

FORMER PREMIER OF SPAIN SHOT

ATTEMPT MADE ON HIS LIFE IN BARCELONA

Assailant is Arrested After Desperate Fight with the Police

Madrid, July 23.—Republicans of Spain are frenzied with joy to-day over the attempted assassination of former Premier Maura, who was shot last night at the Franca depot in Barcelona.

Republican members of the cortes, embodying the spirit of the people, hastily met at midnight following rumors of Maura's death. Later when it was learned he was only slightly wounded and would recover, they resolved upon measures which they intend shall throw upon the investigation the charges that Maura was responsible for the Barcelona massacre last year.

Since Maura's retirement from the ministry he has been guarded by government agents from those who have sworn to have his life in payment for the wrongs he is alleged to have inflicted upon the people.

Maura was in the Franca station last night preparatory to leaving for Palma, in the Balearic isles, for the summer. His assailant, Posa Roca, a driver and leader of the laborites, fired three shots, one of which struck the former premier in the leg. As Maura fell to the ground friends and the police sprang upon Roca.

The woman, a cousin of Maura, was the first person to reach the would-be assassin. She seized his arm but was unable to prevent his firing the second shot, which went wide and the third, which wounded Senor Olivars, a friend of Maura.

Roca was pounced upon by Maura's guards. Fighting desperately, he was borne away to prison, while Maura was taken to his boat, bound for Maura's father and brother, with a number of adherents, attempted to rescue the prisoner, but after a lively police succeeded in capturing and arresting the father and brother.

Members of the Spanish cabinet and the loyalists in the Cortes foresee trouble from the attack on Maura, who was a close friend of Francisco Ferrer, who was executed by the government under the administration of Maura for alleged instigation of riots a year ago.

The government anticipated the attack on Maura was planned by the laborites, and that the attack is but the beginning of a series of disorders directed at the overthrow of the monarchy. The significance of the attack is shown when it is recalled that Senor Iglesias, leader of the Republicans in the cortes, recently declared from the floor that Maura should be shot. The government at the time declined to accept Iglesias' defiant challenge to arrest him, fearing that a subsequent inquiry might involve the crown. The same fear is again brought to the surface by the attack on Maura.

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BRINGING FIRES UNDER CONTROL

LARGE FORCES AT WORK IN NORTHWESTERN STATES

Reports Show General Improvement in Situation, But Conditions Serious in Idaho

(Times Leased Wire.) Portland, Ore., July 23.—Reports from the fire swept districts of the Pacific Northwest to-day show that the forest fire situation has improved generally.

In Idaho the Pine creek fire continues to rage with unabated fury. The fire has been back and forth across the east and west forks of Pine creek. A light wind has aided the flames in their advance into the timber.

A hundred men directed by forestry officials are fighting the fire. According to reports from the Elk City district, rains have fallen, and practically all the smaller fires have been extinguished.

The fire in the white pine belt, in the vicinity of Bertha Hill has been surrounded and is now controlled. Other fires in the Clearwater district have subsided.

A large fire is reported to be burning in the Grouse Creek, Wash. district fifty miles north of Spokane. According to dispatches from Spokane, several sections of timber land have been burned over, doing heavy damage to the forest.

The fire in the Gray's Harbor district have subsided materially on account of rains which drenched the forest. The danger is not over, and it is predicted that with clear weather the smoldering fire will break out anew.

In Oregon rain has relieved the situation to a degree. Many of the smoldering fires in the coast mountains were quenched or reduced to inconsequential fires.

The big fire on the north Santiam river, in Lynn county, is reported to be dying out although hot coals in every portion of the burned area of three square miles need only a slight wind to cause them to jump into a destructive blaze.

BRICK-MAKING PLANT.

Nanaimo, July 22.—R. P. Wallis, of the Notch Hill ranch on Nanosue bay, has returned from Vancouver. Mr. Wallis while in Vancouver concluded a deal with a Vancouver syndicate for the installation of a modern brick-making plant, with a capacity of at least 25,000 bricks per day. This plant is to be installed and at work within a few weeks. Many of the laborers fear that the attack is but the beginning of a series of disorders directed at the overthrow of the monarchy.

