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May Garry Strike on Pacific Coast

To Take Vote On The Matter

In Calgary Only 15,000 Workers Reported Answering the Call—Bitterness at Meeting of City Council in Winnipeg

Vancouver, B. C., May 27.—The general strike in Winnipeg, spreading to Calgary, Edmonton, Regina and Saskatoon and several small districts, seems today about to sweep into British Columbia. Last night it was announced from Victoria that the trades council had decided to call for a strike vote in sympathy with Winnipeg strikers, the results to be in by Sunday night.

In Vancouver the strike movement has been intimidated by the labor leaders, who said, however, they view with apprehension what might occur should it be found necessary to call upon the militia to enforce its demands in the strike affected areas. Several unions here, it was said, have strike votes in preparation for a week, but no results has been made public. Acting President McCoinch, of the postal workers union, declared the Vancouver union did not propose to take any radical action without deliberation.

In Edmonton the general strike was but partially effective Monday. Sixteen hundred votes favored the strike, leaders announced, and five hundred opposed. In Calgary, May 27.—Only 15,000 workers were said to have answered the general strike call here yesterday, the men representing the postal workers, Dominion Express employees, four and cereal employees and the Canadian Pacific Railway employees at the Ogden shops and roundhouse. By a vote of 49 to forty-eight, the street railway men refused to "quit work."

Other unions which have signified their intention of remaining at work are the railway clerks, bakers, city mail employees, teamsters, outside city employees and barbers. As Calgary is the distributing center for the province in the matter of remittances for relatives of soldiers, it is said that thousands of checks will be held up by the strike of the postal employees. Eight thousand miners in District 13 struck on Saturday afternoon. The city's mine at Estherville was reported to be still operating, returned soldiers there being to strike.

Federated trades which have not made known their decision yesterday in the strike call include printers, printing pressmen, stereotypers, telephone operators, bricklayers and masons, carpenters, metal workers, compositors, telegraphers, broker house workers, freight handlers, moving picture operators, plumbers and steam fitters. Business and professional men and also workers in various trades opposed to the general strike took preliminary steps last night for the organization of a citizens committee similar to the Winnipeg committee. The committee plans to guard against any possible violence and to support municipal, provincial and federal authorities. Acting Postmaster Corley has issued a call for volunteer postal workers.

Winnipeg, May 27.—Extreme bitterness marked a city council meeting last night. The word "rebel" was used twice. Besides voting nine to five to organize the fire department along lines that will forbid firemen joining other unions in a sympathetic strike, the council also adopted a resolution to call the city employees on strike, commencing on Thursday, to have rancid filled by men who will not set their posts during sympathetic strikes.

Toronto, May 27.—Red revolution was located before the industrial relations mission at its closing yesterday afternoon. Prior to this, Alex. Rodie, postman's representative, had told the commissioners that they retrospective and the possibility to avert catastrophe and he advised that they recommend something "orth white or else might follow the recent unrest among the workers."

MAJOR T. E. RYDER'S POSITION IN MONTREAL

Major T. Escott Ryder, another of St. John's splendid artillerymen who distinguished himself and his batteries with silent service and executive thoroughness in the war, will not make his home in St. John after June 1. He has been appointed general manager of the Rudolph Machinery Company, a large concern of world repute, with Canadian headquarters at Montreal and important branches in Winnipeg, Toronto and elsewhere.

This news, while it will please the major's friends to know his business conditions have been improved, will be regretful to the wide circle of friends of both Mr. Ryder and his wife, formerly Miss Nan Barnaby. They have been prominent in social affairs here for many years and Mrs. Ryder has been active with the Daughters of the Empire activities. Previous to the war Mr. Ryder was manager of the Canadian Fairbanks-Morse interests, and was temporarily succeeded by Kenneth Forbes of Montreal. It is probable that Mr. Ryder's acceptance of the new position will cause Mr. Forbes to remain in the St. John branch, which is sincerely hoped as he has become a very popular manager with his staff and public at large.

