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Federal Forces Start Major Assault on Sao Paulo Rebels

PROVINCE WISE EXPORT TAX CASE

ATTACK FOLLOWS BOMBARDMENT OF FORTY-EIGHT HOURS

Sao Paulo City is Approached by State Troops from Three Sides.

TANKS ARE USED

Government Confident Present Operation Will End Rebel Control.

BY BRYANT POWERS (United Press Staff Cor.)

Buenos Aires, July 23.—Brazilian Federal troops have begun their long expected major attack on the rebel forces in Sao Paulo City, according to messages here today.

Strong infantry units, supported by tanks and airplanes, advanced on the rebel entrenchments on three sides of the coffee capital yesterday afternoon following an artillery bombardment of 48 hours.

Sao Paulo City has been badly damaged, the messages said. Many of the fine buildings in the centre of the city were partly destroyed by shell fire. The city has been partly evacuated.

Americans Leave

Americans left Sao Paulo by north-bound ships yesterday. The continuing roar of artillery was heard in Santos more than 20 miles away, radio messages said.

Meantime other dispatches said defections had broken out among federal reinforcements sent from Rio Grande do Sul to aid in the final attack on Sao Paulo. A number of officers were arrested.

The food scarcity in Sao Paulo city has reached the stage of a real famine, other advisers said, and the rebels are handicapped by lack of a well-organized commissary.

The revolutionary leaders have commanded cattle herds from the interior of Sao Paulo city as far as the borders of Mato Grosso.

Federals Confident

Radio messages from Santos indicated the Federal government still is confident of success and claims that its forces surround Sao Paulo city on three sides. It is hoped the present attack will end in final breaking of the rebel strength.

CASE OVER SCHR. IDA B. GIBSON

Action Brought Against the Captain—Vessel Sank at St. Martins.

At an adjourned sitting of the Circuit Court, Mr. Justice J. H. Barry presiding, the case of C. Ernest Hill, Inc. vs. William McHenry was resumed this morning. The defendant is alleged to be the captain of the schooner Ida B. Gibson, which the plaintiffs chartered in Boston in April, 1923, to proceed to St. Martins to take on a cargo of latex for New York.

The loading was completed on June 16, 1923, and the vessel filled with water and sank at her berth. The plaintiffs are alleging that they asked the captain to unload the cargo to prevent damage, and that, after a lapse of about two weeks, the defendant allowed the plaintiffs to remove the deckload which consisted of about half the cargo. After repeated attempts, it is alleged, to get the defendant to allow the plaintiffs to remove the balance, the latter replied the cargo on July 4, putting up a reprieve bond. The defendant contends that he had a right to retain the cargo as a lien for his freight.

Wendell Bentley of St. Martins and Captain A. J. Mulcahy of St. John gave evidence at this morning's hearing, for the plaintiff, and the matter was to be resumed this afternoon at 2:30. The plaintiffs have several witnesses to call yet, and there is a large number to be called by the defendant. C. F. Ince, K. C. of Ince, Weyman and Hazen is appearing in the interests of the plaintiffs, and Dr. W. B. Wallace, K. C., is the defendant.

Millions of Planes Soon, Ford Predicts

New York, July 23.—Henry Ford foresees the day when airplanes will be built in thousands and millions, according to an interview with the automobile manufacturer, written by Samuel Crowther and published in this week's issue of Collier's, The National Weekly.

Mr. Ford said he thought that airplanes "can be commercially developed as soon as they (airplanes) are taken up in a commercial way."

Ground at the Ford plant in Dearborn, Mich., has already been given over to an aviation field.

"As soon as we know as much about them as we do about automobiles—and that will not be long—then they can be built by the thousands or by the millions," he said.

FEDERAL GENERAL ELECTION RUMOR

Vancouver Senator Says Opposition Opinion is 'Twill be This Winter.

Vancouver, B. C., July 23.—Opposition opinion in Ottawa is that there will be a general Federal election this winter, probably in November, according to Senator S. J. Crowe, who has returned from Ottawa. Premier King's recent attack on the Senate is regarded by Conservatives as indicating that the Government is preparing material for use in the impending election.

