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KITCHENER HEAD OF OVERSEAS FORCES

Appointed "To Mediterranean Command," But Opinion Is That Post Means Inspectorship of the Colonial Army.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

LONDON, Aug. 6.—Lord Kitchener of Khartoum has been appointed to the Mediterranean command, succeeding the Duke of Connaught.

He will first visit Australasia, to inspect the troops there, and to advise on the best way to give effect to certain proposals for development which are being discussed by the Imperial Defence Conference.

In some quarers it is believed there is an intention to co-ordinate all the military forces of the empire and to place Lord Kitchener at the head of an organization which will have the imperial army for its special care.

"Events would seem to be moving in this direction," says The Daily Graphic, "and there can be no question that Kitchener is of all men the one best suited for a command of that kind."

The Express declares that Kitchener's new post is synonymous with an inspectorship of all the overseas forces.

Will Visit Canada And the Antipodes

LONDON, Aug. 6.—Lord Kitchener, commander of the British forces in India, has been appointed to succeed the Duke of Connaught as inspector-general of the Mediterranean forces, which post the duke recently resigned on the ground of "the ineffective nature of the work and the useless expense to the nation involved therein."

Lord Kitchener will take the rank of field marshal and also become a member of the committee of imperial defense. The inspector general has command of the garrisons at Malta and Gibraltar and all the British troops in Egypt, the Soudan and Cyprus.

The appointment of Lord Kitchener is coincident with added importance being attached to the post. The Duke of Connaught in an official announcement said: "In view of the new developments in theorganization of the Mediterranean command assumed increased importance and will be taken up by Lord Kitchener in the object of giving it it's proper place in the scheme for imperial defense."

It is understood that as a result of the imperial defence conference which is now sitting, it is intended to co-ordinate all the military forces of the empire and place Lord Kitchener at the head of an organization having the imperial army for it's special care. As a preparation for this work, for which he has gained valuable experience in India, on vacating the Indian command in September, Lord Kitchener will go to Japan to represent Great Britain at the Japanese grand manoeuvres in November and afterward make a tour of Canada, Austrial and New Zealand to study the military organizations and consult with the colonial government concerning them.

Lord Kitchener, who became 59 years old in June, is the youngest field marshall in the history of Great Britain. Lord Roberts was 60 years old when he was raised to the rank and Lord Wolseley 62.

THE PACIFIC SQUADRON

Times Articles Believed to Be Views of Admiralty.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.)

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Aug. 6.—The Morning Herald declares the articles in The London Times, re a composite Pacific squadron, the believed to crystalize its suggestions to the imperial defence conference. They meet with the federal ministry's approval, slightly modified, and will probably form the basis of a defence scheme which will eventually be adopted.

The Telegraph prints a message from its Melbourne correspondent to the effect that the federal government, having already decided to include cruisers in the local squardon, may suggest to the conference as a substitute for the offer of a Dreadnought the assumption of all responsibility in connection with the policing of the Pacific. This, if true, marks the almost complete acceptance by the present commonwealth government of the defence policy put forward by Mr. Fisher, late prime minister.

TWO BOYS DROWN

Were on Load of Hay Which Toppled Into River.

(By Associated Press.)

OTTAWA, Aug. 6.—Two sons of L. Beaudry of Montreal were drowned at St. Eugene. They were at their grandfather's farm, and were on a load of hay crossing Grace Bridge. The waggon toppled over into the creek with the boys, the hay on top of them. Mr. Cadieux, the grandfather, jumped off in time to save himself.

Liquor Concealed in Bales.

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 6.—Liquor valued at $1200, and concealed in bales of hay has been confiscated while being shipped to the Transcontinental construction gangs near La Tuque, Que.

Lord Kitchener

Who Has Been Appointed To Command of Mediterranean Forces With Rank of Field Marshal.

