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INQUEST INTO DEATHS OF 77 POSTPONED

Coroner McMahon Declares Only Three or Four of Victims Had Any Right To Be At Picture Show at all.

(Canadian Press)
MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 10.—The inquest into the deaths of seventy-seven victims of the Laurier Palace picture house fire and panic yesterday afternoon, was adjourned until next Thursday, shortly after the hearing opened here today. The proceedings were postponed by order of Coroner McMahon after the hearing of one father as to the identification of his child, and the hearing of Dr. R. Fontaine, morgue autopsist, who told of having examined the bodies of 72 of the victims, all children. Coroner McMahon stated that he wished to have the outcome of the fire commission's inquiry which will open tomorrow, before the coroner's jury would be asked to render a verdict.

Thomas Girard was the first to appear before Coroner McMahon to claim a death certificate for his son Raoul. He stated under oath that his boy, aged 14, had no permission to go to the show. Girard believed his boy went to the show some- times, but did so against his father's will, and in opposition to his orders. The boy went with a 13 year old brother who was saved.

Joseph Heu was then called as the first witness and stated that his ten year old boy Adrien was among the victims. Witness had identified the body at the morgue. Adrien had been accompanied by his eight year old brother, who had been saved and was in hospital.

"Had the children your permission to go to the show?" asked the coroner.
"They had permission to go to another show not that theatre" the witness replied.
The coroner: "Why not that theatre, did you think it was dangerous."
Heu: "Yes, there were not enough exits."
The coroner: "How do you know?"
Heu: "I have been there myself."
Dr. Rosario Fontaine, morgue autopsist, said he had examined 72 bodies during the night. There had been no different causes of death, some had been crushed others suffocated.

The proprietor of the theatre, Ameen Lawand, and three of his staff were released on \$100 bail each pending investigation.

In his preliminary address to the jury Coroner McMahon expressed the opinion that probably not more than three or four of the victims had any right to be admitted to the picture show at all. A provincial law prohibits the admittance of all children under the age of 16 to cinema theatres who are not accom- panied by an adult. "I myself inter- rogated 51 parents overnight," the coroner told the jury men.

"Not more than three or four of the children identified by their parents were accompanied by an adult, as required by law. No I don't believe there were as many as four."

MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 10.—Concerning the catastrophe in the Laurier Palace theatre yesterday, James McIsaac, chief inspector of the fire department, stated that he had taken an action about a year ago against this theatre to force the management to open a blocked exit and that his instructions in that respect had been complied with.

Tourist Revenue

TORONTO, Jan. 10.—Tourists distributed \$50,906,816 in Ontario during the past season according to figures supplied by the publicity department of the Ontario government.

JOINT ACTION IN CASE OF AGGRESSION

Powers Take Steps to Safeguard Foreign Concessions in Shanghai.

(Canadian Press)
PARIS, Jan. 10.—Joint action of the powers to safeguard concessions in Shanghai is now foreseen in French official quarters. The latest reports from the French consul at Shanghai have been rather alarming although no aggression has occurred. It is felt here that the 40,000 inhabitants of the foreign concessions could not evacuate the foreign colony unless a stiff defense was offered in the event of an attack.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—The Sunday Observer's Peking correspondent understands that the powers have agreed to regard as an act of foreign aggression any Chinese war of any threats to the Shanghai concessions.

Socialists Win Eight Seats From Moderates

(Canadian Press)
PARIS, Jan. 10.—Full returns from yesterday's senatorial elections in France show a slight swing to the left, but not sufficient to affect the general political situation of the Poincare government.

Meeting of Ministerial Association Yesterday

The Monthly Meeting of the P. E. I. Ministerial Association was held in Heartz Memorial Hall yesterday. The meeting opened with the prayer of Rev. H. D. Raymond in the chair. A large delegation of ministers attended. After the devotional service, an inspiring address was delivered by Rev. H. B. Boyer, Financial Secretary of the United Baptist Maritime Convention. His spoke on the theme "Undeveloped Resources." The great undeveloped resources in our country are not in our lands, mines, fisheries, forests, etc., but in the lives and characters of our boys and girls. It is the duty and challenge of the church to develop such resources.

After the address luncheon was served in the basement by several ladies of Trinity Church.

