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Will Grapple With the War Munitions Problem

Special Drafting Committee of the League of Nations Convened Today at Geneva—Text to be Prepared Will be Submitted to All Governments for Examination—International Conference to be Held in September.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

GENEVA, April 19—A special drafting committee convened today for the purpose of preparing the text of an international convention for the control of the private manufacture of war materials. The text will be based upon resolutions adopted by the League's commission which examined the problem and of which Hugh C. Gibson, United States minister to Switzerland, was a member. As soon as the drafting committee prepares the text it will be submitted to all governments for their examination after which the League expects to convoke an International conference before the September Assembly for the purpose of adopting the convention.

The convention largely will be limited to insuring complete publicity relative to the production and disposition of privately manufactured war material coupled with a convention already launched relative to the control of the international traffic in munition.

A DEATH CAR DRIVER IS HELD ON \$2,000 BAIL

Bangor, Me., April 18—Lewis V. Inman, 40, of Howland, was before the Municipal Court today on a charge of manslaughter, as driver of the car containing four other Lincoln people, which was struck on a grade crossing at Lincoln on Sunday, April 10. One of the occupants, Muriel Prescott, 17, of Howland, was killed and the others injured but not seriously. Inman was held for the Superior Court and furnished \$2,000 bail.

Testimony was introduced to the effect that Inman had several bottles of home brew with him in the car; that there was some drinking in the party which included two girls and a young man besides Miss Prescott and Inman; and that one of the young women collapsed just as the car was approaching the crossing.

Witnesses testified that the locomotive which struck the car had whistled for the crossing, and that its bell was ringing; that the automatic signal on the crossing was working with swinging target bell and lights, and to finding broken bottles in the car.

No defence was offered but witnesses were closely questioned as to the effects of the home brew, as they called it.

100 POUND STURGEON WAS NETTED

Windsor, April 18—Calixte Labute, a fisherman living near Riverside, reports the capture of a 100-pound sturgeon in his nets off Peche Island, in the Detroit River, a day or two ago. The fish netted Labute \$126. Sturgeon steaks worth \$36 were carved from the meat—60 pounds at 60 a pound. Inside the sturgeon was 40 pounds of roe, which, when salted down, will produce \$2.25 a pound as caviar in the New York market. The fish measured more than six feet from nose to tail, according to Labute. Five years ago Labute found a 225-pounder in his nets, which is said by fishermen to be probably the largest sturgeon taken from the Detroit River.

DR. E. O. STEEVES PASSES AWAY AT MONCTON

Moncton, April 18—Dr. Edward Omar Steeves, for many years a well known medical practitioner and pharmacist in Moncton, died suddenly at his home, 155 King street at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Although his health was frail for the past eight years the doctor was out around today as usual and was stricken about half an hour before death ensued. Dr. Steeves was born in Westmorland county, being the only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Allan Steeves. He graduated from the University of New York in 1885 and returned to the Maritimes to practice his profession.

Dr. Steeves is survived by his widow, formerly Miss Mabel C. Gaskin, of this city, as well as by several nephews and nieces.

WOMAN KILLED BY ELEPHANT

Newark, N. J., April 18—An unidentified woman about 50 years old, was trampled to death today when three elephants appearing in an act at a local theatre, broke loose from their trainer. It was reported at the City Hospital that her head and chest were crushed.

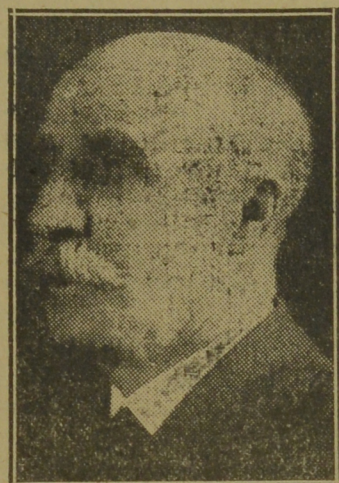
The elephants were recaptured within a few minutes and taken back to the theatre.

Devon Town Election.

The annual town election of Devon took place today and with two full tickets running there was more than usual excitement. Feeling ran particularly high with personal and partizan feeling displayed. A large vote came out during the day.

Appraising the Damage.

The appraising of the loss sustained in Sunday's fire by the Barker House and by R. W. Lindsay, was continued today. Ald. Moses Mitchell and Harry M. Clarke were at work yesterday and today appraising the damage to the building. Appraising of damage to Mr. Lindsay's stock of groceries also was begun today.