Put Feet on Desk In School Hours Teacher is Fired

BRANTFORD, Aug. 6.—(Special.)—Principal Gant has been dismissed by the Paris public school board as a result of dissatisfaction among the trustees over alleged misconduct during school hours.

Mr. Gant stated that he would hold the trustees responsible for his dismissal. His letter was filed by a vote of 6 to 5.

The principal is said to have placed his feet on the desk during class hours. His dismissal was not unanimous among the trustees, a number of whom have regarded the results shown as most satisfactory.

Baddeck No. 1 Ready For Flights To-day

If Successful, McCurdy and Baldwin Will Take 'Drome to England.

PETAWAWA CAMP, Aug. 6.—(Special.)—The finishing touches were given to Baddeck No. 1 this afternoon, and J. D. McCurdy confidently expects to attempt flights on Saturday when much is expected of the new aerodrome.

Casey Baldwin told The World today that, "it was a refined product of the inventors' art."

As the aerodrome stands upon Petawawa Common, it looks an amazing contrivance of wood, steel, wire and cotton. What its possibilities are as an exponent of aviation the next 24 hours will probably tell.

As soon as the trials at Petawawa are concluded, Baldwin and McCurdy will visit England with an all Canadian aerodrome, to carry out programs of flights which will be arranged later. That they will surpass Bleriot's recent performance over the English Channel is earnestly wished.

Boy Lost in Woods Two Days: Is Found

Six-Year-Old Hunted by 1500 Soldiers and Civilians, Didn't Mind Experience.

HALIFAX, N.S., Aug. 6.—(Special.)—Earl Hines, six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hines, of this city, who was lost in the woods at Prince's Lodge, while attending the Sunday school picnic of the Park-street Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, was found to-night at five o'clock, three quarters of a mile back of Prince's Lodge.

He was on the top of a rough stubble hill, eating blueberries. He was cool and undismayed, and in good physical condition, despite his two day sojourn in the woods. The only part of his clothing lost was his hat.

Fifteen hundred soldiers and civilians took part in the search to-day.

COMING TOGETHER

No Possibility of Strike of Chicago Traction Company.

CHICAGO, Aug. 6.—"Positively no strike. (Signed) M. B. Herely."

The foregoing statement was issued in writing by the city traction expert this afternoon.

"I cannot go into details," explained Mr. Herely, "but the two sides are going to compromise. There is no possibility of a strike."

With the conclusion of the balloting early to-day unofficial figures showed that only 193 employes out of more than 8000 were opposed to a general walkout.

BOY HAS A CHANCE

Pasteur Institute Hopes to Confer Immunity to Bert Martin.

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—The Pasteur Institute to-day handed out the following report on the case of the Brantford child, who was bitten by a mad dog.

"Bert Martin's condition is satisfactory. No undesirable symptoms have developed so far. His delay in coming here was long, but we expect to confer immunity to this patient."

C.N.R. in Quebec.

MONTREAL, Aug. 6.—(Special.)—The Canadian Northern will open their line between Quebec and Montreal on the 22nd, the trains running in and out of the C. P. R. Place Viger station.

ONE PER CENT. DAMAGE TO WHEAT

This Is Estimate of Grain Agent of C.P.R.—Board of Trade Reports Indicate Only Average Yield in the West.

WINNIPEG, Man., Aug. 6.—Thomas Acheson, general grain agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company states that reports of any damage to the grain owing to the storm will not reach him until to-morrow, but he does not anticipate anything serious.

Since the beginning of the season Mr. Acheson has kept faithful reports of all damage to growing grains and the amount covering the three large provinces of Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan will not reach more than one million bushels. This is less than one per cent. of the total expected yield estimating the 1909 wheat crop at 120 million bushels, which is considered low. One per cent. damage is considered very light in comparison with other years.

"Of course," said Mr. Acheson, "the business communities generally will not feel such a slight loss. At specific points where the most damage has been done there will be a slight depression among the business men, but apart from the local points business men may so far rest easy."

