

Mr. Subscriber: Help Some Deserving Candidate by Renewing Your Subscription!

The John Standard

VOL. XI, NO. 129.

TEN PAGES.

ST. JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 26, 1919.

SHOWERS

THREE CENTS

INTERMITTENT SHOWERS AND STRONG WINDS, MARRED START OF INTERNATIONAL AIR RACE

Out of Twenty Machines Only Twelve Left Toronto in Contest for the Winner's Purse of \$10,000 Offered by Hotel Commodore.

AIR MAIL SERVICE WAS INAUGURATED
The First of the Twelve Planes to Leave Toronto Arrived at Mineola, N. Y., at 7.11, Sergt. Coombs Doing the Trick.

Canadian Averages 160 Miles Per Hour In The Air Derby

Albany, N. Y., Aug. 25.—Officials announced that Sergeant Frank Coombs, Canadian flier in the international air derby, had averaged 160 miles an hour from Toronto to this city. This record thus far is the best recorded among the contestants.

Toronto, Aug. 25.—Intermittent showers and strong gusts of wind marred the start of the international air race for the prize \$10,000 offered by the Hotel Commodore, New York, for the first aviator completing a round trip between the two cities. Preparations had been made at the end for a record race, but out of twenty machines, only twelve started. According to plans, the aviators were to take the race to the Atlantic shore, in the northern section of the city, flying from there to the Canadian National Exhibition grounds, after circling twice, they were to be officially timed by Captain James P. Beatty, president of the Aero Club of Canada.

It had also been arranged for Major W. G. Barker, V. C., the Canadian ace, to carry a letter from the Prince of Wales to President Wilson, but this arrangement also failed to materialize. Ronald Rolfe, in an Oriole machine, attempted to start at 12.25 p. m., but, according to reports received at the exhibition, his machine turned turtle. He was off again at 12.48, however, and at 12.58 headed out across Lake Ontario for Buffalo. The first stop, Seront, but otherwise he was still seated over the grounds four minutes later and he also took the water route. Major Schroeder, in a Yough machine, and Captain H. W. Cook, in a Fokker, followed with P. Acosta, Lieut. C. A. Schiller and Lieut. Moore, as the next in line. All these machines complied with the arrangements by circling over the grounds and despite the strong winds, got away over the lake. Two more machines were sighted making for Hamilton, on the western route to Buffalo, but they were too far away to be identified. The other machines were not sighted at the exhibition.

Aerial Mail Service.
Aerial mail delivery between the United States and Canada was inaugurated by the aviators that left for Buffalo, on the western route to Buffalo, but they were too far away to be identified. The other machines were not sighted at the exhibition.

Coombs First In.
Mineola, N. Y., August 25.—The first twelve planes which started from Toronto on a round trip flight to Mineola in the International Air Derby, landed here tonight at 7.11 o'clock. The plane, a D. H. 9, with 400 horsepower Liberty motors, was piloted by Sergeant C. B. Coombs. Two other machines arrived a few moments later.

American Side.
Albany, N. Y., August 25.—Three accidents to American flying machines, which put the aviators out of the race but which did not cause any serious personal injuries, marked the landings made here today in the International Air Derby between Mineola and Toronto.

The Estonian Press Denies Report That Great Britain Seeks Ry. Concessions

Copenhagen, Aug. 25.—The Estonian press has officially denied a report, recently printed by the National Tidende, that Great Britain is seeking a railway concession through the islands of Dagoe and Oesel, to reach the Russian market.

Murder Occurs In Montreal

In Broad Daylight and in the Centre of the City Man Shot Dead for Bothering Another Man's Wife.

Special to The Standard
Montreal, Aug. 25.—In broad daylight and in the center of the city a man named Roch Samson of St. Henry was shot dead this afternoon and as a result John Quinn of Church Avenue, Verdun, is under arrest for the murder of Samson. Mrs. Quinn, wife of the man under arrest, had appealed to her husband for protection against the dead man, Samson, who had annoyed her for some time past by his attentions. Mrs. Quinn, a young woman of twenty years, had been taken this afternoon by her husband to a boarding house, kept in another part of the city, where she would be safe from Samson. As she and her husband came out of the house at a quarter past five, Samson drove up in his automobile and remarked, "You can't hide her; I know where she is." At the same time making as though he would alight from the car. "Don't you get out of your car," was Quinn's warning, but as this was disregarded, Quinn covered him with a revolver, fired point blank and the bullet, after passing through the windshield, entered Samson's chest just above the heart. The ambulance was summoned from the Montreal General Hospital, but Samson was dead when it arrived.

