

STRIKERS TRY TO DYNAMITE TRAINS IN SOUTH AFRICA

Effort Made to Blow Up Mail Train Near Johannesburg. SITUATION GIVING CAUSE FOR ANXIETY. Railway Employes' Trouble Likely to Become More Serious than was Anticipated—General Strike May Result.

Capetown, Jan. 9.—An encouraging feature of the railway strike situation is the continued loyalty of the Cape railwaymen and the refusal of the operating staff of the Durban branch of the Natal Railroad to join the strike. It was the refusal of the Cape Railway employes to obey the Johannesburg trades federation which was the main cause for the ultimate collapse of the miners' strike in July. It is hoped that a similar result will follow in the present instance, but delegates from the federation who are coming here and others who are going to Durban will do their utmost to spread dissatisfaction. The feeling is held here that the government ought to prohibit the mass meeting of strikers which has been called in Johannesburg for Sunday, but nothing in this direction has yet been done.

All reports received from Natal show that the railways are running without interruption but at Bloemfontein, Orange Free State, the running staff has joined the strikers. Reports of rioting at Jagersfontein are exaggerated. There were no disorders there today, however, in which five natives were killed and two Europeans injured. Johannesburg, Union of South Africa, Jan. 9.—There has been an astonishing change in the situation since Thursday night when the railway strike seemed to be a fiasco. The strike leaders, seeing that the movement had hung fire, appealed to the Johannesburg Trades Federation today and the railway applied pressure in such a manner as to induce a semblance of a compromise. As a result, the situation tonight is one of almost gravity.

Strikers Use Dynamite. Dynamite is being used by the strikers in the territory adjacent to Johannesburg. An effort was made today to blow up the Cape Mail, between Denver and George. The train was blown off and the track seriously damaged. Another explosion occurred on the railway tonight between Johannesburg and Cleveland. An unsuccessful attempt to blow up a train was made today between Witpoortie and Lapaarveld, three miles from Johannesburg. The dynamite had been fixed in such a way that its explosion was inevitable from the impact of a train.

The government is credited with an intention to fight the Trades Federation to a finish. It is reported that martial law will be proclaimed at Pretoria tomorrow. Leaders Under Arrest. The principal strike leaders, including Toutama, secretary, and Nield, assistant secretary of the Railway Men's Society; Waterman, secretary of the South Africa labor party, and Colin Wade, a labor member of Germiston town council, who was prominent in the last hand strike, were arrested on charges of sedition today. All were held without bail. Tonight other leaders were taken into custody, and at a late hour, following a hurriedly called meeting of the Trades Federation, the federation threatened to call a general strike, unless the men detained were liberated.

INTEREST IN P. E. ISLAND LIQUOR CASES RUNS HIGH

One Woman Fined \$100 or Six Months in Jail. DETECTIVES ON THE STAND TODAY. Yesterday's Hearing Marked By Fight Between Lawyers—Prescription Said to Have Been Altered.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Jan. 9.—The court was all day hearing two prohibition cases in Summerside today. The first was easily disposed of. One of the two detectives swore he bought a bottle of whiskey from Mrs. Frank McKenna of Albany. She was

CONFERENCE ON BETTERMENT OF HUMAN RACE

Prominent Workers Discuss Race Problems at Meeting in Battle Creek — Booker T. Washington on Negro Race. Battle Creek, Mich., Jan. 9.—The 'Mental, Physical and Moral Advancement of Mankind', was discussed from almost every angle by men and women famed in their respective fields of endeavor at today's sessions of the National Race Betterment Conference. In addition to addressing by half a score of nationally known speakers, two papers prepared by men unable to attend the conference, were read to the delegates.

On the programme for the morning session were Booker T. Washington, who discussed, 'The Negro Race'; Dr. J. N. Hurley of the Indiana State Board of Health, who spoke on 'The Cost of Living as a Factor in Race Degeneracy'; Dr. Carolyn Geisel of Shorter College, whose subject was the 'Race Betterment in Women's Colleges'; and Dr. H. W. Austin of the United States Public Health Service, who told 'What the United States Public Health Service is Doing for Race Betterment.'