The Senator holds the opinion that the Government cannot legislate the Senate out of existence, the only body under the B. N. A. Act able to do that being the Senate itself. He declared the Senate will not permit curtailment of its powers, and that the Senate had saved the country millions of dollars in the session just passed by curtailing expenses.

2 NEW ST. JOHN CO'S ARE INCORPORATED

Lewis Connors & Sons, Ltd. and Emerson Bros., Ltd., Started.

(Special to The Times-Star.)

Fredrick, July 23.—Lewis Connors & Sons, Limited, is incorporated with head office at St. John and capital stock of \$99,000. The company is to take over the sardine canning industry now conducted in West St. John under the name of Lewis Connors and Sons, and also is authorized to engage in a general business in food products.

Those incorporated are Lewis Connors, Mrs. Mary Jane Connors, Bernard Connors, James Edwin Connors, and Mrs. Laura G. McGowan, all of St. John. D. Reed Bedell Company, Limited, is incorporated with head office at Andover and capital stock of \$24,000. Those incorporated are Duncan Reed Bedell, Vaughan B. Bedell and Mrs. Myrtle H. Ward. The company is authorized to carry on business as general mercantile amusement promoter and lumbermen.

Emerson Bros. Ltd., is incorporated with head office at St. John and capital stock of \$49,000. The company is to take over the retail business conducted by Emerson and Fisher, Limited, in St. John, also to carry on business as contractors, plumbers, machinists and automobile dealers. Those incorporated are W. E. Emerson, C. A. Emerson, W. E. Emerson, Jr., C. V. Emerson and Fred J. Emerson, all of St. John. Stanley Crawford has been gazetted a provincial constable in the county of Northumberland.

Wire Briefs

London, July 23.—Art O'Brien, former president of the Gaelic League in London, was sentenced on July 6, 1923, to two years for seditious conspiracy, was released today. Sean McGrath was also released.

Melbourne, Australia, July 23.—The cruiser Brisbane has run aground on a reef near Port Moresby, New Guinea. It is not expected that there will be any difficulty in floating her at high tide. There was no loss of life.

New York, N. Y., July 23.—Directors of Sherwin Williams Company today declared an extra dividend of 1 1/2 cents on the common stock in addition to one regularly quarterly 25 cent dividend payable August 15 to stock of record July 31.

Montreal, July 23.—V. B. Gray, Rod and Gun Editor of the Cleveland Plain Dealer, and considered one of the most experienced fishermen in the U. S., passed through Montreal yesterday on his way to New Mills, N. B., where he will investigate the salmon and other game fishing possibilities of the Restigouche River and the Baie Des Chaleurs.

JAMES T. MORSE STRIKES ISLAND OFF MAINE COAST

Passengers Landed After Vessel Hits During Dense Fog.

BOSTON IS BEACHED

Four Dead Passengers are Identified—Others Continue Journey.

(By Canadian Press.)

Rockland, Me., July 23.—The passenger steamer J. T. Morse, of the Eastern Steamship Lines, Inc., which left here early today for Bar Harbor, struck on Crotch Island, near the entrance to Stonington harbor, shortly after 8 o'clock, in a thick fog. Some of the passengers were landed in boats. None were in danger.

Boston is beached.

Newport, R. I., July 23.—The steamer Boston was beached here today, showing a gaping wound where the bow of the tanker Swift Arrow smashed into her port side, crushing three passengers to death and fatally injuring another, of Point Judith, 10 miles south of here, just before midnight Monday. The 700 passengers brought to New York and Fall River, a score suffering from minor injuries, all continued on their journeys.

Girls' Coolness

Herman Redfield, of Roxbury, Mass., told of an incident similar to many heretofore recounted in the case of disaster, when the coolheadedness of the girls whose names were not learned, served as an antidote to possible panic.

He said that soon after the crash passengers who ran on deck were surprised to see three girls dancing to the music of a phonograph. Others joined them and the temporary distraction kept many passengers occupied until the lights went out and the more serious work of rescue was undertaken.