The detective office was communicated with and within a few moments was on the spot, and on being informed that the assailant had entered the boarding house, went upstairs. Quinn was at the top and on seeing them, called out, "I guess I'm the man you are looking for." He was promptly placed under arrest, and the revolver, the chambers of which were still warm, was found in his pocket. At headquarters Quinn made a full confession after being warned according to law. One of the men whose body was out of the car when the body was removed from the automobile, indicating his intention to get out, but otherwise he was still seated on the right hand of the car. The body was taken to the morgue where an autopsy will be made and preliminary inquest opened today. Very few witnesses have so far been secured, although the murder was committed at one of the busiest hours of the day.

Boston, Mass., August 25.—The theft of \$100,000 in Liberty bonds and \$3,500 in cash from a vault in the office of the paymaster of the Boston and Albany Railroad, at the South Station, was discovered today. Police officials and railroad authorities said they had no clue to the robbery.

great speed toward the edge of the field which was thronged with spectators. A steep embankment was just behind them, and over this a large number of persons, together with the machine plunged. The airplane was composed of some minor cuts and bruises, was unharmed and none of the spectators suffered any serious injuries. Colonel Claggett's machine turned turtle when it struck a rut, and Captain Hill broke one of the wings of his machine.

Ship Aviation Field proved far too small for an event of this kind, making necessary the extension of the rule that a machine should not remain more than thirty minutes. Because of the congestion it was necessary for some of the aviators to remain one hour or longer.

Sergeant Coombs with Lieutenant Holland as a passenger was the first Canadian to reach this city, arriving at 4.55 and leaving for Mineola at 6.02. Roland Rolfe followed at 5.15 and left at 5.55 while Major Schroeder arrived two minutes later and left at 6.10 p. m. Captain Cook reached the field at 5.07.

Among the American aviators who left on the Syracuse leg of the trip late in the afternoon were: Captain Donaldson, who departed at 4.59; Lieut. Midkiff, 5.02; Major Simmons, 5.04; Lieut. Brown, 5.11; Major Miller, 5.40; and Major Lyons, 5.56. Lieut. Logan, who was first to leave Mineola, did not arrive here until 6.20.

TORONTO ENTHUSIASTIC OVER SOLDIER PRINCE WHO PROVES MOST DEMOCRATIC CHAP

Estimated That 250,000 People Crowded Every Vantage Point to Catch a Glimpse of His Royal Highness—Barefooted Boy in Bathing Suit Dodges by Policeman Into Reception Hall and Shakes Hand of Future King, An Incident Pleasing to His Highness—Many Social Functions and Formal Addresses in Day's Programme.

Toronto, August 26.—From out among the many incidents of this day—probably the busiest that Albert Edward has spent since the inception of the present tour—stands out boldly this fact, that His Royal Highness is not only a soldier prince, and a fighting soldier at that, but that he is also intensely democratic and most lovably human.

Of the half million population of this city, probably two hundred and fifty thousand today have seen the Prince, or at least had a glimpse of him. Many of those had the pleasure of hearing him speak; a few were fortunate enough to grasp the hand of the coming King. These few included all classes of persons, from a score or more of bearded knights to a little barefooted boy, clad in a bathing suit, who mixed up with the throng at the public reception in the City Hall this evening, dodged between a policeman's legs, and shook hands like the rest when his turn in line came.

The Prince laughed heartily at the rather unconventional evening dress and remarked: "That's a nice cool covering for a warm job."

Lovely Human.
That was one incident near the close of a heavy day. Another was in connection with two shell shocked soldiers, who just after passing and shaking hands with the Prince, fainted and had to be carried into an ante room of the city council chamber where the reception took place. When the time for the public reception was concluded, and the party was about to disperse, the Prince declined to leave the building before he personally visited the two veterans and made sure of their comfort.

The state dinner at Government House tonight followed by a small dance, was the concluding feature of a strenuous day for the heir to the throne. It started shortly after ten in the morning, when the royal train arrived. His Royal Highness immediately hit a responsive chord in this city of sixty thousand war veterans—mostly army veterans—when he appeared for the first time on this side of the water in his military uniform.

Sir Auckland Says Europe Must Work Out Own Salvation

Thinks it Useless to Rely Upon the United States to Pull British People Through Their Difficulties.

London, Aug. 25.—Sir Auckland Geddes, Minister of National Service and Reconstruction, speaking at Epsingtoke, today, on government economic, announced that a special financial committee, of which Lloyd George is chairman, has been formed for that purpose and that the Premier was drawing himself with great energy into the work of cutting down expenditures. Sir Auckland argued that it was useless to rely on the United States through their difficulties. He said that the American trade difficulties, she had increased the industrialism of her population, and not only was a great exporter of manufactures but the greatest exporter of raw materials. She was in the unhappy position of possessing so much that there was little she wanted, and, as a result, exchange between New York and London moved in her favor, and, therefore, against her power of export.

Moreover, he continued, because Britain required American raw material, it was increasingly difficult for America to get her manufactures for the Atlantic. The only result of America flooding Europe with goods would be a movement of exchange in her favor, making the price of American goods in this country prohibitive. Europe must, therefore, work out her own salvation, he declared.

