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A DRAMATIC SCENE IN HALL TRIAL STAGED

Hand of Widow is held up in Court - Lawyer Asks if She Pulled Trigger or Drew Knife That Committed Crime.

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Dec. 3.—Holding the hand of Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall aloft, Clarence E. Case, defense counsel, this afternoon asked members of a Somerset county jury, if they believed she pulled a trigger or wielded a knife to cut her throat.

The drama came unexpectedly in a crowded court room after more than four hours' speechmaking. Case was near the close of his address of three hours and a half. He suddenly left his position directly in front of the jury and moved to stand by the side of the defendants, Mrs. Hall and her brothers, Henry and William Stevens.

"It may not be amiss at the end of this trial," he suggested, "to say as was said at the beginning, 'Jury, look upon the prisoner, prisoner look upon the jurors.'"

The three defendants looked hard at the 12 men who will decide their case. With the tense court room silent, the lawyer stepped to her side and seized and raised Mrs. Hall's hand. Members of the audience leaned forward in their seats and the silence was broken by a murmur sounding like a gasp.

"Are you content that this hand pulled the trigger or drew the knife that committed this crime?" he asked the jury.

"Or this?" he said, slapping Mrs. Stevens on the arm, "or this?" slapping Henry Stevens on the shoulder.

Acquitted of Murder In Hall-Mills Case

(Canadian Press) SOMERVILLE, N. J., Dec. 3.—Mrs. Frances Stevens and her brothers, Henry Stevens and Willie Stevens, were acquitted of the murder of Mrs. Eleanor Mills by a jury here tonight.

The defendants were not on trial for the murder of Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall whose body was found with that of Mrs. Mills under a crab apple tree here four years ago.

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Canadian Horse Won Blue Ribbon

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Canada scored again at the international livestock exhibition yesterday with "Forest Favorite," a Clydesdale stallion, "Forest Favorite," owned by Haggerty and Black stable, of Belle Plaine, Sask., took the blue ribbon in the class, repeating for Canada the victory won last year by the University of Saskatchewan with "Green Meadow Footstep."

Destructive Gale Sweeps North Atlantic

(Canadian Press) BOSTON, Dec. 3.—As the wintry gale that has lashed the north Atlantic for 48 hours moderated tonight, battered ships along the coast line from Newfoundland to Nantucket remained to hear witness to its fury. Two large steamers were aground on the south coast of Newfoundland and the disabled schooners were lying in Massachusetts waters; an unknown boat reported adrift off Nantucket last night had not been found.

Congratulates Ont. Premier

(Canadian Press) BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 3.—Mayor Frank K. Schwab today sent a letter of congratulations to Premier G. Ferguson on his victory in Wednesday's election in Ontario.

Wedding Today at St. James' Church

St. James' Church will be the scene of a happy event at 12.30 noon today when Miss Dora Eleanor Mathieson, daughter of Chief Justice and Mrs. Mathieson of this city will become the bride of Mr. James O. Clare Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Campbell of Summerside.

The ceremony shall be performed by Rev. W. B. Muir, and the bride will be given away by her father. Only the immediate relatives of the happy couple will be in attendance. Professor Watkins will play the wedding march.

Miss Avila Mathieson, sister of the bride will be bridesmaid while Mr. Thorne Campbell, brother of the groom will act as groomsmen.

The bride will wear blue velvet with blue and gold hat to match. She will carry a shower bouquet of cream roses. The bridesmaid will wear rose moire with pink georgette collar and cuffs and hat to match and carry a bouquet of pink roses.

After the ceremony the bridal party will return to the bride's home for luncheon, after which the happy couple will leave on the two o'clock train on a wedding trip to New York and Montreal.

After their return they will reside at Rosebath Apartments, Upper Prince Street.

Fur Buyers Active

Yesterday was a busy day for the silver fox fur buyers, and a great many people were noticed on the streets carrying bundles of pelts which they found a ready market for at spot cash. Messrs. McLure and MacKinnon's place of business was crowded between 11 o'clock and 3 p. m. and both gentlemen were as busy as could be examining and buying pelts, their total purchases running up to nearly \$30,000.

