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CONFESSED TO KNOWS NOTHING MURDER OF ST. JOHN WOMAN OF PARLEYS ON CHURCH UNION

Youth Admits Guilt
to Clergyman But
Police Deny Re-
port

(Canadian Press)

ST. JOHN, Dec. 31.—That he had told a detective headquarters that Stewart Godwin, the sixteen-year-old mentally deficient youth, who resides at Little River, had confessed that he killed Mrs. Clara Whiteside, who was found slain, in her home at East St. John on Christmas night, was the statement made by Rev. William Lawson, pastor of the Union Church at Little River. Rev. Mr. Lawson said that he and the boy's father, Frank Godwin, had gone to find out why Stewart was being held.

Mr. Godwin, however, said that he had not heard any of the detective's office he said an officer in uniform remarked "Well, the boy seems to be well informed."

On the other hand the detective department denies that any statement to the effect that the boy confessed to killing Mrs. Whiteside had been made by anyone in the department.

Miss Lawson, daughter of the minister, said last week that when her father and the boy's father went to the detective's headquarters they had been informed that the boy had confessed he killed Mrs. Whiteside.

Meanwhile both Godwin and James Gorman, the colored man, are being held for investigation and the detective department will give out no new information on the case.

Rev. Mr. Lawson said he was told in the detective's office that the boy had said he went to Mrs. Whiteside's home for a picture and hit her on the head with a stick.

Hon. L. P. Brodeur May Be Chief Justice

(Canadian Press)

QUEBEC, Dec. 31.—An Ottawa special despatch says Eugene Lafleur, K. C., Montreal, is to be appointed to the Supreme Court to replace Hon. L. P. Brodeur, according to a report in semi official circles. With this report was another that the new judge might become immediately a Chief Justice through the resignation of Sir Louis Davies or that at least he would occupy this post within a few months.

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STORM CENTER IN ENGLAND

(British United Press.)

ROME, Dec. 31.—The Vatican declares that it knows nothing about the reported conversations between the Archbishop of Canterbury and Cardinal Mercier for a reunion of the Anglican and the Roman Catholic churches, except what has been published in the newspapers, and that the conversations, if they really occurred, were entirely private, and their real nature is unknown to the Vatican.

The Holy See's viewpoint on the subject of the reunion of the Christian churches is well known. Under Benedict XV, special delegates were sent from the United States by an organization having this for its object. The Pontiff answered that the Roman Catholic church desired nothing more than a reunion, but since it was non-Catholic, it had separated from the church, it was for them to return to the true fold, where they would be received with open arms.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 31.—Cardinal Mercier fears public discussion may impede the progress of the negotiations for a reunion of the Anglican and Roman Catholic churches and refuses to make any statement with regard to private conferences which the Archbishop of Canterbury recently disclosed had been held at Malines.

Cardinal Mercier says that discussion of the project at this time would be too great a danger of misrepresentation, which he points out is dealing with a most delicate subject. His Secretary, Dean Desart, in making this known, explained further that the Cardinal was not authorized to disclose the proceedings of the conferences.

The Archbishop of Canterbury in a Christmas letter to the dignitaries of the Anglican communion, especially the Anglican and Roman Catholic, as advocated at the famous Lambeth conference in 1920, had made only the smallest reference to the subject. In disclosing that the private conferences had since been held at Malines he said they were initiated by Cardinal Mercier and some few Anglicans with the object of discussing "the outstanding and familiar barriers between the Church of England and the Church of Rome."

He explained that the conferences could not be properly described as negotiations as the Anglicans participating were in no sense delegates of the whole church.

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LEAGUE OF NATIONS IS NOW AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN EUROPEAN RECONSTRUCTION

(United Press)

GENEVA, Dec. 31.—The year just closed marks the definite establishment of the League of Nations as one of the most important factors in world-wide economic reconstruction.

Although the League was founded primarily for the purpose of insuring and maintaining world peace, League members have learned that other fields of activity are absolutely imperative in order to render effective the League.

This depends upon the following situation. First of all, as a result of the last great war in which the leading European nations have been divided and impoverished, it is probably fifty years before the world will be called in to play its great role of peace-maker.

In the second place, even when the world gets back on a normal basis, war threats are not so common as to keep the league busy all the time.

As a consequence, other fields of activity sufficient to warrant the maintenance and effectiveness of the League organization when the moment to prevent war shall come are absolutely imperative.

Two such fields have already been laid down, namely, humanitarian and economic reconstruction.

During the first three years of the League's existence its attention was given largely to the humanitarian work. The conditions following the great war were such that the intervention of some great organization was imperative in order to alleviate human suffering.

The League tackled such problems as the reparations of hundreds of thousands of war prisoners from Russia and other countries; the wiping out of the great epidemics in Central Europe and care of hundreds of thousands of refugees who were thrown out of Asia Minor as a result of the Greco-Turkish war; the rescue and identification of all the American women and children who, as a result of the Turkish deportations of 1915, were separated from their families and scattered in the four winds of the Turkish empire; the launching of treaties regarding the white slave traffic and similar steps towards controlling the production and traffic of opium cocaine and other harmful drugs.

