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CHECK MUST BE PUT ON MEXICO

Nations Aroused Over Slaying of British Subject

NO OFFICIAL ACTION YET

Inquiry Being Made and Meanwhile United States is Being Looked To—Strong Comment By Some London Papers

(Canadian Press.)

London, Feb. 20.—The Evening Standard says:—The execution of Benton, if true, emphasizes the fact that some kind of international compulsion will soon be necessary to stop Mexico from wallowing in this style of corruption and cruelty.

The "Globe" after asking what is going to happen in case investigation proves the guilt of Villa says:—The United States has not only the responsibility involved in its assertion of the Monroe doctrine, but also the responsibility of having supplied Villa and the rebels with arms, thereby promoting the lawlessness which has had such grievous results for British lives and interests. President Wilson has gone too far to shrink from going farther.

London, Feb. 21.—The British government, up to noon today, had not taken any action in regard to the execution of William S. Benton, a Scottish rancher in Juarez, beyond instructing Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, British ambassador at Washington, to obtain from Secretary of State Bryan all possible information. Although the tragedy drew a widespread sensation throughout the British Isles, it has not aroused any disposition on the part of responsible members of the British government to change their policy in regard to Mexico.

There is no concealment of the fact, however, that murders of British subjects in Mexico, unless they are followed by the punishment of the perpetrators and the payment of indemnities are likely to arouse public opinion here to the point where it will demand that the British government take a strong line.

Great Britain's official attitude is that of looking to the United States government to protect British subjects and it has no doubt that the United States will do its best although it recognizes that the United States is practically helpless to protect foreign residents in Mexico.

The state department at Washington had already informed the British government that where there were no British consuls in Mexico the consuls of the United States would look after British interests.

The British government has no communication with the Mexican Constitutionalists through diplomatic or consular channels. Members of the British government have considered the recognition of the Constitutionalists as belligerents, a mistake.

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 21.—El Paso today awakened to anxiety and conjecture as to the fate of Gustave Bauch, an American accused by the rebels in Juarez as being a spy, and of two Englishmen who disappeared in Juarez on last Wednesday. Bauch disappeared from his cell last evening. He is believed to have been shot.

Of the Englishman, one is said to be a rancher named Curtis, from New Mexico, and the other John Lawrence, chief engineer of the California Development Company, in Yuma, Ariz.

Samuel Stewart, known also as Thompson, an English soldier of fortune, reported their disappearance. He said they went to Juarez on Wednesday to aid in the search for Benton, a school mate of Lawrence's and were seen no more by himself or other friends.

Lawrence and Curtis, Stewart said, registered here on Tuesday under assumed names, as they came on business of a nature which, for financial reasons, required secrecy. He did not know what names they used. Stewart told a circumstantial story of his search for the two friends yesterday, but his tale was received with reservation.

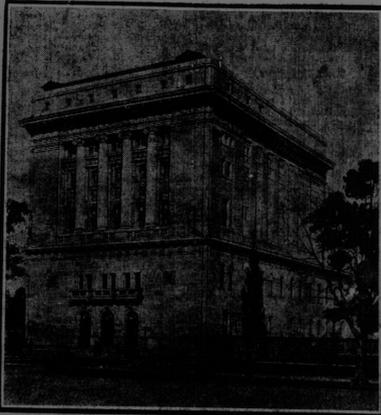
Huerta Frees Prisoners.—Mexico City, Feb. 21.—To commemorate the anniversary of his accession to the presidency, President Huerta yesterday ordered the release of fifteen more members of the chamber of deputies who were imprisoned last October when he dissolved congress. None of the men was of national prominence.

Two of General Villa's emissaries, said to have offered the Federal General Velasco 2,000,000 pesos to surrender Torreon to the rebels, were summarily executed by Velasco, according to a story reaching here from Torreon.

The war department announced last night that it had received advice that 3,000 rebels had started from Chihuahua toward Torreon.

Dr. Ignacio Alcocer, minister of the interior, last night notified the newspapers that anti-American attacks must cease. He also announced that "Mister Lind" is new weekly newspaper, wholly devoted to attacking Americans, would be suppressed.

NEW HOME FOR TORONTO MASONS



A firm of New York architects was awarded first prize, \$1,000 for competitive plans for the new home of Toronto Masons. The property was the former home of Sheriff Mowat.

Fourteen Life Savers Drowned

Go Down In Effort to Save Crew of Bark Ashore On The Coast Of Wexford

Queenstown, Feb. 21.—Fourteen life-boatmen were drowned when they went out from Fethard, to rescue the crew of the Norwegian bark Mexico driven onto the rocks near the Saltee Islands, Wexford, last night.