Harvester Excursions.

Grain-cutting in the northwest will be in full swing within two weeks, according to the latest reports.

Harvesters excursions to the grain provinces will be run on August 19, 23, and 27 and September 7 and 10. The rate will be $10 going and the return rate $18, applying to points east of Moose Jaw. The excursion from New Brunswick to the west will be run on Aug. 11th.

While the recent hail storms and intense heat have caused experts to lower their estimate of the yield the opinion prevails among correspondents of Toronto grain men that the crop will be an unusually large one.

Manitoba correspondents wired their principals yesterday as follows:

Portage La Prairie—"On Portage Plains a little wheat will be cut next week, but the bulk is just beginning to turn and harvest will not be general for ten days. The grain stands well, heads medium and well filled, yield will be just about an average one."

Winnipeg—"Intense heat has prevailed here during the last week, which is hurrying the crop too fast towards maturity. The yield will not be as great as would have been the case had the weather been suitable for natural growth."

In the States nothing has occurred to weaken confidence in a large yield. The reports of rust in the Dakotas are being discounted. Grand Forks wires as follows:

Grand Forks, N.D.—"You can dismiss rust as any factor in the crop of the state this year, cutting already begun and crop will set a new record for the state."

Yield of Winter Wheat.

Milling correspondents report that the average yield of winter wheat to the acre, when figured on the acreage estimated by the crop statistican of the department of agriculture, indicates the crops in the central, western and the southwestern and southeastern states to be as follows:

States	Average Yield per acre	Indicated crop
Michigan	20	15,140,000
Ohio	17	24,880,000
Indiana	17	39,195,000
Illinois	16	31,160,000
Missouri	15	29,145,000
Nebraska	19	41,173,000
Kansas	15	88,420,000
Texas	10	6,740,000
Kentucky	12	7,932,000
Tennessee	11	6,602,000
Oklahoma	13	15,080,000
		305,467,000

It is estimated that the yield of spring wheat in the three chief grain states, Minnesota and the Dakotas, will be 225,000,000 bushels.

The quality of grain in most states is high. The poorest conditions are in Tennessee, Kentucky and Ohio, caused by frequent rains at harvest. Many farmers are reported as refusing to sell wheat below $1 and are stocking or storing it.

Forty-Five Bushels to Acre.

STIRLING, Alta., Aug. 6.—(Special.)—Reports of bumper crops in this district continue to arrive at the offices of the Townsite Syndicate. Word was received yesterday from the Wells' four thousand acre farm, three miles south of here, that wheat cutting will begin on August 8. It is expected that the crop will run forty-five bushels to the acre.

Two new elevators are being erected in Stirling and will be completed in time to assist in handling the big crop.

JAPAN WILL GO AHEAD

On Reconstruction of Mukden Railway Without China's Consent.

TOKIO, Aug. 7.—Japan to-day officially notified the powers of her intention to proceed immediately with the reconstructing and improving of the Antung-Mukden railroad without the consent of China, diplomatic negotiations having failed to overcome Chinese opposition.

Th note declares that thruout the discussion China has had recourse to her well-known policy of obstruction and procrastination and has evaded the just and reosinable demands of Japan.

ON THE WAR (CANOE) PATH

To-day's big sporting event is the annual regatta of the Canadian Canoe Association on Toronto Bay. There will be 150 of the fastest paddlers in Canada in the events, and the feature will be the war canoe championship race.

Federal Revenues Soaring, But Country Went Behind $3,500,000 in July

OTTAWA, Aug. 6.—(Special.)—The revenue of the Dominion for the first four months of the present fiscal year exceeds the revenue for the same period of 1908 by about four and one-half million dollars.

The revenue up to July 31 this year was $30,030,311, while last year it was $25,502,299.

The expenditure on consolidated fund during the four months just ended was $20,735,428, leaving a balance of about nine and one-quarter millions.

