

## 7 CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH

## A WARRANT ISSUES FOR EARL CARSON

Member of British Nobility Will be Arrested.

HE IS NOW AT ELLIS ISLAND

To be Questioned as to His Relations With a Countess.

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

Washington, Feb. 15—A warrant for the arrest of the Earl of Craven was issued by Secretary of Labor Davis this morning.

Robert Carl White, assistant secretary announced the action which was taken in response to the report of Commissioner of Immigration Curran at Ellis Island who desires to question the Earl about his relations with the Countess of Cathcart, ordered deported for "Moral Turpitude."

The warrant was signed by Assistant Secretary of Labor Husband and telegraphed to Curran. It will be turned over to a federal official for service on the earl.

## MEDAL WILL BE PRESENTED TO A LADY BY RADIO

Montreal, Feb. 14—For the first time in the history of the world the official presentation of a medal granted for life saving will be made by radio when next Wednesday night, Feb. 17, at 9.30 o'clock Sir Henry Thornton, chairman and president of the Canadian National Railways, speaking from CNRO, Ottawa, will present the medal of the Royal Humane Society of Canada to Mrs. P. G. Polyblanke, a resident of O'Brien, a small community in the hinterland of Quebec.

In the home of Mrs. Polyblanke at O'Brien a receiving set has been installed and she and the principal residents of the community will be gathered there when the presentation is being made.

## PROHIBITION IN FINLAND IS CONDEMNED

Stockholm, Sweden, Feb. 15—Finland's official prohibition committee appointed in 1922 has issued an interim statement giving replies received from large numbers of police, municipal and judicial authorities and others covering the years 1920-1923. Summarized reports reaching here indicate that many of the replies are unfavorable. They show an increase in drinking, especially among young persons, as compared with the amount before the world war and before the enactment of the prohibition law. Apparently, however, these summaries were prepared with antiprohibition emphasis.

The Finnish social democratic party congress is discussing whether the party should take an active part in the government. A strong section is seeking active participation or complete assumption of government responsibilities. It urges that, while social democracy has greatly increased in Sweden and Denmark, where the party has taken over the reins of government, it has decreased in Finland, where the party abstains from participation in the government.

## A BROOKLYN CHURCH WAS SHY ON COAL

Baptists Had to Make a House to House Collection.

PROMISES WERE NOT KEPT

Morning Service Had to Be Held Around a Gas Range.

(Special to The Daily Mail by British United Press.)  
Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 15—A house to house collection of coal was necessary before the Prospect Park Baptist Church could hold its Sunday evening services.

After coal dealers had repudiated their promises and failed to deliver fuel, the morning services was held around a gas range in the church basement. During the afternoon five men made the rounds of the commissioners and borrowed coal to the extent of 300 pounds.

## PRINCE ALBERT VOTERS GO TO THE POLLS TODAY

Prince Albert, Sask., Feb. 15—The voters of the federal constituency of Prince Albert go to the polls today to choose their representative in the House of Commons.

The candidates are Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, and David Luther Burgess, Independent.

The campaigns on behalf of both were closed Saturday night with meetings in Prince Albert and other centres in the constituency.

Members of the provincial Liberal government, the whole support of which has been behind Premier King's campaign, concluded with a plea for his election as a Liberal and a man who has promised legislation which would benefit the West generally. Mr. Burgess and his chief supporters spoke in Prince Albert. Mr. Burgess, J. J. Maloney, Hamilton, Ont., W. H. Haney, Conservative, M. L. A. of Ontario, J. C. Slater and T. D. Agnew, repeated previous pleas for the election of the independent candidate as a protest against "an attempt to grab the constituency," in the transfer of one man to the other "without consulting the voters."

Large Vote Expected.  
A larger vote than cast in the federal election, October 29, is expected by leaders of both campaigns at that time.

Charley MacDonald, Liberal, who was elected to represent Prince Albert, resigned to permit Premier King defeated in North York, to contest the seat. The vote in the three cornered contest of October 29 was:

Charles MacDonald, Liberal 5,301; J. J. Diefenbaker, Conservative 2,443; Andrew Knox, Progressive 2,607.

This vote represented approximately 80 per cent. of the registered vote of the city and approximately 50 per cent. of the registered vote of the rural polling divisions. The farm population was extremely busy at the time; rains had held up threshing for weeks and fine weather barely preceded polling day.