Mr. Roy Pines of New York, who is always welcome here, and who is a good purchaser of silver fox furs, was busy at the office of Dil- lon and Spillit. Everyone is glad to see him back again and bringing additional cash to this province.

The large sums of money which the two firms above mentioned will dispense, should have an excellent effect on business conditions and make an excellent Xmas trade.

CHAPLIN AND WIFE SEPARATE AFTER ROW

Second Wife Takes Her Two Young Children and Leaves the Film Star's Home With No Intention of Returning.

(Canadian Press) LOS ANGELES, Dec. 3.—The second matrimonial ship to be launched by Charles Chaplin is on the rocks, but the motion picture star is making efforts to salvage the wreck.

This first became known yesterday when Mrs. Lita Grey Chaplin made known that she had taken her two children and left the actor's home. She declared she had no intention of returning. She said she and the children had gone to live with her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Curry, of Beverly Hills.

The separation she said, followed a disagreement with Chaplin during a party given in their Beverly Hills home last Monday night in honor of the Baron and Baroness Mille de Precourt, shipboard acquaintances whom she had just returned from Honolulu. She left the forty-room Chaplin mansion the next day, taking her babies with her.

Chaplin expressed surprise at his wife's action. He said he was making reconciliation overtures through mutual friends and hoped his wife would come back. He declined to comment on the details of his marital affairs.

The first intimation of the cause for the separation came from Mrs. Chaplin's grandmother.

"Mrs. Chaplin has left the home of Charles and come to my home to stay. She brought her two youngsters with her and we intend to keep them, too," said Mr. Curry.

"The treatment on the part of Mr. Chaplin brought about the break," Mrs. Curry told me she could not state his treatment any longer," he added.

The white haired grandmother also announced that Mrs. Chaplin's legal affairs had been placed in the hands of George Beebe, his attorney. He indicated that a divorce probably would follow the break, but said no immediate action was contemplated. He added that the comedian's wife most decidedly would fight to retain the custody of her children in the event of a divorce.

Chaplin became acquainted with Lita Grey when she came to his studio as a child actress. He later selected her as leading woman for a feature production.

They were married in November 1924 at Guaymas, Mexican seaport town. The bride said she was 16 years old.

The Chaplins first son was born in June 1925 and was named Charles Spencer Chaplin, Jr. A second son born last March was named Sydney Earle Chaplin.

Chaplin was divorced in 1920 by Mildred Harris, film actress. Subsequently he was engaged to Pola Negri, Polish film star, but the engagement was broken after having existed for almost a year.

Graham to Get Senatorship

(Canadian Press) TORONTO, Dec. 3.—A special despatch from Ottawa to the Toronto Telegram today says: "Hon. George P. Graham will be appointed to the Senate in place of the late Senator Blair."

RAILWAY WAGE DISPUTE HAS BEEN PEACEFULLY SETTLED

Eleventh Hour Negotiations Result in Compromise Agreement Under Which Men Will Get an Increase in Pay, but Which is Less Than the Six Percent Wage Increase Demanded.

(Canadian Press) MONTREAL, Dec. 3.—Announcement that a peaceful settlement has been made on compromise, this providing for varying increases to the men was made here today by the men's leader, S. N. Berry, senior vice president of the Order of Railway Conductors, and H. J. Babcock, Vice President of the Brotherhood of Trainmen, who have been in conference with railway officials here for several days in an endeavour to avert a possible strike of the men if a satisfactory arrangement was not arrived at.

The men demanded a six percent increase to bring them up to the standard rates then existing in the United States. While they have not been successful in getting all they want, S. N. Berry, stated that the men considered acceptance of the railway's offer, though below what they had hoped for, far preferable to proceeding to extreme measures and plunging the country into a strike.

The settlement follows eleventh hour negotiations between the men's leaders and the executives of the railroad, G. W. Heaffey, president of the Canadian Pacific, and Sir Henry Thomson, president of the Canadian National. The reopening of negotiations followed "mediatory measures taken by the Dominion Gov't."