Killed in Staterooms

Newport, R. I., July 23.—The four passengers of the steamer Boston who lost their lives through the collision with the tanker Swift Arrow, of Point Judith, were: Robert P. Schlem, Boston, and John P. Schlem, Newport, R. I., and Charles C. Copeland, of Brookline, Mass.

Two of the men were killed in their staterooms, as also was Mrs. Green, when the bow of the tanker burst through the steel plates of the liner. Copeland was so seriously injured that he died soon after he had been taken to the hospital here.

The Swift Arrow, which had stood by the Boston until daylight, and had taken aboard many passengers who later were put aboard other steamers, proceeded to Fall River.

Port Captain C. T. Snow, of the Eastern Steamship Lines, in a statement said that at the time of the collision the Boston was going very slowly. When the tanker was sighted the Boston blew one whistle to go to starboard. The Swift Arrow blew two blasts to go to port.

"The rule of the road," he added, "called for us to go starboard."

BRITISH FLIER IS AGAIN ON THE WAY

Illness of Crew Member Had Delayed Resumption of Flight.

Tokio, July 23.—(By United Press.)—Major A. Stuart MacLaren, British world flier, resumed his dangerous journey over the Kuriles just before 8 a.m. today, according to wireless advices, which said the aviator took off from Tokolan Bay for Muraikamu Bay. Officer Was Ill.

Tokio, July 23.—(Canadian Press Cable).—Ploved down a week ago on Uruppu Island near the southern end of the Kurile chain by fog, and for a time feared to have perished, the British flier early today left Tokolan Bay on Paramashiru the most northerly of the larger Kuriles, and their last stop in the Japanese Empire.

Picture on Dresser Is Burglar's Undoing

New York, July 23.—How Mrs. Henry L. Stengel, victim of a \$35,000 daylight burglary, recognized on her picture on the dresser in the Harlem court, where the burglar was held, was the wife of Louis Hernandez Campos, the "red wig burglar," was held in \$10,000 bail as an accessory to the theft.

Mrs. Stengel surprised the burglar in her apartment when she returned home at noon on April 8, and got a glimpse of him as she turned and ran to the street for help. Later she saw a photograph on her maid's dresser. She asked who it was and was told it was a story of being covered by the burglar's revolver.

The police obtained copies of the picture and circulated the entire country. Campos fell into the police net in Washington, D. C., Friday.

CHICAGO YOUTHS ON COURT'S MERCY

81 Witnesses Will Be Called By Prosecution if Judge Asks.

Chicago, July 23.—The sons of two of Chicago's oldest and wealthiest families, Nathan Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb, went "on the mercy of the court" today in a case scarcely paralleled in any jurisprudence.

The big question was whether all their cards had been laid on the table, or whether their attorney Clarence Darrow, led something back when on Friday he stunned them in the prosecution by having his clients plead guilty to kidnapping and murdering 14-year-old Robert Frank. Darrow had told the court that the families of the boys did not want them set free saying in effect that the parents recognized that the youths owed a penalty. That he held something whereby he would ask for permission to present evidence on their mental responsibility.

In simplest terms the last existing deadlock which is holding up proceedings is due to the conflict of interest between the French and the international bankers.

Premier Herriot is afraid to go too far in making concessions for fear of the attacks of former Premier Poincare at home. The bankers cannot go back on what they consider necessary guarantees without endangering the proposed \$200,000,000 loan to Germany.

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DUTIES RE-IMPOSED

Action by Old Newfoundland Government is Declared Illegal.

St. John's, Nfld., July 23.—On the ground that the removal, by the War Government three months ago, of duties on certain necessities for those engaged in the fishing industry of Newfoundland was illegal, the Finance Minister announced in the legislature last night that they would be reimposed. He said that financial conditions at present did not justify abrogation of the duties.

The principal commodities affected are flour, molasses, pork, beef, kerosene and gasoline. The Warren Government removed the duties after urgent representations by merchants and fishermen, making a total reduction of about \$600,000 in taxation.

Premier Veniot to Unveil Memorial

(Special to The Times-Star.)