## SIX CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH

Houghton, Me., Feb. 14—Trapped in a second storey bedroom in a log farm house, six children, aged from 3 to 10 years were burned to death, and the parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Ruthenberger and a four months' old girl, severely burned, early today in a fire at Portage Entry, 16 miles from here.

## Fire Causes Death Of Seven Children At Ladysmith, Wis.

Two Year Old Child Thrown From a Window is All That is Left of the Family of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell—Two Children Perished in the Flames and the Others Died After Being Rescued.

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

LADYSMITH, Wis., Feb. 15—Seven children of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bell, who perished when their little home was burned Saturday were to be buried in a single grave today.

With the death of Raymond, fourteen, yesterday there remained to father and mother, only one child, Thelma May, two, who was thrown from a window of the blazing house to safety.

Blanche, twelve, Mabel, nine, and Audrey, seven, perished in the blaze; Minnie, sixteen, and Walter, four, died Saturday afternoon; Orville, ten died Saturday night and the last boy Raymond, fourteen, died yesterday.

The cause of the fire is as yet unknown, for both father and mother are in a too critical condition to give an account of the disaster.

## DIGNIFIED TOP HATS FADING OUT OF WORLD

Paris, Feb. 15—Top hats, the ancient "stove-pipes" of joke and story are passing away in Paris, to the great discomfiture of would-be arbiters of fashion, but without worrying the hat-ters or tailors. Paris is one of the last great European strongholds of formality to give in before what haberdashers regard as "the American influence" in matters of sartorial ease.

"Men have to wear hats," said a prominent hatter on the boulevards, "but they don't have to wear top hats. The top hat is still worn by Europeans for solemn functions and there is no noticeable falling off in its vogue for such purpose."

"It is due to American influence, however, that the top hat is no longer worn to the theatre, concerts, dances and other evening amusements. Personally, I think it is for the best. Most men look absurd in top hats, anyway."

## MR. J. M. LYONS PASSES AWAY AT MONCTON

Moncton, N. B., Feb. 14—John M. Lyons, general passenger agent of the old Intercolonial Railway, died in the hospital here Saturday evening. He was born in Halifax and was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Lyons of that city. He was born July 1, 1850. Mr. Lyons was ill for over three months and confined to the hospital here during the past three weeks.

John M. Lyons was probably one of the best known railway officials in eastern Canada and the United States, having been in the passenger department of the Intercolonial Railway for 14 years, and for 20 years general passenger agent. He entered the service in 1869 and his first official appointment was as district passenger agent at Riviere du Loup. He retired from the service in June, 1913.

Arrived From Montreal.

Miss Margaret H. Bowlen arrived today from Montreal to spend several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick T. Bowlen, 456 George street.

## EDWARD SEARS EX MAYOR OF ST. JOHN IS DEAD

Saint John, Feb. 15—Edward Sears, 73, postmaster of Saint John from 1909 to 1922; Mayor of this his native city 1898-99, a second period in 1903 and once more by acclamation in 1907; scion of a local Loyalist family that sprang from the Pilgrim Fathers of America; citizen of indefatigable public spirit, man of culture and broad vision, passed away at the home for incurable at 6 o'clock last evening after a protracted illness of paralysis.

In the passing of former Mayor Sears Saint John loses an ingratiating personality, a native son who lavished his time, money and an active mentality in the interests of his home's public interests.

Citizens recall Mr. Sears' patriotic labors during the South African war, tobacco fund activities in the late Great War, leadership in relief measures when Indian town was stricken by fire more than a quarter century ago and an enthusiastic participation in all matters in which the people were generally interested. "Mayor Sears" was a title that always stood for willingness and boyish heartiness when citizenry set out to do something worthwhile in a communal way.

The deceased is survived by a widow, four sons and two daughters.

## SPUD MARKET QUITE ACTIVE

Florenceville, Feb. 14—The potato market continues fairly active, the greater part of the shipments now moving going to Boston. The United States market was 25 cents firmer around the week-end, \$5 a barrel being the average price paid for Green Mountains to the farmers. A fair quantity of stock is being moved across the border, but on account of a glut in the Cuban market, shipments in that direction are very slow. The associated shippers plant sending another steamer from Saint John tomorrow, however.

It is estimated that the total stock now held by both the growers and shippers amounts to about 30 per cent of the crop.

## MINISTERS WILL NOT HAVE TO SEEK REELECTION

Important New Law Being Enacted in England.

SUPPORTED BY PREMIER

Old System Kept Poor Men Out of the Government.