BERMUDA GRANTS \$80,000 SUBSIDY

Steamship Service From New York to Be Started in Next January

New York, Feb. 21.—A cable to the New York "Times" from Bermuda says:—After a long hard struggle through parliament and then through the legislative council, the bill to subsidize the Canada Steamship Lines, Limited, by the colony of Bermuda, was passed yesterday, in the legislative council by a vote of six to three.

DOZEN DOUGHNUTS AND HALF PIE KILLED HIM

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 21.—David Morton, aged 75 years, a well-known resident of the Village of West, died as the result of eating a dozen doughnuts and two pieces of pie. Mr. Morton purchased the doughnuts and, taking them home, made a meal of them, with half a pie. He died a few minutes later from acute indigestion. He leaves two daughters and three sons.

POTATO BAN LIFTED FROM DENMARK AND BELGIUM

Washington, Feb. 21.—The quarantine on potatoes was modified today by the department of agriculture, so as to permit the importation, under certification and inspection, of the vegetable from Denmark and Belgium. An investigation showed freedom from injurious potato diseases and insect pests.

MONTREAL ADDED 1,750 FROM FOREIGN LANDS IN LAST YEAR

Montreal, Feb. 21.—In all, 1,750 foreigners of twenty three nationalities took out naturalization papers last year, while in the previous year only 974 certificates were issued. Russians and Italians represent about two-thirds.

MUSIC ENJOYED ACCIDENT

In the Mater Misericordiae Home last evening selections of Irish instrumental and vocal airs gave pleasure to all present, a fine programme being furnished by the Misses Lynch, Hogan and Josephine Fitzpatrick. The programme was almost entirely composed of Irish numbers, appropriately so as this is regarded as Ireland's year. There were also one or two selections given representative of the land of Uncle Sam, at the request of several American present.

CONDITION SERIOUS

Emile Karak, an Austrian who is in the hospital with a badly gashed throat, was said today to be still in a serious condition.

Thirty Thousand Dollars Increase in a Single Year

One Way Borden Government Makes People's Money Fly—More About St. John Lawyers' Share

In the Times yesterday was published a list of the taxed costs drawn from the dominion exchequer during the last fiscal year by certain favorites of Mr. Haazen. The order in which they stand, judging by amounts is as follows:—

D. Mallin \$8,665.00
E. J. McKeown 1,731.75
J. E. Cowan 481.30
C. F. Inches 429.84

On further research Mr. Cowan, whether on account of his grit or sand, seems to have entitled his charges to a greater extent than some of the others. It appears by the auditor-general's report he drew further sums, as follows:

J. E. Cowan, legal services, St. John new post office, \$387.98.
J. E. Cowan, legal services, Upper Salmon River pier, N. B., \$78.37.

J. E. Cowan, not legal, but grit services, 500 barrels sand at 25c per barrel, Negro Point improvements, St. John harbor, \$125.

It is said that Mr. Cowan is now entrusted with the conduct of some suits for the government.
Cyrus F. Inches, in addition to the amount of \$429.84, stated in yesterday's issue, drew \$1,731.75, from the exchequer for legal services re meteorological property, St. John, \$91.60.

Roy Campbell and Cyrus F. Inches sold for the St. John drill shed site an additional piece of property for \$1,595. Mr. Inches is a legal partner of D. King Haazen, the son of the minister.

With what reckless waste and extravagance the Borden government is exploiting the treasury of the country in the face of a falling revenue, the Auditor General's report plainly shows. Contrast for a moment the amount of the expenditure in this one branch, and it shows the direction in which we are being led.

Legal Expenses and Taxed Costs.
1911-12 1912-13
\$144,103.47 \$174,520.15

This is an increase of more than \$30,000 in one year.

THREE KILLED BY TRAIN BANDITS

Robbers Use Guns When They Are Resisted

ONE OF DEAD A C.P.R. CONDUCTOR

Lights Shot Out, Passengers Are Robbed, Bell Cord Pulled and Train Stopped and the Outlaws Get Away

(Canadian Press.)
Bellingham, Wash., Feb. 21.—Three bandits shot three passengers to death on a northbound Great Northern train near here last night.

The dead—Thomas S. Wadsworth, of Vancouver, C. P. R. conductor; H. R. Adkinson, of Vancouver, traveling salesman.

R. E. Lee, of Bremerton, Wash., a time clerk in the Puget Sound Navy Yard. His parents live in Ackerland, Kan.

The bandits boarded the train in Burlington, a few miles south of here and passed from the smoking car into the day coach, tying up the handbrakes over their faces. One stood on the platform of the day coach, a second stepped just inside, and a third walked the length of the car.

As the robber started to lock the door the three men sprang at him. He then threw down the robber at the other end of the car began shooting out the lights. His companion emptied an automatic pistol into Lee's body and then ran the length of the car, frightened passengers.

The train slowed down in response to a pull at the bell cord, and the three disappeared.

