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## Madrid Theatre Holocaust Is Now Well Under Control

**Up to an Early Hour This Morning Firemen Were Still Deluging the Building With Water—So Far Forty Seven Bodies Have Been Recovered—1800 People Were in the Theatre When the Fire Broke Out.**

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

MADRID, Sept. 24—At six a.m. today firemen were in control of the fire which swept the Novedades theatre, but they continued to deluge the building with water. Flames were still flickering in some parts of the ancient building where a blaze started last night at the height of the performance. Early reports said forty-seven bodies had been recovered although the authorities say it would be impossible to make an accurate check of the casualties for some time.

All night a crowd besieged the vicinity of the theatre, weeping and pleading with police for information concerning the dead and injured. Eighteen hundred persons were in the theatre and a scream of terror went up as the audience saw flames creeping up around the heavy velvet hangings on the stage where the last act of a comedy was in progress. The spectators rioted and at least three hundred were injured in the mad rush for the exits.

### Death List Heavy

London, Sept. 24—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Madrid today said 63 persons were known to have lost their lives in a fire which swept through the Novedades Theatre there last night.

## BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER IS WELCOMED

**Sir William Clark is Cordially Greeted on His Arrival at the Federal Capital.**

Ottawa, Sept. 23—Sir William Clark—High Commissioner in Canada for His Majesty's Government in Great Britain—arrived in the capital shortly after midnight. As Sir William detrained in the early morning, he was greeted by Hon. Ernest Lapointe acting prime minister, Col. H. W. Snow from Government House, and Frederick W. Field, senior British Trade Commissioner in Canada.

Cordial words of welcome were expressed by Mr. Lapointe to the first High Commissioner for Great Britain to be appointed to the Dominion. Sir William heartily expressed his gratification to be in Canada; and, accompanied by his wife and two daughters, immediately left for the residence recently leased for his use.

At noon, the British High Commissioner was the guest of the Governor-General and Viscountess Willingdon at luncheon at Government House. Tomorrow, he will take over his new duties in temporary offices leased in the heart of the city facing the Parliament Buildings. "The question of erecting a building for permanent offices," Sir William stated, "is one of the matters that will engage my attention in the near future."

New York, Sept. 24—An apple of gold is to be awarded the most perfect show girl. Pulchritude, personality, showmanship, style and general deportment all will count. Simon & Schuster, publishers, are conducting the contest. The committee on selection is John Erskine, Florenz Ziegfeld and J. P. McEvoy.

## ONTARIO WILL KEEP HIGHWAYS OPEN IN WINTER

Toronto, Sept. 23—About 1,200 miles of provincial highway in Ontario will be kept open for motor traffic during the coming winter. That is the mileage provided for by snowplow units, and if weather conditions are as favorable as in the winter of 1927-8, a great many other roads will be passable for most of the season.

The Department laid out for itself last season a job of about 800 miles, with half as much more in the "if possible" category. Good organization and favorable conditions resulted in the whole mileage being snow-cleared, and now 1,200 miles is the basis for operations in the winter of 1928-9. The Department has 11 snowplow units of its own, and arranges for the services of 11 more from prairie truck owners. Each takes care of about 50 miles of highway.

Some complaints have been heard on behalf of farmers who haul by sleigh, and sometimes encounter paved highway on which there is no snow. Scarcely any complaints of this kind came to the department, however, and R. M. Smith, Deputy Minister, points out that the snowplow blades are raised several inches, leaving a layer of snow sufficient for sleighs, but which does not interfere with motor cars. In addition, there is a wide shoulder on provincial highways with plenty of snow. The trouble, where encountered, is evidently due to warm weather melting all the snow on a pavement.

New York, Sept. 24—The latest method of advertising is known as "skycasting." Three thousand feet over Manhattan Ann Pennington sang and a man told of the merits of certain cigarettes. The voices from the plane were amplified 100,000,000 times.

R. F. Sinnott of Moncton is in the city today.

## TWO HUNDRED WHITE RUSSIANS UNDER ARREST

(Special cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Warsaw, Sept. 24—Several hundred persons are under arrest today in connection with an alleged widespread espionage organization of white Russians. The organization is said to cover all of East Poland and to have headquarters at Baranowico.