London, Feb. 15—Following close upon a speech by Premier Baldwin emphatically endorsing it, a bill to relieve members of Parliament appointed to Cabinet posts of the necessity of standing for re-election to their seats in Parliament was approved for second reading at this afternoon by the House Committee. The vote was 143 to 74. The probability now is that the bill will be pushed through its remaining stages by the Government.

The significance of the bill lies in the fact that, if the existing law is changed, members of Parliament with slender purses who get Cabinet posts will be on the same footing as rich members. As re-election entails considerable expense, the existing law has badly handicapped poor men, and even prevented them from becoming Cabinet members.

Equal Chance to All

In announcing his support of the motion today, Baldwin said: "At a time like this, when we more and more are trying to draw our members from men of every degree of wealth and posterity in order to help the country, it is hard that one of these should have to spend as much as a year's salary on expenses." The Premier also declared himself in favor of having all Cabinet Ministers paid equal salaries.

Referring further to the necessity that members of the House stand for re-election when they get Cabinet appointments, Baldwin said there had been occasions when members admirably qualified to be Cabinet Ministers had been passed over because there was the fear they might be defeated if they sought re-election to Parliament.

Twofold Result

If the motion now before the House is finally made law, the result will be twofold: poor members need not fear the expense of re-election, and a Premier forming his cabinet need not hesitate about choosing a member of Parliament on the score that the latter's seat in Parliament is insecure and liable to be wrested from him if he should seek re-election.

DIED IN ST. STEPHEN.

Harry Robinson son of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Robinson Died Suddenly.

The death occurred Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Robinson, St. Stephen, of their second son Harry who was stricken by paralysis on Friday from whom he never recovered. The young man was favorably known here as he resided in Marysville for many years, his parents conducting a hotel there for sometime. The deceased was thirty-three years of age. He served with the 26th N. B. Battalion and previously was stationed in Halifax from 1914 to 1916, he was wounded overseas. He is survived by his parents, seven sisters and two brothers: Mrs. E. Hanson, Mrs. Bert Peterson, Mrs. Nehemiah Charters, Mrs. Geo. R. Sloat, Mrs. Guy L. Lamson and Mrs. Hattie McBean. The brothers are Herman and Jack Robinson. The body will be brought here from St. Stephen tomorrow. The funeral will take place from the train to All Saints Church, Marysville, Rev. N. P. Fairweather will conduct the service and interment will be at All Saints Cemetery adjoining the church.

## PICKPOCKET WAS SOME CHURCH GOER

Made a Practice of Robbing Members of Congregation.

ARRESTED AT CHICAGO

The Sum of \$300 Was Found on His Person.

(Special to the DAILY MAIL by the British United Press)

Atlantic, Ga., Feb. 15—George Edwards twenty-one of Chicago, goes to church regularly every Sunday, he has confessed to the police, but not to worship.

Arrested in the act of picking the pocket of A. W. Morris, a member of the congregation revival service here yesterday, the police found \$200 in Edwards pockets and in the lining of his shoes. With the arrest of Edwards the police expressed the belief that they had the leader of a band of nimble fingered crooks who operated among Sunday worshippers.

## EMIGRANTS TO THE COLONIES NOW TRAINED

London, Feb. 14—An emigrants' university recently established at Mundford, Norfolk, to prepare men and women of education, character, physique and financial means for life in British overseas dominions presents a student body which is in strong contrast to most of the immigrants entering the United States, even under the present restricted American policy.

Instead of poverty-stricken and ill-trained immigrants, the British colonies demand the best blood and brawn their mother country has to offer. This demand has resulted in the establishment of the training centre in Norfolk, a certificate from which insures immediate acceptance of an immigrant by the colonial governments. Farms are provided and financial assistance given those who have passed tests for fitness.

## SIX LITTLE ONES PERISH IN FLAMES

(Special to The Daily Mail by British United Press)

Portage Entry, Mich., Feb. 15—Six children ranging in age from two to ten years old were burned to death and their parents and a four months old baby girl seriously burned when fire destroyed the Gottfried Rotherberger farm near here yesterday.

## PRESCRIPTION FOR TIRED FEET IS GIVEN OUT

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

Chicago, Feb. 15—A new prescription for tired feet was given today by the Illinois Association of chiropodists.

"If you get tired of walking because your feet hurt walk some more" is the advice of the chiropodist. "If shoes that fit are worn, walking will relieve tired feet instead of making them ache, the foot specialists said."