The afternoon session was devoted to the discussion of several matters of concern, especially to the Ministerial fraternity. Meeting adjourned at 3 p. m. The next session will be held on the First Monday of February.

with. Questioned as to the last time the Laurier Palace theatre, St. Catherine Street east, had been inspected, Mr. McIsaac said he had several reports regarding the inspections of the Laurier Palace theatre and some of these inspections had been made last December. He had two men on theatres to report cases and take actions.

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DEATH PENALTY FOR PASTOR IS DEMANDED

Dr. J. Frank Norris Faces Trial for Slaying of Dexter E. Chipps, Wealthy Lumberman.

(Canadian Press)
AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 10.—Dr. J. Frank Norris, Baptist pastor and evangelist of Fort Worth, today faced trial in district court here for the slaying of Dexter E. Chipps, wealthy lumberman, who was shot to death on Jan. 15 last. With upwards of two hundred witnesses subpoenaed, and 300 prospective jurors summoned, the state has announced it will ask the death penalty while counsel for Dr. Norris declares the pastor will take the stand to testify he shot Chipps in self defence.

Death Under Strange Circumstances

(Canadian Press)
QUEBEC, Jan. 10.—Word reached here today of the death of Rouyn, Quebec of a man named Niemi under singular circumstances. He was seen by neighbors chasing his wife with an axe in his hand and with blood pouring from wounds which he himself had re- ceived.

County Court Judgments

At an adjourned sitting of the County Court of Queen's County held yesterday forenoon judgments in the suits reserved were given as follows:
Ambrose J. Logan vs. Henry F. Feehan judgment for plaintiff for \$25.00 and costs.
Patrick H. McMillan vs. Bertha Douse, judgment for plaintiff for \$10.35 and costs.
John E. Bombough vs. Samuel Campbell, judgment for plaintiff \$10.00 and costs.
Louisa Dussange vs. Raoul Raymond and another, judgment for plaintiff for \$28.15 and costs.
Ad Vance Windsor Service Corporation vs. Chester A. Campbell, judgment for defendant and costs.
After the disposal of other unfinished business the Court Closed its December term.

Minister Issues Orders for Frost Proof Warehouse

Mr. J. J. Johnston, K. C., received the following telegram from the Minister of Public Works, Ottawa in connection with the proposed frost proof warehouse at Georgetown:
"I have today instructed the chief engineer of the department to wire district engineer W. E. Hyndman as follows: Re frost proof potato warehouse at Georgetown. Kindly consult J. J. Johnston in this matter and let me have report asked for in wire of seventh instant as soon as possible."

(Sgd.) J. C. ELLIOTT

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FLEMMING DENIES MANY OF GOULD'S STATEMENTS

Denies That Gould or Any of His Associates Were Held Up by Him to Enforce Payments of Any Kind in Connection With the Valley Railway Contract.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 10.—Hon. J. K. Flemming, former Premier of New Brunswick and now a member of parliament for Carleton-Victoria made a statement over the long distance telephone this evening from Juniper, N. B., where his lumber mills are located to the Canadian Press correspondent here in answer to statements made by Hon. Arthur R. Gould on the witness stand at Washington before the sub-committee of the United States Senate investigating charges preferred against him by Senator Walsh, (Democrat) of Montana. Mr. Flemming declared Mr. Gould's evidence as "cruel" and "de- ceitful" and that Mr. Clark was "a man of unimpeachable integrity and so denied that he had ever held up or attempted to enforce payments of any kind from Mr. Gould in connection with the St. John Valley Rail- way contract fifteen years ago. He said that the Gould interests had made a campaign fund contribution but declared it was "a contribution and a voluntary one." He denied that he had ever at any time received a single dollar or any larger amount for his own personal use or benefit from Mr. Gould or any of Mr. Gould's associates and he said he would not sign the contract when the contract was signed on December 12th, 1911 and no contribution was made until the following May.

SENSATIONAL INCIDENT IN KING'S CO. NEW YEARS NIGHT

Passenger in Sleigh Shoots at Driver and Misses by Hair's Breadth. Mr. MacKenzie, Victim of the Assault Tells His Story to Guardian Reporter.

The public were informed yesterday through a short report in the Guardian that a man had been shot somewhere near Murray Harbor by another.

Through information received yesterday by the Guardian learned that Mr. Roderick MacKenzie of Alliston Lot 63, was the victim of a shooting on the St. Mary's Road New Year's night when in the process of driving a night caller to Mahar's Corner.

