

AIMING TO CHECK SOARING PRICES OF PRINT PAPER

Senator Hitchcock of U. S. Would Tax Manufacturers Asking Exorbitant Prices for News Print.

Washington, Aug. 25.—Senator Hitchcock, Democrat, has prepared an amendment to the revenue bill intended to check the soaring prices of news print paper. He said today he would bring it up in the Senate when certain sections of the bill were reached for debate. Mr. Hitchcock himself is a newspaper publisher.

Paper selling at \$40 a ton and under would not be taxed. When the price passes \$40 a ton a tax of \$1 a ton would prevail until \$45 a ton is reached, when the tax would increase to \$3 and mount up gradually until a tax of \$40 a ton would prevail on paper selling for more than \$90.

"My proposed amendment is designed not so much to raise revenue," said Mr. Hitchcock, "as it is to make it unprofitable for paper manufacturers to charge exorbitant prices for news paper."

"The mills are making about 6,500 tons a day, and we are importing about 1,200 tons a day from Canada, but this does not meet the demand. The result is that manufacturers whose product is not fully contracted for are taking advantage of the situation to sell paper at exorbitant prices."

BRITISH MINISTER EXPLAINS CENSORSHIP

Not Undertaken with Idea of Capturing American Trade, Says Lord Robert Cecil.

London, Aug. 25.—The activities of neutral traders of no interest to the British censorship, said Lord Robert Cecil, minister of war trade, in a statement today in elaborating upon the remarks he recently made in the House of Commons on the subject.

"The suspicion evidently is entertained in certain quarters in the United States," he said, "that the British censorship is being used as a means of capturing American trade. It already has been denied in the most formal manner that the censorship is being put to any such use, but this opportunity may well be taken to emphasize my previous statement."

"It cannot be emphasized too strongly that the general and statistical information extracted from trade letters, which have proven so invaluable to His Majesty's government in checking the supply of material sent through neutral to enemy countries and suppressing the export of enemy goods, is used for these purposes solely, and never for the purpose of substituting allied trade for neutral trade. The activities of neutral traders are of no interest whatever to the censorship, except insofar as they involve any transactions to the advantage of the enemy in the war."

"It has been suggested that although information regarding purely neutral trade may not be obtained through the censorship for official use, individuals engaged in reading the correspondence may divulge the contents to British firms, who may themselves make use of it to their own benefit. The answer to this suggestion is that the man who would break his solemn obligation to secrecy in this matter, would be equally likely to break it in matters of greater importance from a purely British point of view. For example, he might reveal the trade secrets of one British firm to another, or even use his opportunities to make money himself through transactions of the very kind it is his duty to prevent."

Lord Robert then explained that a censorship conducted by such persons would be worse than useless. He said that a most careful scrutiny is made of the credentials of censors. An occasional black sheep, Lord Robert added, is certain to be discovered, but he is dealt with in a suitable manner.

"No letters at all are destroyed," concluded Lord Robert, "and no letter is detained without reference to a competent officer, who only permits detention in strict accordance with the principles and rules of international law. It is noticeable in this, as in other instances, that no evidence has ever been brought to our attention to support the vague charges made. Until such evidence is produced, we must attribute these charges to the malevolence of our enemies and not to any sense of injury on the part of genuine neutral interests."

DUBLIN EXECUTION LIKENED TO DEEDS OF HUN IN BELGIUM

Tim Healy Vigorously Arraigns Government Officials Responsible for Skeffington's Death.

Dublin, Aug. 25.—Tim Healy, attorney for the Skeffington family, at the resumption of the inquiry into the death of Francis Sheehy Skeffington today, addressed the court, vigorously denouncing those responsible for the execution. Mr. Healy declared that the story would vibrate through the country for centuries, and that if the execution had been done in Brussels or Lemberg the world would ring with it.

"The action of the captains of the guard," said Healy, "in delivering their prisoners over to death was, if possible, more foul and criminal than that of Captain Bowen-Colthurst himself. He has been found a lunatic but they are not lunatics. I give as the reason why Skeffington was done away with the fact that he was a witness to the foul and horrible murder of the innocent Coade."

"It was the intention of the authorities to bury this man out of sight in the same way as Coade had been murdered, and that not one word should escape, outside the prison walls, of what had happened."

Lieut. Leslie Wilson, one of the witnesses at the Skeffington inquiry, told the story of the death of a boy named Coade at Wednesday's session. Lieut. Wilson said that the boy was shot by Captain Bowen-Colthurst after he had answered a question in an insolent manner and attempted to run away.

