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NORTHCOTT OPPOSES EXTRADITION GOOD ROADS LEAGUE ENDORSES RUPERT TERRACE ROAD

Northcott Declares Evidence At Riverside in Regard to Murders Frame Up and Will Not Return

**Mother Denies Identity Until Shown Son's Photograph
When She Admits She is the Woman Wanted
by Police**

VANCOUVER, September 21.—Declaring he had been "framed" and will fight extradition to the United States, Gordon Stuart Northcott, charged with murdering several boys on a chicken ranch at Riverside, California, was brought to Vancouver last night and locked in a cell in Okalla prison.

Northcott, who was captured at Vernon Wednesday, was taken to Kamloops where he was taken aboard the train Thursday morning for the coast. At Okalla he readily admitted his identity but did not appear the least concerned.

He reads the newspapers avidly and comments on them. He is especially interested in the accounts of his flight from Vancouver, one police escort declared.

The Los Angeles despatches Northcott characterized as a "frame up." He had little to say following his arrest. His only conversation between Kamloops and Vancouver amounted to "This is right," or "That is wrong," as he eagerly read through the newspapers.

Many hundreds of people were at the depot when the train pulled in to the station shortly after eight last night in an attempt to get a glimpse of the youth but the train pulled up at Heatley Avenue, several blocks from the station, and Northcott was hurriedly removed to a waiting automobile and whisked away to Okalla.

Mother Admits Identity

CALGARY, Sept. 21.—The woman held by the police last night admitted her identity as Mrs. Sarah Louise Northcott, wanted at Riverside, Cal., in connection with several murders there on a chicken ranch. After declaring for 30 hours that she was Mrs. J. Black, a widow and without children, she was shown a picture of her son and told of his arrest and then she quietly said:

"I am Mrs. Northcott." She admitted identity to Sergeant Carruthers and asked as to the welfare of her son.

The police declared the woman to be held here for the U. S. authorities. Knowledge that her son is in the toils at Vancouver and might need her assistance was responsible for the breaking down of the woman's reserve.

LADY BYNG IS LEGATEE OF A RICH RELATIVE

**Greek Merchant Leaves Her Sum
of \$750,000 Pounds in all**

LONDON, Sept. 21.—Lady Byng has been left 750,000 pounds sterling in the will of Pandeli Ralli, a wealthy Greek merchant, who was a relative of hers, says the Evening Standard. Ralli was a romantic figure in English society who died last August, aged 38.

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HON. R. W. BRUHN



President of the Council

QUEEN MARY CHAPTER HOLDS TEA AND SALE

Successful Event Took Place Yesterday Afternoon at Home of Regent, Mrs. D. C. Stuart

A successful tea and sale of home cooking was held yesterday afternoon by Queen Mary Chapter, Imperial Order, Daughters of the Empire, at the home of the regent, Mrs. D. C. Stuart, Hays Block.

Mrs. S. P. McMordie, Mrs. Sheldford Darton, Mrs. D. McD. Hunter and Mrs. J. G. Steen poured, and assisting in serving was Mrs. Thomas Andrew, Mrs. David Thompson, Mrs. James Simpson, Mrs. W. C. Aspinall and Mrs. C. J. Norrington. Mrs. Robert Blance and Mrs. Alonzo Haines were in charge of the home cooking table.

During the afternoon, delightful vocal solos were sung by Mrs. Ernest Anderson, whose accompanist was Mrs. Morris Blott.

RAILWAY PROMOTION IN WESTERN REGION

WINNIPEG, Sept. 21.—Announcement is made today of the promotion of Albert Wilcox, general superintendent of transportation, Canadian National Railways Western Region, to the position of assistant to the general manager. V. I. Smart will succeed to the position of general superintendent of transportation.

WESTERN MISSIONARY DIES AT WINNIPEG

WINNIPEG, Sept. 21.—A romantic figure in the history of the missionaries of Western Canada who served for forty years as a missionary to the Indians in the Quappelle Valley, Rev. Hugh McKay, 84 years of age, died at his home here last night. He was a resident of the west since 1884.