Mr. Wallace Campbell of Alliston Lot 63 was arrested and is now out on \$500 bail, charged with the assault.

Mr. MacKenzie, who arrived on the Murray Harbor train yesterday noon to place the matter in the hands of the proper authorities, in an interview with the Guardian reporter stated that on New Year's night while in the hands of Mahar's Corner, he heard a second rap, on hearing which he got up and began to dress during which he heard a third knock.

LAST LEG OF AIR VOYAGE COMPLETED

Great Welcome For Sir Samuel Hoare and Lady Hoare on Arrival at Delhi, British India.

(Canadian Press)
DELHI, British India, Jan. 10.—A salute was fired when the air liner Hercules made a graceful landing here and Sir Samuel Hoare, British air minister, and Lady Hoare, completed their air voyage from England. The last leg of the long flight was from Jodhpur. Sir Samuel and Lady Hoare left Jodhpur, England, in the Hercules, on December 27th. They completed the 6,300 miles in 63 flying hours.

Monthly Meeting Of City Council

The regular monthly meeting of the City Council was held in the Council Chambers last night with His Worship Mayor Miller, the City Recorder, and all the councillors save one present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The bills certified by the Finance Committee and paid were confirmed and the bills certified by the Finance Committee to be paid were approved of as read.

His Worship then informed the Council that all reports would be held over to a special meeting to be held Tuesday, Jan. 18th.

Dr. Croken, the Meat and Milk Inspector read his report and stated that eight carcasses had to be destroyed as unfit for food.

His Worship asked the committee which was to appear for the Truckmen's Union to speak. Mr. Collier stated as the strike is settled, they have no grievance.

The following resolution prompted by the recent terrible catastrophe in Montreal was submitted by Councillor Yeo and passed.

Resolved: "That the City Engineer be authorized to immediately make an inspection of public buildings, churches, schools, theatres, etc., with respect to exits and fire escapes and to make a report thereon to His Worship the Mayor at an early date.

A resolution to the effect that the tender of the Irwin Printing Co. for printing the City Report for the year 1926 at \$1.30 per page be accepted.

Increase In Ordinary Revenue

(Canadian Press)
OTTAWA, Jan. 10.—At the three quarter mark of the present fiscal year, ordinary revenue of the dominion of Canada shows a fourteen million dollar increase over the corresponding nine months of 1925-26.

SIXTY EARTH SHOCKS SINCE NOVEMBER

Successive Convulsions Have Demoralized the Population of Armenia.

(Canadian Press)
LENINAKAN, Armenia, Jan. 10.—Inhabitants fled from their homes over snow swept plains to the mountainsides for shelter when severe earth shocks lasting nearly a minute, shook the whole of southern Armenia Friday. Sixteen persons are known to have been killed, while nineteen received serious injuries and several others were slightly hurt. There were less violent quakes Saturday.

Revolution In Mexico

(Canadian Press)
EL PASO, Jan. 10.—A state of revolution in Mexico was declared in a manifesto issued here today by elements which have been organizing during the last two months.

Power Boat Burns, Four Men Missing

(Canadian Press)
GLOUCESTER, Mass., Jan. 10.—Whether four men aboard the power boat Little Margaret when it caught fire in Gloucester Bay yesterday reached shore safely remained undetermined early today. Although a report was received here that they landed at Rockport, no trace of them had been found.

The 60 foot craft sank as coast- guardsmen who went to her assistance were attempting to tow her in. No one was aboard when they reached the boat. The Little Margaret caught fire about three miles off Thatcher's Island. The blaze was seen by a man on shore who notified the coastguard.

Resolved: "That the Farmer's Institutes have the use of the Market Building lower floor for the first week in March for the Poultry Show but must not interfere with market days."

The following is the police report for the month of December, 1926:

Arrests for drunkenness	14
Arrests for vagrancy	3
Arrests with warrants	6
Arrests for stealing money	1
Total arrests	24
Subpoenas served	14
Summons served	21
Garnishments served	2
Committees to Jail	10
Parole subjects reported	2
Prohibition searches	17
Searches made for stolen goods	1
In for protection	1
Dogs destroyed by the Police	31
Milk samples collected by the Police	35
Fines collected by the Police	\$262.15

WOMAN, 36; MAN 50; SLAIN BY CHAUFFEUR

Jealousy Was Cause of Double Slaying—Author of Crime Takes Own Life.

