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Dominions Must Defend Themselves ALLEGED MURDERER OF WOMAN WHO WORKED HERE ARRESTED

EDITORIAL

O. S. TO LOCAL POETS

Next Wednesday is Flag Day. The Daily News wants a poem not over twenty lines in length on "Our Flag" which it will print on the front page on that occasion. It should be something that will be an inspiration to our young people, which will tend to arouse their loyalty and patriotism. There will be no reward for such except the reward which comes from the realization of a service to the community. We know of no suitable poem for the occasion, but there are gifted men and women in our community who can write a verse if they will. This is in the order and the verse should be sent to The Daily News office by Friday.

WOULD TRAIN UNIVERSITY MEN IN AIR

Board Submits Draft Plan to College Heads of Canada.

OTTAWA, July 29.—A plan has been drafted for the training of university cadets in the Canadian air force, by which the government is providing a reserve of officers and mechanics in case of war. The draft has been submitted by the Air Board to the heads of the universities in Canada for their consideration. A three months course for a year for three years is proposed.

NORTHCLIFFE BADLY SNUBBED

Refusals to Stay at Embassy and Attend Formal Dinner Is Withdrawn.

WASHINGTON, July 29.—Lord Northcliffe issued a statement yesterday that the invitation to stay at the British Embassy and also to dine formally there has since been withdrawn. He stated that "knowing Lord Northcliffe's methods in India," he feels sure of repeating his words here.

WASHINGTON, July 29.—Viscount Northcliffe publicly states the cancellation of the invitation to the embassy was Lord Northcliffe's doing and adds that he will meet the same people, and at President Harding's dinner Friday.

CAMER VOLANDA SHORE NEIL'S HARBOR LIKELY TOTAL LOSS

SHORE NEIL'S HARBOR, N.S., July 29.—The steamer Volanda, ashore at Neil's Harbor Point en route from Sydney to Montreal, with 100 tons of coal, is expected to be a total loss.

Man Is Arrested for Murder of Former Prince Rupert Woman and Says He Was Not There at Time

VANCOUVER, July 29.—A solution to the mysterious and cold-blooded murder of the former Prince Rupert woman, Mrs. Alma Sampson, aged 35 years, in a room of the Castle Hotel, Granville Street, on the early morning of August 17 of last year, seems to have been brought nearer by the arrest of Edward Metzdriff. The victim came here from Prince Rupert, where she worked for one Fred Saunders in the Empress Cabaret.

This morning in the police court Edward G. Metzdriff, a Russian Jew, born in this country and aged about 25 years, stood in the dock charged with the murder. The hearing was formal, and a remand for one week was requested and granted.

Detectives Imiah and Alex, who have been working on the case since the start, located the accused in Seattle. A monkey wrench, found by the police after the murder, was the clue leading to Metzdriff.

Just after the murder, William Coleman was arrested on suspicion and proved an alibi, thus clearing himself. Coleman was arrested as a material witness and also later freed.

The woman was found on a bed huddled up with blood-stained clothes tucked under a bathrobe, and with evidence of a struggle having taken place. She was the wife of a Great Northern trainman. Jealousy is said to have been the motive in the crime.

Startling Feature.
A startling feature of the latest developments in the case is the police statement that the accused man came here from Seattle a week ago, stayed awhile and returned there and also a week ago there was found in a drawer in the room where the murder was committed, a monkey wrench covered with traces of blood stains and hair, with which the police will claim the murder was committed. Early records of the coroner's inquiry show that undergarments, not belonging to the husband, were found bloodstained under a bath, while the Japanese elevator boy testified that a mysterious man was taken down from the floor where the room is, in the early morning.

Says Was in Rupert.
The accused will attempt to prove an alibi. He says he was in Prince Rupert at the time of the murder. The police here are wiring the Prince Rupert police to check up the statements.

The accused is six feet tall of fine appearance and his correct age is said to be 28 years. The police will try to prove that he put the wrench in a drawer and talked to his foreign compatriots about it afterwards.