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HON. F. OLIVER STARTS FOR HOME

Leaves Dawson for Skagway and Will Sail From That Port for Vancouver

(Times Leased Wire.) Dawson, July 23.—Hon. Frank Oliver, Canadian minister of the interior, left Dawson last night for Skagway on the last lap of his 8,000-mile tour of the north. He will sail from Skagway for Vancouver and return to Ottawa by rail.

Governor Walter E. Clark, of Alaska, and Mrs. Clark arrived here early this morning from White Horse, on the steamer Dawson. They will sail tomorrow on the Packet Sule for Lower Yukon points and a tour of the interior.

THE STEEL TRADE.

New York, July 23.—Presidents of the various subsidiary companies of the United States Steel Corporation met here yesterday and discussed general conditions of the steel trade. The steel representatives look the view that while there had been a lessening demand for steel products recently, and that no large increase in steel orders may be expected during the summer, a heavy movement in the fall is anticipated.

PRISONERS MUTINY IN SPANISH PRISON

Troops Are Called Out to Assist the Guards in Restoring Order

(Times Leased Wire.) Madrid, July 23.—The authorities to-day began an investigation into the cause of the mutiny of prisoners in the Madrid prison which yesterday threatened to result seriously. It is expected that the ringleaders will be dealt with severely.

The mutiny lasted three hours. Until the soldiers from a nearby barracks arrested a few guards and other prison attaches fought the mutineers as best they could. The soldiers intimidated the prisoners by firing into the air.

SUES MILLIONAIRE.

Woman Claims \$50,000 Damages For Alleged Breach of Promise.

San Francisco, Cal., July 23.—Frank Thompson, millionaire, to-day faces a suit for \$50,000 damages brought against him by Artie K. Bancroft, alleging breach of promise. Thompson fell in love with Artie, according to papers in the suit, and promised to marry her. The papers allege that until a few months ago she was supreme in Thompson's affection. Then, despite his alleged solemn vows to her, it is charged, he deliberately deserted her for another, and thereafter paid no more attention to her.

DECLARES COLONIAL PREFERENCE INEVITABLE

Comments of Edinburgh Scotsman on Debate in the House of Commons

London, July 23.—Discussing the preference debate in the House of Commons the Glasgow Herald says Canada cannot both give away preference and keep it, therefore the danger of delay should be obvious. To condemn Canada's action as that of separatist would be futile even if it were accurate. The Scotsman says even those who are unwilling and tardy converts recognize that tariff reform with colonial preference is inevitable.

COMING TO CANADA.

London, July 23.—Fourteen Boy Scouts sail on the Canada on July 29th. A body of Free Trade members of parliament will spend their holidays in Canada, under the leadership of J. A. Simon, Liberal member for Walthamstow.

D. G. Malcolm, former secretary to Lord Selbourne, former high commissioner for South Africa, sails shortly for Canada as private secretary to His Excellency Earl Grey.

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DEMONSTRATION BY SUFFRAGETTES

HALF MILLION PARADE STREETS OF LONDON

Protest Against the Shelving of Shackleton Bill to Give Women Franchise

(Times Leased Wire.) London, July 23.—The greatest suffrage parade that ever marched through the streets of London was seen to-day when more than half a million women showed their indignation at the shelving of the Shackleton bill giving the right of franchise to women in parliamentary elections.

The great column was headed by 617 "prison martyrs" in the correction house uniforms worn by suffragettes imprisoned for disturbances in London's streets and public halls.

Women in every profession were represented by brigades. Three hundred women artists, carrying palettes and brushes, formed one division. More than a thousand professional nurses were in another. The actresses, including practically all the prominent ones on the English stage, formed a detachment 800 strong.

There were women doctors, women lawyers, thousands of housewives and thousands of working women. A regiment of suffragette cavalry acted as escort to prominent suffragette leaders.

In the column were many floats and scores of beautifully woven banners. Forty mass meetings were held in the course of the day in Hyde park, at which 150 suffragette orators spoke.

PURSUED BY BRITISH TROOPS

EX-PRESIDENT BONILLA SAILS FOR HONDURAS

Violated Neutrality by Sailing From British Port on Warlike Expedition

(Times Leased Wire.) New Orleans, July 23.—A strong detachment of British troops are sailing to-day in pursuit of General Manuel Bonilla, former president of Honduras, who left Belize, British Honduras, with men and ammunition in two schooners to attack Puerto Cortez and Ceiba, where President Davila of Honduras is entrenched.