STOCK QUOTATIONS

(Courtesy of S. D. Johnson Co., Ltd.)

The following quotations were bid and asked.

Argenta Rufus 25; 25 1/2.
Bayview 6 3/4; 7.
B. C. Silver 1.35; 1.50.
Big Missouri 49 1/2; 51.
Cork Province 26 3/4; 27 1/2.
Cotton Belt, nil; 68.
Dunwell 11; 14.
Duthie 85; 93.
George Copper 5.25; 5.80.
Georgia River, 36 1/2; 37.
Gladstone, nil; 4.
Goleonda, 80; 85.
Grandview, 39 1/4; 49 1/2.
Independence 14 1/2; 14 3/4.
Indian 5 1/2; 7.
Kootenay Florence 20 1/2; 21.
L. & L. 9 1/2; 10.
Lakeview 1 1/2; nil.
Leky Jim 25; 25 1/4.
Marmot Metals, 8 1/2; 9.
Marmot River Gold 9 1/4; 10.
Mohawk 6 1/4; 6 1/2.
National Silver 4; 15.
Noranda, nil; 51.75.
Pend Oreille 13.75; 13.90.
Porter Idaho 66; 68.
Premier, 2.30; 2.32.
Richmond nil; 4.
Ruth Hope 59; 59 1/2.
Silver Crest 10; 10 1/4.
Silversmith 11; nil.
Slocan King 6 1/4; nil.
Sunlark, 2.00; 2.50.
Snowflake 47; 50.
Terminus, 14 1/2; 16.
Topley Richfield 60; 61.
Toric 2.80; 3.00.
Whitewater 2.00; 2.02.
Woodbine 11; 11 1/4.

Oils

Dalhousie 2.25; 2.30.
Fabyon 11 1/2; 12.
Home, 2.55; 2.59.

WILL CARRY RELIEF SUPPLIES TO INDIES FREE OF ALL CHARGE

MONTREAL, Sept. 21.—Canadians are deeply concerned and immediately interested in the tragic events throughout the storm-swept West Indies because of the strong personal and trade relationship which exists between these countries. Canadian aid for the British Islands affected is now being organized and to assist in this instructions have been issued by the Canadian National Railways and the Canadian National Steamships that all goods destined for relief will be transported free of charge over the lines of the railway and in the vessels of the National system.



INSPECTED THE IRISH FREE STATE GIRL GUIDES: Gen. Sir Robert Baden-Powell, Chief of the Scouts, Lady Baden-Powell, and their son Peter, at Dublin, where the Irish Free State Girl Guides were assembled

Matheson Gets Good Road's League To Back Speeding Up Construction Of Road Prince Rupert To Terrace

D. J. Matheson, who came all the way from Prince Rupert to promote the interests of his city and its 500-mile long hinterland was successful in getting the Good Roads League to ask the government to continue and speed up the road construction between Terrace and Prince Rupert, says the Nelson News reporting the league convention held recently at Trail. The work of connecting up the various hinterland centres was not proceeding too badly. Mr. Matheson admitted, but the coast connection was proceeding with painful slowness. If the work could be speeded up, he figured it might be possible to get the connection in time for use by this generation.

Postmaster General Resents Statement of Minor Employee That Government Lied to Them

**Tells Postmen at Convention he Proposes to Take Action
in Connection With Speech of a Delegate**

OTTAWA, September 21.—"I do not propose to enter into a controversy with a minor employee of the department in regard to salary increases sought by the letter carriers. The same kind of statements were made on the floor of the House. I stand by the replies I made then." This was the statement made by Hon. J. P. Veniot in the convention when charges were made yesterday by R. S. Bull of Ottawa, delegate at the convention of the federated association of letter carriers of Canada at Windsor, Ontario. "If, however, the minutes of the convention bear out newspaper reports, I will take action," Mr. Veniot said.

The Postmaster General did not indicate to what would be the nature of the action.