SMITHERS WILL GET LIQUOR STORE SOON

A. M. Johnson, Chairman of Liquor Control Board, Makes This Announcement.

A government liquor store is to be established in Smithers and a lease has been taken on the N. P. Moran Building at that place. Archie Johnson, chairman of the Liquor Control Board, has made an announcement to this effect, and a permanent site is now being sought. It is understood that the liquor will be on sale within a fortnight, but no vendor has yet been appointed.

FIFTY MILLIONS FROM INCOMES

Large Tax Collections Out Some Still Escaping Payment and Will Be Rounded Up.

OTTAWA, July 29.—The second installment of the income tax brought in about \$10,000,000 so far as compared with \$39,000,000 from the first installment, the great difference being from the fact that a great many paid the whole sum due at once. In Montreal, 70 per cent of the taxpayers did this. The total amount to be realized is expected will exceed \$50,000,000.

Extensive prosecutions all over the country are about to be instituted by the taxation branch of the Finance Department against those who have failed to make returns of income as provided by the Income Tax Act.

Concealment.
While the number making returns this year is very much greater than before, and with much less suspicion of fraud and concealment, there are thousands who have not complied with the Act at all, and evidently plan to escape the taxation which applies to all with income in excess of the statutory exemption. The department, having returns from employers, has a good idea of those who are assessable and it is not a difficult proposition to check and see if they have made returns. There are others who are not employed by companies or firms, but rather in business for themselves, or living in ease, and it is not hard to get at this class, either.

The prosecutions for false returns initiated last year have had a salutary effect, and have led to a greater accuracy. This year there are comparatively few cases on this score, but a great number who have ignored the law entirely. The penalty is \$25 for each day of default.

BRITISH WIN YACHT RACES

International Race of Much Interest Run off at Isle of Wight Today.

HYDE, Isle of Wight, July 29.—Great Britain today won the International six meter yacht competition for the British-American Cup. The British yachts outscored the Americans in points. Yachting and sailing circles manifested intense interest in the event and preparations had been made for months. The greatest designing skill of both continents had been summoned in the building of the contenders.

PROMOTER PILLSBURY TRYING TO ARRANGE WITH JOHNNY KILBANE

NEW ORLEANS, July 29.—Promoter Pillsbury wired Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion for a decision bout here next fall. Herman is willing to meet Kilbane and is also prepared to again meet Lynch in a title bout, if the ex-champion so desires.

Village Wiped Out by Forest Fires near Sydney, Nova Scotia

SYDNEY, N. S., July 29.—An enormous forest fire swept New Haven, a hamlet of 500 people, destroying everything and driving the inhabitants to take refuge in the sea in order to escape the ravages of the flames. Boats and steamers were at once busy picking up the people from the water, and it is believed all were saved. The heat was intense, and many of the people barely escaped with their lives.

PRESIDENT IS INVITED

Consul A. E. Wakefield Commissioned on Behalf Canadian Club.

American Consul E. A. Wakefield who left on the Prince Rupert last night for a two month's holiday trip in the course of which he will visit Washington, D. C. and New York City, was commissioned by Judge Young, president of the Canadian Club to extend to President Harding and his party, an invitation to visit Prince Rupert and address the club in the course of the proposed trip to Alaska this fall.

Mr. Wakefield will deliver this invitation as well as the invitation from the city council personally to the president. It is felt that a visit here would well be worth the president's while as Prince Rupert is a strategic port in connection with Alaskan business.

BIG LIST OF HALIBUT WAS SOLD TODAY

Eight Carload Lots and Several Smaller Lots Sold Catches.

Eight carloads of halibut and several smaller vessels sold at the Fish Exchange this morning at prices ranging around the 9c mark.

The arrivals and sales were as follows:

Ila, 8000 pounds; Lillian M., 6000 pounds, and Fanny F., 9,000 pounds, sold to the Pacific Fisheries at 9.1c and 5c.

Alaska, 35,000 pounds, sold to the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co., at 8c and 5c.

Tyee, 21,000 pounds, sold to the Pacific Sea Products Association at 8.5c and 5c.

Serious, 11,000 pounds; Director, 7000 pounds, and Queen of Hawaii, 5000 pounds, sold to the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co., at 8c and 5c.

Viking, 14,000 pounds, and Athi, 10,000 pounds, sold to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co., at 9.5c and 5c.