HIS HONOR WILLIAM F. TODD Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, from his most recent photograph.

A NUMBER OF BILLS WERE DISPOSED OF

Advance Poll for the Plebiscite on Saint John Harbor Commission.

Committee Room, April 19th, 1927.

The Municipalities Committee met this morning. The bill to authorize the expropriation of private property for fire ward purposes in Lancaster was approved after explanation by G. Earle Logan.

The bill, an act respecting a lieu on Taxes in Woodstock was explained by J. C. Hartley, Town Solicitor and was deferred to be considered in private session.

The bill relating to the Authorization of the City of Moncton to guarantee debentures for the Moncton Hospital was recommended.

The bill to enable Bathurst to issue \$100,000 debentures, for street purposes and to impose a license fee on non-residents working within the town.

Premier Baxter approved of the provision for license fees saying it was the best solution he had seen of the vexed tax question and thought it might contain a limit for Moncton.

The bill provides that a non-resident must pay a license fee to the town the amount not to exceed the amount of poll tax paid by residents. The bill was recommended. Subsequently in private session the Woodstock bill was also recommended.

Premier Baxter announced that he would present to the House a bill providing for an advance poll in connection with the St. John Harbor Commission and also for an alternate manner of marking the ballot either by scoring out or by the use of an "x".

AGED THEORY HAS NOW BEEN EXPLODED

Harrisburg, Pa., April 19—An old theory that a person "sleeps like a log" under normal conditions has been exploded by an exhaustive study on the subject of sleep at the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research at Pittsburgh. Dr. H. M. Johnson told the Pennsylvania Academy of Science in an address at its convention here today.

Dr. Johnson, who conducted a series of experiments in the measurement of sleep with 18 students of the University of Pittsburgh as volunteer subjects, said an analysis of the records showed that each student changed his position on an average of 35 times a night.

The average time of motionless rest, through an ordinary eight-hour sleep, he said, was about 14 minutes.

H. E. Marvey of St. John is registered at the Windsor.

BOUGHT BOOZE AND LET HORSE GO HUNGRY

A Denver Man Flipped a Coin to Decide the Matter.

HORSE LOST OUT FOR A WEEK

Owner Was Given a Suspended Sentence of 90 Days.

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)

Denver Colo., April 19—Every morning William McMahon flipped a coin to decide whether to buy oats or corn for his horse or liquor for himself.

"Heads, liquor; tails, oats" explained McMahon to the police who arrested him on a vagrancy charge after his horse had been found standing tied for thirty-six hours.

"And the horse has not won for a week" he added.

A ninety day sentence was suspended on McMahon's promise to use a double tail coin in the future.

REDRAFTED BILL WILL BE RECOMMENDED

Bill to Harness Petitcodiac Tides Before the Commission This Morning.

Committee Room, April 19th, 1927.

The Corporations Committee resumed consideration of the Petitcodiac Tidal Power Company's bill, which had been redrafted during the Easter recess to carry out suggestions made by Premier Baxter.

Capt. Masters thought the bill as amended was simply an option and not a charter, but it was finally agreed among the promoters that the bill should go through as suggested by the Premier who declared it a charter with a provisional franchise. On motion the name of W. Rupert Turnbull was added as an incorporator and provisional director.

There was an extended discussion as to restrictions of powers regarding export of power from the Province but it was felt that this would be adequately dealt with by the Public Utilities Commission.

Hon. A. J. Leger brought up, the damage that might be caused marsh owners along the Memramcook river by reason of that river being continuously empty. This was provided for by the damage clause.

Hon. Mr. Reilly wanted an amendment to provide for no obstruction to natural tide flow at Moncton and this was agreed to by adopting a proposal of Premier Baxter that there should be no unnecessary obstruction to the flow of tide. The promoters claimed they wanted to get in all the water each tide would give them.

The Committee adjourned till tomorrow morning.

WOODTICKS CAUSED DEATH OF YOUNG CHILD

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)

Boulder, Colo., April 19—Poison injected in her body by two woodticks was blamed by a coroner's jury Monday for the death of two year old Hazel Weidenhaefer.

The ticks were removed from the child's body with chemicals but sufficient poison to cause death already had been injected.

Purdy on Route Soon.

