

# MR. CONANT ALSO SUGGESTED THAT

autopsies should be limited to cases where there is a reasonable suspicion of necessity, rather than to satisfy the curiosity of doctors.

"These and many other instances where it might be possible to effect simplification and economy without impairing the administration of the law, would readily occur to anyone," he said.

"In the aggregate they will mean the saving of many tens of thousands of dollars to the already over-burdened taxpayers of the province."

Mr. Conant announced an immediate study with a view to subsequent overhauling of the entire machinery of justice administration. Many of the formalities now connected with it, he said, might be desirable but he is not essential.

## DOUBTS ILL EFFECTS

"I doubt whether the administration of justice or any person charged with an offence would suffer in the least if our grand juries were abolished," Mr. Conant said.

"They have already been discontinued in England, South Africa, British Columbia, Manitoba and Quebec, and they were never established when Alberta and Saskatchewan were constituted."

"With our magistrates alive to their duties and responsibilities in adjudicating before a person is committed for trial, and with our Crown attorneys conscious of the fact that it is not their duty to secure convictions, but rather to see that a man is fairly, fully and properly tried, there is little danger that a man will be unnecessarily or improperly placed upon his trial."

He said a petit jury panel could be increased shortly before opening of the sessions or assizes, if necessary.

## CURB ON INQUESTS

Some inquests are "probably" unnecessary and a closer supervision seems to be required. A maximum of seven persons on a coroner's jury, "and perhaps even five," would be sufficient, he added.

Administration of justice costs Ontario approximately \$9,000,000 a year at the present time, and the counties approximately \$200,000, he said. He deplored a growing tendency in all counties to let provincial police do work intended for county and municipal police.

"The provincial police force was never intended for that purpose," he said. "With respect to compensation of county police, that is in the hands of county councils. If the fee system of compensation is not satisfactory, there is nothing to prevent county councils enlarging and paying county police on a salary basis."

## WAR ON FATALITIES

TORONTO, Nov. 26.—Attorney-General Gordon Conant of Ontario said yesterday that every possible means towards accomplishing a reduction of motor fatalities would be explored by his department and the government generally. He said there was no reason why Ontario should have a greater toll than many parts of the United States.

"Any persons in my position, responsible for law enforcement and for the maintenance of law and order should, first, be much concerned in not alarmed at the present situation," Mr. Conant said. "The large number of accidents and the numbers killed this year require the closest scrutiny and consideration of possible remedial measures."

"We seem to be lagging behind in comparison with many of the states across the line. They have succeeded in reducing their accidents and fatalities substantially."

## THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

The days are blossoms  
Time puts forth.  
Short-lived they are,  
though fair to see.  
But each for seed  
bears some great deed  
That grows through  
all eternity.



# Floods Cause Ruin

TOKIO, Nov. 26.—Recent floods in North Korea caused 1,300 deaths, and injuries to 666, while 346 were reported missing. 6,413 houses were washed away, 2,388 were overturned, 3,776 partly demolished and 42,315 subjected, according to an official report.

# Reich in check

"The only method by which Britain can hope to avoid war and yet retain her political independence is to effect reconstruction of the League, which instrument she criminally neglected. Through the League Britain must seek to form peace alliances which she would assuredly seek in time of war."

# DOUBLE KNOCKOUT

CAPE TOWN, Nov. 26.—Dave Charles, local fighter, knocked out Nick Wolmarans and then was knocked out himself. He damaged his right hand and en route to hospital his car was in an accident and he collapsed.

# Other officers named

vice-president, Norman Gilroy. Coe Hill, second vice-president, Mrs. E. Vandewater, Sidney, third vice-president, Rodger, Mosleyjohn, Birling, secretary, A. B. Collins, K.C. Belleville; treasurer, Edwin Kelaway, Belleville.

# CRICKET MATCH

BLACKPOOL, Eng. Nov. 26.—Harold Larwood, former Nottinghamshire and Sussex fast bowler who has retired from first-class cricket, will play for Blackpool in the Ribblesdale League next summer.

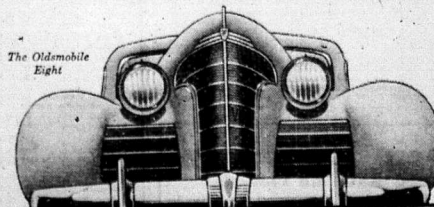
# RAILROADERS HURT

INGERSOLL, Nov. 26.—Roderick Campbell, London, Canadian National Railways brakeman, was injured by a fall here Friday. He suffered a dislocation of his left ribcage.

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