

HELP THE VICTORY LOAN GO OVER THE TOP

BANDIT TRACED TO MIDHURST, BUT HAS TWELVE-HOUR START

Armed Man Who Robbed Express Car Abandons Automobile Near Camp Borden and Buys C.P.R. Ticket for North Bay—Midhurst Police Chief Dilatory in Notifying the Authorities in Toronto

The Toronto police last night received information that will assist them in tracing the bandit who held up two express messengers as the Buffalo express was leaving the Union Station on Wednesday morning, and made a clean getaway with \$20,000. The motor car which was stolen from Mr. Herbert Ferguson in High Park at the point of a revolver was found at Midhurst, Ontario, at 11 o'clock Wednesday night. Chief of Police Boyce of Midhurst wired to Inspector Kennedy yesterday stating that the car had been found by him a short distance from the C.P.R. station at Midhurst, which is about six miles northeast of Camp Borden, and about the same distance from Barrie.

A small boy was sitting in the motor, when the chief noticed that the license number on the automobile corresponded with that of the one which he had been informed to take possession of if it passed through Midhurst. On Sunday morning the boy, the chief learned that a man had given the boy a dollar to mind the car until he returned.

From the lad Chief Boyce learned that the man had walked from the car over to the station. The P. R. train bound for Sudbury pulled out at 11.15, and whether or not the man boarded it, the chief is unable to say. Further inquiry from the station bound for Sudbury pulled out at 11.15, and whether or not the man boarded it, the chief is unable to say. Further inquiry from the station bound for Sudbury pulled out at 11.15, and whether or not the man boarded it, the chief is unable to say.

HOPES PLAGUE IS ABATING

Medical Health Officer Looks for Reduction in Cases

91 DEATHS REGISTERED

Reports from doctors and nurses all over the city yesterday lead Dr. C. J. Hastings, M.O.H., to hope that the influenza epidemic is abating. "It is almost impossible to say anything definite," said the M.O.H., "but by all indications we may hope that the number of cases is beginning to decrease."

A greater number of deaths from influenza and pneumonia were registered at the City Clerk's office yesterday than the day before, but Dr. Hastings said that the number of deaths might be high for at least a week after the plague started to abate.

During yesterday 62 deaths were registered from influenza, compared with 43 on Wednesday, and 29 attributable to pneumonia, compared with 24 on Wednesday. In addition to 91 deaths from influenza and pneumonia, 15 were registered at the City Clerk's office yesterday, making a total record for the day of 106.

Young People Hard Hit.

A table compiled by the statistics department of the Local Board of Health of the deaths from pneumonia and influenza registered during the first 25 days of October shows that the plague has caused the greatest number of deaths among those between the ages of 20 to 30, and that the most males have died from the disease than females. The table is as follows:

Age of deceased. Flu. Pneumonia. Total.

Under 10	48	57	105
10 to 19	69	24	93
20 to 29	181	114	295
30 to 39	134	59	193
40 to 49	32	14	46
50 to 59	27	14	41
60 to 69	14	6	20
70 to 79	8	4	12
80 and over	2	2	4
Age not stated	2	2	4
Totals	549	254	803

Dangerous to Predict.

The difficulty of making any definite prediction as to whether the peak of the epidemic has passed or not, was instanced in New York, Dr. Hastings stated where the disease has been running for six weeks. Early in the week New York authorities believed the number of cases was decreasing, but on Wednesday the number of deaths was again high.

Dr. Hastings expects to take in patients at the Women's College Hospital this afternoon. If necessary arises the Hotel Mowson is cleaned up, and only needs equipment before it will be ready to receive patients.

Miss E. Dyke, head of the city nursing service, said that yesterday was one of the hardest days experienced during the epidemic. No less than twenty-five of the city nurses are ill, and more calls have been received and more applications made to the Government Bureau than could possibly be answered.

Dr. Hastings intimated that the time had not yet come to relax precautionary measures. The church services next Sunday will be the same as last, and no relaxation of the theatre order is in immediate prospect.

Mr. Henry Rowland, Secretary of the Board of Health, was well on his way to recovery, and was at the



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BECK FLAYS T.E.L. COMPANY

Characterizes His Competitor's Advertising as Utterly Misleading

POWER SHORTAGE FIGHT

Hydro Chairman Denies Toronto Company is Helping Him Out

Sir Adam Beck, Chairman of the Ontario Hydro Electric Power Commission, last night characterized as an utterly misleading allegation the statement made yesterday by the Toronto Electric Light Company in the advertising columns of the newspapers that it is unable to take on new customers because of having to supply 28,500 horsepower to the Hydro Electric Power Commission to meet deficiencies on that system.

