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U.S. for Compulsory Consolidation of Railroad

WASHINGTON—(By Canadian Press)—The next big step in railway matters in the United States is likely to be compulsory consolidation of the railroads into fifteen or twenty systems probably, though not necessarily, national. President Harding, in his western speeches will come out for consolidation, it is predicted, and Senator Cummins, chairman of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee, is urging them. He says that only by consolidation or strong lines with weak can the weak roads be saved and government ownership be avoided. Also, he holds that by consolidations economies can be effected and rates reduced. Many other phases of the railroad problem will be up, including changes in the law as to rate making. But just now, the consolidation issue seems to be foremost. President Harding let it be known that he believes the railroad problem will be paramount in the next session of Congress. Study is being made by representatives of the administration of the consolidation of the railroads in England, which is said to have been a success. Many students of the railroad problem here are skeptical of the consolidation plan for this country. They take the view nothing will solve the U.S. transportation problem but government ownership and say consolidation would prove nothing more than a temporary palliative. Nevertheless, it is unlikely Congress would go the whole length of government ownership and for that reason consolidations may be tested out.

No White Men in Chinese Party.

NEW YORK—Four hundred Chinese, members of the Chinese Merchants' Association, look sanguinely forward to returning home from their annual outing at Bear Mountain, up the Hudson, next July, with all their watches at the end of the chains and their purses in their respective pockets. No white man has been invited to attend the outing. This was announced today by one of the prominent members, Foo Joe Foo, who explained:—"Two years ago plenty white men go along with the Chinese, up Hudson, to have good play time. What happens? Plenty pocketbook, plenty money, plenty watches, no can find in pocket of Chinese when come back. So last year, we say no white man without card from Association can come play. Better, but not all right. Ninety-seven watches missing. So now, this year, no white man come 'long. That more better. Maybe keep watches."

U.S. Will Not Join World Court.

WASHINGTON—(By Can. Press.)—Since the fact was announced that former President Wilson is opposed to having the United States adhere to the world court with conditions or reservations, a marked change has come over the situation in the U.S. Senate. Indications now are that the United States will not join the court, either, or without reservations. Unless Mr. Wilson removes himself as a factor in the controversy and advises democratic senatorialism to make the best terms they can; the democratic side of the Senate will be badly divided when it comes to voting and any resolution to adhere to the court will probably fail to get the necessary two-thirds majority. Republican leaders say that Mr. Wilson's intervention has been fatal to the plan of joining the court either with the Hughes reservations or otherwise. They had expected to get for the administration plan of joining the court the votes of at least 25 republicans, and about 40 democrats out of a total democratic strength of 43. Now, Senators faithful to Mr. Wilson are assuming the same attitude as he is. This means that the Hughes plan will lose a number of democratic votes and fail to get the needed two-thirds. If an attempt is made to join the court unreservedly, it will get still less support. The question being asked here is whether Mr. Wilson has not done for the world court plan just what he did for the League of Nations plan. In the case of the League, by his opposition to reservations, he prevented ratification and in the case of the court, by his opposition to reservations, it looks as if he has made ratification improbable.

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King Henry VI. May be Canonized.

LONDON—Henry VI. may be canonized in the near future, but matters in connection with the canonization are not sufficiently advanced for the Pope to be able to assure King George V. on his visit to the Vatican that "Harry of Windsor" had been made a canonized saint. Evidence on which the expected canonization will be based has been accumulating of late years and will be sent to Rome in due course. King Henry VI. was the founder of Eton and King's College Cambridge. The cause of the Royal Saint has been enquired into by the Etonian Catholic Association, the initiator of the movement, and a good deal of progress has been made in sifting of the evidence. Indeed once in the reign of Henry VII the evidence for the proposed sainthood of the sixth Henry of England was nearly completed, but events which have been translated into history since then conspired to sidetrack the look-out for event. In the British Museum is a record of 138 reputed miracles between the death of Henry VI. and the year 1600. Of these, seventy-seven were investigated and twenty-three were considered proven. The written testimony of these, translated by Fr. Ronald Knox, will be forwarded to the Congregation of Rites in Rome. During forty years there was a pilgrimage to the Saint's grave at Windsor from all over England. Miracles in connection with these pilgrimages to the grave of Henry VI. were reported from thirty-four counties, chiefly in Kent, Sussex and London. They included cases of recovery from plague, madness and even apparent death. Cripples left their crutches at Windsor, as they do today at Lourdes. The miracles also included cases of drowning, stabbing, hanging and in one case of an accident in a football game there was a miracle performed. The devotion to King Henry VI. can be established from the prayers and hymns dedicated to him, and the remains of pictures in churches, especially in Norfolk. With this proof and the proof of the miracles it is thought the admirers of the king should have no fear of failure in pursuing their work to have him canonized. Cardinal Gasquet, it is said, has promised his

powerful assistance at Rome to this end. The only regret on the part of the advocates of the canonization is that it could not have been further advanced by the time King George visits Pope Pius XI.

Norma Talmadge at the Nickel Monday.

"SMILIN' THROUGH" GIVES NORMA BIG OPPORTUNITY.
Norma Talmadge's latest First National starring vehicle, "Smilin' Through," is coming to the Nickel Theatre on Monday for an engagement of three days.

Advance reports state that this is the most ambitious production yet made by Norma Talmadge. It is an adaptation of Allen Lanahan Martin's stage hit of the same name, in which Jane Cowl appeared on the speaking stage.

Appearing opposite Miss Talmadge are two leading men, Wyndham Standing and Harrison Ford, and a splendid supporting cast, including Alec B. Francis, Glenn Hunter, Grace Griswold, Miriam Battista and Eugene Lockhart.

The production deals with the romance of beautiful young Kathleen, who is left in the charge of John Carteret following the death of her Aunt Moryen. Moryen was fatally wounded by a jealous suitor on the day of her wedding to Carteret. When Carteret learns that Kathleen is in love with the son of the man who killed his bride he interrupts the romance of the young people and the absorbing plot gathers dramatic momentum.

Dance at Grenfell Hall.

Last night about 150 people attended a most enjoyable dance at the Grenfell Hall. The affair was organized by Miss Mary Skinner and a splendid sum was realized. Prizes were won by Miss Hilda Power and Mr. Samson and Miss Bride Murphy and Mr. Robert Kent. The music provided by an orchestra arranged by Mr. Joseph Skinner was very pleasing.

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