If the British win in the race to Honduras they will prevent Bonilla from carrying out his plans. Every effort will be made to capture Bonilla, as he violated British neutrality by sailing from a British port on a warlike expedition against a neutral nation. Bonilla intends to attack Ceiba and Puerto Cortez simultaneously. Davila's defences are believed to be weak and it is thought that Bonilla will have an easy victory unless he is overhauled by the British.

President Davila is reported prostrated from worry. A picked body-guard surrounds him constantly.

KILLED BY ROBBER.

Kittanning, Pa., July 23.—After shooting and killing Horton Craig, a body-guard, a masked robber to-day held up F. M. Crown, paymaster of the Winlock coal company, who was carrying \$2,800. The assailant of the company arrived in time to prevent a robbery.

The bandit fled and a posse started in pursuit. The hold-up and murder occurred near Pendleton, while Brown was on his way to pay off the men at the Reynoldsville mines.

When the bandit attacked Brown and Corbett started in pursuit and was joined by others. The robber fled to an abandoned mine, where he is surrounded by the posse.

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MAIL SERVICE BETWEEN BRITAIN AND CANADA

White Star Liner Laurentic Inaugurates New Arrangement for Expediting Delivery

(Special to the Times.) London, July 23.—The White Star steamer Laurentic to-day inaugurated the new arrangement for expediting mails to Canada, under the conditions of which White Star steamers sailing on Saturdays for Quebec and Montreal will take mails specially addressed for Canada and deliver them the following Saturday.

AUTO WRECKED.

Girl Killed When Machine Is Run Down.

Olean, N. Y., July 23.—An auto driven by Max Lang and carrying four little children was struck by a Lake Shore trolley here yesterday. Frank Meyer is dead; Lina Heath is dying from a fractured skull; Garrett Henan and Marion Heath are badly hurt, but will live. Lang is badly bruised and delirious from mental strain. He had taken the children out for a ride and was running fast when the accident happened. The automobile turned turtle and the children were thrown under it.

GUNBOATS WILL BOMBARD REBELS

Portuguese Send Vessel Against Chinese Who Are Holding a Fortified Position

(Times Leased Wire.) Macao, July 23.—The Portuguese government of Macao to-day dispatched five gunboats, two torpedo boats and eight auxiliaries to Coloman in a concerted effort to drive out the Chinese rebels who have fortified and are holding the town of Kangkong, near Hongkong.

The governor has called upon the Chinese government for aid, and the Pekin authorities have directed two gunboats to proceed to the disturbed territory. The government has demanded that the rebels surrender on pain of bombardment.

The rebels have become defiant and threaten to raid seaport towns adjacent to Hongkong and attack the foreign legations, for the purpose of embarrassing the Pekin government, if they are molested in Coloman.

BOATING FATALITY.

Three Passage Seekers Lose Their Lives Through Capsizing of Boat.

Montreal, July 23.—A triple drowning took place at Maple Grove, near Beauharnois, where the annual picnic of the Montreal Light and Power Company was being held. Four employees of the company, named Perrault, Dugas, Perodaux and Higgins, went out in a boat which was upset and all but Higgins were drowned.

TWO PROBABLY BURNED TO DEATH

Children Believed to Have Perished in Fire in Rainy River District

Beaudette, Minn., 23.—Forest fires around the village of Beaudette, have been checked, but the fires around Rainy River, Ontario, swept against the town, yesterday. Thousands of cords of pulpwood have been destroyed, and the cabins of twenty settlers have been destroyed. It is reported that two little girls in the Rainy River district wandered into the forest and were burned to death. Conditions are practically the same on both sides of the boundary line.

Appeal for Assistance. Winnipeg, July 23.—Mayor Evans yesterday received an urgent call for assistance from the mayor of Rainy River, Ontario, on the Canadian Northern railway, which reads as follows: "Town surrounded by fire. In great danger. Send all hose you can spare by express to-night."

In response to the above call for aid, the Merryweather steam fire engine and 2,000 feet of hose left Winnipeg yesterday to assist in combating the flames. In addition, Assistant Chief Cook and a detachment from his fire brigade went down to give every assistance possible.

