

# LORD BERESFORD IS COMING

**Enthusiastic Over Trip to America--Hopes to Pick Up Information Regarding Administrative Element in American Business--Is Enthusiastic**

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Lord Beresford said to a reporter of the Associated Press:

"I am going to America because I have some private business to attend to. It has nothing to do with the shipping combine. If the Morgans had paid me the compliment of offering me something in that connection, which they have not, I should have been obliged to decline. However, in addition to attending to private business, I am going to have another good look around, though I must be back in London for the opening of parliament in February. In my look around I hope to pick up information regarding the administrative element in American business. That's where America excels. We do not know how to administer here."

"Our workmen are as good as their but our administrations are feeble. Our companies want lords and commoners as directors, who know nothing about business. Yours demand straight business men, who not only know but put their money into concerns for their directors. If I can teach the people here to adopt American business methods we can then have greater intercommunication with capital and interests between the two countries. It is the only way, and once England and America get on a profit sharing basis the world will not dare to interfere with either. We neither of us will stand for political alliance. It is impossible. Changing parties and sentiments of both countries forbid it. I frankly confess that such an alliance would be more to England's than to America's advantage."

"America can look after herself. She can fight the world, either from an economic or any other view point. They have not begun to realize here yet that the long period during which Great Britain held the monopoly of trade is over. They do not know the value of a scrap heap or the minimum cost of production or of the volume of trade. The coming century will be one of business. By trying to achieve a community of business interests and methods between America and England I believe I shall be doing much toward its being a century of peace. You put your brightest men in business. We put them into politics, the navy and the army. That has got to be changed. Not for the sake of the money it makes for the individual, but for the general good of the country. When I return I hope to have a lot more of information in my pocket, which will further these ends in parliament and elsewhere."

Asked what he thought of the Venezuelan situation, Lord Beresford brought his hand emphatically down on the table.

"Thank God," he exclaimed, "that it has come out all right, but it has taught our government a lesson—that they must never try their hand again at such a game without the partnership of the United States. I do not say a word against Germany, but I do think it is to England's advantage to come right out and not only say, 'We support the Monroe doctrine, but, by heavens, we are willing to fight for it.'"

Reverting to his trip Lord Beresford said, laughingly, that he was looking forward to all going well.

## A THRILLING EXPERIENCE

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 3.—There was a thrilling race on the Wilkesbarre & Eastern railroad today in an attempt to avoid a collision. A freight car loaded with ties ran away on the steep grade at Yatesville. The passenger train for Wilkesbarre had just left the station. The flagman heard the noise of the on-coming runaway car and the engineer was signaled to put on all speed. The engine driver opened up the throttle, but the freight car continued to gain on the passenger train. Seeing that a collision was unavoidable the passengers from the rear car were hurried into the front ones. At Kinneytown the runaway car crashed into the rear passenger coach, derailing it and also throwing the freight car from the track. No one was injured, but the passengers received a shaking up.

### PERDERMO WILL RESIGN.

PANAMA, Jan. 3.—General Perdermo, the minister of state, left here today for Bogota, the capital, with his staff. It is reported that he will resign on his arrival there.

The decree by which the hides of all cattle killed in this department become the property of the government as a war contribution, and also establishing a stamp on all steamship tickets issued, has been annulled.

### HIS CONDITION CRITICAL.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—A dispatch from Dresden to the Central News says the German specialists who attended the king of Saxony held a consultation today and issued a bulletin declaring his condition to be critical. It is believed at Dresden that there is little hope for the king's living more than a few days.

## IN QUARANTINE--YELLOW FEVER

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Jan. 3.—Owing to deaths from yellow fever on the voyage from Panama the British bank Combank is now in strict quarantine at the United States station at Diamond Point. The Combank originally started for Puget Sound in October. Before the vessel had been out a fortnight the disease appeared and two of the crew were stricken. Death followed in each case, and Captain Walker headed about and returned to Panama. Investigation showed the disease to be yellow fever. Captain Walker started the second time for Puget Sound. On this voyage two men of the crew died. The Combank will be delayed 14 days at Diamond Point, and in the interim the vessel will be thoroughly cleaned of the Panama mud used as ballast and the vessel thoroughly disinfected.

### A LIBERAL GAIN.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The bye-elections at Newmarket yesterday to fill the vacancy in the house of commons caused by the death of Harry Macdonald resulted in a liberal gain.

### IT PROVES TO BE SMALLPOX.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 31.—The supposed chickenpox on board the British schooner Grace, Captain Strong, which arrived here yesterday from Oporto, proves to be smallpox. Three men of the crew are now ill. The schooner has been quarantined and the authorities are taking every precaution to prevent the spread of the disease.

