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Girl And Her Sweetheart Murder Her Father

The Girl and Her Law Student Lover Killed Her Father Because He Had Ill-Treated Her For Years.

Special to Mail by B.U.P.)

LENZ, Austria, Dec. 11—A sensational murder, behind which lies a squalid domestic drama reminiscent of a Zola novel, is being tried here.

The accused are Fraulein Friederike Mikesch, a pretty frail girl of 20, and Richard Deinhammer, her sweetheart, a law student, aged 24. They are charged with jointly murdering the girl's father, Franz Mikesch, a 45-year-old school teacher.

The girl's assertion that her father was a pathological drunkard who had tyrannized the whole family has been supported by a number of witnesses. The girl also alleges that ever since she was ten her father terrified her by ill treatment. Her mother, she said, was aware of what was happening but fearing her husband's brutality, remained silent.

Friederike claims that when driven to despair she confided to her sweetheart the horrible details of her home-life.

The young man was horrified and together they decided to kill the father. At first it was decided that Friederike should shoot him, but later they feared that her hand might tremble and it was decided that the shooting should be done by the youth.

The young man then lured the father to a lonely part of the Linz park on June 29 and mortally wounded him with three shots.

The victim, after stumbling a few steps, fell down a bank into a small stream where his daughter, who had been hidden, could see that he was still breathing. She then held his head under water until she was certain he was dead.

The case has aroused enormous interest in Austria, where public sympathy is with the young couple.

It is believed that if the girl's story of her home life is definitely established as true that the couple will be acquitted.

CHRISTMAS TRAVEL TO OLD COUNTRY HEAVY THIS YEAR

Montreal, Dec. 11—This week presents Canadians with their last opportunities of leaving for a European Christmas and the liners that sail from Canadian Maritime ports this week will have on board many of these eleventh hour Christmas travellers.

The last liners from a Canadian port scheduled to reach Great Britain in time to allow its passengers to be at their destinations is the Duchess of Atholl from Halifax on Saturday and Saint John the previous day bound for Glasgow, Belfast and Liverpool. Another Canadian Pacific liner leaves this week. Bound for Havre and Southampton, the Duchess of Richmond is sailing from Saint John on Wednesday and Halifax Thursday.

Passengers aboard The Duchess of Richmond will include: Brig-General Sir Percy Sykes, K.C., I.E., C.B., C.M.G., well-known soldier, traveller, diplomat and administrator; Mr and Mrs. T. A. Climo, Miss Beatrice Climo, D. R. Mulneawson and F. R. Schwob of Montreal; Mrs. J. K. Grassick, G. Deleury, D. V. Hamilton, and G. Roberts, of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brissett, H. Wallis of Winnipeg; Captain and Mrs. W. G. Benn, Miss C. J. Benn, J. Freer and D. MacFadyen of Vancouver.

Voting At City Elections

At the Municipal Convention held in this city a couple of months ago, the question of voting at city, town and county elections was discussed. The opinion was generally expressed that where a business man or property owner had paid a portion of his taxes that he should be allowed to vote at the election for mayor or aldermen, or for municipal councillors as the case may be. The question was brought up by Walter V. Powers, town clerk of Grand Falls. His contention that the qualifications for voting as they at present exist was decidedly unfair, was endorsed by a majority of those present. It was decided to take the matter up at the next Session of the Legislature.

The injustice of the present scheme—and it exists in this city—was illustrated by the fact that many business men, owing to the present economic conditions and to the heavy calls upon them, find themselves with only a portion of their taxes paid. They are, according to the present law, unable to vote.

Here is an instance: It was pointed out that in this city one business man was assessed over two hundred dollars on income, on real estate, and on personal property. This man had paid one hundred and sixty dollars of his two hundred dollars taxes, but because he still owed the forty dollars balance he could not vote in a civic election, if such election were to be held. This same man has a clerk who has no real estate but who was assessed fifteen dollars only on his income and his personal property. The clerk paid the whole fifteen dollars taxes and had his right to vote. The man who employed him had paid one hundred and sixty dollars, or more than ten times as much as the clerk but he had no vote because he had not paid the whole two hundred dollars taxes. The business man had all his property and business interests in the city. He was interested in the city and was doing his best to make it "go." The city's interests were his interests. The clerk did not care how things went. He was not particularly interested and perhaps in another year he would pick up his duds and go some where else. This clerk had a right to say who would be elected to control affairs which might effect adversely or otherwise the business man's property. The business man had no "say" at all in the matter. Is this a fair law? The majority of municipal representatives held that it was not.

This law which is antiquated and which never should have been passed does not apply to this city alone. It applies also to different towns and municipalities throughout the Province. It is decidedly unjust.

It is to be hoped that the Union of Municipalities which has taken the matter up, will act at the next session of the Legislature and have some remedial legislation passed which will do away with such a foolish act, or act relating to these different municipalities.