Thelma No. 2, 7000 pounds; Volunteer, 6000 pounds, and Thelma No. 1, 10,000 pounds, sold to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co., at 6.8c and 5c.

Reliance, 10,000 pounds, and Tramp, 14,000 pounds, sold to the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co., at 8.7c and 5c.

Sherman, 22,000 pounds, sold to the Athi Fisheries at 9.1c and 5c.

Wales Island, 10,000 pounds, sold to the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co., at 9.3c and 5c.

Azores, 6000 pounds, sold to the Athi Fisheries at 8.5c and 5c.

Saturn, 8500 pounds, sold to the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co., at 9.1c and 5c.

Hannoe, 10,000 pounds, sold to the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co., at 9c and 5c.

Each Dominion to Defend Own Coast Is Imperial Plan

LONDON, July 29.—While no official statement has been issued, it is understood the conference of Imperial Premiers reached an agreement in regard to a naval policy for the Empire. The conference endorsed the present system whereby each Dominion is responsible for the defense of its own coasts.

Australia at present has a small working navy, whereas Canada has none. Before the Laurier Government went out of power, tenders were called for the building of light cruisers and destroyers, but the Conservative Government at once cancelled the policy of its predecessors and proposed a scheme for contribution to the British navy, which was defeated in the Senate. Since then nothing has been done except to purchase two submarines, which have gone out of commission.

ALL WOMEN WILL VOTE

Kissing the Book Gets Its First Joint as Established Institution.

OTTAWA, July 29.—At the next federal election women throughout all the provinces will be entitled to vote on the same basis and qualifications as men. At the last election some women voted but others were not allowed to do so.

Another change that has taken place is in the administration of oaths. Persons who object to kissing the book do not need to do so, but may affirm.

WELL KNOWN HOCKEY PLAYER IS DIVORCED

Mrs. Sprague Cleghorn Gets Freedom and Substantial Alimony.

TORONTO, July 29.—A special dispatch to the Toronto Globe from New York says that Mrs. Evelyn Cleghorn has been granted a divorce and a \$100 a month alimony from her husband Sprague Cleghorn, of Ottawa, one of the best known hockey players of Canada.

CHARGED THEFT AND ON HUNGER STRIKE IN OKALLA PRISON

KERRISDALE, July 29.—As a result of a hunger strike, Mrs. Patrick Reid, who is in Okalla prison is so weak the prison physician is not prepared to certify that she is able to appear in court to answer to theft charges. Another physician will examine her and report.

HARVEST HELP TO GET FOUR DOLLARS A DAY

EDMONTON, July 29.—It has been arranged that the wages to be paid harvest hands will be four dollars a day. This was decided at a recent convention at Regina. Alberta farmers wanted to make the rate three dollars a day but they were overruled by the farmers from Saskatchewan and Manitoba, who stood out for the four dollar rate.

It is expected that there will be little difficulty in securing sufficient help at the price offered.

DR. ROBINSON MUST LEAVE

Council of Public Instruction Declares Former Superintendent of Education Inefficient.

VICTORIA, July 29.—Dr. Alexander Robinson, formerly superintendent of Education for this province, and for the past year principal of the Victoria High School, was today declared by the Council of Public Instruction to be inefficient "owing to his inability and failure to perform efficiently the duties in respect to discipline and administration" in the Victoria High School.

This means that Dr. Robinson will have to leave, in accordance with the notification given him by the board of school trustees. At a recent meeting of the board he defied them and refused to leave.

FABRICATION SAYS THE KING

Lloyd George Reads Statement Regarding Northcliffe's Interview in Commons.

LONDON, July 29.—Lloyd George in the House of Commons today read a statement authorized by King George declaring in words attributed to the King concerning the Government's Irish policy in a reported interview in the United States by Lord Northcliffe, who controls the London Times, as a "complete fabrication."

VIGOROUSLY WORDED DOCUMENT SENT TO FRENCH GOVERNMENT

LONDON, July 29.—The controversy between the British and French Governments over Silesia has reached an acute stage. The latest British note drafted by Earl Curzon, foreign minister, and endorsed by the cabinet and handed to the French Government here this morning is officially described as a "vigorously worded" document.

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