The expenditure on capital account to date is $6,429,221.

So that the revenue covers both expenditures and leaves a net balance of two and three-quarter millions.

But the story of July of this year is serious. The total revenue was $8,437,438, and the expenditure $11,968,679. So that on the month the country went behind three and one-half millions, and, if the capital expenditure of two and one-half millions is added there is a total deficit for the month of six millions. The revenue for July of this year is two millions greater than for July last year, but one million more was spent, so that the net betterment is only one million.

As to the public debt, it has increased over five and one-half millions during the month. The total gross debt of the Dominion now stands at $471,259,796, and the total assets at $150,622,205, making a total net debt of $320,637,591.

These latter figures and the fact that the expenditure during July leaped so far above the revenue demand serious contemplation.

NEW ONTARIO SPELLER FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

New Volume in Government Educational Series Issued at Half Price of Old Book.

Following the four Ontario readers published a few days ago comes the "Ontario Public School Speller," issued last night by the department of education.

The new book is in every respect a worthy unit in the new series, and while the old book was considered cheap at 25 cents, the new is better and only 15 cents.

It should be noted that the prices of readers and spellers are subject to a 20 per cent. discount, so that scholars in Toronto will save even more than was at first understood.

The present speller follows the English standard laid down by the government in adopting the "Concise Imperial Dictionary" as the criterion. Words ending in "our" retain the English form. Eight grades are marked corresponding with the several Ontario classes, and rendering the book available in other provinces.

The arrangement of the words strikes one as eminently practical and simple. Care was taken by the compilers, it is stated, to experiment in various schools with the lists of words, and those which proved of most difficulty in this test have been grouped in review exercises.

It is a general remark among good spellers that their accomplishment depends on visualising the words rather than by memorizing them by ear. This is recognized in the dictation exercises which are a feature of the book.

As much as possible has been made of the phonic principle, but the great irregularity of English spelling is not overlooked in the grouping of the words. The lessons are not too long, but in the aggregate an immense field is covered and even a hardened newspaper man or a minor poet might improve his vocabulary by a course in the new speller.

The type, printing, paper and binding are a credit to the publishers, the Copp, Clark Co., Ltd., and represent a long advance on Butter, that orthoepic monument of the past.

The primer in the new series will be issued next week.

Helps Preference.

LONDON, Aug. 6.—(C.A.P.)—The Times remarks that one important result of the American tariff has been to increase the feeling in Canada in favor of an imperial preference.

On Monday at 11 a sale of the fixtures and furniture of the Arcade Hotel will be sold by public auction by Bailiff Jas. McTannery.

On a county warrant charging him with aggravated assault, Robert Foster, 1060 West Bloor-street, was arrested last night by Detective Mahoney of No. 7 division.

MANY STRIKERS RETURN SITUATION NOT SO TENSE

Trades Unions Ask Government to Mediate — Grave Diggers Forced Back to Work.

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 6.—The tense situation arising from the general strike proclaimed a few days ago, to-night seemed to be relaxing. The employes of some of the largest plants in Stockholm announce that their men will return to work Monday.

It is reported that the central federation of trades unions has requested the government to mediate in the present crisis, but this is denied by the chairman of the federation. M. von Sydow, president of the employers' federation, declared to-night that intrvention by the government would be without result, as the difference between the men and the employers were too great to be settled in such a manner.

The increasing cost of living and the difficulty of obtaining food doubtless accounts for the large number of strikers who have returned to work. Public opinion was too much for the grave diggers and they were compelled again to take up their picks and shovels. The employes of the gas and electric works struck against the advice of the Socialist leaders because they resented the presence of troops protecting the plants.

C.P.R. SHORT LINE

New Section Will Be Built in Victoria Harbor.

MONTREAL, Aug. 6.—(Special.)—There is a story here to the effect that the C.P.R. will not use the whole distance of the line from Smith's Falls to Peterboro in the formation of their great grain line from Montreal to Victoria Harbor, but that a cut-off section will be built that will reduce the distance very considerably.