Sir Horace Plunkett's paper on 'Function of Individual, City, State and Nation in Bringing About Race Betterment,' and one prepared by Dr. Ernest Hoag of Leland Stanford University on 'School Hygiene' were the other features of the day's first session.

ENGLISHMAN ARRESTED ON THEFT CHARGE

New York, Jan. 9.—Kenneth Gordon, a young Englishman, was arrested here today, charged with robbing his employers, a Manchester imposing firm, of \$60,000, by forging endorsements to cheques. The detective who made the arrest said that Gordon confessed the crime and said he lost the money making books on horse races. Gordon left England October 1, and went first to France and then came to New York.

DISAPPROVING RESOLUTION VOTED DOWN

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, Jan. 9.—The York county council this afternoon gave the six months' hold to the resolution moved by Coun. Pat Graham, of Southampton, disapproving of the legislation passed at the last session of the legislative assembly placing the proportion of the maintenance of all pauper patients in the Provincial Hospital at \$1 per week.

THREE MILLION INCREASE IN THE REVENUE

Statement for Nine Months Up to End of Fiscal Year Shows Big Gain Over Same Period in 1912. Ottawa, Jan. 9.—The statement of revenue and expenditure of the Dominion for the nine months of the present fiscal year, up to the end of December has been issued by the finance department. It shows for the nine months period, as compared with the nine months ended December 31, 1912, a net increase of nearly three millions in revenue, notwithstanding the falling off in customs receipts during the past couple of months.

There has been considerable increase in both ordinary and capital expenditure, the latter due to large outlays on public works throughout the Dominion. The total revenue for the nine months ended December 31, 1913, was \$127,571,743, an increase of \$2,994,206 over the corresponding period of the preceding fiscal year. In customs revenue there was a net decrease of \$391,215, the figures being \$82,538,294, as against \$84,747,008, but from the latter was deducted \$1,817,499 of Chinese revenue which is this year included in 'miscellaneous' revenue, so that the actual customs receipts for the nine months of 1913 was \$82,929,509.

In excise revenue there was an increase of half a million, post office receipts an increase of \$775,000, and in receipts from public works, railways and canals, an increase of one and three-quarters millions. Expenditures on ordinary account for the nine months totalled \$75,937,925, an increase of \$3,285,356. Capital expenditures show an increase of \$13,848,448, as stated, to large outlay on public works and payments of railway subsidies. The total capital expenditure for the nine months was \$44,639,909, an increase in ordinary expenditure of \$1,760,617, and in capital expenditure an increase of \$388,626. There was an apparent decrease of \$446,909 to the public debt during the month.

NO JUDICIAL INVESTIGATION

Inquiry Into Montreal Water Trouble Will be Simply Administrative, the Controller Says. Montreal, Jan. 9.—There will be no judicial investigation into the circumstances leading up to the break in the water conduit on Christmas Day. The statement is made upon the authority of Controller Godfrey, who intimates tonight that the inquiry will be simply an administrative one; that the reports of the engineers already employed, both in Canada and an outside capacity, will be relied upon by the controllers to establish their conclusions, and no more experts will be called in.

REV. A. W. HOBBS DIES AFTER AN OPERATION

Pastor of Methodist Church at Riverport, N. S., Operated on for Appendicitis. Lunenburg, N.S., Jan. 9.—Rev. A. W. Hobbs, pastor of the Methodist church at Riverport, died tonight following an operation for appendicitis. He was forty years of age a native of Wales and leaves a widow and two children. He was an eloquent and forceful preacher.

STEWART'S POSITIVE EVIDENCE IN R. CASE

Plaintiff in Southampton Railway Hearing Has Told His Story. CARVELL'S TACTICS SCORED BY COURT. Principal Interest is Now Centered in Reply James K. Pinder Will Make to Allegations of Witnesses.

Fredericton, Jan. 9.—At half past three this afternoon Mr. Stewart, the plaintiff in the case against the Southampton Railway Company, was told by Mr. Carvell, his counsel, that he could step down and out from the witness box and make room for the next. Mr. Stewart had spent three days in telling the court and jury his story and it was no doubt a relief to him, after all the direct, cross and re-direct examination through which he had passed, when Mr. Carvell told him that he was through with him.