BERLIN ADMITS THE FRENCH SUCCESSES ON WESTERN FRONT

Fall of Maurepas Told of in Official Bulletin from German War Office.

Berlin, Aug. 25, via London.—An official war office announcement says: "Yesterday evening, as on the 18th instant, after a most marked increase in the enemy's fire, oft-repeated attacks by the French and British were delivered simultaneously on the whole front from Thiéval to the Somme. Between Thiéval and High Wood these attacks broke down with sanguinary losses. Portions of the most advanced trenches north of Oivillers, which had been demolished, were given up."

"In the sector between Longueval and Delville Wood, the enemy gained advantages, the village of Maurepas being now in his hands. Between Maurepas and the Somme the French stormed but the attack met with no success whatever."

"The French again attacked on the right bank of the Meuse (Verdun front). The fighting was limited to Fleury sector and the enemy was repulsed."

"Four enemy aeroplanes have been brought down, one each in aerial engagements near Point Favergny, to the south of Varennes and near Fleury, the last named machine on Wednesday, and one south of Armentières, by anti-aircraft guns. As frequently has been the case recently in regard to Belgian towns, bombs were dropped yesterday on Mons. In addition to important material damage to Belgian property, some citizens were injured severely."

CASUALTY LIST

Ottawa, Aug. 25.—Midnight casualty list contains the following names:

Killed in Action:
Pioneer Wm. F. Constable, 36 Co-burg Road, Halifax, N. S.
Robert Weaver, Hampton, N. B.
Died of Wounds:
Lance Sergt. Thomas Corbett Hirdley, Hobson, P. E. I.
Wounded:
Fred Brown, Parrsboro, N. S.
John Keats, Newfoundland.
Uriah W. McDonald, Alberton, P. E. I.

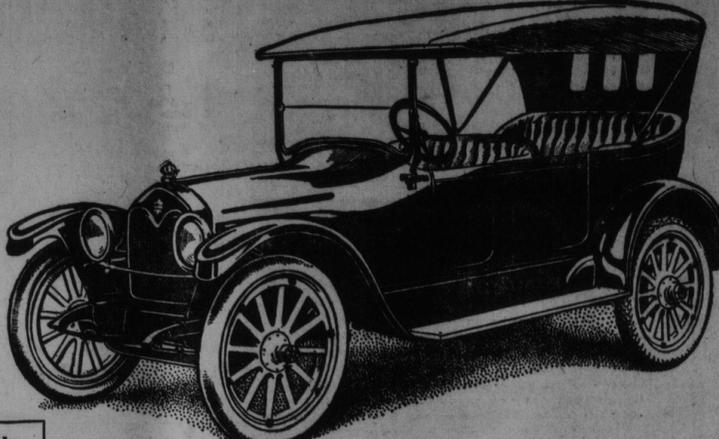
Band Concert Last Night

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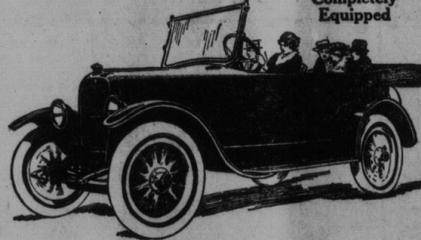
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Edward V. McCormick, recruit secured in the new Forestry Battalion popular feeling throughout the 242nd Battalion, the longest in completing, owing to the climate and the opportunity. The average infantry quires from six to twelve training and drilling this battalion will sail as soon as up to Sir Sam's O.

Sergt. N. Cameron, Frederickton, and Corp. Wetmore, of Charlottetown, who have been at the past number of months to Canada to take on the 23rd Battalion, Nfld. Word was received morning that both young men had returned from England and within a few days.

Sergt. McParlane, who of the lieutenants in the platoon of the Killies, firing line with the 23rd Battalion, Nfld. The average infantry quires from six to twelve training and drilling this battalion will sail as soon as up to Sir Sam's O.

Corp. Wetmore is a C. boy, who has been at the 4th Canadian Mountain Battery at Petawawa, and to the special will be attached to the 23rd Battalion, Nfld. His transfer from the 23rd Battalion, Nfld. has been authorized as the members of the 23rd Battalion at Fredericton days.

Word received yesterday that Sergt. Atkinson Clarke, who is dangerously ill, was to the effect that he was somewhat improved. He operated on by Capt. A. of Quebec, and a telegraph officer to Major C. G. G. Officer of the 23rd B. that the condition of the very satisfactory. Lieut.-Col. Guthrie, of the 23rd Battalion, the weekend at Fredericton.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Harriet J. Watson, of her Watson street, West 3rd, died at her home, leaving two daughters, Mrs. W. J. Smith, and Mrs. Fenwick L. John, to mourn their loss. She was formerly Harriet Kingston, Kings county, the late David A. Lyon, remembered by the old in the old coach days, a house of entertainment for many years.

