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THE BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR

Cut The Anthracite Coal Price 50 Cents

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 21.—Three of the largest coal producers in the anthracite region...

GIVE CAMBRIDGE HARD RACE FOR IT

Oxford Shaping Up Better for Thames Contest

Johnny Wilson Has Broken Hand Bone and Bout is Postponed—News of the Ball Players—Big Hockey Tonight.

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The King and Queen accompanied by Princess Mary made an extensive tour of the fair progressing in London. They are here seen leaving the main building.

POLICE COURT

Six arrests were made over the weekend. June McVane, who was given in charge on Saturday afternoon by Thomas Pye...

Bertha Joseph was arrested about 6:30 yesterday morning on a charge of wandering about and not being able to give a satisfactory account of herself.

A case against Tony Crisco, charged with criminal negligence and using profane language, was resumed. Policeman McNamee gave evidence and the case was postponed for judgment.

Four men charged with drunkenness were arrested over the weekend, but three of them were allowed out on deposits, while the other pleaded guilty and was remanded.

MONTREAL STOCK MARKET.

Montreal, March 21.—The local stock market opened today for the week very quietly. Only a few of the leaders appeared during the first hour.

Albion was up a quarter point at 44 1/2. Atlantic Sugar was down 1/2. Dominion weakened three-quarters to 36. Montreal was unchanged at 116.

ITALIAN ELECTIONS.

London, March 20.—The Milan correspondent of the London Times says it is reliably informed that Premier Giolitti has definitely decided to dissolve the Italian parliament.

member of the board, read a memo of the proceedings before the official announcement was made, as it might then be too late to remedy it.

Comptroller Jones said that he had heard of the contemplated move and understood that seventy-five people would be affected. He thought the best thing for the men of the city should take prompt action in the matter.

The mayor said that he would take the matter up immediately with the authorities. On motion of Commissioner Fink it was decided to pay to the widow of Richard Evans, city employee, who was killed on Friday when he fell from his wagon, three regular fortnightly payments.

Commissioner Fink referred to the question of payment of compensation to the workers of the Compensation Board. He said that in 1920 the charge against his department was \$800, and this year the extra amount he liquidated by the commissioner of finance. His motion to this effect was carried.

DECLARES HEARST AGAINST A.F. OF L.

Gompers Makes Attack on Publisher

Says W. R. When Aspirant for U.S. Presidency Sought to Win Him and Failed and That Now He is After Labor People.

Washington, March 21.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, has launched an attack on William Randolph Hearst, newspaper publisher, in the current issue of the Federationist, the official organ of the federation.

He says that for years Mr. Hearst, "personally, politically and through his newspapers, has undertaken to control the labor movement and those who speak for it."

When it dawned upon him that the work people declined to follow the fortunes of misfortune of Hearst's political aspirations, Mr. Gompers continues, "he has by every means conceivable endeavored to undermine their influence and destroy them."

He has begun a repetition through his newspapers of the slanderous and contemptible attack upon the character and work of the president of the American Federation of Labor and his associates.

His real enemy is not necessarily against those officers of the labor movement, he rather has hope of minimizing or eliminating the American Federation of Labor itself.

STRIKE ON TOWBOATS

New York, March 21.—Representatives of the Association of Masters, Mates & Pilots left here today for Philadelphia to attend a conference at which plans will be discussed for a strike of sea-going towboats on the United States Atlantic and Gulf coasts, effective April 1.

William A. Mahar, general manager of the Association, said that the walkout had been agreed because the Atlantic Towboat Association had declined to renew the 1919 agreement and reduced wages \$25 and \$35 a month. He said about 150 towboats and 2,400 men would be affected.

CHAMBERLAIN IS NEW LEADER

Successor to Bonar Law by Unanimous Vote of Unionist M. P.'s.

London, March 21.—Austin Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer, was today elected leader of the Unionist party. His selection, effected at a meeting of the Unionist members of the house of commons at the Carlton Club, was unanimous.