Mr. Stewart endeavored to show that he was entitled to a considerable amount of money, that he had the contract for building the railway and that the contract was cancelled by the company, and that he could have built the railway for \$150,000. The company had received \$236,000, and if the contract with him had been kept his profits would have been just that much more.

Mr. Stewart was followed by William Maxwell, who claimed that he had had experience of thirty-five years in railway building, that he had figured on the road outside of bridges and rails for \$108,000, but admitted in his cross-examination that he did not know the road as it was built today, and so could not say whether it was of a higher standard than that which he had figured on.

MURDERER OF BANK MANAGER SENT UP FOR TRIAL NEXT SPRING

Bandit who Shot H. M. Arnold at Plum Caulee Committed in Winnipeg Yesterday. Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 9.—John Krafchenko, charged with the murder of H. M. Arnold, manager, and with the robbery of the Bank of Montreal at Plum Caulee, on December 3, was today committed for trial at the Spring Court. The case is set for trial at the change of venue will be asked for to Winnipeg. A watch found in the automobile in which Krafchenko is alleged to have escaped from Plum Caulee was identified today as one that the accused had pawned in a Winnipeg loan office some time ago, and later redeemed.

POSITIVE EVIDENCE OF ALBANIA

Frontier Lines are Likely to be Drawn as Fixed by the International Conference at London. Rome, Jan. 9.—Premier Venizelos of Greece was convinced after his conference today with the Marquis Di Giuliano, Italian minister of foreign affairs, that an agreement on the question of the southern frontier of Albania existed between Italy and Austria and was supported unreservedly by Germany. According to this the frontier lines are to be drawn as arranged by the international conference in London, some of the details of which have not been finally settled.

As regards the Aegean Islands, Italy, Austria and Germany accept substantially the proposal made by Sir Edward Grey that Greece is to have the islands of Chios and Mytilene. It is probable that a postponement of the evacuation of Albania by the Greek troops will be granted for reason of public security.

While Premier Venizelos has been the recipient of great consolation in Rome, the attitude of the Italian government concerning the fundamental lines of the agreement between the powers as to the South Albanian frontier and the Aegean Islands has been firm. The belief is expressed that Mr. Venizelos will find the same feeling in the other capitals that he will visit. It is felt here that his tour will strengthen the relations between Greece and certain of the European powers, but that he will not obtain practical results so far as further immediate territorial expansion by Greece is concerned.

HUNDREDS FLEE FROM OJINAGA

Attack by Gen. Villa Expected and Preparations are Being Made at Presidio to Care for Wounded. Presidio, Texas, Jan. 9.—A fresh influx of refugees from Ojinaga today bore witness of the battle on the Mexican side of the line that General Villa is about to lead the combined forces of the constitutionalists. Preparations were made by Red Cross and army authorities to care for more wounded soldiers on the border district in a strange one to dwellers on this side of the river.

DEMONSTRATION BY REGINA'S ARMY OF UNEMPLOYED FAILS

Whole Police Force Patrolled Downtown District to Prevent Threatened Disturbance. Regina, Sask., Jan. 9.—The entire police force of this city patrolled the downtown district this evening, keeping loitering men on the move and invested with instructions to arrest anyone who attempted to create a disturbance or in any other way display their sympathy for the threatened unemployed demonstration scheduled for tonight. The demonstration tonight did not materialize, partly because of the vigilance of the authorities and partly because the auditorium in the city hall which was to have been used for a mass meeting was engaged. Hundreds of curious thronged the squares surrounding the city hall, and although there were many of the unemployed in these groups, the evening passed off quietly. The police guard will be maintained until after midnight, as it is feared that something may break in the early morning hours.

INDEMNITY FUND RAISED IN BELFAST

For the Killed or Wounded in Home Rule Fight. UNIONISTS WILL RESIST WITH ARMS. Claim They Have Army of Thousands of Disciplined Men Ready to Fight to a Finish.

Belfast, Ireland, Jan. 9.—A fund has been raised amounting to \$5,000,000 to indemnify the relatives of those who may be killed or wounded among the Ulster Unionist volunteers in resisting Home Rule, according to an announcement made today by Captain James Craig, Unionist member for East Down, Ulster, at a gathering of Unionists here, he said the sum required had been exceeded.