This week the company's double track from Vaudreuil to Finch, a distance of 55 miles, will be finished, thus completing the double track on the Montreal and Smith's Falls section.

NOTE TO GREECE

Porte Demands Non-Interference in Cretan Affairs.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 6.—The Porte has sent a note to Greece demanding a formal declaration by that country of non-interference in Cretan affairs.

In the event of Greece refusing to accede to the demand Turkey will break off diplomatic relations with her.

Trouble Feared.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—Apprehension of serious trouble between Turkey and Greece is conveyed in telegrams received by the state department today from Athens.

The Macedonian and Cretan situation is referred to in these communications as very grave.

THAW'S FIGHT TO END TO-DAY

Dramatic Outburst By Mother at Conclusion of Testimony — Alienists Certain He's Sane.

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y., Aug. 6.—Harry K. Thaw's latest struggle to regain his freedom will end to-morrow. The submission of testimony in his habeas corpus proceedings before Justice Isaac N. Mills, closed this afternoon, and all that remains is the final arguments of the attorneys.

Justice Mills will file his decision with the county clerk here on the morning of Thursday, August 12.

Several possibilities confront Thaw. The court may grant his plea and make him absolutely free. It may decide that he has not established his sanity and refuse to interfere, in which case the state authorities probably will send him back to the Matteawan hospital for the criminal insane. But Justice Mills has further discretionary powers. He may feel that the young man's mental condition is still in doubt, and for that reason delay the final order, meanwhile paroling Thaw in the custody of some officer or possibly on his own recognizances in the care of his family. Or, he may declare Thaw insane, but, moved by his mother's complaint regarding his surroundings at Matteawan, send him to some other state hospital not peopled by criminals.

Thaw left the court room this afternoon with jaunty step. "I am sure," he said, "that I shall be free."

Dramatic Outburst.

The evidence presented in behalf of Thaw closed to-day with a dramatic outburst by his mother, Mrs. Mary Copley Thaw, who was the final witness. Her last words were a denunciation of District Attorney Jerome. Earlier in the day she had read a list of names distinguished in New York society. They were guests, she said, at a dinner she gave in New York, which Harry attended before his marriage. In concluding her testimony she referr'd to this list of names. "I brought in the names of those who attended that dinner to my son," she said, "because of the statements of Mr. Jerome regarding the company Harry was accustomed to keep.

"I do not have any special anmity toward Mr. Jerome, but he certainly has not behaved in this matter in a gentlemanly way, nor in a Christian way. Mr. Jerome always talke dabout Harry being a frequenter of the tenderloin, when he knews as well as any one that my boy never went to the tenderloin until he met a certain person who dropped him down."

"That," said Attorney Chas. Morschauser, "ends our case."

On the stand, to-day Mrs. Thaw's testimony was again frequently interrupted by sobbing as she described Harry's surroundings at Matteawan. "That place seemed to me like the vestibule to the infernal regions," she said solemnly.

The principal witness to-day was Roger O'Mara, formerly chief of police in Pittsburg, and employed by the Thaws as a detective in Harry's case. He testified in corroboration of the stories about Stanford White.

Alienists Say Sane.

The greater part of the day was devoted to a re-examination of Thaw's alienists, who struck to their assertion that whatever Thaw's mental condition might have been when he shot Stanford White, he was now sane. Thaw left the stand unshaken.

The Cement Merger.

MONTREAL, Aug. 6.—(Special.)—All the denials to the contrary, the big cement merger with a capital of $30,000,000, is assured. Of this amount $11,000,000 will be preferred 7 per cent.—$18,000,000 will be preferred 7 per cent.—$19,000 issue of $5,000,000. The Bank of Montreal will be the bankers and the Royal Trust Company the trustees of the consolidated company.