(Special to The Guardian) MONTREAL, Que., Dec. 3.—The threatened railway strike by conductors and trainmen has been averted by a compromise under which the men will get an increase in pay which will not quite come up to what they had demanded. The conference between the executive of the companies and the unions continuing to a late hour yesterday and today a statement was issued, signed by the two vice presidents of the unions setting forth that rather than cause grave dislocation of transportation and in view of the suffering that would result if a strike was called, they had agreed to a compromise.

The official statement by the unions follows: "Late last evening a compromise settlement of the threat of a strike was reached by the presidents of the Canadian railways and representatives of the organizations. The settlement increases the wages of the employees and is by no means what the employees are entitled to. The multiplicity of duties which they are called upon to perform, the fact that the hazards to which they are subjected are greater because of climatic conditions than employees on railways to the south of us, justify demands for higher pay. They are not ungrateful of the calamity and suffering that would have been occasioned if a strike went into effect and out of consideration for the public in general they agreed to the compromise rather than cause a dislocation in transportation services and the serious consequences which would eventually follow a strike at this time."

The representatives of the railroads urge in support of the position the lower freight rates in existence in Canada as compared to the United States the smaller density of traffic and the consequent lower earning power of the Canadian States railroads.

The statement is signed by S. N. Berry, senior vice president Order of Railway Conductors and W. J. Babe, vice president of Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen.

The unions demand was for a six percent wage increase. The amount of the increase finally accepted has not yet been made known.

ASK COOPERATION OF PEOPLE TO COMBAT MENACE TO HEALTH

Rabies Situation Fully Dealt With at Board of Health Meeting Thursday Afternoon. All Dogs Must be Isolated and Muzzled

A meeting of the City Board of Health was held in the Council Chambers Thursday afternoon, when the present outbreak of rabies among dogs in the city was fully and frankly discussed.

The Mayor, chairman of the Board, presided, and in addition to Dr. MacMillan, City Health Officer, Members of the City Council, and the Water Commissioners, who are members of the Board, there were present, Dr. Petthick, District Supervisor of the Health of Animals Branch, Ottawa, Inspector Cavin, of Ottawa, and Dr. Croken, the City's Meat and Milk Inspector, who spoke of the outbreak of the disease in Ottawa and Quebec. It is supposed to have come from American hunting dogs in the Gatineau district, and soon it spread to Ottawa and Montreal. He referred when it was found that rabies actually existed among the dogs in this city, which were taken in Charlottetown, and commended the had gone forth to every dog owner in Charlottetown to have the dogs there with. They were doing everything possible in their power. These measures were more effective than those in force in some other places.

With regard to the muzzling of dogs, Dr. Petthick said it was of great importance to have the proper kind of muzzle. He submitted a sample of what he said was an improved type. This was made of wire and while preventing the animal from biting would not prevent him from drinking water. The wire muzzle was preferable to that mentioned, remarks were also made in part of leather, as there was danger of the leather straps working when wet and the animal

CITY FOOCHOW SURRENDERS TO CANTONESE

(Canadian Press) AMOY, Dec. 3.—The city of Foochow, was handed over to southern forces at 10 o'clock last night. Today the city is bedecked with flags welcoming the incoming Cantonese. The peaceful entrance of the southern forces has relieved the tension that existed among the foreign population. The only fear held now is that concerning the radical student element.

mal getting his nose out. The Doctor explained the regulations of the Health of Animals Branch with respect to such diseases as rabies. The situation here so far was not such as to warrant the province being declared an infected Area when it would pass under the control of the Federal Health Department and fines as heavy as \$50 be imposed for violations of the regulations. He said the civic authorities were handling the situation well.

The action of the police in shooting dogs next came up for consideration, and a resolution submitted by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was read, asking that more humane methods be adopted.

It was pointed out that as measures had to be taken without delay, the methods used would eventually follow a strike at this time.