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LAURIER DEALS WITH WESTERN PROBLEMS

Legislation Regarding Terminal Elevators to Be Introduced Next Session—The Building of Railway to Hudson Bay

(Special to the Times.) Melville, Sask., July 23.—Frankly and fully Sir Wilfrid Laurier, speaking after a day's rest at a great hotel in the skating rink here yesterday afternoon, dealt with the extensive programme of protests and requirements urged upon the government by two large deputations which waited upon him prior to the meeting. The grain growers of the district who presented their case first, urged the government ownership of terminal elevators, unrestricted reciprocity with the United States and free trade with England.

Charles Lunn, Iruua, one of the spokesmen, challenged the naval policy, opposing a Canadian navy or contribution to the Imperial navy, and recalling the fact that previous Conservative administrations failed the people with assurances of early construction of the Hudson Bay Railway, and criticized the building of a bridge over the Saskatchewan river in advance of the line construction as bearing resemblance to a "bluff."

Banger Liberal Association in a subsequent conference, urged upon the Premier the radical proposals. They asked free trade as in England, government operation of the Hudson Bay Railway, taxation of unearned increment on land, limitation of bank interest on loans and prohibition of chattel mortgages as the result of usurious operations of manufacturers' agents and others.

Sir Wilfrid heard both deputations with characteristic courtesy, discussed the various points raised, and dealt with them in detail at the public meeting. He assured the grain growers that the situation regarding terminal elevators "demands and shall receive immediate investigation," and that legislation dealing with the problem of government operation would be considered, and the premier intimated that the legislation of Minnesota state might be followed. As to the tariff he would convey the memorial to Hon. Mr. Fielding. "I hope that the tendency of the new revision will be downward," declared Sir Wilfrid amid applause, "and not upward. I have been fourteen years in office, but my views in this matter have never changed. Following the Motherland we should place the free trade goal before us, but we cannot reach it in one step. So long as the United States maintains its tariff policy we must be cautious how we proceed."

"As to reciprocity with the United States," the Premier said, "I am in favor of reciprocity if the United States gives us a fair deal. At no time have our relations been so cordial and friendly as at present, but human nature, prompt the man who respects himself, respect the man who respects himself." (Cheers.)

Sir Wilfrid defended the naval policy as a patriotic business step in the progress of nation building steps in cheered to the echo. He declared the bridge over the Saskatchewan to be the work of building the Hudson Bay Railway (work which Mr. Graham has already under way) (renewed applause.)

The eastern Conservative press continued "are criticizing me for promising millions to the people of the west. I am promising nothing, but I see plainly that millions must be spent in the future to develop this great portion of a common country. The government is not afraid of it nor are the people of the west afraid of it either."

Dealing with the programme presented by the Banger association, Sir Wilfrid said: "When I was a young man I was more radical than I am at the present time. In my youth I do not think I would have jumped instantly to every article enunciated, but my blood is a little cooler now. We are all on the journey of progress together. I do not think I am going quite as far as you are coming. You will accommodate me I will jump in your wagon for we are both travelling in the same direction. By and by, perhaps before the end of your journey, I may ask you to drop me down, and I hope my place will not be taken by a Tory." (Laughter and applause.)

The Premier invited the petitioners to write Justice Mabee regarding freight rates. "Mr. Mabee," said he, "is for the people, a democrat to the hilt like myself." As to taxation of land the Premier was inclined to agree. He reminded his audience that if railways were not taxed as they should be the fault rested with the previous Conservative administration. He suggested that the Banger Liberals consult "your good man, Mr. Scott," on certain proposals submitted in their provincial bearing. "My ideas are broadening," confessed Sir Wilfrid at the close of his address. "I am finding the atmosphere of your west. I shall return ready to meet and I hope to master the difficulties which await me."

Sir Wilfrid was the recipient of a civic address of welcome from Mayor J. W. Downey and Hon. Thos. McNutt. A babe was born in Melville shortly after the Premier's arrival yesterday in the home of a newly immigrated Canadian. The mother named the child Laurier, a tribute which Sir Wilfrid acknowledged with a happy letter of congratulation.

WOMAN MURDERED.

Springfield, Mass., July 23.—George Creley, 71, to-day shot and instantly killed Mrs. William Shepherd, wife of the passenger agent of the Boston and Maine railroad. Creley is the father of Shepherd's first wife. It is believed Creley is insane.