It is understood that a large number of military documents have been stolen. A non-commissioned officer, who was caught stealing mobilization plans was court martialed and shot.

## DEATH LIST IN FLORIDA CLIMBING UP

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

West Palm Beach, Fla., Sept. 24—A death estimate of 2,200 of whom 1,700 are negroes, was reported early today to Howard Selby, West Palm Beach Red Cross chairman by P. P. Geiger, who had been sent into the Lake Okeechobee district to make a survey of the hurricane toll.

## DEATH TOLL IN FLORIDA IS NOW 1200

**The Entire Population of One Community Wiped Out.**

**TWO HUNDRED BODIES FOUND**  
**Even the Estimate of 1200 Deaths May be Exceeded.**

By G. K. SHEARER.

West Palm Beach, Fla., Sept. 24—Relief workers in the hurricane stricken area of Florida centered their efforts today at Pelican Bay on Lake Okeechobee, where it was feared all the 650 residents of that small fishing and farming community had been drowned. Two hundred bodies were found on Saturday and Sunday scattered along the partially inundated road leading into the village. It was believed all the other residents met a similar fate. With finding of the 200 bodies which were cremated immediately because of their condition. Red Cross relief director A. L. Shafer raised the known toll to 1,200, a figure he admitted was bound to mount.

### TO TAX BACHELORS

Athens, Sept. 24—Greek bachelors are to be taxed to stimulate marriage and increase revenue.

## ATTENDANCE AT THE BIG FAIR RAN AHEAD OF LAST YEAR; SATURDAY WAS A BIG DAY

**Fine Weather For the Closing Day Swelled the Gate Receipts—Live Stock Exhibits Forwarded to Woodstock by Special Train—Exhibitors Well Pleased With the Treatment Received.**

After a very successful and rather strenuous week Fredericton's big annual exhibition was brought to a close at eleven o'clock on Saturday night. The total attendance was ahead of last year which is saying a good deal, considering the fact that all other eastern fairs with the exception of the one held at Charlottetown, showed a falling off in paid admissions. While the weather conditions during the week were fairly good in this city there was rain in other sections of the province, particularly at St. John and St. Stephen which no doubt kept many people at home. Rain here on Monday night was the means of setting back the racing program a day. All things considered, however, there was no cause for serious complaint so far as weather conditions were concerned.

### EXHIBITORS PLEASED

Practically all of the large exhibitors especially those from outside points expressed themselves as being delighted with the treatment received at the hands of the officials. In fact there has not been an exhibition here in recent years where exhibitors had so little cause for complaint. Practically all of the large exhibitors have promised to return next year.

### Directors on the Job

Many of the exhibition directors spent practically their whole time on the grounds and worked together in perfect harmony. In this regard the efforts of Mr. A. C. Fleming, Superintendent of buildings and grounds, Mr. J. A. Cain, who had charge of the lighting arrangements and Mr. W. S. Hooper, director of publicity, and Mr. D. W. Oltz, who had charge of the ticket office, are worthy of special mention.

### A Good Secretary

Mr. Clarence L. Sypher, the new secretary performed his duties in a manner which won for him golden opinions on all sides. Naturally he has been a very busy man during the last month, but all who came in contact with him received nothing but the most courteous treatment. Mr. Sypher had most capable assistants in Messrs. J. A. Lawlor and Abner Belyea of the office staff.

### Exhibits Removed

The work of removing the exhibits

was begun late Saturday night, and by noon today practically everything had disappeared from the buildings and grounds. The C. N. R. ran three special trains loaded with exhibits out of this city yesterday, two to Woodstock over the Valley road and one to Nova Scotia points via McGivney Junction. Mr. Andrew Crookshank, assistant superintendent, gave his personal attention to the shipment of exhibits. The exhibition management are greatly indebted to Mr. Crookshank for the efficient service rendered in connection with the exhibition.