The utilization of the indemnity fund is contingent on hostilities occurring between the Unionists of Ulster and the Irish government after the introduction of Home Rule. The Unionists declare that their plans are complete to resist Home Rule by armed force. They have raised an army alleged to be composed of thousands of disciplined men under the leadership of retired officers of the British navy and assert they will defy any measure of the government sitting at Dublin.

SHOOTS GIRL; TRIES SUICIDE

Nephew of U. S. Senator Spooner Kills School Teacher—No Reason for Crime has Been Given. Madison, Wis., Jan. 9.—John Spooner, a nephew of former United States Senator John C. Spooner, late this afternoon shot and killed Miss Emily McConnell, thirty-five years old, a Madison school teacher, and then turned the revolver on himself, inflicting what is believed to be a fatal wound. Spooner is a son of Roger Spooner, a brother of John C. Spooner. No reason is known for the tragedy.

CRESCENTS WIN ANOTHER GAME FROM THE SOCIALS

Fast Game in Spite of Poor Condition of Ice. MATCH MARKED BY LOT OF ROUGH WORK. Defeated Team Had Stroke of Hard Luck — Two New Upper Canada Men Tried Out. Halifax, Jan. 9.—For the third time this season the Crescents defeated the Socials tonight in a remarkably fast game, considering the heavy sheet of ice on which the teams had to battle. The Crescents got the victory of five goals to three, but the 'speed boys' were, to certain extent, the victims of hard luck. They piled in three goals in the first period before their opponents started scoring, and when the twenty minutes was up the Crescents had reduced the lead by two goals.

JR. JAMES SHOWING NO IMPROVEMENT

Physicians Are Still Hopeful but Guarded in their Statements — Restlessness Was More Marked Yesterday.

New York, Jan. 9.—No material change took place today in the condition of Sir James Whitney, the premier of Ontario, who is lying ill with heart trouble at the Manhattan Hotel. The bulletin issued late tonight, read as follows:— 'Sir James Whitney has had a rather restless day. Condition this evening is as favorable as could be expected.'

After issuing this announcement, Dr. R. A. Pyne, the Ontario premier's political colleague and physician, left the sick room. A short time later, accompanied by Horace Wallis, secretary to the premier, he went out for a long walk. This circumstance was taken as a good omen in itself. Neither Dr. Pyne nor Mr. Wallis care to amplify the bulletin. While they appear hopeful, they guardedly express themselves one way or the other. It is quite evident, in fact, that while they have every hope that their chief will be able within a measurable time to return to his home in Toronto, they are extremely careful not to raise hopes that might be dashed by a sudden change in the condition of the patient.

HANS SCHMIDT'S TRIAL SET BACK A WEEK

New York, Jan. 9.—The re-trial of Hans Schmidt for the murder of Anna Ammuller was today postponed a week and set for Monday, January 19. The postponement was granted at the request of Schmidt's counsel to enable the prisoner's father and sister, who went back to Germany after the first trial, to return and act as witnesses. It was said that Schmidt's mother would accompany them.

FAST GAME IN SPITE OF POOR CONDITION OF ICE

The game was too rough, several of the players including Joe Freely in dirty and dangerous tactics. There were faults on both sides. Kyle, of the Crescents, while he must be given credit for his clever playing, should be censured for his dirty work. He started the mixing up with Ras Murphy two minutes after the game started, but Referee Bauld's back was turned that time. The next time he got after Ras, he was spotted and did a rest. Kyle offended many other times, and Rattenbury who usually plays a clean game came along with the rough stuff tonight. Out of the whole game he spent eighteen minutes in the pen. His last offense slashing hurt Belliveau, who got his stick across the head. Ras Murphy was the only new player for the Socials. The Crescents tried out two new men, Smith, lately of the Ontarios, and Mallen a pete-boro player. There was nothing sensational about their work.

Table with 2 columns: Socials and Crescents. Rows include Hogue, Laing, Ras Murphy, O'Leary, Rattenbury, and Lowther.