BRAVE SOLDIERS RECEIVE CERTIFICATES

Carried Bags of Powder From Emplacement and Prevented an Explosion

(Times Leased Wire.) Norfolk, Va., July 23.—Coast Artillerymen Paul Park and Wigley and William Hawk, army cook, men who were serving in De Russey battery when gun No. 1 exploded prematurely during battle practice at Fortress Monroe, Thursday are receiving certificates to-day for their bravery.

The men were summoned to the office of Colonel Townsley to be commended for their intrepidity under the perilous circumstances. When they learned the reason for the summons they refused to go, and a corporal guard was compelled virtually to drag them into the commander's presence.

Col. Townsley was compelled to cross examine the men before they would admit their heroism. It was shown that the men carried four bags of powder from the emplacement through a shower of sparks, thus preventing a second explosion.

Lieut. Van Deusen and Lieut. Hawes, Sergeant Kincaid and Corporal Humphrey and Bryan were commended for "distinguished services in time of peril."

CATTLE DISEASE.

Reported Outbreak in Yorkshire, England.—Agriculture Department Seeks Information. Ottawa, July 23.—Not having received notification from the authorities in Great Britain of the outbreak of foot and mouth disease among the cattle in Yorkshire, England, the department of agriculture yesterday called on the British board of agriculture asking for an official statement on the subject. Immediately upon receipt of official confirmation of the report, the department will take steps to schedule all cattle, sheep and swine from Great Britain. The importation of live animals from Great Britain, mostly through the sea, is estimated to be over half a million dollars a year.

RAILWAY STRIKE IN ENGLAND

TRAINS AGAIN RUNNING ON NORTH EAST

Factories Are Gradually Resuming—Much Freight Has Accumulated in Yards

(Times Leased Wire.) Newcastle, England, July 23.—on the North Eastern railway running again to-day after the strike which had lasted for a large part of the week in the north of England and spread to Scotland, for thousands of men out of work.

Factories and mills, closed because of their inability to get coal to handle freight, are gradually resuming. Mines which closed because the coal could not be taken away will open as soon as the rail can take away the excess at the moment in a few days things will be normally again.

The railroad to-day is coping with freight accumulation in the yards. Much freight is being handled usual.

THE ACCESSION OATH.

Melbourne, July 23.—Hugh Mahon in 1881 shared imprisonment at the hands of Mr. Parnell, will move to the House of Representatives in the election of the 10th of August. Both Premier Fisher and Premier Deakin favor the proposal, but it is not certain whether Mahon will accept the address in proposed.

WOMAN LOSES LIFE IN PERISHES WHEN FLAM DESTROY

Two Men Are Missing and Feared Were Caught in Burning Building

Hoquiam, Wash., July 23.—Mrs. Olson, aged 70, a guest here, was burned to death in a room. Two men, one of whom was a fireman, were missing and are believed to have perished in the burning. The fire started in the hotel wooden structure, shortly after midnight, and soon was a mass of flames. Volunter firemen to the assistance of the fire department and did heroic work in preventing the fire from spreading to the buildings. The Hoquiam fire department was once the hotel of the city, but was into an apartment house several years ago.

CALL OF NATURE. Vancouver, Exhibition Office for Nature Collectors. Plodding away in the digging long for that elusive thing, the crannies of swiftly-purged beach was once a plain, however, heard and felt the friend's suggestion one day he had seen and treasure words, and that was "The prominence is a matter of knowledge."

The coming Vancouver exhibition held August 15-20, will offer opportunities for the first time of Canadians to portray the stage in some manner. There offered for the best collection of flowers. There are abundant other with brush or pen, for the wood-carver, modeller, the camera-lover, there are even for those of especial mind, such as designers.

SUFFRAGISTS IN NEW

New York, July 23.—The residential section of the city is located the home of J. J. is facing invasion by suffragette plans go through. The suffragettes, headed by Mrs. Mackay, are negotiating the purchase of the Manhattan Co. building at 36th street, to make of this structure a home for the suffragettes. The residence is situated directly across the street.

CHICAGO'S POPULA

Chicago, July 23.—The population of Chicago has passed the two million mark, according to the 1910 school census made by the children of German parents in the school, followed by Poles, Irish.



MANITOBA FARMER—And I was hoping for rain.