Mrs. Mary I. Trotter, of Welford, passed away at her residence, William J. Trotter. She was 77 years of age. She was a devoted wife and mother, and a most cheerful disposition. The deceased leaves four daughters—Mrs. J. H. Trotter, Mrs. W. J. John, Mrs. George W. field's Point, and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, of Embury. The funeral will take place at 2 p. m.

THE MINTO THIEF WAS CAUGHT AT MAUGERVILLE

Fredericton, Aug. 25.—Leonard Whipple, who was convicted on a charge of breaking and entering at Gagetown about two years ago, and sentenced to five years in Dorchester penitentiary was arrested at Maugerville, at noon today by Officer C. H. Marshall of Fredericton charged with stealing \$250 and a gold watch from John McDonald of Minto. He was brought to this city this afternoon and is now occupying a cell at the police station. When arrested Whipple had \$202 on him as well as the watch. Whipple is alleged to have committed the theft of the money and watch at Mr. McDonald's house at Minto yesterday. He had been employed by Mr. McDonald for some time past and easily made good his getaway last evening. The local police were notified of the theft by the authorities at Minto last evening and were at the Gibson and Minto train on its arrival this morning on the lookout for Whipple. According to his own story, Whipple walked to Maugerville, where he spent last night and had hired to assist a farmer at that place in haying. Whipple's description had been telephoned to the various sections of Sunbury county and this morning Officer Marshall got word that a man answering the description of Whipple was at Maugerville. He secured a team and in company with Constable Charles Barker of St. Marys, drove to Maugerville and arrested Whipple.

MONEY AND DEGREE FOR MASTER AND MEN OF THE DEUTSCHLAND

K—Money and a degree for Master and Men of the Deutschland. The German submarine merchantman Deutschland arrived at Bremen, her home port, at noon today. A wild demonstration by the residents greeted the vessel and her crew. Bremen, Aug. 25, via London.—Nearly 100,000 marks have been contributed by a number of wealthy men of this city for presentation to Captain Koenig of the commercial submarine Deutschland, and his crew. Amsterdam, via London, Aug. 26.—The medical faculty of the University of Halle has conferred an honorary degree on Captain Koenig, of the German submarine Deutschland, for "having broken the enemy's blockade, thereby enabling the German medical chemical industry to recapture its world's position in a severe time."

HAMPSTEAD MAN DEAD.

Special to The Standard. Central Hampstead, Aug. 25.—The many friends of Field Slipp will learn with deep regret of his death, which occurred here this morning at 1.15 at the advanced age of 83 years. Besides a loving wife the deceased leaves to mourn three brothers and one daughter. The brothers are: A. H. Slipp, M. L. A. Fredericton; W. J. Slipp, residing at Hampton, and G. B. Slipp, at home. The funeral will be held on Monday at 2 p. m.

FIFTY-ONE FAMILIES HOMELESS FROM ONTARIO FOREST FIRES.

Toronto, Aug. 25.—Mr. J. L. Englehart, chairman of the T. and N. Railway Commission, stated tonight that information had been received that the places of fifty-one families had been burned out in the bush fires between Liskeard and Heslop. The sufferers were being looked after.

MAIL SEIZED BY BRITISH.

Berlin, Aug. 25, by wireless to Sayville.—The entire American mail on the Scandinavian-American liner United States, which arrived at Copenhagen on August 18, from New York, was confiscated by the British authorities at Kirkwall, says an Overseas News Agency announcement today.

No Change in Caucasus.

Petrograd, Aug. 25, via London.—"There has been no change on the western (Russian) and Caucasian fronts," says the official communication issued by the war office this evening.

Serbian Progress.

"On our left wing the Serbian troops have made appreciable progress in the region of Kukuruz. Violent counter-attacks, directed by the Bulgarians against our positions northwest of Lake Ostrovo, have been repulsed by the Serbians, who have taken several hundred prisoners."

ARCHBISHOP SPALDING DEAD.

Perola, Ill., Aug. 25.—Archbishop John Lancaster Spalding, who has been in failing health for the last two weeks, died here this afternoon.

Queenstown, N. B.—Mrs. C. B. Lewis and daughters of Queenstown wish to extend their heartfelt thanks for the many kindnesses and the sympathy shown by friends in their recent bereavement.