Ben. Williams' midway attractions, which were a big feature of the exhibition, were taken to Woodstock by a special C. P. R. train. Mr. Williams expressed himself as being well satisfied with the week's business, and hopes to be on hand again next year. He says that of all his midway attractions the "Over the Falls" was the best as a revenue producer. As a midway showman Mr. Williams is in a class by himself.

## High Churchmen in The Old Country Have Started a Heresy Hunt

**Lord Halifax and Many Anglican Clergymen Protest to the Bishop of Gloucester Against Dr. Major's Strange Doctrines—Want Him Kept Away From Coming Church Congress.**

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

LONDON, Sept. 24—What is described as a "Heresy Hunt" has been started by Lord Halifax and other high churchmen against Dr. H. D. A. Major, Principal of an Oxford theological college, who is alleged to have denied resurrection of the body. Lord Halifax, with seven hundred clergy has protested to the Bishop of Gloucester against Dr. Major appearing at the forthcoming church congress and thus allowing him "to pervert the gospel publicly".

Dr. Major has repeatedly attacked the book of common prayer for containing what he calls "terrible doctrines such as everlasting torment, depravity of human nature and a divine demand for expiatory atonement." Against this, high churchmen have decided to make a public stand, and the outcome is certain to be further divisions in the Anglican church, whose thirty-five bishops and archbishops are on the eve of a meeting in Lambeth Palace to discuss what is best to be done in view of Parliament's rejection of the prayer book.

## THE C.P.R. BUYS RAILWAY LINES FROM ALBERTA

Toronto, Sept. 23—Faith in the future possibilities of the Peace River district, as a rich agricultural country prompted the Canadian Pacific Railway to purchase the Alberta Government railways, declared E. W. Beatty, K. C., president of the company, last night, in stating expansion of railway facilities in that area would take place.

Mr. Beatty said he would not be content with the purchase of the lines as they stand. The Peace River country was such a tremendous area and its agricultural possibilities were so great that the C. P. R. plans included pushing extensions westward through the fertile belt with the construction of whatever branch lines may be necessary to see that Northern agriculture gets its place in the sun.

The C. P. R. was prepared to face deficits for the next five years, on its newly acquired Alberta lines, and the proposed extensions would mean more deficits. But Mr. Beatty said the railway was building for the future, and his offer to buy the railways reflected his faith in that country.

## SAYS OREGON CARRIED HEAVY LIFE INSURANCE

Mexico City, Sept. 23—The newspaper Le Prensa says that the late president-elect Obregon carried about \$1,000,000 life insurance in various American companies issued by agencies in Los Angeles.

The newspaper says that the companies have indicated they may contest the payments because of the nature of General Obregon's death and that consequently there are likely to be lawsuits in the Los Angeles courts brought by Obregon's heirs.

No confirmation of the story could be obtained in Mexico City.

## STEEL WORK FINISHED ON THE ROYAL YORK

Toronto, Sept. 23—The Union Jack was hoisted over the roof of the latest C. P. R. hotel the Royal York at noon Saturday, thus signifying that the last piece of structural steel had been put into place. The necessary riveting will be finished by the end of the month. In addition there is extra steel construction to go on the Piper street side of the building for a possible extension to take care of an additional 136 rooms.

When the Royal York opens to the public next June it will be fitted with the finest radio and amplifying equipment in the world. Several massive loud speakers will be installed in the convention halls for the transmitting of music and speeches and other rooms will be equipped to take care of any overflow of audience. It will be possible too for guests to tune in not only on the orchestral and organ concerts within the hotel but also on whatever is on the air at the time.

## ENGAGEMENT WILL SOON BE ANNOUNCED

(Special cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Rome, Sept. 24—The engagement of Crown Prince Humbert and Princess Marie Jose of Belgium will probably be announced in about six weeks, the United Press was informed on good authority today.

The announcement it was believed, will be made either on Nov. 1 which is the anniversary of the signing of the Italian-Austrian armistice, or on November 11, the tenth anniversary of the world war armistice.

They have toothpastes now that are pretty good exercise for the gums just pronouncing them.

B. O. Mullins of Sussex is in the city today.