COMMITTED

Northwestern Life Director to Be Tried. Winnipeg, Aug. 7.—J. F. C. Menlove, former director of the Northwestern Life Assurance Company, was formally committed for trial by Magistrate Sir Hugh John Macdonald yesterday on a charge of making false statements with intent to defraud. Charges of theft and fraud laid against him were dismissed. Francis O. Maber, another director of the company, charged with Menlove, was remanded one week. R. F. S. McCabe, the remaining director, is still being sought by the police.

ONE BANDIT KILLED AND TWO WOUNDED

"Fastest Gunman on Draw" Was Not Quick Enough for Policeman. New York, Aug. 7.—Policemen matched courage and marksmanship with three bandits yesterday, killing one and sending two, wounded and prisoners to hospitals, where it is believed they will die. Frederick J. Conklin, eighteen years a policeman, made good his boast of two years ago that William Nagle, of 1562 Second avenue, reputed the fastest gunman "on the draw" in this vicinity, would find himself "not fast" enough if they ever met in combat. They met at 81st street and Third avenue, with the first tinge of daylight spreading over the city. Nagle fresh from a hold-up and with some of the alleged loot from the robbery of sixty crap players which he and his two companions had just perpetrated on the fourth floor of 4 West 125th street bulging his pockets. After the hold-up the robbers parted, two starting down town and one remaining in Harlem. Nagle's revolver missed fire, and the policeman's bullet struck him in the head. James McCann, 29, of 405 East 74th street, was struck by Conklin's second bullet as he turned to run while Conklin was having it out with Nagle. The bullet struck him just under the heart, and he died in Flower Hospital half an hour later, pleading with the policeman around him to bring his wife and two children to him before he expired.

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MANY STORMS MAY HIT US NEXT SUMMER

Cycle of Hard Seasons Likely to Begin in 1926. SCIENTISTS THINK THERE MAY BE LITTLE SUNSHINE. Sunspots Are at Maximum—They Will Reach Highest Number and Reduce Sunlight. Ottawa, Aug. 7.—Are 1926 and the two or three years immediately following it going to have very severe winters with little or no summer? This is the question scientists are trying to answer. They state that the likelihood is that next summer, and the two or three summers immediately following it, will be periods of many storms, much rainfall and a minimum of sunshine. Dr. R. E. Delury, assistant director of the Dominion Observatory, states that the reason is that during the next two or three years sunspots will reach a maximum number and the sunlight coming through to the earth will be reduced to a minimum not achieved since about 262 years ago, when the last sunspot maximum was reached. The sunspots, it has been shown by records, have a recurring period of about 11 years, another period of about 60 years, and scientists are convinced, an 11-year cycle is not so serious as the 60 years' one, and that in turn does not attain the proportions of the 262-year cycle. And during the next two or three years' scientists estimate that the 262-year cycle and the 60-year cycle will reach the maximum of their intensity at the same time, producing weather conditions on the earth never before experienced in the known history of man. The present 60-year cycle is the second since 1816, known as the year without a summer; and the 262-year cycle in the past coincides with pestilences, poor crops, little or no summer and other disasters. Six of these 262-year cycles ago, Sir Isaac Newton, about 300 B.C., Chinese astronomers record a great obscuration of the sun in 1372, which is about 45 sun-spot 11-year cycles ago.

AID OF THE MILITARY IS SOUGHT IN WALES

Coal Strike Situation Becomes Desperate—More Serious Riots Feared. London, Aug. 7.—The situation in the Welsh anthracite coal strike became desperate yesterday, when 126 miners and twelve policemen, including an inspector and chief constable, were injured in the riots which began at Ammanford late Wednesday night and continued until the early hours of the morning. An appeal has been made for military aid as further and more serious riots are feared. The police were completely overwhelmed by the 600 strikers, who singing and shouting, threw stones and used sticks and other missiles. Reinforcements arrived, and by repeated baton charges they finally drove the enraged strikers back. Commits Suicide. Swift Current, Sask., Aug. 7.—E. R. Jones, secretary-treasurer of the village of Success, twenty miles north of here, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head.

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