RUSSELL IS BACK IN LIMA, OHIO, HOME

Mining Man Wanted for Fraud in Connection With Cobalt Flotations, Returns From S. America After Two Years.

The Lima, Ohio, papers contain long accounts of the return to that city of W. L. Russell, who will be remembered as the mining company promoter who was identified with the Silver Bird and Lucky Boys mines in Cobalt, and whose partner, Frank Law, was sentenced to a term in the penitentiary for obtaining money under false pretences in connection with the flotation.

Russell was out of the country all the time Law was prosecuted and the authorities were unable to locate him.

His peregrinations during the past two years are thus described by The Lima Republican Gazette:

W. L. Russell has returned to Lima after a sojourn of almost two years in South America. During that time he was located at Quito, Equador. There he had entered into and has fulfilled a contract for the completion of several hundred miles of telephone lines. Previous to the late contract he was after concessions of a large nature and the fulfilment of all conditions made it possible for him to interest other of the small American states to accept his plans, and the closing of his present contract has brought him to his palatial home in Lima.

Going back beyond Mr. Russell's departure for southern climes comes up the story of his former connection with a company in Canada, organized for the purpose of opening up the Cobalt fields in certain of the provinces. Many of the mines had proved to be a paying investment on a large scale, and the opening of the Silver Bird and the Lucky Boys were projects in which Mr. Russell was especially interested.

Just when good results were expected the panic came and following that a crash which destroyed not only the hopes of the promoters, but also of the many who had invested large sums of money. Mr. Russell was in England during a part of the time, trying to secure money to save both the company and the investors, and when the climax was reached he returned to the United States, where, if his presence had been demanded by the Canadian Government, he could have been secured at any time. After a lapse of two months he went south, and now returns to take up his residence in the city that he gladly calls home.

Mr. Russell was indicted by the Canadian Government following litigation which involved the firm of Law & Co., and while that indictment is still hanging over him there will be a strong fight against extradition because of the fact that he was unconsciously involved in a supposed violation of the Canadian laws.

The mines which he was instrumental in opening are now paying properties, which goes to prove that he knew there was an investment profitable to all concerned.

Eleveen Warrants.

The attention of Inspector of Detectives Duncan was directed to the clippings from the Lima newspapers. He said there were eleven warrants out for Russell and that he knew extradition papers had been issued for service as soon as Russell was located. The local detective department will take no action until the attorney-general's department has decided what steps to take and instructs accordingly.

Hon. Mr. Foy was out of town yesterday, Deputy Minister Cartwright is on his vacation and Sir James Whitney would not interefere in a matter which strictly belonged to the attorney general's department.

SIR THOMAS LIPTON

Will Visit Canada This Year, He Tells Col. McLean.

ST. JOHN, N.B., Aug. 6.—(Special.)—Col. Hugh McLean, who arrived home from England to-day, where he has been before the privy council, announced that while dining with Sir Thomas Lipton, that gentleman told him he would be in Canada this autumn. Sir Thomas expects to spend some time visiting Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa and the western cities.

ANOTHER WARM DAY.

Clear weather and warm—very warm, may be looked for to-day. Practically the same conditions will prevail thruout Canada.

Yesterday was fine, and between the lakes and the maritime provinces, quite hot with scattered thunderstorms in Quebec and New Brunswick. Toronto temperature ranged from 63 to 85, quite a moderate glow, tho some citizens, from the humidity thought it was 100 at least.

PANAMA BARGAINS.

We have really reached about midsummer in Canada. There are at least two months left of straw hat weather. Now, here's a chance for a good purchase in a Panama Hat—Remember, a Panama will wear you for years. It is washable. Dineen Company received twenty dozen extra fine quality Panamas of the best of imported straw. The lot was purchased at very low figures—must be cleared at once. Two prices—one lot $5 each, other lot $6.50 each. Store open until 10 o'clock Saturday night.