"The statements made in the advertising campaign conducted by the Toronto Electric Light Company for the purpose of giving the public the impression that the Hydro Electric Power Commission is responsible for the inability of the Toronto Electric Light Company to take on additional contracts from consumers in Toronto were severely condemned at the meeting of the Commission to-day, at which all of the members were present," Sir Adam said.

"Utterly Misleading Allegation."

In order to support this utterly misleading allegation the statement is made by the company that Federal authorities last November diverted from their customers' use and placed at the disposal of their business competitors the Hydro's 28,500 horsepower, and that the company are assured that all of this power is now being supplied under the Hydro Electric Power Commission's orders to the Hydro Electric Power Commission.

"There is no property in Toronto worth more than \$5,000 a foot based on a depth of 100 feet," declared Mr. Hodgson.

"There are properties which give a handsome revenue, although the assessment is \$10.00 per foot," said Mr. W. F. Ardagh.

The Court reserved decision.

Mr. P. W. Ellis said a strip of land 65 by 400 feet, just east of the city hall, was only worth \$1,000, and that an assessment of \$2,500 was too high.

Mr. Ardagh said he would give \$100 for the property without having seen it. Mr. Ellis said he did not want to sell, but the property had no value for this reason.

The assessment was too high.

Mr. Ellis also appealed against an assessment of \$1,500 on an acre on 25 acres of land lying south of Eglinton street and west of Yonge street, which is also without regular street frontage. Decision in both cases was reserved.

Lt. D'Arcy Prendergast

Promoted to Captain

Word has been received that

Lt. D'Arcy Prendergast, formerly

of 166 Isabella street, has been

promoted to the rank of Captain.

He is 23 years of age, and

after enlisting in March,

1915, got to France with the

same year with the 25th

Regiment. After two months' service with this unit he transferred

as a subaltern to the Imperial

Forces. Captain Prendergast

is an honor student in Medicine and Arts at the University of Toronto before enlisting.

WINS MILITARY MEDAL.

Corp. E. A. Gutaway, at one time

printer in Toronto, has been

wounded in action, and Sergeant

C. M. Gutaway has been awarded

Military Medal for conspicuous

bravery. The two soldiers are sons

of Mr. V. E. Gutaway of Pandash, Ont.,

and have been in the trenches for

over two years. A third son is also

in the trenches, and is with a

battery of the 2nd Battalion, while

Corp. Gutaway is with the First Canadian Machine Gun Company.

IS SERIOUSLY INJURED.

While hurrying across the street

in front of his home at 122 Dundas

street yesterday, Morris Milgrom

was struck down by a motor

lorry. Milgrom received a fractured

skull and was admitted to the General

Hospital, where it was stated

that his injury was of a serious

character.

THREE RINGS GONE.

Shattering a plate-glass window

with a brick, thieves after midnight

on Wednesday, made off with three

pieces of jewelry valued at \$100, from the

store of George E. Holt, 775

Yonge street. Other small pieces of

jewelry of a greater value were left

by the thieves, who were apparently

frightened away by the approach of

pedestrians.

NOTES FROM THE CITY HALL

The Pape avenue car line extension

begins to look like a project for

the distant future. The Ontario

Transport Board some time ago decided

that new steel arriving should be

used to repair existing lines before

the Pape avenue line is commenced.

As yet no new steel has been received.

Through Farmers' securing table

waste from boarding-houses and restaurants

there is a shortage of table

waste to feed the pigs at the Jail

Farm, and the success of the municipal

Anzac "Originals"

Pass Through City

Twenty-three Anzac officers arrived

in Toronto yesterday en route

for home on furlough after serving

nearly four years at the front. Most

of the officers were at one time "wound

and stripes." They left France on

October 6, and are due to return by

next February or March. They visited

Niagara Falls and Buffalo yesterday

and leave to-day for the West. An

other company of Anzac officers

were detained in Quebec on account

of an outbreak of influenza among

them.

LOAN OUTLOOK IS FAVORABLE

Sir Thomas White Confident That Money Will be Raised

SUPPORT THE SOLDIERS

Minister of Finance Optimistic in Address to Campaign Workers

Unbounded confidence pervades the organization that will manage Canada's fifth and largest Victory Loan campaign in the city of Toronto. Ample evidence of this faith was enthusiastically displayed when Sir Thomas White, Minister of Finance, strengthened his optimism in an address to the campaign workers at the King Edward Hotel last evening.

The organization plans for the campaign which will strengthen the hands of Canada's fighting men at this the most crucial time of the whole war, and all the interests which will play a part in the work were present. Appreciation of the support which the people of Canada had given him since the outbreak of war, and the fullest confidence in the outcome of the highest effort yet to be made were voiced by Sir Thomas White, who returned from the Western Front yesterday. His appeal was largely a patriotic one, and while admitting that the business aspect was a strong one, the patriotic one, said, was the strongest.

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