NEW INSPECTORS

Harry Linton, a former member of the St. John police force, and Richard Meade, a returned soldier, were sworn in this morning by Magistrate Ritchie as liquor inspectors in the city, to assist Inspectors Saunders, Merryfield and Aley. This makes a force of five inspectors under the intoxicating liquor act.

As Hiram Sees It

Mr. Hiram Hornbeam attended the meeting in the board of trade rooms last evening to hear the discussion on vocational training. He was an unobtrusive figure in the quiet corner, but it was noticed that he nodded his head many times during the course of the speeches. This morning he said to the Times reporter: "Yes, sir, I was there, I'm glad I went. I wanted especially to hear Fred Massey. Him and me's old friends. I remember I went over to Port Eglise one time and he fed me up on lobsters 'n' ginger ale till I couldn't hardly see. They tell me he's got a case again Germany—a hell of a case. I hope he'll beat 'em out. But he come out of his shell last night 'n' told us some things we seemed to have overlooked some way. An' when Mr. Massey showed us that chart, it reminded me of a man out to the settlement that goes on croppin' the same ground year after year 'n' lettin' the finest part of his bull farm grow up in bushes. He don't get no crop to speak of 'n' he says the country's 'n' right straight to all-fired ruination—yes, sir, I wish I'd had a chance when I was a youngster to learn what I had to pick up myself. I kin mend harness, or half sole a boot, or do rough carpenter work around the house, or mend a wagon—an' I hed to do it, by Hen, or it wouldn't a been done. But I hed to learn it all by rule o' thumb. We ain't givin' the boys no fair chance, no, sir. An' I hed to do it in town than they hev out in the country. I hear you got some boys in jail now—nice places for a boy. If you look into it you'll find them boys didn't get no fair chance. I bet they left school when they knowed quarter 'n' a boy ort to know, that's your fault, Massey—an' my fault. We're too darned anxious to look out for ourselves. I got a neighbor out to the settlement. He's a boy that ort to be at one o' them technical schools. Hed to be worth 'n' let to this country when he growed up—but he's poor, an' as far as the school out there goes, he'll just about learn when Henry the eighth got a wife or them other scawling done something that cost him his head. Mebbe that all helps—but he's Heaven's sake let's give the youngsters a livin' chance, 'n' let 'em somewhere when they grow up."

NEWFOUNDLANDERS HERE ON WAY HOME

Had Seen Much of the War at Sea—One Was at Juland and Zebrugge

A party of twenty-seven British seamen hailing from Newfoundland passed through the city at noon today en route home after being landed at Bermuda. They were all members of the cruiser Devonshire and were as brown as berries after long and arduous service. One of the sailors, Fred Power, by name, told the Times that he was through most of the naval engagements of the war in the waters adjacent to the coast of Belgium. He was in a monitor most of the time.

SAUCY WHEN BEFORE COURT

Fitzmaurice Sent in to Cool—Busy Session for Police Magistrate

In the police court this morning John Fitzmaurice was charged with drunkenness. When asked by the magistrate where he got his liquor he replied, "You are paying men for that purpose." When asked again, he replied, "That is my business." He then refused to answer and the magistrate told him that the act allowed him to ask where a man got his whiskey, and it was his solemn duty to carry out the law. To this the accused replied, "You are a dandy accipring out the law, there is no mistake about that." The man was sent to jail until he cooled down.

CEBRIC BRINGS REST OF SECOND DIVISION

Late Leaving Ship—Some St. John Men

Halifax, N. S., May 27.—With the 28th Saskatchewan battalion, the 2nd Alberta battalion, the 1st, 2nd and 3rd battalions of field artillery, the 4th and 6th battalions of engineers, the 4th and 6th battalions of Winnipeg, the 2nd and 3rd sections of the second division ammunition column, the 2nd division signal and under command of Brigadier-General Alexander Ross, C. M. G., the C. E. B. of Regina, the White Star liner Cedric docked this morning and proceeded to disembark the troops. The M. D. party left the boat immediately, but the others were held until a little after one o'clock because of a temporary lack of rolling stock, caused by the heavy westward movement of last week. Brigadier-General Ross, discussing the work of the sixth infantry brigade, of which he assumed command in September last year, after a brilliant record with the twenty-eighth battalion, which he joined as a company commander in 1914, stated that the most forward position of the Canadian corps having reached a point five miles east of Mons, and it led the Canadian corps into Belgium. He will spend a day in Ottawa before proceeding west.