## LORD MILNER--MR. CHAMBERLAIN

CHARLESTON, Natal, Jan. 3.—Lord Milner, the British high commissioner in South Africa, and Colonial Secretary Chamberlain had an impressive meeting here today in the presence of a great crowd of soldiers and civilians, many of whom came miles across the veldt to witness the reception of the commissioner by his chief. Lord Milner and his staff mounted the steps leading to Mr. Chamberlain's special train, and there was a look of decided pleasure on the thin features of the colonial secretary as he grasped Lord Milner's hand. There were cheers and loud calls for a speech, but Mr. Chamberlain contented himself with briefly thanking Lord Milner for the welcome, and the two officials entered the observation car of the train, which steamed off toward the Transvaal, followed by the cheers of the crowd.

PRETORIA, Jan. 4.—A special train bearing Mr. Chamberlain and his party arrived here at midnight. The colonial secretary met with an enthusiastic reception.

### BLEW OPEN THE VAULT.

GALESBURG, Ill., Jan. 3.—Five men entered the First National Bank of Abingdon early this morning, bound and gagged the night watchman and leisurely blew open the vault. They got \$4000.

QUINCY, Ill., Jan. 3.—Two of the men who dynamited the First National Bank at Abingdon and stole \$4000 were arrested here today. Each man carried a pistol and tried to draw them on the officers who made the arrest, but were overpowered and disarmed. The captured men gave the names of Edward Raymond and J. Haynes. Raymond had a card bearing the name of R. A. Vince, of the government secret service. He admitted that he himself had been in the secret service department. His money found on them amounted to \$172.

## PORTO RICO'S MAYOR ARRESTED

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Jan. 3.—The mayor of this city, Manuel Egozcue, has been arrested and is held in \$5000 bail on the charge, made by Insular Official Inspector Holst, of destroying the records of the water receipts. These constituted the only evidence of alleged extensive speculations and embezzlements. The allegations against the mayor were originally made last October in a petition of the citizens, which was presented to the governor, and which asked for the prosecution of the mayor.

The arrest of the mayor today created great excitement. Persons congregated in the streets and surrounded the office of Attorney Acuna, who has undertaken the defence of a former city official named Rivera, who turned state's evidence. Shots were fired, but no person received serious injuries.

### FREIGHT REFUSED.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 31.—General Superintendent Hale of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad issued the following order today: "Until further notice we cannot accept a car load of freight except live stock and perishable products for points east of Pittsburgh, Moundsville and Parkersburg."

## EMPLOYEES TO SHARE IN PROFITS

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—In a double circular, one to the stockholders and the other to the officers and employees, the United States Steel Corporation, announces its intention to inaugurate a system whereby the humblest workman on its rolls, if he desires, may become a permanent stockholder and share in the profits of the corporation. The scheme is the result of months of preparation by the finance committee of the corporation, and the circulars are signed by G. W. Perkins, chairman. The plan is said to have originated with Mr. Perkins. The plan inviting officers and employees to participate is divided into two parts. Part one prescribes that from the earnings of the corporation during the year 1932 there will have been set aside at least \$2,000,000 and as much more as is needed for the purchase of at least 25,000 shares of preferred stock, which will be offered as follows to employees of the corporation and constituent companies:

At present the corporation and subsidiary companies are employing 68,000 men, whom it is proposed to divide into six classes, ranging from those receiving \$20,000 a year or over down to men earning \$800 yearly or less. The preferred stock, which will be offered to employees during January at \$25.00 per share (its closing price today was \$22.50). Employees can subscribe for the amount of stock not exceeding the sum represented by a certain percentage of their salaries.

The question of what constitutes profits is to be determined entirely by the finance committee, which, it is stated, will have no interest in the profit sharing plan. If \$50,000,000 is earned in the coming year, \$500,000 will be set aside, one-half to be distributed in cash quarterly, the other half to be reserved until the end of the year and invested in preferred stock, thus purchased, to be divided one-half to employees entitled thereto, the other half to remain with the treasury of the company.

Each shareholder is to receive a certificate for his interest, taking these provisions:

First.—If he remains continuously in the service of the company or one of its subsidiary companies for five years the stock shall be delivered to him and he may do as he likes with it.

Second.—If he dies or becomes totally or permanently disabled while in the service of the company or of one of its subsidiary companies the stock will be delivered to his estate or to him.

Third.—He can draw the dividends declared on the stock while it is held by his account and he remains in the employ of the company, or in one or other of its subsidiary companies.