(Canadian Press)
WINDSOR, Ont., Jan. 10.—Crazed by jealousy, James Smith, 35, colored chauffeur, last evening shot and killed Mrs. Amelia Buckland, (white) aged 36, with whom he had been boarding in Windsor. After sending two bullets into the left side of Irvine Earl Graves, aged 50, Smith turned the gun on himself the bullet passing through his heart.

When detectives broke their way into Mrs. Buckland's home, they found the bodies of the woman and Smith side by side in the living room. Graves had staggered across the road to the jewelry store of W. Karnadack where he collapsed after asking Karnadack to call the police.

In a small bedroom adjoining the room where the double slaying took place the police found a month old child almost dead from suffocation. The baby the child was in had overturned during the struggle between Smith and Graves, burying the infant occupant under two pillows and clothing.

Retired Journalist Dies in Ottawa

(Special to The Guardian)
OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 10.—A picturesque career ended with the death here Saturday of C. W. Mitchell, aged 84. Mr. Mitchell helped establish the Ottawa Free Press in 1869 and became sole proprietor in 1873. He conducted the paper until he sold out in 1903, when he retired from journalistic work. He was a large property owner in this city at the time of his death.

Theatre Producer Lost His Appeal

(Canadian Press)
NEW YORK, N.Y., Jan. 10.—Earl X Carroll, theatre producer, lost his appeal today from a sentence of a year and a day in Atlanta penitentiary for perjury committed in connection with grand jury investigation of a "bath tub" party in his theatre. The United States circuit court of appeals today affirmed both the verdict of guilty and the sentence imposed by the lower court.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc.

- **Meeting of the S. P. C. A. will be held in the City Building Tuesday evening, Jan. 11th at 7:30 p. m. 3663-1-11-21
- **Monthly meeting of Ladies Aid of P. E. I. Hospital will be held in St. Paul's Parish Hall Wednesday, January 12th, 3 p. m. 3697-1-11-21
- **Annual Meeting—The Annual Meeting of the Orwell Dairying Co. will be held in the Orwell Cove Hall on Tuesday, January 18th, 1927 at 1:30 P. M. F. F. Draelan, Secretary, D. R. McDonald, President. 3668-1-10-31
- **Wanted—Goose and Duck Feathers, not mixed, Henry McFarlane and Co., Furniture Upholsterers, 167 Kent St., next Eldon Hotel. 3563-12-28-27
- **The annual meeting of the Dunstaffnage Creamery will be held in the factory on Wednesday, January 19th at 2 p. m. F. C. Stewart, Secy 3665-1-6-31
- **The annual meeting of the Lake Verde Dairying Co. will be held in the factory, Wednesday, Jan 12th at one p. m. 3634-1-7-31
- **Lessons in Home Nursing will be given by the Red Cross. For information apply 53 Graham St. 3525-1-7-31
- **Announcement—Come and see the three act comedy "The Man from Toronto" at Victoria Hall on Tuesday, January 25th and Central Bodega Hall on Tuesday, February 1st played by the Albany Dramatic Society. 3591-1-11-21
- **The Tracadio Dramatic Club will present the Four Act Comedy Drama, "Lena Rivers" in Tracadio Hall, on Friday evening, January 14th. Ladies please bring picnics. 3695-1-11-21



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Ottawa Financier Talk to England

(Special to The Guardian)
OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 10.—"Empire wireless telephone connects Ottawa with Bridgewater, Somerset, England at noon today. T. Ahearn, well-known Ottawa financier picked up the telephone receiver at his home and "central" informed him that "England desires to speak to you, sir." Immediately he heard the voice of R. N. Vyvyan, engineer in charge of the Marconi Company's long distance communication at Bridgewater. The conversation between the two was most distinct. Mr. Ahearn afterwards spoke to Mr. Mattheu, personal technical representative of Signor Marconi, repairs.

Steamers Collide

(Canadian Press)
LONDON, Jan. 10.—Lloyd's Rotterdam correspondent reports the American steamer Anacanda, outward bound, in collision yesterday with the French steamer Kantai, near Massilis, ten miles west of Rotterdam. Both vessels were damaged and returned to port for repairs.