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Billy Sunday To Run For President

YAKIMA, Wash., Dec. 3.—Billy Sunday, the evangelist, is going to run for President if the Democrats nominate Governor Al Smith of New York, and the Republicans do not name a dry.

Estimates to be Chief Business Of Parliament

(Special to The Guardian) OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 3.—Nobody can get away with this—this is going to be one session. Thus declared Premier J. A. Robb dismissed a rumor that the December meeting of the federal parliament would be made an emergency session involving the payment of an extra honorarium to members of parliament for their attendance during the brief pre-Christmas meeting which begins next Thursday. There has been no change in the plan whereby parliament is asked to meet, elect a speaker, hear the speech from the throne and possibly to vote an address in reply, but chiefly to consider estimates for the public services.

Unable to Float British Steamer

(Canadian Press) SYDNEY, N. S., Dec. 3.—Up to noon today tugs sent to her assistance had been unable to refloat a British steamer Hindustan, 7,500 tons which dragged her anchors and went ashore at Westmont in Sydney Harbor early this morning. Captain Steer, her commander, this morning reported the vessel somewhat damaged by contact with the ground and making water. Last night's furious gale had entirely abated and the ship was no longer in danger.

Threat By Chinese Gov't

(Special to The Guardian) CANTON, Dec. 3.—The South China national government today announced the despatch of a representative note to the British Foreign office in London protesting against the arrest of 14 nationals in the British concession at Tientsin. The 14 were alleged to have been delivered to the military authority at Tientsin and if they were executed the note announced the Canton Government's intention of mandating indemnity from Great Britain.

Socialist Cabinet in Denmark Quits

(Canadian Press) COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Dec. 3.—The Socialist premier T. A. M. Stauning, presented his cabinet's resignation to the King today in consequence of the Liberal and Conservative victory in yesterday's parliamentary elections.

Worst Fall in Half Century On Riviera

NICE, France, Dec. 3.—The famous Riviera where the sun is supposed to shine the year round, is suffering like the rest of Southern France from the worst fall in fifty years. Two and one half inches of rain has fallen in Nice during the past 24 hours. Floods are raging along the coast from Marseilles to Mentone. Portions of fashionable Cannes are inundated. Nearby roads are swirling torrents. A farm wagon yesterday was swept off one of them and its occupants were saved only with much difficulty. Similar conditions prevail at Antibes and La Braque where the plains are vast lakes and roads are impassable. The Rhone River and its tributaries are rising rapidly.

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URGES IMPORTANCE OF NAVAL DEFENCE

Premier Bruce Says Dominions Should Contribute More Freely to Naval Expenditure.

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, Dec. 3.—Urging that the question of naval defence was of primary interest to every Dominion in the empire, Premier Stanley Bruce set forth Australia's position that each unit in the commonwealth of nations ought to play a reasonable part according to population and resources, in protecting seaborne commerce by contributions to naval expenditure. In a speech at the Imperial Conference which was released tonight with several others on the same subject. He pointed out that in the fiscal year 1925-1926 Great Britain's per capita naval expenditure was 600 pence, Canada's 70, New Zealand's 185, South Africa's 30 and Australia's 326.

The other speeches released tonight included those by Premier J. G. Coates, of New Zealand who stated his government's preparations to increase her share of the Naval expenditures burden. By South Africa who declared that the extent of participation in any external war by the Union must depend on the amount of national interest in such war by Premier W. Monroe of Newfoundland who said that men were the only direct contribution his country would be able to make to empire defence, and by the Maharajah of Burdwan, who stated that the necessity for providing for India's local defence burdens would prevent her from contributing to the Singapore base.

Premier Mackenzie King of Canada dealt mainly with dominion defence organization.

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\*\*Don't forget the Cake and Apron Sale at Holman's on Saturday in aid of Spring Park Women's Institute. 3102

\*\*Come to the Bazaar and social in Stanley Bridge Hall, Monday evening, Dec. 6th. If not the following evening. 3119-12-21

\*\*Sole turkey work, Dec. 4th and 5th. Mrs. Walter Brown, 165 Pitt St. High tide this morning at 10.30 royst. 3110

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