Fourth.—That if without previous consent voluntarily he shall have quitted the service of the company, or its subsidiary companies, he shall forfeit all right to this stock. If, however, within five years, will be divided among such employees as shall have complied with all the conditions. Thus 25 per cent of all the money set aside in this profit sharing plan will be held for five years and will be given to such only as at the end of that period shall be in the employ of the company, or of one or more of its subsidiary companies, from and after January 1, 1933.

High officials of the steel corporation decided today to discuss the report of approaching retirement of President Schwab.

## ENGINEER BIRD HELD RESPONSIBLE

MONTREAL, Jan. 2.—The coroner's jury which investigated the death of Octave Tremblay, Grand Trunk conductor killed in the collision between two freight trains on Victoria bridge last Wednesday, this afternoon brought in a verdict finding Engineer Bird, of the second train, responsible. Bird testified that he ran past the block signal set and that he was unable to control the train and avert the collision. Bird was placed under arrest and later released on bail.

### YUKON'S ADMINISTRATION.

MONTREAL, Jan. 2.—The Herald publishes an Ottawa special saying that the Hon. C. D. G. Campbell, minister of the interior, is to succeed Ross as administrator.

### COAL ADVANCED AGAIN.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The price of soft coal advanced again today to \$8.40. This is the wholesale price, freightage not included. Anthracite averages \$10 a ton to the consumer.

### KILLED IN DRUNKEN BRAWL.

SAN DIEGO DE CUBA, Jan. 2.—Seven Italian peddlers became involved in a drunken brawl last night and killed two. Two of them were instantly killed. Two died today. The fifth was fatally wounded. The sixth was badly wounded. The seventh, who did most of the fighting, was not hurt. Thirty revolver shots were fired in two minutes. The men concerned were relatives.

### PAID INDEMNITY IN SILVER.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 2.—The Taotai has paid the January installment of the international indemnity on a silver basis. He expressed his inability to accept the interpretation of the protocol adopted by the International Bankers' Association.

### TO ATTACK THE REBELS.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—In a dispatch from Gibraltar the correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that the brother of the sultan of Morocco, Mulai-Mohammed, in command of the royal army, left Fez December 27th to attack the rebels.

## NEED WHEAT IN AUSTRALIA

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 2.—Two hundred thousand tons of breadstuffs must be imported from the wheat-producing centers of Australia during the coming season to supply the harvest deficiency, says United States Consul Godding at Newcastle, in a report to the state department, dated November fifth. The crop in New South Wales, he says, will not reach 50 per cent of the quantity needed last year. Victoria will require imports of 3,577,927 bushels of wheat to supply her needs. The scarcity is not so bad in South Australia, though there the crop is less than last year.

Fifteen thousand tons of California flour are afloat, but the consul says the price of California flour has risen so greatly that the effect will be to divert a good deal of trade to Canada, which raises hard wheat of a class well suited to mix with California flour.

### RAILWAY COLLISION.

Two Engineers Killed and the Fireman Fatally Hurt.

BURLINGTON, Vt., Jan. 2.—The New York flyer, northbound on the Rutland railroad, collided with a wild engine opposite Dr. W. Seward Webb's estate in Shelburne this evening. The engineers of both trains were killed and the fireman probably fatally hurt. No passengers were seriously injured.

### LATER AND FULLER ACCOUNT.

BURLINGTON, Vt., Jan. 2.—A wild engine running from Burlington to Rutland of the Rutland railroad crashed into the northbound flyer from New York tonight in Shelburne, just this side of Burre's Crossing. The crews of both engines were killed. A brakeman, who was riding on the wild engine, was probably fatally hurt, and nearly all of the flyers crew were injured more or less seriously. No passengers were seriously hurt.

Dennis Mahoney of Rutland, engineer of the flyer; W. R. Cowry of Rutland, engineer of the wild engine, and Joseph Fitzpatrick of Rutland, fireman, were killed.

The cause of the accident is not definitely known, but Dr. W. S. Webb, president of the road, says that he believes that Engineer Cowry, who had charge of the wild engine, had figured that the flyer would be late and that he could run to Shelburne for the siding before the up train reached that point. The flyer, however, was on schedule time and met the wild engine about one mile north of Shelburne Station. As it was both engines were totally destroyed. The boiler of one exploded an instant after the collision. The scene of the wreck was directly east of Shelburne Farms and the home of Dr. Webb.

### ANOTHER SO-CALLED TRUST.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 2.—The American Tin can company has bought the Indianapolis Tin can company's large plant in this city and the plant may be closed. The American Tin can company now controls all but three of the tin can companies in the country.