MUNITIONS SENT TO MEXICO FROM BROADWAY HOTEL

New York, Aug. 25.—Ten trunks containing arms and munitions were shipped from this city to Mexico on the Steamship Morocco, which sailed last Friday for Havana, Pinaro and Vera Cruz, according to information received today. The trunks were shipped by the Broadway Hotel. The department of Justice and the Navy department have been notified and it is expected gunboats will be sent out to intercept the steamship.

Colalt Strikers To Parade When Prince Visits The District

No Demonstration Planned, But the Attention of the Royal Party Will be Called to the Fact the Men Are Still Out.

Near Riot.
From that hour, Toronto's tumultuous welcome grew, until in front of the City Hall, tonight, there was a near riot as the police tried to control the crowds who crushed and crowded up to this time he had worn his naval uniform almost exclusively at public functions.

Between the two entirely democratic functions this afternoon, the opening inspection of the Canadian National Exhibition and the public levee at the City Hall, the Prince managed to sandwich in a more exclusive society event—a garden party at the Royal Canadian Yacht Club.

There he laid the cornerstone of a new building, to take the place of the club house destroyed by fire some years ago. His Royal Highness thoroughly enjoyed the short sail on Lake Ontario and Toronto harbor to and from the club's quarters.

Opens Exhibition.
In addition to the addresses presented to the Prince by the Province of Ontario, the city of Toronto and the Canadian National Exhibition— which he formally opened before a crowd of sixty thousand people—there were numerous other addresses from smaller bodies, including the Canadian Club, Welsh and Scottish societies, Daughters of the Empire, and other bodies.

It is announced tonight, that the Prince has adopted a change in his programme, whereby he can make a flying visit to Montreal on September 2, in addition to his tour of Montreal, as per original itinerary, in October.

Tomorrow the Prince will have a quieter day, to include visits to the hospitals and the University, where a degree will be conferred.

ST. STEPHEN LINES UP FOR FORWARD MOVEMENT

Special District Meeting Held Yesterday at Which it Was Voted to Accept the Share Allotted, \$8,500.

St. Stephen, Aug. 25.—A special district meeting was held in the Methodist Church today to launch the National Campaign and Inter Church Forward movement in the St. Stephen district. A business session was held in the afternoon, at which it was voted to accept the share of the \$150,000 objective allotted to this district, viz: \$8,500. A district Forward Movement Committee was appointed, composed of Rev. F. H. Holmes, Rev. Theo. Hicks, Rev. R. Opie, and D. A. Nesbitt.

The spiritual objectives were also endorsed at a mass meeting held in the evening. Addresses were delivered by Rev. J. C. Simpson, ex-priest, of the Toronto conference and secretary of the superannuation fund, Rev. E. S. M. Smith, provincial organizer, Rev. T. H. Thomas, conference organizer, Ven. Arch Deacon Newham, of Christ's Church, and Dr. Goucher, of the Baptist Church. Similar meetings are to be held at Woodstock, Tuesday; Thursday at Newcastle; Friday at Moncton.

British Gov't Stops Work On All Warships

London, Aug. 25.—The government has ordered work stopped on all warships on the Clyde except those about to be launched, according to the Glasgow Daily Record. This paper understands that the same order has been issued at all shipyards in Great Britain. This will involve the discharge of many thousands of workmen.

STRIKE OF TRAINMEN CAUSES PARALYSIS OF TRAFFIC ON FOUR ROADS RUNNING INTO LOS ANGELES

Henderson Statement Is Assailed

His Declaration That He Was Sent to Russia With Power from War Cabinet to Dismiss Sir Geo. Buchanan and Assume Ambassadorship Creates a Sensation.

London, Aug. 25.—(C. A. P.)—A by-election in Widnes is arousing exceptional interest. Arthur Henderson, Secretary of the Labor party, and for a short time a member of the Cabinet in the early days of the war, receives the support of the local Liberals. The fight, therefore, is one between Labor and Conservatism. His opponent is F. M. Fisher, formerly Minister of Marine in the New Zealand government.

A statement by Mr. Henderson that he went to Russia in 1917 with power from the War Cabinet to dismiss Sir George Buchanan, the British Ambassador and assume the position himself, has created something like a sensation.

The Daily Graphic declares that the Prime Minister cannot afford to leave this assertion unnoticed, as the nation will want to know why Mr. Lloyd George entrusted such extraordinary powers to a man, whatever his merit, as a labor leader, who knew nothing of Russia or of diplomatic services.

MONCTON RESIDENT LEAVES FOR DUTIES IN TORONTO
C. C. R. Auditor of Stores and Mechanical Accounts Presented With Address on Eve of His Departure.