Mr. Bull's reported statement was: "The postmaster general knew very well that the civil service commission would not give us the raises when he recommended increases to the com-

Young Northcott Tells Story Of How Eluded Police This Province

VANCOUVER, September 21.—It was to shield "poor little mother" from the pain of knowing that her son was charged with monstrous crimes that Gordon Stuart Northcott gave British Columbia one of the most thrilling man hunts in its history, according to a copy-right story in the Vancouver Sun today. Thus Northcott explained to the newspapermen the reason for his flight and bitterly denied being guilty of the Riverside "murder farm" charges.

"Lots of stories are circulated about me," he declared. "They are all untrue. Some people have been suffering from too much imagination and a lot of people will be sorry when this case is cleared up." In order to protect his mother he kept all the information of the charges away from her, even the newspaper accounts, he declared and added: "I was seeking a safe place to leave her and then return alone and fight this thing."

Referring to the charges he declared they had been "trumped up."

Northcott described the capture and excellent treatment given him by the provincial police. After he left the house on Pendrill Street, Vancouver, Sunday night, he motored to Blaine, eluded the customs and guards and returned to Canada again, and again recrossed the line only to return to the Canadian side and then on Tuesday he and his mother were driven north and along the Cariboo trail where he left his mother at Spence's bridge. She proceeded to Calgary by train and Northcott, used an automobile to a point near Princeton where he took the train to West Summerland, boarded the boat there and was later captured.

"The newspapers, especially those in the south," the prisoner declared, "convict a man before he comes to trial. I don't think there should be so much publicity before a man is charged with crimes and comes into court."

PREMIER AND PARTY VISIT P.G.E. LINE

Victoria, Sept. 21.—Premier Tolmie, the entire cabinet and several British Columbia federal members of Parliament left today on a four day tour of the Pacific Great Eastern and the adjacent country.

SISTER OF C. C. MILLS PASSES

C. C. Mills received word today of the death of his sister Miss Mabel Mills at the family home, Pratt, Kansas. She was 53 years of age and was well known in Prince Rupert where she had visited with her brother on at least two occasions. She had been ill for some time.

Miss Mills leaves a mother, Mrs. A. D. Mills, and a sister and brother in Kansas in addition to the brother here.

SHOT HIMSELF FOR A WOMAN

**Vancouver Man Asks That Girl
Be Liberated From Prison As
Not Guilty.**

CALGARY, Sept. 21.—Leaving a note addressed to Magistrate Shaw stating that a girl named Billie Murphy whom the judge had sent to prison for six months at Vancouver was not guilty of the offense charged, T. M. Hudson, 45 years of age of Vancouver, shot himself through the left temple with a .32 calibre automatic pistol at 2.15 Thursday afternoon and died half an hour later in the hospital.

Hudson had apparently been overcome by remorse at the predicament of his girl acquaintance and asked the magistrate to accept the statement as a death bed confession.

The coroner stated that an inquest was not necessary.

VANCOUVER, Sept. 21.—T. M. "Frank" Hudson is stated to have left the rooming house here recently following the sentencing of Mrs. R. J. "Billie" Murphy to six months imprisonment on a charge of theft of a check for \$87. The police state that Hudson was a defence witness for the woman. He left his job as bar tender in a local beer parlor about a month ago.

SALVATION ARMY HEAD IS MOVED

Major Walter L. Carruthers, Divisional Commander, Transferred to Manitoba—Successor Named

Many friends in the city as well as throughout the district will regret to learn that Major Walter L. Carruthers, for the past five years divisional commander of the Salvation Army, with headquarters at Wrangell, has received orders to proceed to Winnipeg to take charge of the Manitoba division. He and Mrs. Carruthers are expected to go south shortly.

Staff Captain Acton, recently in charge of the Winnipeg Citadel, will succeed Major Carruthers. He and Mrs. Acton are now in Vancouver and will come north to take up their new duties after the Congress next month.

A fisheries patrol plane, bound for the Nass River, passed over the harbor, flying high, about 1.30 this afternoon.