## PREMIER LAURIER IN GOOD HEALTH

MONTREAL, Jan. 2.—Arthur Dunsen, editor of the Press, has just returned from Florida, where he spent some time with Premier Laurier. He says the premier is now just as strong mentally and physically as he was five years ago, and expects to return the end of next week.

### ANOTHER CONFERENCE HELD.

The Union Pacific and Certain of its Employees.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Another conference was held today at the Union Pacific office in this city with reference to a settlement of the differences between the heads of the road and certain of its employees. The conference included President Burt of the road, President James O'Connell of the International Association of Machinists, Thomas Wilson, fourth vice-president of the International Association of Machinists; John McNeil and E. T. Kennedy, representing the Boiler Makers International Union, and David O'Donnell, president of the Boiler Makers Helpers Union.

Before going into the conference one of the labor representatives expressed the opinion that a satisfactory settlement would be possibly reached. At the close of the conference it was said that no actual agreement had been reached, though matters were tending towards an amicable settlement. Another conference will be held next Tuesday.

### EXPLOSION AND CAVE-IN.

Sinking of the D. & H. Mine Workings in Pennsylvania.

SCRANTON, Pa., Jan. 2.—An explosion and cave-in, caused by the setting of the D. & H. mine workings, occurred at Olyphant, a few miles north of Scranton, this afternoon. J. W. O'Brien, hotel and the residence of Mrs. Mary Evans, adjoining, were swallowed up. The buildings took fire immediately after sinking.

### ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

SCRANTON, Pa., Jan. 2.—The abandoned workings of the Eddy Creek colliery of the Delaware & Hudson company beneath the town of Olyphant caved in this afternoon and engulfed four frame buildings, covering an aggregate ground space of six thousand square feet.

# THE IRISH LAND CONFERENCE

**Met in Dublin Yesterday -- Report Does Not Call For Compulsory Purchase, But Clears the Path For Final Legislation on the Delicate Question**

DUBLIN, Jan. 3.—The Irish land conference, which was called by Lord Dunraven and others interested in the Irish agrarian questions, with a view to arranging the sale of land by the landlords to tenants, met again here today. The only absentees were Lord Dunraven, chairman of the conference, who is sick, and John Redmond.

A report was drawn up and signed by all those present and forwarded to the lord-lieutenant of Ireland, the Earl of Dunlavy. The contents of the report have not been given out, and while the agreements regarding the report complete

its present work it has been resolved not to dissolve.

### IT CLEARS THE PATH.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—The Dublin correspondent of the Observer says the report of the Irish land conference does not call for compulsory purchase, but it clears the path for final legislation on the question. The reports make recommendations in favor of the evicted tenants. The members of the conference, continues the correspondent, are pleased with the result of their meetings, and there is a general feeling that a great step will be taken towards the settlement of the Irish question.

## CROWN PRINCE OF SIAM IN JAPAN

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 3.—The steamer Moyune, of the China Mutual line, reached port tonight from Liverpool, via the Orient, with a light cargo. She encountered heavy southeast gales for the greater part of the voyage across. The steamer brings considerable naval stores and gun mountings for the Esquimalt fortifications.

The Moyune reports that the crown prince of Siam, who arrived at Yokohama the day prior to the sailing of the Moyune, on December 17th, was received by a fleet of warships, all dressed with bunting.

The Empress of China, on which his royal party were passengers, had a terrible passage, her saloon being stove in by the force of the waves, two boats smashed and other injuries received, and two sailors sustained fatal injuries.

The liner flew the Siamese flag at her peak, and as she entered the harbor the Japanese battleships, Chinyen and Fuso, and two torpedo boats, the United States steamship Oregon, the Russian battleship Rurik and the Siamese royal yacht Maha Chakrin, fired salutes.

There was a large and distinguished party of Japanese present to receive the prince and party, who left at once by special train for Tokyo, where he will be made the guest of the Japanese emperor.

The principal Japanese journals of Tokyo publish leading articles welcoming the crown prince, and commenting on the relationship of Japan and Siam.

During the typhoon of December 14th the United States steamship Oregon and the C. P. R. steamer Empress of China were badly damaged. Several Japanese junks were lost with all on board near Kobe.

### CABLE 250 MILES HIGH.

A Chicago Man's Scheme to Get Unlimited Electricity For the World.

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—Capitalists here, it is said, are backing a Chicago man's scheme which involves the harnessing of electricity in the ethereal regions high above the earth's surface. This electricity, the originator asserts, will furnish power and light in inexhaustible quantities.