WELCOME HOME FOR LIEUTENANT WELSFORD

Amongst the soldiers who returned to the city yesterday was Lieut. Walter G. Welsford, who has had four years of service overseas. He joined the Canadian Corps Cyclist Battalion at Halifax in December, 1914, and sailed from Canada in June, 1915. After serving with the cyclists in France until December, 1916, Private Welsford was sent to England and granted a commission in the Canadian machine corps. Returning to France as lieutenant he did duty with the second division machine gunners until the division returned home. He is being welcomed by his many friends in the city.

Quarter Million In Glorious Chorus Of God Save The King

Hyde Park Throng Then Sing "Jolly Good Fellow" Splendid Manifestation

Empire Day Celebration Scene in London Wonderful—Fine Sight as King George Responds To Calls For Him

London, May 26.—(Reuter's).—The principal ceremony in connection with the observance of Empire Day, which was also the centenary of Queen Victoria's birth, was a memorial service in Westminster Abbey for the officers and men of the overseas naval and military forces who fell in the war, and of those giving for victorious conclusion of the war.

His Majesty, in the uniform of a field marshal, Queen Alexandra, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of Connaught and other royals were in the crowded congregation, which also included the first lord of the Admiralty, Sir George Prety, high commissioner for Canada, and other overseas representatives. Their majesties subsequently attended a concert in Hyde Park given by the imperial choir of 10,000 voices and the massed guards bands. There was a thanksgiving service in the evening at St. Paul's, to which the boys' brigades, girls' scouts and guards marched past the Duchess of Argyll, who was supported by prominent overseas generals at the head of the crowd, and when his majesty mounted to the conductor's stand and acknowledged their greetings, the multitude sang "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

SUIT FOLLOWS UPON COLLISION

Action Arising Out of Feneal Coach Being Struck by Train at Haymarket Square

The Eschequer Court of Canada with His Lordship Judge Audette presiding, opened in the city this morning in the equity court rooms, Pugsley Building. Charles Moore, K. C., is in attendance as registrar.

The case of Patrick McCann vs. His Majesty the King arose out of an accident in which the supplan's coach was struck by a train of box cars at the Haymarket crossing on April 15, 1917. Mr. McCann was returning after a funeral service. Mr. McCann brings this action to recover damages for personal injury and also loss of coach. There are two cases in which John Rolston and James Hunt who were passengers in the coach are suing His Majesty the King for damages for personal injury sustained by them as a result of the accident. The case of McCann vs. the King will be tried first, and the case of Hunt vs. the King will be tried after it. Fred H. Taylor, K. C., is appearing for the crown in all three cases.

LONG WAY TO FIGHT

At the office of the assistant director of supply and transport, during the last few days, transportations have been issued to a large number of men, some of them living in the most remote corners of the world. Among these was one to a man who came from British Guiana to enlist, another from Honolulu and another traveled 62 miles to Dawson City, Yukon, to answer the call of king and country. These men were given transportation to their homes.

DEATH OF CHILD

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Duncan of Charlottetown, Fairville, have the sympathy of friends in the death of their infant daughter, Margaret Ellen Ruby, which occurred yesterday.

N. C-4 AWAY FOR LISBON

Speeding Along Well At Last Report

Started This Morning—A Whirl Around Harbor at Ponta Del Gada and Then Good-Bye to Azores

Ponta Del Gada, May 27.—(By the Associated Press).—With Commander A. C. Beach confident that he would reach the coast of Portugal before darkness tonight, the seaplane N. C. 4 started for Lisbon at 10:15 o'clock this morning. The crew of the seaplane, which was the same as that which made the flight from Newfoundland to the Azores, boarded the plane an hour before sunrise, but it was not until several hours later that the giant machine taxied outside the breakwater, headed to windward and rose gracefully into the air. She circled the harbor and then headed for her destination amid cheers from sailors and soldiers who lined the decks of ships in the harbor and the crowds on the pier, together with the shrieks of whistles from all the steam craft within sight.