Special to The Standard.
Moncton, Aug. 25.—C. W. Roberts, auditor of stores and mechanical accounts for the C. C. R. for the last three years, and who since the consolidation of the eastern division of the Canadian National Railways, has been promoted to auditor of stores and mechanical accounts for the whole C. C. R. system in Canada, leaves tomorrow for Toronto where he will have his head office. Mr. Roberts, who came to the C. C. R. in 1916, succeeded the late J. J. Walker, as mechanical accountant, his duties later being enlarged to auditor of stores and mechanical accounts. On the eve of his departure from Moncton he was presented by his office staff of fifty with a travelling bag and address.

An inquest today into the death of William Stevens, a C. C. R. car check-roller, killed in the C. N. R. yard here Friday morning last, brought out the fact that Stevens was run over by the shunting crew from blame. But recommended that more care be exercised in future in making flying shunts.

CAPE BRETON COAL FINDS MARKET IN NORWAY

Sydney, Aug. 25.—Can coal be shipped from this port to Norway cheaper than from English ports? As an experiment the local Furness Withy office recently shipped three thousand tons of coal by the S. S. Bratland, a Norwegian ship, for Norway, and it must have been found satisfactory, for the local office now have an order for ten thousand tons more. Two Norwegian boats, the "Brad" and the "Monroe" are due in port about the first of September, and will dock at the Dominion Coal Company's pier and load three thousand and five hundred tons of coal each for Norway. Another ship will take the remainder of the order at a later date. Before the war could be sent to that country from England cheaper than from here. This would go to show that Sydney can compete with English ports in the coal trade. It is possible that the York shire strike has something to do with this new demand for Cape Breton coal.

Inter-Allied Commission Ready To Investigate Situation In Upper Silesia

Berlin, Aug. 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Inter-Allied Commission, appointed to investigate the situation in Upper Silesia, has arrived at Breslau. It comprises two British, two American, one Japanese and three French representatives, its chairman being Lieut.-Colonel Lidbury, of the

The Trainmen Walked Out in Sympathy With Platform Men of the Pacific Electric Company Operating Inter-Urban System.

SHOPMEN ASK THE IMPOSSIBLE
Pres. Wilson Says it is Not Wise to Care for Increased Wages by Increased Freight Rates Now.

Strike Forecasted By Ballots of Railway Maintenance Men

Detroit, August 25.—Of 170,000 ballots counted up today only 200 are against a strike of maintenance of way employees and railway shopmen of the United States and Canada, according to officers here.

Los Angeles, Calif., Aug. 25.—Traffic on the four railroads entering Los Angeles was virtually paralyzed today by the strike of trainmen who quit their posts last week in sympathy with the platform men of the Pacific Electric Company, which operates interurban systems in Southern California.

The strike situation was further complicated early today by the switchmen and brakemen of the Southern Pacific Railroad at Indio, Calif., walking out in sympathy with the members of the Brotherhoods in the other Southern California cities. This action effectually blocks all traffic to Texas and Arizona ports.

Must Obey Contracts.
Instructions to carry out their contracts were sent to members of the Firemen's, Trainmen's and Engineers' Brotherhoods on the Pacific coast late today, according to Warren S. Stone, head of the Locomotive Engineers' Association.

"We have instructed our members to perform their usual duties and carry out their contracts," said Mr. Stone, "but, under no circumstances, to do the work or take the place of strikers. Neither will they be required to work if their life is endangered through mob violence."

Wilson Explains Situation.
Washington, Aug. 25.—Pointing to the shopenmen's argument for an increase of wages was necessary in order to meet the high cost of living, the President said the workers' demands, in effect, that we make an increase in wages, which were likely to be permanent, in order to meet a temporary situation, which will last nobody can tell how long, but in all probability, only for a limited time.

The President's statement said, "It was neither wise or feasible to care for increases of wages of railroad employees at this time by increases in freight rates."

25 Per Cent. Increase.
The shopenmen ask for a 25 per cent. increase on their basic pay of 68 cents an hour. This increase would amount to 17 cents per hour, whereas the proposal of the President would give them four cents an hour, or forty cents a day more than the workers now receive.

The President, coincident with his statement to the shopenmen's representatives, addressed a statement to the public advising the nation of the situation and the basis of his action.

The four cent an hour increase proposed in the President's statement represents a readjustment of shopenmen's wages to their pay on the same basis as other railroad workers, that is on the ten hour pay and eight hour work basis, and accordingly is not in the strict sense an increase in wages.

"Monroe" are due in port about the first of September, and will dock at the Dominion Coal Company's pier and load three thousand and five hundred tons of coal each for Norway. Another ship will take the remainder of the order at a later date. Before the war could be sent to that country from England cheaper than from here. This would go to show that Sydney can compete with English ports in the coal trade. It is possible that the York shire strike has something to do with this new demand for Cape Breton coal.