Chicago is to be the scene of the first experiments and eight acres of land on the North Side have been purchased for the erection of a plant. The scheme worked out by Albert G. Whitney is to project a wire cable 250 miles above the earth.

He says that the atmosphere extends to a height of about 17 miles. Above the atmosphere, Mr. Whitney says, the ethereal regions are reached, and at this place the force of gravitation is away from, instead of toward the earth.

The projection of 40 miles of cable, if Mr. Whitney's theories are correct, would cause the whole cable to recede from the earth, so that he could unwind any quantity of cable and the wire would maintain its rigidity.

Mr. Whitney says that experiments have shown that the ethereal regions are surcharged with electricity and that this force will be transmitted to the earth's surface through the long wire cable.

## THE FESTIVITIES AT DELHI

DELHI, India, Jan. 2.—A grand assault of arms in the Durban arena was the feature of today's festivities. Thousands of British and native soldiery participated in the artillery and cavalry displays, tent pegging, and other feats of horsemanship. Subsequently the viceroy, Lord Curzon of Kedleston, and the Duke of Connaught received the military veterans at the central camp.

DELHI, India, Jan. 3.—Lady Curzon and her American and English guests witnessed the reception from the veranda of the vice-regal residence. Lord Curzon and the duke spoke to every man of the battered column whose rows of medals, pinned on faded, old time uniforms, recalling the revolt of nearly half a century ago. To one blind old soldier Lord Curzon said:

"I am sorry you could not see the Durbar."

"Thank you, sir," came the reply, "I felt."

## THE EXISTENCE OF A BEEF TRUST

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 3.—Special Commissioner T. H. Kinley of Kansas City, appointed to take testimony in the Custer proceedings of Attorney-General Crow on the charge of the existence of a beef trust, filed his report in the supreme court tonight. It finds that the Armour Packing Co., Nelson, Morris & Co., Swift & Co., the Hammond Packing Co., the Cudahy Packing Co. and the Schwarzchild & Sulzberger Co. are guilty of entering into an agreement to fix and maintain prices for the sale of dressed beef and pork in Missouri. It is set forth that prices were fixed through agents, managers and solicitors, and many times by managers of coolers in those cities.

The Henry Krug Packing Co. of St. Joseph was found not to have been in the combination and consequently the report will release it from legal proceedings.

### THE SPECULATIVE SENTIMENT.

Underwent Several Abrupt Transitions in New York Yesterday.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Speculative sentiment underwent several rather abrupt transitions today. The first distinct movement in the market, after a period of listless fluctuations, followed the publication of the November earnings of the Pennsylvania railroad. The rate at which the rise in opening expenses in this representative railroad system was seen to outstrip the gains in the gross earnings served to engender doubts caused by a similar tendency, which has become general throughout the railroad world.

### SITUATION AT CARACAS.

PARIS, Jan. 3.—A dispatch to the Matin from Caracas says the chief menace by revolutionary forces which are in the neighborhood. The correspondent described the situation at Caracas as critical. The bank, he says, lacks the required resources to meet the bills and expenses of the government, and a forced loan which will affect foreigners as well as Venezuelans is feared.

### KING GEORGE WEAKER.

DRESDEN, Jan. 3.—King George is evidently growing weaker, and the attending physicians are stimulating his majesty with quinine. He insists on attending to state affairs.

## MODERN VESSELS FOR ESQUIMALT

(Special to The Miner.)

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 3.—Semi-official advices from London say that the obsolete ships on the Esquimalt station are to be replaced with modern vessels, and this is the reason why the imperial government wish the dock enlarged.

Fred T. Congdon, crown prosecutor of the Yukon, is to be governor of Yukon.

Application will be made at the next session of the commons to build a railroad from Vancouver through the Kootenay Pass to Old Man river, Alberta, thence to a point on the Churchill river.

### MOROCCO'S TROUBLES.

MOROCCO, Jan. 3.—Premier Silevis today informed the king that he had received advices that the sultan of Morocco was continuing his preparations for war against the pretender and that a battle was impending. The captain of the Spanish cruiser Infanta Isabel, now lying at Tangier, has telegraphed the minister of marine that the sultan is still besieged in Fez.

### AMBASSADOR TO ROME.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—It is officially announced that King Edward has appointed Sir Francis Leveson Bertie, K. C. B., now assistant under secretary for foreign affairs, to succeed Lord Currie of Hawley as British ambassador at Rome. Lord Currie resigned his post December 19.

### ADVANCING ON CARACAS.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—A dispatch to the Matin from Caracas says a strong force of government troops has taken the field against the insurgents. The latter are reported to be advancing on Caracas.