The weather was almost perfect, with the warm spring sun shining brightly on the waters of the bay. There were but few clouds in the sky and only a slight northwest wind was blowing, which was favorable for the flight. Weather experts predicted that the plane might encounter cloudy weather and possibly occasional rain squalls midway of the course, but this was not expected to interfere with her progress. Lieut. Commander Read intended to remain in Lisbon over night and start for Plymouth, England, tomorrow morning, weather permitting.

The course between here and Portugal is marked by fourteen destroyers stretched out along the route to guide the flyers and if necessary give them assistance. The getaway of the N. C. 4, which was set for an early hour, was delayed by trouble with the fourth engine of the plane. Washington, May 27.—The N. C. 4 passed station No. 4, approximately 200 miles out of Ponta Del Gada, 12:54 Greenwich time. The report from No. 4 showed that the big seaplane over the Azores was averaging more than seventy knots an hour.

Flying conditions from Ponta Del Gada, Lisbon are very good. Fair weather, southerly winds, moderate to fresh, at flying altitude prevail over the entire course, with the barometer rising slowly. Weather clear and nearly west. Favorable flying conditions should continue over Wednesday. Station No. 5, more than 250 miles east of Ponta Del Gada, reported the N. C. 4 had passed at 13:35, Greenwich time. Station No. 6 reported the plane passed at 14:05 Greenwich time. Station No. 6 is approximately 300 miles from Ponta Del Gada.

AUTO DRIVER IN MONTREAL FREED FROM BLAME AT INQUEST

Montreal, May 27.—A coroner's jury yesterday returned a verdict of accidental death in the case of Joseph Moranger, twenty-three years of age, who was killed on last Friday night after being struck by an automobile driven by E. Howard Smith, Jr., in the Cole St. Laurent road. The jury freed Mr. Smith from all blame. The evidence showed that the machine had struck a rigid that Mr. Smith, in trying to avoid hitting the pedestrian, had dived his machine. Moranger was struck and thrown into a ditch, suffering a fractured skull from which he died almost immediately.

FIND WOMAN DEAD

Montreal, May 27.—Following the finding of the dead body of a woman in a house at 444 Vitre street east last night, the detectives held six persons as witnesses. The body was found on the floor of a bedroom after the police had been notified by a man who entered the house and suspected something was wrong.

CHIGNECTO ARRIVES

The S. S. Chignecto arrived this morning from the West Indies. Captains E. C. A. Crawford of Iquoos, Ontario, and Holland of Halifax, who have been in Bermuda convalescing for the last few months, were on board. They intended to proceed to their homes today. Among others to arrive were Lieutenants W. H. Ahern, L. Brown and W. Anderson, wife and six children; also sixty-eight men of other ranks.

KILLS MAN AND HIS TWO SONS

Hazellhurst, Miss., May 27.—Ellison Robertson, owner of a plantation near here, yesterday shot and killed James Boutwell and the latter's two sons, tenants on his place. He surrendered, saying the shooting was done in self-defense.

ITALIANS LEAVE SOKIA

Paris, May 27.—(By the Associated Press).—The Italian troops who occupied Sokia, fifty miles southwest of Symna, Asia Minor, have re-embarked on their transports. They turned over the control to Turkish military authorities.

WAR HIND IN

The steamer War Hind in ballast, loaded last night on the west side, is docked grain and flour for the United Kingdom.

ONLY 47 FOR PROHIBITION

Quebec, May 27.—The city of Three Rivers yesterday voted on the repeal of the prohibition-by-law passed there in 1917. Yesterday's vote was in favor of the prohibition by a majority of 743. Only forty-seven votes were cast in favor of maintaining prohibition.