During the first three years of the League's existence all of these humanitarian problems were either disposed of or gotten sufficiently out of the way, so that it became imperative for the League to find other fields of activity in order to maintain its great organization and efficiency, pending the day that it may be called on—possibly fifty years hence—to stay another great European war.

The past year therefore has marked the League's definite launching into the field of European reconstruction.

While it has not yet succeeded in getting into its hands such vital problems as reparations and war debts, it has, nevertheless, demonstrated that probably no better organization for the handling of all such problems exists in the world today than the League of Nations.

In this new field of European reconstruction, the League's greatest achievement of the year is that

(United Press)

of the financial and economic reconstruction of Austria.

In less than a year after tackling the problem, the league had not only demonstrated that Austria could be made a self-supporting state, but had stabilized the latter's currency, started the budget onto a definite path of eventual equilibrium and rendered absolutely certain the financial and economic prosperity of Austria.

The close of the year was also marked by the launching of a similar project under League auspices for the financial and economic reconstruction of Hungary.

Next in importance towards the economic reconstruction of Europe was the taking over by the league of the problem of the definite settlement of over 1,000,000 refugees thrown back into Europe from Asia Minor by the Greco-Turkish war.

These 1,000,000 people, who today have been merely a drain on the charity of Greece and the world at large, the league proposes to render not only self-supporting but actually profitable.

Finally, as a result of its efforts towards disarmament and universal peace, the league was able to register during the past year an actual reduction in armament budgets of the great bulk of the European nations.

The league feels that during the past year it has not only played a great role in the problem of European reconstruction but that it has demonstrated its fitness to handle even great problems.

Having Their
Pictures Taken

There will be another meeting on Saturday, when it is proposed to have the Ministers photographed as a group at the Council table.

This is an important event—a group photograph of the Cabinet has not been taken since 1911. No reason is assigned except that nobody had the heart.

But now the dreadful spell has been lifted and posterity will have a chance to bless Premier King for showing what his Government looked like as a group at the Council table. Grouping at the Council table is about the best thing it has done so far, but presently no doubt it will try to do more.

Meanwhile the shadow shapes that come and go, the transient silhouettes which make up the Government, are to be caught and fixed. Unquestionably the work will be done with an ordinary camera because the Cabinet is largely a study in still life.

The Government will be asked to look it can, remembering the Halifax by-election. The Cabinet Ministers will convey the impression that they are deep thinkers, wearing the wrapt look of philosophers watching for the little bird to light.

We are pleased to note that the photograph is being taken before the next general election. If it is taken after it might appear quite different. We have seen pictures of Daniel before he went into the lions' den with the lions licking their lips in anticipation, but the Old Masters have kept their hands off Daniel after he came out of the lions' den, the reason being that it was a nerve-wracking experience and Daniel showed such a good picture afterwards.—The Standard.

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ESCAPED ASSASSINATION

Crown Prince Hirohito, of Japan, who was fired at by a youthful assassin at the opening of the Japanese parliament Thursday. The windows of the Prince's car were smashed and his companion injured.

INSULIN CURE
GREAT BOON
TO WORLD

(Canadian Press)

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 31.—Insulin, the recently discovered remedy for diabetes, may render to humanity a vastly greater service than that already demonstrated through its curative qualities, and possibly will lead to startling revolutions in the field of medicine.

Dr. J. J. R. McLeod, of the University of Toronto, predicted before the American Association for the Advancement of Science yesterday.

"Insulin places in the hands of the physiologist a new instrument of research. It is like a new instrument in the hands of a surgeon. It provides a key which may serve to open the doors to hidden mysteries of metabolism," the Canadian doctor who is the joint holder of the Nobel Prize in Medicine as a result of his discovery, told the scientists.

Seized Schooner
is Released

(Canadian Press)

LUNenburg, Dec. 31.—The schooner Douglas B. Conrad seized by writ of attachment, December 11th when her skipper, Captain Andrew Gauvreau was arrested on a charge of having taken fifty thousand dollars worth of spirits from the Lucille B. of Weymouth, off Boston some months ago by piratical means, was released by order of the court on Saturday and sailed for St. John's Newfoundland.

Captain Gauvreau's hearing is down for Thursday next.

To Search For
Survivors of
Dixmude

(Canadian Press)

PARIS, Dec. 31.—As soon as the gale off the coast of Sicily abates, French authorities will institute diving operations around the spot where the body of the dirigible Dixmude's commander was picked up, in an effort to determine beyond doubt whether the airship with her fifty men went down in that vicinity or if the commander's body alone fell from the airship there.

PALERMO, Italy, Dec. 31.—Bits of charred wreckage swept in by the sea at Sciacca and along the coast near Palermo have been examined by experts and the conclusion has been reached that the French dirigible Dixmude was destroyed by fire following an explosion.

G. W. V. A. HOLD SOME EVENTS NEW YEAR'S DANCE OF THE YEAR JUST CLOSED

(United Press)

About 400 people were present at a most successful and enjoyable dance given last night in Prince of Wales College Hall under the auspices of the G. W. V. A.