Why the qualifications for voting in municipal elections are stiffer than they are in Dominion and Provincial elections should be explained.

If a man does not have his taxes paid in full surely the payment of a substantial portion such as mentioned above should entitle him to vote in civic elections.

Perhaps the existence of this law is one of the reasons why there is in this city at least such a lack of interest in civic affairs. There have been in the past good citizens interested in the city and its government who have been compelled to withdraw from civic affairs, even from a seat at the council board because they were temporarily unable to pay all their taxes. Others who would have made good aldermen have been prevented from going into the council for the same reason.

WESTERN DROUGHT SOLUTION SOUGHT

Prairie Premiers Plan Confer At Regina Soon

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 11—Farmers on the Western plains last night looked hopefully toward a permanent agriculture that would withstand the scourge of drought. The problem will be studied by the premiers of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, at a conference to be held at Regina before the new year.

Dominion co-operation in reclaiming dried-out areas of the southern prairies may be definitely relied upon, Premier John Bracken of Manitoba, stated yesterday. Assistance of qualified technical men from the federal department of agriculture were promised by Prime Minister R. B. Bennett to aid in finding a solution to the problem.

At the Regina meeting an effort will be made to work out a uniform plan that will keep the farmer on the land forced out by successive crop failures over a period of 5 years. Recommenda-

SEVENTH TOMB EXPLORER DIES

But One Survivor of Party Which Opened Tut's Burial Place

LONDON, Dec. 11—The "curse of Tutankhamen" whose royal tomb was discovered by Lord Carnarvon and Howard Carter in Egypt in 1922, has claimed another victim, a British journalist, Harold Moynes, The Daily Express reported yesterday.

Following Carnarvon's sudden death in 1923 King Tutankhamen's curse was blamed for the death of seven others, who had helped Howard Carter in the exploration of the tomb.

Moynes, who accompanied Carter in his capacity of journalist, was the fourth member of the expedition to die this year.

Carter is now the lone survivor of the eight persons who discovered the tomb.

ations will be submitted at a joint provincial-Dominion convention to be held later.

EASTERN CANADA LUMBER INTERESTS MEETING TODAY

Hope To Select Joint Representative for the United Kingdom Market Post—Seek Federation at Conference.

MONTREAL, Dec. 11—Representatives of lumber interests in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia are meeting with Quebec's Forest Products' Commission, out of which it is hoped will emerge a federation of Eastern Canada forestry industries and appointment of a representative to the United Kingdom to look after the forestry interests of the three provinces.

The Quebec commission pointed to its 1933 report as the basis on which it was prepared to meet the Maritimers. Part of this report said: "The appointment by the Dominion Government of representatives, fully informed on the properties of our lumber and the possibilities of our forest industry, is necessary in all countries that are large importers of timber in order to secure the lumber trade which we should have and to defend our forest products against the unjust attacks of our competitors."

Hope was expressed Ontario would join with the three other eastern provinces in the matter of appointing a forestry representative in the Old Country.

TWENTY BURNED IN HOTEL FIRE

(Special to The Daily Mail)

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 11—Over twenty persons are believed to have perished in a fatal hotel fire which took place here last night.

N. B. Boy Drowned As Ice Gives Way

MONCTON, N. B., Dec. 11—Twelve-year-old Adelard LeBlanc, Buctouche, met death in the chilling waters of Buctouche River, when he crashed through the ice while attempting to skate across to the other bank. The fatality occurred near the edge of the channel, where the water is deep, and his body has not been recovered. The boy, an orphan, lived with an uncle, Fred LeBlanc. His father was drowned several years ago.

DIED THIS MORNING

Mrs. Charles F. Love, wife of Charles F. Love of Penniac, passed away early this morning after a few month's illness at the Victoria Public Hospital. Mrs. Love was well known and highly respected by everyone and her death, though not unexpected will be learned of with regret. Mrs. Love was born in Benton, Carleton County but had resided in Penniac for the past thirty years. She is survived by her husband, Charles F. Love, one daughter, Helen and one son, Douglas, both at home; two sisters, Mrs. Charles West of Barker's Point, Mrs. Cyrus Lawson of Fredericton; one brother, Henry Foreman of Madison, Maine.

The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon with service at the home at 2 o'clock. Rev. Steadman Smith will conduct the service and interment will be made at the Baptist cemetery, Marysville.

ROTARY CLUB MET

The Rotary club held their weekly luncheon at the Nu-Palms today at 2:30 o'clock with L. S. Morrison in the chair. Past President A. S. McFarlane gave the first lesson in Rotary to two new members. The scheduled speaker, J. A. Ford, president of the Moncton Rotary Club, was not able to be present today, but it is expected that he will be here early in the new year. The club planned a special drive for Christmas Revenue for the good work which they are carrying on.