He succeeds Andrew Bonar Law, whose retirement because of ill health was announced last week.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram" said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornblum, "you tell me why it is that so much money is spent for mere pleasure by so many people when Mayor Schofield has to help to keep the life in little children of families where there is no money."

"You'll remember," said Hiram, "that it was Cain that wanted to kill his brother. The Cain of our times don't let his brother—he just lets him starve."

"But to let the children go hungry?" said the reporter—"isn't it dreadful?"

"It's a crime," said Hiram. "Now you kin go out tonight 'n' git into the crowd among the lights 'n' blow in enough to feed a family for two or three days—'n' think you're hev'in' a great time. If you wanted to you could stay home 'n' go to your book-shelf 'n' read 'em."

"Or, or Bobby Burns, or Stevenson, or Kipling, or Dickens, or some other fine old feller, 'n' you could spend a couple of hours with you goodly tonight? Or you could read a magazine, or listen to some music, or do a little thinkin' 'n' you'd be a dollar for the mayor's fund next day."

"But people stop to think. Now you kin go out tonight 'n' git into the crowd among the lights 'n' blow in enough to feed a family for two or three days—'n' think you're hev'in' a great time. If you wanted to you could stay home 'n' go to your book-shelf 'n' read 'em."

LENINE SEEKS A COALITION

General Wrangel Asks Help of Many Nations in Anti-Red War.

Copenhagen, March 21.—Negotiations looking to the formation of a coalition government for Soviet Russia have been opened by Nikolai Lenine, Bolshevik premier, with leaders of the Mensheviks and Social revolutionaries, says a dispatch from Reval to the Berlingske Tidende.

Constantinople, March 21.—Appeals are being made by many nations by General Wrangel, head of the South Russian government, with a view to the formation of a coalition government, says a dispatch from the Crimea last year, to the aid of the anti-Bolshevik forces. He still believes there is a chance of defeating the Bolsheviks by the aid of the anti-Bolshevik forces.

"Bolshevism is dying, and this is an ill-chosen moment to disband my troops," he said today, in commenting upon the French withdrawal of aid from his forces and the suggestion that his soldiers be reorganized to Russia.

"France may hear the burden alone, and I am appealing to all nations for help. I cannot accept either the alternative of sending my men to Brazil, where they are promised manual labor, but no land, or of returning them to Russia, where the spirit of vengeance is strong that they would be massacred."

Many of General Wrangel's officers are in the French foreign legion. London, March 21.—A Moscow wireless dispatch briefly describing the progress of Canada, according to Howard Kewley, Montreal lawyer, who has given an interesting interview to the Times.

CROP CONDITIONS SATISFACTORY

Rome, March 21.—Satisfactory crop conditions in Western Europe, the United States, and Japan and North Africa are reported by the International Institute of Agriculture here. In Prussia, it says, there has been an increase of five per cent in cattle, fifteen per cent in sheep, and twenty-four per cent in hogs. In the United States the number of cattle has decreased four per cent, and there has been a seven per cent decrease in hogs.

A McGILLICUDDY OF THE REEKS DEAD

London, March 21.—Dennis Donough McGillicuddy, eldest son of the late Richard McGillicuddy of the Reeks, is dead at his hour at Haunty County Kerry, Ireland. It is announced here. He was formerly a member of the 28th Welsh Pioneers, and later served in the British navy.

NOT INVITED TO WEDDING, BOY HANGS HIMSELF

Ridgewood, N. Y., March 21.—Because he was not invited to the wedding of family friends, Wm. W. Smith, twenty years old, committed suicide on Saturday night by hanging himself to a bed post with a neck tie, at his home in Clearock. Learning that his chum had been invited he threatened to choke himself if he failed to receive an invitation.

VALUABLE PROPERTY DESTROYED IN FIRE

Minneapolis, N. Y., March 21.—Fire on Saturday night destroyed the three buildings of the medical research laboratory of the United States air force at Mitchell Field, caused a loss estimated between \$200,000 and \$300,000. The property includes valuable instruments and important records.