The spacious hall which was artistically decorated and brilliantly lighted presented an appearance truly in keeping with the festive season and was certainly a credit to the designers. The walls and ceiling were draped with the flags of the different Allied countries while distributed about the stage were a number of large spruce trees. From the two highest of these which were set in the background was hung a banner bearing the words "Happy New Year to All." The lighting system was cleverly arranged, a great number of different colored lights being employed which produced a particularly striking effect.

The dance which opened at 9 p. m. was chaperoned by the following ladies: Mrs. Col. D. A. MacKinnon, Mrs. Judge Stewart, Mrs. Parker Hooper and Mrs. Allan Cosh.

The music was furnished by Dixon's Orchestra the members of which were as usual in excellent form.

An unique feature of the affair took place as the clock was striking twelve, a number of horns, bells, etc., were distributed among the dancers, who, using these to excellent effect ushered in the New Year in true old time fashion.

About midnight refreshments were served after which dancing resumed until an early hour. The affair was without doubt one of the most enjoyable held in Charlottetown for a long time and reflects great credit on the splendid executive and get-together spirit which is a characteristic of the Charlottetown G. W. V. A. boys.

ISLANDER WINS
SILVER MEDAL

(United Press)

TORONTO, Dec. 31.—Miss Annie G. MacLennan's work in the typewriting test is now officially accepted and filed showing a net rate of sixty-three words per minute entitling her to the silver medal, the first awarded to any Islander typist.

Congratulations to Miss MacLennan and the Charlottetown Business College.

Miss MacLennan above mentioned previously won the Underwood Bronze Medal with bar for fifty net words per minute in accordance with international rules.

Islander Buys
Flourishing Business

(United Press)

The following clipping from the Bangor News will be of interest here as Mr. MacKenzie is a Charlottetown man:

Frank A. MacKenzie, the genial manager of the West Outlet Camps, on Moosehead Lakes, who has recently come into possession of this popular resort is planning several extensive improvements.

He has recently contracted with E. E. Folsom of Birmingham to install a 110 volt lighting system and a new pumping outfit. The new lighting plant will have a capacity

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Announcements,
Coming Events,
Meetings, Etc

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**Concert in Zion Church Hall
on Thursday, Jan. 3rd.

**The Dundas Dairying Association
will hold its annual meeting
in the Hall at Bridgetown at 2
o'clock on Tuesday, January 5th,
1924. 709-12-31-31

**The postponed Christmas Concert
in Clyde River Presbyterian
Church will be held Wednesday evening,
722-1-1-11.

**Annual Meeting—The New
Wiltshire district L. O. L. Annual
Meeting will be held Tuesday, Jan.
7, 7:42 p. m. in King William
Lodge Room, Kingston, M. E. 8.48 a. m.
New moon Sunday, January 6th,
Summerside tide eighteen later
than Charlottetown.

(United Press)

Jan. 2.—The body of Mr. Jos. G. McLaughlin, of Indian River, was found half a mile from his own door, where he had perished in one of the severest snowstorms of the winter.

Feb. 2.—Plébiscite in favor of prohibiting the importation of liquor for export purposes was carried throughout the Province by a large majority.

March 3.—Mr. Jos. Blanchard, a visitor from Montreal, received fatal injuries in a railway accident while attempting to cross the track at Scotchfort station.

March 20.—Opening of the 4th session of the 39th General Assembly of the Provincial Legislature by His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, with pre-war military ceremony.

March 21.—Abergeats won the N. B. and P. E. I. championship by defeating the Chatham hockey team, 4 to 2, at Chatham.

March 27.—Abergeats retained the Morton-Thompson trophy and won the Maritime Hockey Championship by defeating the Windsor team in the Arena Rink, 4 to 3.

March 31.—Mr. William McKinnon, of Wiltshire, a railway section man, met instant death when caught by train in a deep snow-cutting near Hunter River.

April 26.—Bronze tablet erected by the Women's Auxiliary, P. E. I. Artillery, to the memory of Island Artillerymen who served in the Great War, unveiled in the Provincial Building with fitting ceremony.

April 28.—Complete destruction by fire of the newspaper plant of the Guardian Publishing Company, corner Great George and Kent Sts.

May 2.—Prorogation of the Provincial Legislature.

May 11.—Organization of the Prince Edward Island Motor League at a meeting held in the Board of Trade rooms, Charlottetown.

May 27.—Dedication of the new Presbyterian Church at O'Leary, Rev. Dr. Fringle, ex-Moderator of the General Assembly, being present.

June 3.—\$200,000 fire at Sussex, N. B., caused destruction of twenty buildings.

June 17.—Corner stone of the new Catholic Hospital laid by Bishop O'Leary, a sermon for the occasion being delivered by Archbishop O'Leary of Edmonton.

June 22.—Visit to the Province of members of the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association, representing practically every county in every province of the Dominion.

June 25.—Conservative party in Ontario won sweeping victory over the Drury Government at the polls.

June 17.—First graduation exercises held in connection with the Charlottetown Hospital.

July 8.—Corner stone of the new Catholic Church at Egmont Bay laid by