Fredrick, July 23.—Premier Veniot is to be the chief orator at the unveiling of the memorial to the soldiers of the British Expeditionary Force, which will take place on Saturday at Shediac town. The Premier will leave Fredrick Thursday evening. Dr. J. C. Webster is in charge.

Crop Prospects. Harvey Mitchell, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, has returned after an official tour of the North Shore section of Restigouche and Gloucester Counties. North of Jacques River crops are excellent, but in the south lack of rain has affected them. Seed potato fields at Petit Bocher and vicinity are excellent, with good prospects for buyers. Mr. Mitchell inspected the Federal Experiment Station experiment at Shipigan.

BELGIUM HAS SOLUTION FOR ALLIED DEADLOCK

New Plan is Presented to Principal Delegates This Morning.

FRANCE HESITATES

Herriot is Reluctant to Grant Concessions to Germany—Bankers Firm.

By LLOYD ALLEN (United Press Staff Correspondent).

London, July 23.—An adroit compromise of Belgian origin substituted at a late night session for that proposed by American Ambassador Kellogg, may prove today to have ended the reparations conference deadlock over guarantees and to have made possible a plenary session.

Ambassador Kellogg took a prominent part in deliberations of the deadlock committee No. 1 last night, and for a time played the role of mediator. Eventually he withdrew his plan for conciliation in favor of that proposed by Premier Theunis, which was favored by the British and conceded to be equally effective.

The Belgian plan was presented to the allied premiers, finance ministers and international bankers this morning.

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SUPPORT HUSSEIN

Arab Notables in Conference Back His Claim For The Caliphate.

Jerusalem, July 23.—King Hussein of the Hedjaz has received new support for his claim to the caliphate at a conference of Arab notables held in Mecca.

The conference issued a proclamation to the Moslem world declaring that King Hussein, as the ruler of Hedjaz, is the most fit candidate for the caliphate because of the fact that Hedjaz is the only Moslem country which enjoys full independence and which properly observes all the laws of Allah and his prophets.

THREE CHILDREN DIE WHEN TENT BURNS

Flap Blows Against Lighted Oil Stove While Parents Are at Well.

Kalamazoo, Mich., July 23.—Fire which reduced the tent home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Sheldon of South Bend, Ind., to ashes in two minutes, wiped out the lives of three children on the shore of Lake Cora, early yesterday.

The dead are: Genevieve Sheldon, six, Donald Sheldon, three and Lorne Sheldon, one.

Early yesterday morning the parents arose and started preparing breakfast. An oil stove just outside the tent was lighted and left burning while the parents went to a well. It is believed the wind blew a corner of the tent canvas close enough to the stove to be ignited. Before the parents could get back the flames swept up the little tent and their three children were burned to death.

Governor and Lady Greeted at Winnipeg

Winnipeg, July 23.—An official welcome was tendered His Excellency Lord Byng and Lady Byng, Governor-General of Canada, and Her Excellency Lady Byng when they arrived here last evening en route to Vancouver. The viceregal party attended a dinner at the Government House and left for the coast this morning.

"There's That --- Static Again!"



Murder a Day For June is Chicago Record; Says Punishment Too Light

Chicago, July 23.—A murder a day for June and 177 since the first of the year is Chicago's record, according to a report by the Chicago Crime Commission, made public yesterday. April, with 33, had the largest number of homicides.

"The trend in murder is upward," the report stated. "No country with the exception of Italy, comes near to the U. S. in the murderous tendency of its people. This country has twice as many murders as Italy and Chicago has nearly three times as many per capita."

"Many murderers escape arrest. Only about half of those indicted are found guilty and only a small proportion of those found guilty suffer the proper punishment."

"Out of nine sentenced to be hanged, last year, only one was executed." The average sentence rate of eighty cities in the U. S. for the year 1923 remained at 15.2 per 100,000 of population, the 1922 figure, The Spectator, an insurance journal, declares. San Diego continued to have the highest proportion of suicides among the cities considered, the rate there being 50.5.

Socialists Endorse Senator B. M. Wheeler

New York, July 23.—The national executive committee of the Socialist party yesterday endorsed Senator Burton M. Wheeler of Montana for the Vice-Presidency. The Socialist convention at Cleveland had previously endorsed Senator LaFollette for the Presidency.