THISTLES VS ST. ANDREWS

IN THE FINAL MATCH

The St. Andrew's cutlers will clash with the Thistle men this afternoon and evening in the last game of the three game series. The clubs have each taken one game, the first going to St. Andrew's by 30 points. The Thistles won the second game by 40 points. The stakes for this afternoon and evening will be:

On Thistle tea—Afternoon, Thistles; Evening, St. Andrew's.
St. Andrew's—Afternoon, St. Andrew's; Evening, Thistles.

HITCH OVER WORK OF BOULEVARD IN KING STREET EAST

A difficulty has arisen in connection with the ambition of the residents of King street east, to have a modern boulevard. A majority of the property owners have expressed their willingness to pay half the cost, but, in addition to the street pavement, they want concrete walks. The present act makes no provision for sidewalks and the city commissioners do not feel justified in paying the whole cost of a special kind of pavement for one particular street. The only way in which the arrangement for the division of expense could be reached would be by contract between the city and every owner and mortgagee of property abutting on the street. Commissioners Agar points to this situation as one of the reasons why the present act is in need of amendment.

THE STEAMERS

C. P. R. Liner Mount Temple, bound for St. John, was 225 miles east of Sable Island yesterday afternoon at 8.30 o'clock.

R. M. S. P. Liner Chignecto was due to sail from Bermuda today for St. John. Manchester Liner Manchester Importer is due to sail this afternoon from Manchester for this port via Halifax.

EIGHT BAPTISMS

In connection with the evangelistic services being held in Ludlow street Baptist church, in the absence of the pastor, W. R. Robinson, last evening, Rev. H. S. Bonnell was the speaker. Eight candidates are to be baptized.

The London Spectator and the Saturday Review have joined the Times in attacks on Lloyd George.

COUNTY COURT ORDER INVALID, DECISION OF JUDGE McKEOWN

Decision in City Court Case Also Reversed—Two Workmen's Compensation Act Cases

Mr. Justice McKeown delivered judgments this morning.

Ex Parte David A. McLeod—A writ of certiorari was granted at the last term of the county court en banc, returnable before Mr. Justice McKeown to show cause why certain orders made by the county court judge should not be set aside. The Victoria Hotel Co., Ltd., had obtained a judgment against McLeod three years ago for \$146.45, including interest, and McLeod at the last term of the county court secured a verdict against the county court judge, returnable before Mr. Justice McKeown to show cause why certain orders made by the county court judge should not be set aside. The Victoria Hotel Co., Ltd., had obtained a judgment against McLeod three years ago for \$146.45, including interest, and McLeod at the last term of the county court secured a verdict against the county court judge, returnable before Mr. Justice McKeown to show cause why certain orders made by the county court judge should not be set aside.

His Honor decided that the last order was invalid for want of notice, and ordered it to be set aside.

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Happy Celebration at the Home of Colonel and Mrs. E. T. Sturdee

Yesterday marked the twenty-fifth anniversary of the wedding of Colonel and Mrs. E. T. Sturdee. Advantage of the occasion was taken by about forty of their friends, who called upon them during the evening and presented to them a handsome piece of silverware.

During the day Mr. and Mrs. Sturdee received the congratulations of many of their other friends. Their wedding took place in Trinity church on February 20, 1889. The ceremony being performed by Rev. Canon Driestocke, assisted by Right Rev. H. Fullinwider, D. D., an bishop, coadjutor of the diocese.

BETTER ARRANGEMENT AT SAND POINT WANTED

Representations have been made to Mayor Frink regarding the arrangements for the betterment of the berths at Sand Point. The berths at Sand Point are not so well arranged as they should be, and it is suggested that a better arrangement be made.

HON. DR. JOSEPH LANGTOT DEAD

Prominent Quebec Liberal and Member of Legislative Council

Montreal, Feb. 21.—Hon. Dr. Joseph Langlot, for sixteen years a member of the Quebec legislative council, died last evening, aged sixty-eight. While in London a year and a half ago, he suffered a severe fall, which superinduced paralysis.

POLICE COURT

There was a very short session of the police court this morning which did not begin in Delhi street. They said they were remanded until more information could be obtained.

STREET WALKING CHARGE AGAINST TWO GIRLS

Myrtle Fiewelling and Gussie Ackerman were arrested last evening by Detective Lucas charged with street walking. They are both twenty years of age. In court this morning they were remanded until more information could be obtained.

ASSAULT CHARGED

Ready McDonald was arrested last evening on a charge of assaulting a man in Brussels street in view of the police. He pleaded guilty and was remanded.

FOR LENT

The New Freeman this morning published the Lenten regulations, which are the same as those of last year, and will begin on next Wednesday.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries, K. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—Another cold wave is spreading provinces, where several depressions are in evidence on the continent. Light snow is falling over Lake