Premier Bennett And His Record

Spoke At Halifax



RT. HON. R. B. BENNETT,
Who Reviewed Record of His
Government at Halifax Last
Night

SCHOOL TEACHERS SEEK RESTORATION OF 1932 SALARIES

Hold Important Meeting At Saint John—Press Present

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Dec. 11—At a meeting of the Saint John School Board attended by the press and other interested citizens, Principals of Saint John school with the approval and concurrence of all teachers, forwarded a request for a return to the salaries paid in 1932, before any reductions had been made. They asked that the former salaries be effective from January 1, 1935, and the board referred the request to a subsequent meeting when estimates will be considered.

The board accepted as the gift of C. B. Lockhart a medal for the pupil making highest marks in Grade 9 in New Albert School. The winner this year is Miss Ruth M. Robson, Albert Street, West Saint John.

Regret was expressed in the resignation of Miss Laureline G. Ingraham and Miss Gladys Clayton from the teaching staff. "We can scarcely estimate the influence she has had on the young life of the city," said Dr. S. A. Worrell, superintendent of city schools, as he paid tribute to the long and faithful service of Miss Ingraham, whom he described as most loyal and devoted to her duties, Magistrate S. W. Palmer also paid tribute to Miss Ingraham's splendid service. Miss Clayton has been a member of the staff for ten years and her service was commended. She is to be married shortly.

Dr. L. M. Curren, chairman, presided. Others present were Miss Amelia Haley, Magistrate S. W. Palmer, Sheriff H. Colby Smith Charles O. Morris, F. B. Schofield, W. C. Cross, Dr. J. Kerr Higgins, E. R. W. Ingraham, Dr. S. A. Worrell and Miss E. T. Reed, secretary.

The secretary's report showed 9,862 pupils enrolled and 4,668 boys and 4,970 girls, a total of 9,638 listed as "belonging". These not belonging totalled 224 and included: Died, 1, sick 49; at work, 15; left the city, 52; transferred, 68; truants, suspended, one; kept at home, 35. The average daily attendance of those belonging was 93.67 per cent. Teachers made 381 visits to pupils' homes.

The Board of Health reported one case of diphtheria as the only notifiable disease found in homes of school pupils.

Reviews Government's Work In Speech at Halifax—Speech Considered Open Gun of Campaign.

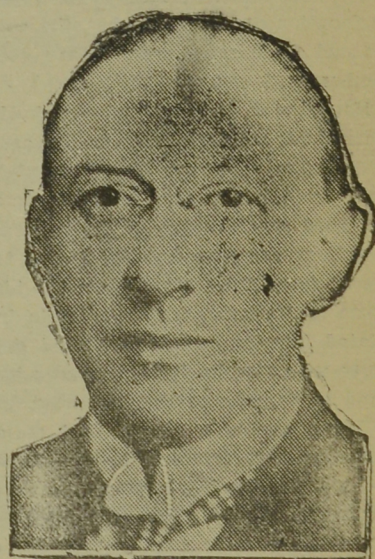
Halifax, N. S., Dec. 11—Legislation providing for unemployment insurance will be introduced at the next session of Parliament, Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett, prime minister of Canada, announced in the course of a challenging address delivered before a great public gathering here last night.

Accompanied by the minister of finance, Hon. E. N. Rhodes, the minister of Marine, Hon. Alfred Duranleau, the leader of the opposition in the Nova Scotia Legislature, Col. the Hon. G. S. Harrington and the sitting Nova Scotia Conservative members of the federal and provincial Parliaments, the prime minister delivered a vigorous rapid-fire defence of his stewardship. He told of the difficulties facing his administration on taking over the reins of office in 1930.

Fenced about with the highest tariff walls in the history of the Dominion, a legacy of the King administration, Canada entered upon the lean years of a world-wide depression. Other legacies left by his predecessors in office included an adverse trade balance of \$100,000,000, "Increased debts and increasing unemployment."

The Great Britain went off the gold standard and still later an emergency arose in the West due to crop failures requiring extraordinary measures of relief. His administration had not faltered. The Ottawa trade agreements had been negotiated to be followed by favorable trading nations of the world, the unfavorable trade balance had been redressed, expenditures had been cut to the bone, export trade had been revived and through it all "Canada met every obligation according to contract. This was a record of which he was proud and of which he felt every Canadian could be proud.

"Someone has said," he declared, "that I am trying to make an issue at the next general election of the Ottawa agreements. Undoubtedly the Ottawa agreements will be an important matter for you to consider. From the many results will flow and it is fair to say that on the one hand you have



HON. E. N. RHODES,
Also a Speaker at Halifax

a record of achievement and on the other hand a record of nine years of promising to do and never doing."

"These agreements," declared the prime minister, "will terminate in July 1937—in the life of the next Parliament—and when you vote in the next Dominion election you will have to say whether Mr. King or this government will deal with their renewal. There are problems of the first magnitude involved. Think what it means to enjoy this preference. Think what it means to lose it."

In social services, as along other lines, the Conservative Party's outlook was a forward one, he said. It was keeping pace with the world's progress.

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