Socialist party leaders and the LaFollette group will meet again Saturday and Sunday to choose a New York State ticket.

KILLS HIS FATHER

Wisconsin Youth Admits Crime—Says Parent Swore Around Home.

Hudson, Wis., July 23.—Because his father "was always swearing around the house," 21-year-old Willard Krueger killed him with an iron bar and buried his body in an abandoned hog pen, says a formal confession which authorities said he made here yesterday.

INQUEST IS BEGUN

Responsibility for Fatal Train Collision Said to Rest on Passenger Crew.

Sudbury, Ont., July 23.—The inquest into the deaths of Conductor Dick and Section Foreman Noble, killed in Monday's head-on collision on the Algoma Eastern railway, was commenced at Little Current yesterday. Adjournment was taken until July 29.

Authentic information now tends to fix responsibility for the collision, which in many respects is unique in the history of railroading, upon the crew of the passenger train which overran its "meet" order. Up to the point of executing this order, all railroad rules had been complied with.

Of the crew at whom the finger of responsibility is pointed, the conductor was a skilled, the engineer is in a hospital in a serious condition, the fireman will be discharged from hospital tomorrow, while the brakeman and the baggage-man escaped with minor injuries.

Patriotic Outburst Follows Music Feast

Bayreuth, Bavaria, July 23.—The opening performance of the Wagnerian festival developed into a Nationalistic demonstration yesterday. During the finale of "Die Meistersinger" Hans Sachs' words exploiting the words of Nuremberg—"If the Holy German Empire should crumble to dust, our sacred German art would still remain"—aroused an outbreak of patriotism on the part of the entire audience which rose and vociferously joined in three stanzas of "Deutschland Uber Alles."

N. B. APPEAL IS ALLOWED BY PRIVY COUNCIL

Had to Do With Tax on a Large Quantity of Liquor.

WAS STORED HERE

After Three Adverse Decisions Atty. Gen. Carried Point to England.

A Canadian Press cable from London today says: "The appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Hetherington vs. the Security Export Company Limited, was allowed today by the judiciary committee of the Privy Council. The appeal is from a judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada. The decision of the Privy Council was sought with regard to the validity of the Liquor Exporters Taxation Act."

This is the case acted by the Government of New Brunswick, through the Attorney General, after three adverse decisions: the first by the judge who heard the case; the second by the Supreme Court of New Brunswick; and still later by the Supreme Court of Canada.

To Highest Court.

Attorney-General J. P. Byrne, in spite of considerable opposition to a further appeal to the Privy Council in England, felt so sure that the act which was passed by the Legislature of New Brunswick was intra vires that he had the case carried to the court of last resort. Dr. T. Carleton Allen, Deputy Attorney-General, went to the Legislature adjourned and retained Sir John Simon to argue the case for the Province before the court, with the result as above stated.

The Security Export Company, Ltd. was an upper province corporation which brought and stored many thousands of cases of liquor in the Province. Under the act passed by the Province it was held by the Provincial Attorney-General that this liquor was subject to the export tax of \$125 a gallon. The company refused to pay and the amount of money altogether involved is said to be nearly \$100,000.

The lawyers engaged in the case were the Honorable Attorney-General, J. P. Byrne, and F. R. Taylor, who appeared for the Security Export Company.

Weather Report

Synopsis—The depression which was over Ontario yesterday, has passed to the Lower St. Lawrence Valley. The weather is now showery in the Gulf and Maritime Provinces and fine in Ontario and western provinces.

Lower St. Lawrence and North Shore—Fresh to strong westerly winds; clearing. Thursday winds, fine and warm.

Clearing Tonight.

Maritime—Fresh to south southwest and fresh winds, clearing to night. Thursday fresh westerly winds, fine and warm.

Northern New England—Fair tonight; slightly cooler in east Maine. Thursday fair, moderate northwest winds.

Toronto, July 23.—Temperatures: Lowest Highest during 8 a.m. yesterday, night.

Table with 2 columns: City and Temperature. Rows include Victoria, Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, St. John, Halifax, and New York.