It is the intention to have the motor ship D. J. Purdy I on the Saint John-Federicton route next Monday. The level of the river remains steady with a slight tendency to rise. Heavy rains and warm weather are needed to bring up the level of the streams.

Big Find of Jewelry and Diamonds has Been Made at Leningrad

A Rubber Factory the Hiding Place of a Quantity of Treasure—Was Concealed by the Former Owners When the Bolshevik Revolution Broke Out—The Secret Well Kept by the Janitor.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

LENINGRAD, April 19—A hidden vault of a large rubber factory has been found filled with great quantities of diamonds and jewelry hidden there by the factory's former owners, when the Bolshevik revolution broke out. For ten years the existence of the hords was kept secret by the old janitor, who retained his place as watchman when the factory was taken over from its private owners. He was arrested.

DAMAGE FROM FLOODS ALONG MISSISSIPPI

Memphis, Tenn., April 18—Heavy with the flood waters of two-fifths of the total area of continental United States the Mississippi River and its tributaries hammered incessantly at the levees man has built to reclaim hundreds of square miles of fertile soil.

Throughout their length, man and machine tonight continued to pile on sand bags and construct emergency revetments on the dykes to protect the flood plains extending at an average width of 50 miles from the river ridge built by deposits through the centuries.

Widespread distress and extensive ruin mark the places where the river has overcome its artificial bounds and laid claim to uncounted thousands of acres of land.

Spreading wide over Missouri, Arkansas and Mississippi with lesser areas inundated in Illinois, Kentucky Tennessee and Louisiana the floor has driven an estimated 25,000 persons from their homes and wrought material ruin expected to mount into the millions of dollars. Upward of a dozen lives have been lost in the unequal struggle of man against force.

JORDAN WATER FOR BAPTISM IN MONCTON

Moncton, April 18—The baptismal services in St. John's church on Sunday next, April 24, will be unique in the history of this church, if not in all of the city churches, inasmuch that at the ceremony water from the famous River Jordan in the Holy Land will be used. The water from the river in which Christ was baptized, was brought from Palestine by Miss Alice Milligan, daughter of the late C. J. Milligan, Regional Counsel of the C. N. R. here. Miss Milligan left here over two years ago for Korea, where she was engaged as a teacher of the children of missionaries stationed there. It was on her return home that she visited in the Holy Land, and there secured a jar of the water of Jordan, which she brought safely to Toronto last fall and sent it down here to Rev. J. A. Ramsay a few weeks ago by a friend.

Miss Florence Davidson daughter of Ald. and Mrs. Alex. Davidson who is attending Acadia University spent the Easter Season at her home here.

LIQUOR BILL SOON WILL BE ENACTED

House Resumed This Afternoon After Easter Recess — Delegation of Theatre-men Here Today.

The House of Assembly resumed this afternoon after the Easter recess. The Committees on Municipalities and Corporations were in session this morning. This afternoon the House resumed consideration of bills.

Among the bills for consideration today the most important is the Liquor Bill. The appointment of F. J. Robidoux of Shediac as third member of the Liquor Control Bill is forecasted and with the completion of the Board the remaining sections of the bill probably will be passed. Final disposal of the bill is expected on Wednesday.

The Mining Act and other government and private legislation also are ready for the House. Supplementary estimates also are in the order.

Theatre-men Protest.

The amendment of the Theatre, Cinematograph and Amusement Act to exclude children under the age of fifteen unless accompanied by guardian, has produced a protest from the exhibitors of motion pictures and other amusement men. H. A. Porter of Saint John is counsel for the delegation. Premier Baxter being busy in Corporations Committee this morning was unable to see the delegation but did this afternoon. The exhibitors propose a measure similar to that in Ontario where children are allowed to attend Saturdays and public holidays without guardians the theatres undertaking to maintain order and care for them. From other performances children are excluded.

The delegation was composed of the following:—

H. A. Porter, J. G. Armstrong, A. A. Fielding, T. J. O'Rourke of Saint John; Charles Staples, St. Stephen; Fred B. Winters, Moncton; A. A. Neal, Woodstock; W. W. O. Fenety, L. Ausplund, Fredericton.

ACTION WAS DISMISSED

Halifax, April 18—Mr. Justice Chisholm of the Supreme Court has dismissed the application of the National Trust Company for the winding up of the British Empire Steel Corporation.

E. L. Boulter of Stanley is a guest at the Barker House.