W.C.T.U. Out for Puritan Sunday and No Tobacco

Chicago, March 21.—A campaign by the W. C. T. U. for strict Sunday observance and against tobacco, was announced today to start on April 3. That week will be made one of prayer for the success of the campaign, and April 10, 17 and 24 is carried by a grown up family. T. U. branches, churches, schools and colleges will be distributed.

The campaigners hope to prohibit golfing, pleasure automobile, baseball, movies, theatres and dancing on Sunday.

LAYING OUT BODY, UNDERTAKER IS POISONED

Infection Enters Where Splinter Had Punctured Skin of Hand.

St. Catharines, Ont., March 21.—J. C. Grobb, undertaker, died on Saturday night of blood poisoning, contracted two weeks earlier while laying out the body of Bandmaster Frank Weis, who had died from that cause. Mr. Grobb was 72 and is survived by a grown up family. His assistant was working with rubber gloves, but not satisfied with the speed being made, Mr. Grobb took part in the work bare-handed and one of his hands on which the skin had been punctured by a splinter, became infected.

DRIVEN OUT OF TWO HOTELS BY FIRE

One in Boston, One in Emporia—Wrestler and Manager Have Remarkable Escape.

Boston, March 21.—An early morning fire drove a score of scantily clad patrons into the street from the Hotel Majestic in the west end district today. Several women used the Joy street police station as their boulevard until their clothes were recovered.

Police and firemen with searchlights found several persons huddled in the halls bewildered by smoke, and assisted them to safety. The property loss was small.

Emporia, Kas., March 21.—Three persons are missing following a fire which completely destroyed the Hotel Whitely, yesterday. Several persons were severely burned, and others received injuries when they fell from upper stories of the building.

Jack Fisher, a wrestler fell three stories while a rope burned in two, but he was uninjured. Edward Warner, Fisher's manager, jumped three stories, and landed unhurt on the wrestler's back. The damage is estimated at \$100,000.

QUEBEC AND CANADA'S FUTURE

Horace Gagne, Who Spoke in St. John Some Time Ago, Gives Interview in London.

London, March 21.—(Canadian Associated Press)—The Province of Quebec is solidly arrayed against any socialist or experimental policy or departure from the principles which hitherto have guided the progress of Canada, according to Howard Kewley, Montreal lawyer, who has given an interesting interview to the Times.

In the present relations between Great Britain and France Mr. Gagne sees an incentive to closer co-operation between the French and English-speaking people of Canada. Mr. Gagne, who has appeared in a case before the privy council, left for Canada on Saturday.

FIRE WITH LOSS OF \$750,000 NEAR VANCOUVER

Vancouver, B. C., March 21.—The plant of the Howe Sound Mining & Smelting Company, at Britannia Beach, twenty miles from this city, was completely destroyed by fire on Saturday night. The loss will run around \$750,000. The president of the company is F. R. Schley of New York.

WAGES SMALLER IN FACTORIES

In New York State Down \$2.16 a Week Since October.

Albany, N. Y., March 21.—The average weekly earnings of factory workers in the state of New York decreased eighty-four cents during February, according to statistics of the State Industrial Committee.

The average weekly factory employe's earnings for February was \$20.77. Since October, 1920, the wages of factory workers have decreased \$2.16 a week, or eight per cent.

The drop in earnings from January to February was chiefly the result of reductions in wages rates and part time work. In some plants smaller earnings were reported as a result of the return of many of the lower paid employes to work.

SIXTY FARMERS ON WAY WITH 35,000 POUNDS FOR LAND

London, March 21.—(Canadian Associated Press)—A party of sixty British farmers, with £25,000 for investment in St. John City Housing Board.

CLEMENCEAU HOME.

Toulon, March 21.—Georges Clemenceau, former premier of France, arrived here today from India, where he has been hunting tigers and visiting the foothills of the Himalayas. He reported that he was in perfect health.

WEATHER REPORT. Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—The disturbance which was west of the Great Lakes on Saturday moved eastward to the lower St. Lawrence Valley, causing showers and thunderstorms in Ontario and Quebec. An area of high pressure with zero temperature has come in over the western provinces from the northward.